

## NFMC 2024 Mechanical Site Preparation Program

Nawiinginiima Forest Management Corporation (NFMC) is currently seeking proposals for the 2024 Mechanical Site Preparation (MSiP) program on the Pic Forest. The following table details the approximate combined area required, to be completed using Bracke (3 row, 2 row/3 row combination) or Disc trencher (power or passive).

Year	Forest	Net Area (ha)
2024	Pic Forest	1,320

Operating areas on the included index map are indicated with planned area (gross hectares). Several of these areas indicate the need for spring completion. NFMC makes no guarantee that all operating areas within the included index map will be subject to site preparation or change. The contractor will bid a price and be only compensated for areas treated (net hectares). The attached "Schedule A" will form part of the contractual agreement entered with the successful supplier(s). The proposals should include consideration of:

- An approximate start date, pending weather conditions, no later than May 15, 2024 and a project completion date no later than November 15, 2024
- Areas highlighted in Red on the attached Index map must be prioritized for spring completion
- Floating machinery/equipment to and from each operating area
- Providing operators with experience in Mechanical Site Preparation
- Silva Track GPS systems or similar GPS units for tracking area site prepared
- Slash piling or other forms of debris management may be required/requested
- Most work areas will be accessible by all-weather gravel roads
- Operational roads may not be graveled
- Some work areas may be subject to machinery walk-in down winter roads or challenging access
- The location of the site preparation areas has not been finalized and individual block maps and aerial photos (if available) will be provided in prior to project commencement

A proposal must include:

- A description of all equipment and services employed to fully deliver on program objectives
- A description of any local First Nations opportunities and benefits that may be provided in the delivery of services
- A description of the supplier's qualifications to provide services including reference to the individuals who will perform the work
- A description of the supplier's ability to meet the required time frames
- A description of the warranties provided with the services
- Cost including all applicable duties and taxes to provide services, broken down as follows:
  - Cost of the service (Canadian funds) on a price/ha for each operation below:
    - i. Passive or Power Disk Trencher Site Preparation
    - ii. Slash piling
  - Harmonized Sales Tax (HST), if applicable, as a separate item
  - **Your bid price will be considered final. Please submit the attached pricing form with your bid**

## NFMC Evaluation Matrix

Proposals received from service providers will be evaluated against the following criteria which have the weighted points indicated below:

- 5pts → Business Responsiveness: demonstrated ability to meet required timeframes
- 5pts → Proposal completeness; overall organization and clarity
- 5pts → Labour: health and Safety Program and information on staff training
- 5pts → Understanding of the services required, approach to and logistics for providing the services
- 5pts → Local Knowledge: demonstrated related knowledge and experience of the contractor
- 15pts → Local Benefit: Description of local and First Nations involvement and opportunities
- 60pts → Costs

The NFMC will evaluate proposals in two stages. Stage One will consist of the NFMC scoring each submission based on the non-cost(s) criteria described above. Stage Two will consist of the NFMC scoring the cost(s) quoted by each service provider based on a relative cost formula using the cost(s) submitted by the supplier in its submission. Each service provider will receive a percentage of the total possible points allocated to cost(s) by dividing that supplier's cost(s) for the non-consulting services with the lowest cost submitted. The scores from stages one and two will be added at the conclusion of the evaluation.

This request and any supplier proposals do not constitute a commitment by the NFMC to procure the services described herein, or the commitment of any service provider to supply the services described herein. The NFMC shall not be liable for any expenses incurred, including the expenses associated with the cost of preparing responses to this request by any supplier. The NFMC reserves the right to select one or more service providers for this engagement. The NFMC makes no guarantee of the value or volume of work to be assigned to the successful supplier(s).

Proposals must be e-mailed to [scott.seaman@nfmcforestry.ca](mailto:scott.seaman@nfmcforestry.ca) and are to be received no later than **February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 4:00 pm**. Late submissions will not be accepted. If you have any questions or would like more information on this program, please contact the NFMC representative at the information provided below.

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Thank you for your interest in this opportunity.

**2024 MECHANICAL SITE PREPARATION PROGRAM**

Pic and White River Forests

**PRICING FORM TO INCLUDE IN PORPOSAL**

*Please note: if your company has an alternative pricing strategy, please provide a bid using the pricing strategy which works best for the company.*

Contractor name: \_\_\_\_\_

	Pic Forest	White River Forest
Passive Disk Trencher	\$ _____.____ / ha	\$ _____.____ / ha
Power Disk Trencher	\$ _____.____ / ha	\$ _____.____ / ha

Authorized contractor signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_