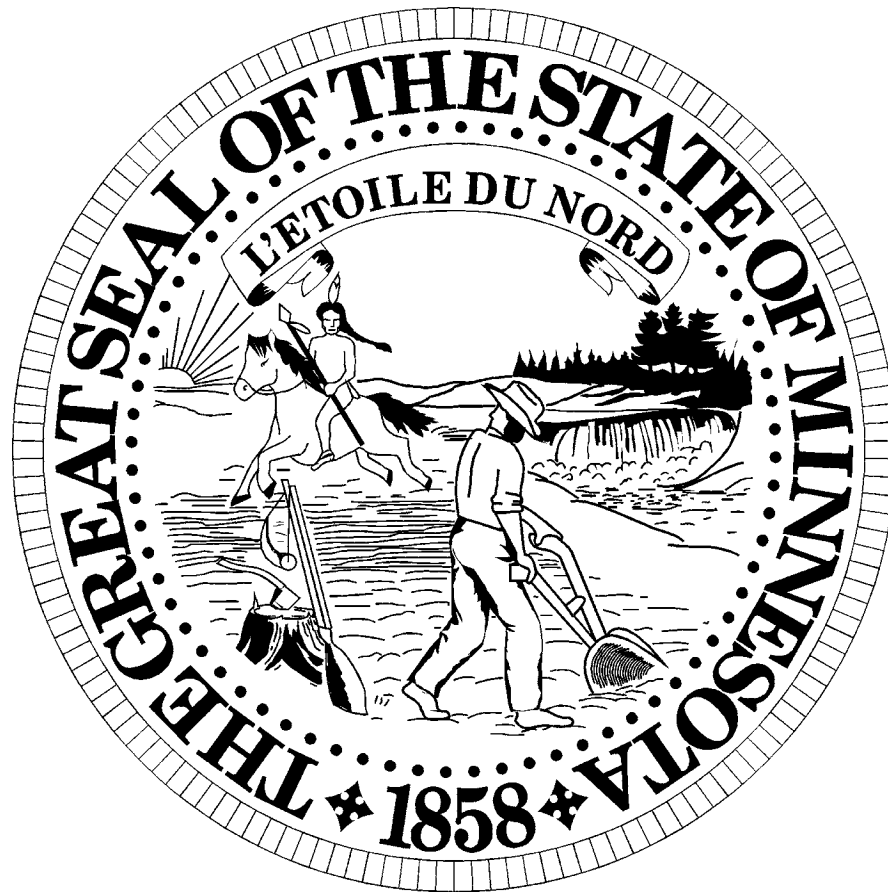


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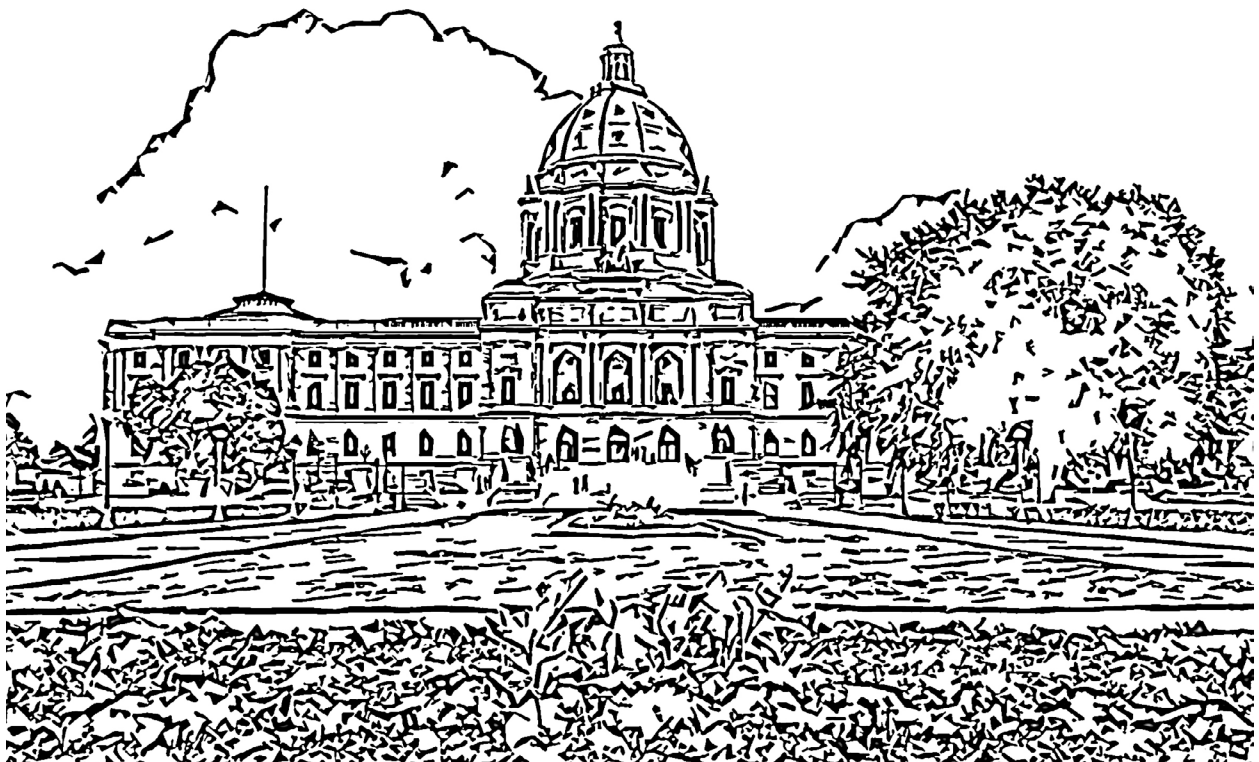
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An agency must first solicit Comments on Planned Rules or Comments on Planned Rule Amendments from the public on the subject matter of a possible rulemaking proposal under active consideration within the agency (Minnesota Statutes §§ 14.101). It does this by publishing a notice in the State Register at least 60 days before publication of a notice to adopt or a notice of hearing, or within 60 days of the effective date of any new statutory grant of required rulemaking.

When rules are first drafted, state agencies publish them as Proposed Rules, along with a notice of hearing, or a notice of intent to adopt rules without a hearing in the case of noncontroversial rules. This notice asks for comment on the rules as proposed. Proposed emergency rules, and withdrawn proposed rules, are also published in the State Register. After proposed rules have gone through the comment period, and have been rewritten into their final form, they again appear in the State Register as Adopted Rules. These final adopted rules are not printed in their entirety, but only the changes made since their publication as Proposed Rules. To see the full rule, as adopted and in effect, a person simply needs two issues of the State Register, the issue the rule appeared in as proposed, and later as adopted.

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The *State Register* also publishes other official notices of state agencies and non-state agencies, including notices of meetings and matters of public interest.

## Department of Commerce

### Insurance Division

#### Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment on Mandated Health Benefit Proposals

##### Request for Information

The Minnesota Department of Commerce is seeking public input on legislative proposals to require health insurers to add or increase coverage for certain conditions, diseases, or other health care needs. This Request for Information (RFI) is part of Commerce's evaluation of the potential fiscal, economic, and public health impacts of those **mandated health benefit proposals**. The evaluation, conducted in coordination with the Department of Health and the Department of Management and Budget, is required under Minnesota Statute §62J.26.

State law defines a mandated health benefit proposal as a proposal that would require health plan companies to (1) provide coverage or (2) increase the amount of coverage for treatment of certain conditions, diseases, or other health care needs. A mandated health benefit proposal also includes bills that (3) require coverage for care performed by a specific type of provider or (4) impose limitations on a contract between a provider and a health plan company.

The Department of Commerce invites responses from individuals, organizations, and other interested audiences. Responses to the RFI will inform evaluation reports submitted by the Department of Commerce to the Legislature. To review the RFI and submit comments, visit [mn.gov/commerce/insurance/industry/policy-data-reports/62j-reports/](https://mn.gov/commerce/insurance/industry/policy-data-reports/62j-reports/). The deadline for submitting comments for 2023 mandated benefits proposals is **November 20, 2023**.

Questions about the RFI can be submitted to [Ashley.Setala@state.mn.us](mailto:Ashley.Setala@state.mn.us).

## Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED)

### Notice of Public Hearing by the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development with Respect to a Proposed Project and the Provision of Funds from the Minnesota Job Creation Fund Program under Minnesota Statutes 116J.8748

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development ("DEED") will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, November 01, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as reasonably possible at 180 East Fifth Street, 12th Floor, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101 on a proposal to provide funding through the Minnesota Job Creation Fund Program ("JCF") pursuant to authority granted under Minnesota Statutes 116J.8748 and Minnesota Rules Chapter 4301. This hearing is conducted in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 116J.994, Subd. 5.

##### Description of Project and Proposed JCF Funding:

L&M Supply, Inc. (452300) is looking to expand in Grand Rapids (Itasca County), Minnesota. L&M Supply, Inc is a privately held retail company with 12 stores located across Northern Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan. The company is in the Farm/Home category of retail with 14 departments across their stores from Plumbing to Farm and Sporting Goods to Housewares. This project will allow L&M Supply, Inc to retain and grow their business in Grand Rapids. The total project cost is \$55,652,250 with \$37,900,200 being eligible for the capital investment rebate for site improvement and new construction, which would be rebated up to 7.5%. The project also includes \$650,050 in property acquisition,

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\$14,952,000 for purchase of machinery and equipment and \$2,150,000 in other. The company expects to create 31 jobs within three (3) years at an average cash wage of \$21.42 per hour. All jobs will qualify for a job creation award. The company has requested a Minnesota Investment Fund loan in the amount of \$2,000,000 which \$1,000,000 may be forgivable and \$1,000,000 repayable if the job creation and wage goals are met. Other assistance through local partners is being considered. The project may be eligible for a job creation award of up to \$290,000 and a capital investment rebate of up to \$500,000 depending on final project specifications.

All interested persons may appear and be heard at the time and place set forth above. Persons interested in participating via teleconference should contact Tom Washa, Minnesota Job Creation Fund Program Manager at (651) 259-7483 or [Tom.Washa@state.mn.us](mailto:Tom.Washa@state.mn.us) prior to the date of the hearing for instructions on how to participate in the call.

Interested persons may mail written comments to Tom Washa at 1st National Bank Building, 332 Minnesota Street, Suite E200 St. Paul MN 55101 or e-mail [Tom.Washa@state.mn.us](mailto:Tom.Washa@state.mn.us) prior to the date of the hearing set forth above. All persons who appear at the meeting or participate via teleconference will be given an opportunity to express their views with respect to the proposal to award funds from the Minnesota Job Creation Fund.

## Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) Community Health Division, Center for Public Health Practice Request for Comments on the First Draft of the 2023 Statewide Health Assessment

The Minnesota Department of Health requests comments and feedback on the first draft of the 2023 statewide health assessment from 10/2/2023 to 10/23/2023. The statewide health assessment is published every five years and is required for state health departments that pursue Public Health Accreditation Board accreditation.

Interested individuals or groups may submit written or oral comments. Written comments may be provided online by noon on Monday 10/23/2023. Oral comments may be provided during one of the following one-hour virtual listening sessions: 10/16/2023 at 6pm, 10/16/2023 at 11:30am, or 10/18/2023 at 3:00pm.

**Where to get more information:** Detailed information about the public comment period and a copy of the draft health assessment is available at: <https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/practice/healthymnpartnership/sha.html>

The statewide health assessment was developed in collaboration between the Healthy Minnesota Partnership and Minnesota Department of Health. Data and information were gathered from across Minnesota organizations and government agencies to explain how conditions (social determinants, systems, and structures) impact the health of all people in Minnesota.

Public comments will be reviewed and used to ensure that the assessment more accurately represents the current picture of health and wellbeing across the state. The final statewide health assessment will be used to develop the subsequent statewide health improvement framework in 2024 and will inform other health improvement efforts.

If you have questions about the statewide health assessment or public comment period, contact: [health.healthymnpartnership@state.mn.us](mailto:health.healthymnpartnership@state.mn.us)

## Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Watershed Division Notice of Availability of the Draft Redwood River Eutrophication Total Maximum Daily Load Report and Request for Comment

The MPCA produced this report to set pollution reduction goals and strategies for the watershed, and is requesting written comments during the public comment period:

- Public comment period begins: October 16, 2023

- Public comment period ends: November 15, 2023
1. Comments may be submitted to the MPCA by the two methods below:
  2. Online at [www.pca.state.mn.us/publiccomments](http://www.pca.state.mn.us/publiccomments)

U.S. Mail to the following address:  
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency  
c/o Michael Weckwerth  
504 Fairgrounds Rd, Ste 200  
Marshall, MN 56258

The draft report is available for review on the *MPCA's Public Notice Page*.

## Teachers Retirement Association

### Audit Committee

#### Notice of Meeting

The Minnesota Teachers Retirement Association Audit Committee will hold a meeting on **Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.** in Room 117, 60 Empire Drive, St. Paul, MN to consider matters which may properly come before the committee. Committee members may participate in the meeting by electronic means.

The public may monitor the meeting electronically from a remote site as set out on the Teachers Retirement Association's website, which can be found at [www.minnesotatra.org](http://www.minnesotatra.org).

## Teachers Retirement Association

### Board of Trustees

#### Notice of Meeting

The Minnesota Teachers Retirement Association Board of Trustees will hold a meeting on **Wednesday, November 8, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.** in Room 117, 60 Empire Drive, St. Paul, MN to consider matters which may properly come before the Board. Board members may participate in the meeting by electronic means.

The public may monitor the meeting electronically from a remote site as set out on the Teachers Retirement Association's website, which can be found at [www.minnesotatra.org](http://www.minnesotatra.org).

## Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT)

### Notice of Draft MnSHIP Public Comment Period and Public Hearings

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the public is invited to review and provide comments through November 8, 2023 on the draft Minnesota State Highway Investment Plan. The Minnesota State Highway Investment Plan directs capital investment for Minnesota's 12,000-mile state highway system over the next 20 years. MnSHIP links policies and objectives in the Minnesota GO 50-Year Vision and the Statewide Multimodal Transportation Plan (SMTP) with capital investments on the state highway system for the next 20-years. It is a fiscally constrained plan that identifies investment priorities given current and expected funding of \$37 billion between 2023 and 2042.

This plan is the result of collaboration during the last two and a half years between the Minnesota Department of Transportation and the public, stakeholders and partners. This will be the final opportunity for the public to provide input on this plan.

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The Minnesota State Highway Investment Plan can be accessed electronically and available for download at <http://www.minnesotago.org>. The plan is also available for review in hard copy at the MnDOT Library at 395 John Ireland Blvd, Saint Paul, MN 55155 and at the *eight MnDOT district headquarters* around the state.

Five public hearings will be held between the dates of October 5 and October 18 at the specific dates, times, and locations included below. Links to transit service providers are also located below each public hearing location. Information about the public comment period and public hearings is available at <http://www.minnesotago.org>.

- Baxter – 7694 Industrial Park Road, Baxter, MN 56425  
**October 5 at 11 a.m.**  
– Brainerd & Crow Wing Public Transit: <http://www.ci.brainerd.mn.us/195/Transit>
- Carlton – 1630 County Rd 61, Carlton, MN 55718  
**October 11 at 11:30 a.m.**  
– Arrowhead Transit: <https://arrowheadtransit.com/>
- Rochester – 2900 48th St. NW, Rochester, MN 55901  
**October 13 at 11 a.m.**  
– Rochester Public Transit: <https://www.rochestermn.gov/government/departments/public-transportation>
- Willmar – 2505 Transportation Road, Willmar, MN 56201  
**October 13 at 11 a.m.**  
– Central Community Transit: <https://www.cctbus.org/>
- St. Paul – Metropolitan Council 390 Robert Street N, St. Paul, MN 55101  
**October 18 at 2:30 p.m.**  
– Metro Transit: <http://www.metrotransit.org/>

To request an ASL or foreign language interpreter or other reasonable accommodation, email your request to [adarequest.dot@state.mn.us](mailto:adarequest.dot@state.mn.us). Please request at least one week in advance of public hearing date.

Written comments will be accepted through November 8th and can be submitted online at <http://www.minnesotago.org> emailed to [stateplans.dot@state.mn.us](mailto:stateplans.dot@state.mn.us), or addressed to:

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# State Grants & Loans

In addition to requests by state agencies for technical/professional services (published in the State Contracts Section), the *State Register* also publishes notices about grants and loans available through any agency or branch of state government. Although some grant and loan programs specifically require printing in a statewide publication such as the State Register, there is no requirement for publication in the *State Register* itself. Agencies are encouraged to publish grant and loan notices, and to provide financial estimates as well as sufficient time for interested parties to respond.

SEE ALSO: Office of Grants Management (OGM) at: <https://mn.gov/admin/citizen/grants/>

## Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) Notice of Grant Opportunity

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) places notice of any available grant opportunities online at <https://mn.gov/deed/about/contracts/open-rfp.jsp>

## Department of Human Services Contracts and Legal Compliance Division Notice of Changes to Grant Request for Proposal noticing in the State Register for the Department of Human Services

The Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) will no longer publish individual grant RFP notices to the State Register effective March 27, 2023. The RFPs and RFIs can be viewed by visiting the Minnesota Department of Human Services Grants, Requests for Proposals (RFP) and Requests for Information (RFI) website: <https://mn.gov/dhs/partners-and-providers/grants-rfps/open-rfps/>.

The RFPs and RFIs do not obligate the State to complete the work contemplated in the respective notices. The State reserves the right to cancel solicitations. All expenses incurred in responding to the RFPs and RFIs are solely the responsibility of the responder.

## Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry Construction Codes and Licensing Division Notice of Request for Proposals for the Building Official Training Municipal Grant Program

The Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry announces the availability of \$520,000 in grant funding for the implementation and coordination of the Building Official Training Municipal Grant Program in the State of Minnesota. The performance period for eight (8) grants will be from the date the contract is executed to December 31, 2024.

### I. Background

The Building Official Training Municipal Grant Program (hereafter referred to as the **BOT Grant** or **BOT**) from the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry (DLI) was created to provide support through partial funding and training guidance to qualifying municipalities who wish to establish training programs that will educate and train individuals on their path to becoming building officials. This will be achieved through the implementation and coordination of partnerships between the State of Minnesota and those qualifying municipalities.

Funding for the BOT Grant program is provided by the Construction Codes and Licensing Division (CCLD) permit surcharge surplus as allowed in MN. Statute 326B.148 subdivision 1.

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## II. Objective of the RFP

The BOT Grant Program will, through funding and training guidance, assist qualified municipalities to establish inclusive training programs that will provide on-the-job training and education under the direct supervision of a Minnesota Certified Building Official. The municipality's trainee will achieve 20 points for experience in building plan review and building inspections per MN. Rule 1301.0300 section C (1) by serving as a construction code inspector as specified in MN. Statute 326B.135 and detailed in Mn. Rule 1301.1400. The grant program goal for the trainee is to gain a Building Official-Limited (BO-L) certification.

## III. Eligibility

Proposals will be accepted from qualifying municipalities and funding will be allocated through a competitive grant process. The deadline to submit a grant proposal to the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry is 4 p.m. October 25, 2023. The grant review committee will review and score grant applications and proposals

## IV. Application Process

For information about this grant, eligibility, documents, proposal requirements and deadlines email your requests to: [bot.dli@state.mn.us](mailto:bot.dli@state.mn.us) also the documents are available at [www.dli.mn.gov/bot](http://www.dli.mn.gov/bot).

## Minnesota Department of Public Safety Office of Justice Programs Request for Proposals: 2024 Transitional Housing Program

The purpose of this request for proposals is to fund community-based nonprofits and/or tribal government programs that wish to start up a transitional housing program (THP) or increase the number of supported households in their currently operating transitional housing program. The funding supports transitional housing for survivors of domestic violence and/or sexual assault experiencing housing instability. Grant funds may not be used to provide temporary or extended stay emergency shelter.

This grant program is designed to increase transitional housing options in Minnesota for survivors of sexual and domestic violence. Funding may be used to support various models including site-based, scattered-site, healing-focused housing, etc. Organizations serving Black, Indigenous, and peoples of color (BIPOC), cultural communities and traditionally underserved populations are strongly encouraged to apply.

For purposes of this grant, housing instability includes the following:

- Any individual, unaccompanied youth or family that is:
  - Without a permanent place to live that is fit for human habitation;
  - Fleeing or attempting to flee a domestic violence and/or sexual assault; or
  - Doubled up or couch hopping.

Up to \$712,500 is available for application for a 23-month grant period. Final award amounts may be lower than requested. It is anticipated OJP will award up to 4 applicants, with awards amounts ranging between \$200,000 - \$400,000 for the 23-month grant period. At this time this is a cost reimbursement only grant, however an advance may become available depending upon internal DPS approval processes. It is anticipated renewal applications will be available for the subsequent grant period starting January 1, 2026.

This is a 23-month grant period, from February 1, 2024, through December 31, 2025. Community-based non-profit agencies and tribal governments are eligible to apply. Nonprofit applicants must be registered with the Minnesota Secretary of State.

**To apply:** All applications must be submitted via *e-grants*, the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) online grants management system.

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**Applications Due Date:** Tuesday, November 28, 2023, at 4:00 pm

See full *Request for Proposals* for more information.

Please submit any questions regarding this RFP by email to [danielle.lindner@state.mn.us](mailto:danielle.lindner@state.mn.us).

## Minnesota Department of Transportation Office of Civil Rights Request for Proposal: SFY 2024 Certified Small Business Micro Grant Program

MnDOT requests responses from Minnesota-based Certified Small Businesses to financially assist them with their eligible expenses that increases their business capacity and/or industry knowledge to assist in their pursuit of MnDOT projects/contracts.

Responses must be received no later than 02:00 p.m. Central Standard Time on April 30, 2024 or until funding is exhausted. Late responses will not be considered.

To view the RFP go to: [mndot.gov/civilrights/requests-for-proposals.html](https://mndot.gov/civilrights/requests-for-proposals.html).

For more information, visit: [mndot.gov/civilrights/micro-grant.html](https://mndot.gov/civilrights/micro-grant.html).

## State Contracts

**Informal Solicitations:** Informal solicitations for professional/technical (consultant) contracts valued at over \$5,000 through \$50,000, may either be published in the *State Register* or posted on the Department of Administration, Office of State Procurement (OSP) Website. Interested vendors are encouraged to monitor the P/T Contract Section of the OSP Website at <https://mn.gov/admin/osp> for informal solicitation announcements.

**Formal Solicitations:** Department of Administration procedures require that formal solicitations (announcements for contracts with an estimated value over \$50,000) for professional/technical contracts must be published in the *State Register*. Certain quasi-state agency and Minnesota State College and University institutions are exempt from these requirements.

**Requirements:** There are no statutes or rules requiring contracts to be advertised for any specific length of time, but the Office of State Procurement strongly recommends meeting the following requirements: \$0 - \$5000 does not need to be advertised; \$5,000 - \$25,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a period of at least seven calendar days; \$25,000 - \$50,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a period of at least 14 calendar days; and anything above \$50,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a minimum of at least 21 calendar days.

Contact the Office of State Procurement at: (651) 296-2600

## Department of Administration Real Estate and Construction Services Notice of Availability of Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Construction Manager at Risk for New Giants Ridge Recreation Center

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State of Minnesota Department of Administration, represented by Real Estate and Construction Services Division (RECS), is seeking Construction Manager at Risk services to provide services for a new Giants Ridge Recreation Center to be located at the Giant Ridge Recreation Area in Biwabik, MN.

A full Request for Qualifications is available on the Department of Administration's website at

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<https://mn.gov/admin/osp/vendors/solicitations-and-contract-opportunities/> click “Virtual Plan Room – Construction Contracts”. Project Name “RECS RFQ CMR New Giants Ridge Recreation Center”, QUESTCDN Project Number: 8757765, RECS Project Number: 43GR0009. To be considered for selection and a contract, responses must be submitted by the date and time indicated in the RFQ.

A Mandatory Pre-Qualifications Submittal/Proposal Meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, November 2, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. CDT. Firms must Pre-Register for the Mandatory Pre-Qualifications Submittal/Proposal Meeting by 12:00 p.m. CDT, Monday, October 30, 2023. Project questions will be taken by Talia Landucci Owen at [talia.landucci-owen@state.mn.us](mailto:talia.landucci-owen@state.mn.us). Questions regarding this RFQ must be received by Friday, November 3, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. CDT.

Responses must be received by the Real Estate and Construction Services, Department of Administration, Talia Landucci Owen, no later than **Monday, November 13, 2023 by 12:00 noon CDT**. Late responses will not be accepted.

The Department of Administration, Real Estate and Construction Services Division is not obligated to complete the proposed project and reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

## Department of Agriculture Request for Proposals for Minnesota State Aquaculture Plan Development

**PROJECT NAME:** Minnesota State Aquaculture Plan Development

**DETAILS:** The Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) requests proposals for contract services to coordinate and develop a state aquaculture plan.

Minnesota has active bait fish and stocker fish sectors due to the state’s large number of lakes and strong promotion of sport fishing. Interest in fish for food and aquaponics has increased the value of developing a State Aquaculture Plan that provides background and details of each viable sector of aquaculture in the state and addresses the opportunities and challenges to promote production and market growth in each. MDA intends to retain the services of a contractor that will be responsible for facilitating the coordination and development of a State Aquaculture Plan based on the recommendations of an existing State Aquaculture Plan Steering Committee. Work is anticipated to start after December 1, 2023.

Prospective responders may submit written questions about this opportunity to [jim.ostlie@state.mn.us](mailto:jim.ostlie@state.mn.us) until October 30, 2023. All questions and answers will be emailed to all responders that have shown interest. Other department personnel are not allowed to discuss this RFP with prospective responders.

**COPY REQUEST:** To get a copy of the Request for Proposal, please contact:

Jim Ostlie  
Minnesota Department of Agriculture  
[Jim.ostlie@state.mn.us](mailto:Jim.ostlie@state.mn.us)  
320-444-1113

**PROPOSAL DEADLINE:** Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this advertisement must be received via online portal by **4:00 p.m. Central Time on November 13, 2023**, or must be postmarked by that date.

This request does not obligate the State to complete the work contemplated in this notice. The State reserves the right to cancel this solicitation. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the respondent.

## Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State) Notice of Bid and Contracting Opportunities

Minnesota State is now placing additional public notices for contract opportunities, goods/commodities and related services on its Vendor and Supplier Opportunities website (<https://www.minnstate.edu/vendors/index.html>). New public notices may be added to the website on a daily basis and be available for the time period as indicated within the public notice.

If you have any questions regarding this notice or are having problems viewing the information on the Vendor and Supplier Opportunities website, please email the Minnesota State Procurement Unit at [Sourcing@MinnState.edu](mailto:Sourcing@MinnState.edu).

## Department of Employment and Economic Development Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for Target Industry Validation and Definition of Value Proposition and Action Plan

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development is requesting proposals for the purpose of seeking qualified professional and technical services to research and develop recommendations to validate Minnesota's top five (5) target industries that represent the greatest potential for attracting investment to the State, and for each validated target industry: define the State's value proposition, build a business case, devise an action plan to attract capital investment, and develop promotional materials to approach and engage with potential investors. The Request for Proposal (RFP) is available at: <https://mn.gov/deed/about/contracts/>

All requirements and information, as well as proposal delivery instructions are contained in the RFP. Inquiries regarding the RFP may be directed by email to Catalina Valencia, Executive Director, Business Development, at [catalina.valencia@state.mn.us](mailto:catalina.valencia@state.mn.us). Deadline for inquiries is 4:30 PM, Central Time, Monday, November 6, 2023. Other department personnel are NOT allowed to discuss the Request for Proposal with anyone, including responders, before the proposal submission deadline.

**PROPOSAL DEADLINE:** Proposals in response to the RFP in this advertisement must be emailed to: Catalina Valencia, Executive Director of Business Development, Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development at [catalina.valencia@state.mn.us](mailto:catalina.valencia@state.mn.us). Proposals must be received not later than **4:30 PM, Central Time, Monday, November 6, 2023. Late proposals will not be considered.** Fax/mailed proposals will not be considered.

The Department of Employment and Economic Development reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any irregularities or informalities, and to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be its own best interest. This RFP does not obligate DEED to award a contract. All costs incurred in responding to this solicitation will be borne by the responder.

## Minnesota Office of the Legislative Auditor Request for Proposals from Qualified Contractors to Provide a Financial Audit

The Minnesota Office of the Legislative Auditor (OLA) is requesting proposals from qualified firms to provide an audit of OLA's financial statements. The audit will include the financial statements as of and for the years ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023, which includes the Government-wide Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities, General Fund Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance, and Notes to the Financial Statements. The audit is to be performed by an independent certified public accounting firm in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Responses must be in writing and received by OLA via e-mail or mail no later than 4:30 p.m. Central Standard Time, Monday, November 13, 2023. Late proposals will not be considered.

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The complete terms and instructions for the Request for Proposals, together with the required forms, will be available through the deadline for responses at OLA's website: <https://www.auditor.leg.state.mn.us/rfp-audit-ola.htm>.

Questions about, and responses to, this Request for Proposals must be submitted in writing by mail or e-mail to:

Lori Leysen, Deputy Legislative Auditor  
Office of the Legislative Auditor  
658 Cedar Street, Room 140  
Saint Paul, MN 55155  
[Lori.Leyesen@state.mn.us](mailto:Lori.Leyesen@state.mn.us)

This request does not obligate OLA to complete the work contemplated in this notice. OLA reserves the right to cancel this solicitation. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

## Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) Engineering Services Division Notices Regarding Professional/Technical (P/T) Contracting

**P/T Contracting Opportunities:** MnDOT is now placing additional public notices for P/T contract opportunities on the MnDOT's Consultant Services website. New public notices may be added to the website on a daily basis and be available for the time period as indicated within the public notice.

**Taxpayers' Transportation Accountability Act (TTAA) Notices:** MnDOT is posting notices as required by the TTAA on the MnDOT Consultant Services website.

**MnDOT's Prequalification Program:** MnDOT maintains a Pre-Qualification Program in order to streamline the process of contracting for highway related P/T services. Program information, application requirements, application forms and contact information can be found on MnDOT's Consultant Services website. Applications may be submitted at any time for this Program.

**MnDOT Consultant Services website:** [www.dot.state.mn.us/consult](http://www.dot.state.mn.us/consult)

If you have any questions regarding this notice, or are having problems viewing the information on the Consultant Services website, please call the Consultant Services Help Line at 651-366-4611, Monday – Friday, 9:00am – 4:00pm.

