



Marine Plan Partnership (MaPP) Initiative

Contract Announcement:

CONSULTANT FOR END OF PROJECT ASSESSMENT: CULTURAL AND HERITAGE PILOT PROJECT IN THE NORTH VANCOUVER ISLAND MARINE PLAN AREA

The MaPP initiative seeks to contract a consultant to identify and evaluate the outcomes of the Archaeological, Heritage and Cultural Area Management Pilot Project (the “Pilot Project”) in the North Vancouver Island marine plan area and propose recommendations, next steps and timelines for identified issues.

Overview

The Marine Plan Partnership for the North Pacific Coast (MaPP) is a partnership between the Province of British Columbia, the Coastal First Nations-Great Bear Initiative, the Gitxaala Nation, the Kitselas Nation, the Kitsumkalum Nation, the Metlakatla Nation, the Haisla Nation, the Central Coast Indigenous Resource Alliance, the Council of Haida Nation and the Nanwakolas Council (the MaPP Partners). The partnership developed four sub-regional marine plans and a Regional Action Framework, and is now in the process of implementing these marine plans, completed in 2015.

The sub-regional plans include a marine plan for the North Vancouver Island sub-region developed by the Province of British Columbia and the Nanwakolas Council. Implementation of the North Vancouver Island sub-regional plan is being led by the North Vancouver Island Plan Technical Team, comprised of representatives from each of the Nanwakolas Council and the Province of British Columbia, and supported by a contracted projects coordinator.

MakeWay is supporting the MaPP Partners by, among other activities, holding and disbursing funds. MakeWay has set up a project called the Marine Plan Partnership for the North Pacific Coast Implementation Support Project to carry out activities identified by the MaPP Partners to support the initiative.

In September 2019, the North Vancouver Island sub-region initiated the Pilot Project as a 12-month, test project to advance collaborative management of marine and shoreline archaeological, heritage and cultural site areas between Nanwakolas member First Nations and the Province of BC. The goals of the Pilot Project were to:

1. Test and demonstrate management and stewardship capability of participating Nations,
2. Increase local level of archaeological, heritage and cultural resource protection, and
3. Improve public knowledge and education on archaeological, heritage and cultural resource protection.



Work was undertaken according to a workplan and focussed on four Pilot Project components:

1. Compliance and Enforcement – Guardians and Provincial Agencies;
2. Site Inventories, Documentation and Data Management;
3. Site Management, Protection and Remediation; and
4. Awareness, Education and Communication.

Contract Summary

Scope of Work

Proposals are requested from qualified individuals or companies to undertake an end-of-pilot assessment of experiences, results, lessons learned and recommendations for potential use for next steps, potentially including a second phase or a more formal approach.

The project assessment will evaluate the outcomes of the four components of the Pilot Project based upon documentation provided, and will be supplemented with up to 10 one-hour interviews with Pilot Project Committee members and participating provincial government and First Nations representatives. The proponent must demonstrate previous experience conducting similar end-of-project assessments of multi-party collaborative projects.

Deliverables:

1. Work plan based on agreed budget
2. Draft report and presentation to the NVI MaPP Partners that include:
 - i. Brief background to the Pilot Project, including NVI Marine Plan recommendations of relevance
 - ii. Description of key partners and roles
 - iii. Description of methodology of the evaluation
 - iv. Interview questions
 - v. Summary of findings/observations focussing on progress made, successes and lessons learned for each of the four Pilot Project components: Compliance and Enforcement – Guardians and Provincial Agencies; Site Inventories, Documentation and Data Management; Site Management, Protection and Remediation; and Awareness, Education and Communications.
 - vi. Identification of collaborative governance forums for discussion of challenges/issues and related timelines
 - vii. Proposed options and recommended next steps for pursuing Pilot Project goals as well as pursuing individual components to continue to advance the area-based, collaborative protection and management of archaeological and cultural sites
 - viii. Appendix that contains documentation of the evaluation process and names of those providing input
 - ix. Appendix identifying potential funding sources for continued work



3. Final report (based on above content and feedback from Partners) with recommendations and actions.

The Contractor should be available for weekly/monthly check in call on progress.

Contract Timeline and Milestones – (subject to change) Pilot project ends December 15, 2020

- **Week of September 7, 2020** – Issuance of Contract
- **Week of September 14, 2020** – Kick off meeting
- **Week of October 31, 2020** – Draft final report due
- **By December 15, 2020** – Final report due
- **Ongoing** – weekly check-in with contract manager to review status and progress against deliverable

Contract Remuneration:

- Up to a contract maximum of \$10,000 plus GST

MaPP input:

MaPP will provide the consultant with:

- Pilot Project reports, documents and meeting summaries
- NVI Marine Plan and Overview
- Relevant Nanwakolas/BC Government strategic agreements
- Interviewee contact list and introductions for up to 10 one-hour interviews with all pilot participants and some Guardians

Qualifications, Experience and Skills:

- Consultant or consulting team with demonstrated expertise in documenting outcomes and lessons learned during project evaluation process and making recommendations that inform future activities
- Familiarity with the literature on co-managed cultural sites
- Familiarity with the issue of cultural site and area significance
- Experience working with First Nations
- Experience working with multiple orders of government.

Contracting Timeline (subject to change)

September 7, 2020 to December 15, 2020

To Apply

Please submit a 2-4 page project proposal that outlines how you meet the qualifications and includes an overview of the project steps and costs, along with a resume or Curriculum Vitae of each person working on the project that demonstrates the qualifications noted above, no later than 5pm on September 1, 2020 or until suitable applicant is found to:



**END OF PROJECT REVIEW: CULTURAL AND HERITAGE PILOT PROJECT IN THE NORTH VANCOUVER
ISLAND MARINE PLAN AREA**

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