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Request for Quotes (RFQ) - Make Ready and Pole Application

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Respondent will provide broadband consulting to Northwest Fiberworx in the oversight of make ready and pole applications with telephone and power utility companies, as follows:

- 1. Coordinate make ready applications with associated design firm and Northwest Fiberworx construction schedule.
- 2. Identify and group poles for application in Shape file.
- 3. Sequence poles by ride out routes per pole owner standards.
- 4. Load make ready requests in NJUNS (GMP) by sequence.
- 5. Prepare pole application forms per pole owner standards (VEC, VPPSA)
- 6. Monitor, track, and report to team make ready application status.
- 7. Coordinate design/build partner on application status.
- 8. Coordinate design/build partner on licensing status.
- 9. Coordinate all aspects of make ready, licensing and construction with partners and pole owners.
- 10. Coordinate with utilities for joint ride out dates and times.
- 11. Perform joint ride outs with utility companies.
- 12. Collaborate and document with utility on ride out results.
- 13. Coordinate with pole owner's planned construction involving licensing request.
- 14. Review of make ready costs.
- 15. Coordinate applications with transport providers (VELCO, First Light, others)
- 16. Research/Coordinate opportunities for:
 - i. Leasing existing fiber that is along design routes.
 - ii. Leasing (trading) a tube or tubes with other fiber providers
 - iii. Geographic and vendor diverse redundancy

Project Scope: Phase 1 - 300 Miles

Timeline: Immediate Need

RFQ Deadline: February 17, 2023 @ 5pm Est

Please provide the following:

- Brief organizational background
- Estimated cost for the project scope. A breakout by task/hour is acceptable, however an all-in cost/mile is preferred.
- Availability