



Request for Bid Hazardous Tree Removal – Rainbow Beach Resort

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Release Date: August 25, 2025

Site Tour: September 3, 2025 at 1:00 pm PST

Submission Deadline: September 19, 2025 at 4:00 pm PST

Expected Award Date: October 1, 2025



I. Summary and Background

Colville Fuels LLC ("Colville Fuels" or "Company") is a tribally incorporated limited liability company wholly owned by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation ("Tribes"). Colville Fuels is comprised of nine (9) stores that are located on Tribal Trust land throughout Eastern Washington State. The nine entities are as follows:

1. Half-Sun Travel Plaza (Truck Stop), Moses Lake, WA
2. Deep Water (Convenience Store), Manson, WA
3. Tribal Trails (Convenience Store), Omak, WA
4. Noisy Waters (Convenience Store), Kettle Falls, WA
5. Inchelium Quick Stop (Convenience Store), Inchelium, WA
6. Rainbow Beach Resort (Cabin Resort), Inchelium, WA
7. Keller Community Store (Grocery Store), Keller, WA
8. Trading Post (Grocery Store), Nespelem, WA
9. Inchelium Community Store (Grocery Store), Inchelium, WA

Colville Fuels has issued this Request for Bid ("RFB") for the removal (not from property) of hazardous trees and some limbing of trees at its Rainbow Beach Resort location, the majority of which will require the use of specialized equipment since most of the trees are located next to cabins, trailers, and other structures on the property. There are approximately 60-65 trees in total that require removal or limbing, which are categorized as follows:

- Level 1: Priority (47-50 trees)
- Level 2: Non-priority (8-10 trees)
- Limbing: Require limbing (4-5 trees)

II. Bid Submissions and Selection

This RFB represents the requirements for an open and competitive process. Bids will be accepted until **September 19, 2025, 4:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time (PST)**. Any bids received after this date and time will be returned to the sender with no exceptions whatsoever. All bids must be signed by an official agent or representative of the interested contractor submitting the bid.

A site tour will be conducted on **Wednesday, September 3, 2025, at 1:00 pm PST**. This will provide interested contractors with the opportunity to physically view all trees associated with this RFB. This is highly recommended so interested contractors can see the locations of all trees



and the logistical challenges that exist for each of them. This is also critical because there will be no change orders allowed for unforeseen costs.

Contract terms and conditions will be negotiated upon selection of the successful contractor for this RFB. All contractual terms and conditions will be subject to legal review and will include scope, budget, schedule, and other necessary items pertaining to the contract.

The RFB may be responded to in any written format that your company deems appropriate; however, interested contractors must ensure that all requested information is included for consideration or the bid will be returned to sender with no exceptions.

All costs incurred in the preparation of a responsive bid to this RFB will be the responsibility of the interested contractor and will not be reimbursed by Colville Fuels in any manner.

III. Project Specifications and Scope of Work

Colville Fuels seeks to retain the services of a qualified contractor for the removal of hazardous trees and limbing of selected trees at its Rainbow Beach Resort located at 18 North Twin Lakes Road in Inchelium, Washington 99138.

This includes the following:

- Level 1: Priority (47-50 trees)
- Level 2: Non-priority (8-10 trees)
- Limbing: Require limbing (4-5 trees)

It is important to note that the trees shall not be removed from the property in any manner; rather, the successful contractor will be responsible for hauling and piling the trees in a designated location on the property in an orderly manner.

Payment Terms

Payment terms are negotiable and will be identified as part of the contract terms and conditions to be negotiated upon selection of the successful contractor for this RFB.

IV. Bid Requirements

Bids shall include the following information:



Expertise and Qualifications

Full legal name of your company, the year established, number of employees, and an outline of various products and/or services your company supports. Describe your company's capabilities, qualifications, and experience for performing the services requested in this RFB.

Provide a copy of your company safety regulations, policies, and procedures. Provide a description of geographic reach and market. Include total number of current clients. What we are looking for is a demonstration of successful management with clients with equivalent sized projects.

Interested contractors must demonstrate their financial stability as a company and that they have the resources needed to fulfill their contractual obligations.

Communication

Clarity and comprehensiveness of the bid is first and foremost. Describe how your company will keep Colville Fuels informed as to the progress of work performed and compliance with contractual terms and conditions. Describe your approach to addressing any issues or challenges that may arise during the project. Finally, the quality and clarity of communication during the bid and selection process will also be considered.

References, Citations, and Litigation

Provide direct contact information (phone numbers, emails, and addresses) for three (3) to five (5) references from projects similar in size, application, and scope. The number of references provided, and favorable references received will affect your rating in this area.

List any citations and/or judgements your company and/or its principals have received by an applicable regulatory and/or governmental authority regarding any violations of applicable law within the last five (5) years.

List any pending litigation against your company and/or its principals as of the date of the RFB response.

Failure to report any citations and/or pending litigation, if discovered, will automatically disqualify an interested contractor from further consideration.



Pricing and Cost Breakdown

Colville Fuels requires that vendor(s) offer their fee as a firm, fixed schedule which includes all expenses including travel for the services outlined in this RFB. Please include a cost statement showing the proposed fees to perform the services outlined in this RFB. This information should include a table identifying each level of staff hours planned for the review at the proposed rates and an itemized listing of all other expenses or fees proposed, including but not limited to labor, travel expenses, equipment costs, etc. All costs must be itemized to include an explanation of all fees and costs. It is also important that costs are differentiated between the categories referenced above, including Level 1, Level 2, and Limbing.

Project Plan and Timeline

Detailed implementation plan with clear milestones and deliverables. Realistic and achievable timeline for completion of project. Flexibility to accommodate unforeseen changes or adjustments must be incorporated.

Insurance Coverage

The selected vendor shall procure and maintain for the duration of its contract insurance against claims for injuries or damage to property, which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work by the vendor, its agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors. The vendor shall pay the cost of such insurance. Insurance shall meet or exceed the following unless otherwise approved by Colville Fuels. It is important to note that insurance coverage is a baseline requirement.

Interested contractors without the appropriate insurance coverage will not advance to the evaluation phase.

A. Minimum Insurance

1. Commercial General Liability coverage with limits not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence / \$2,000,000 annual aggregate.
2. Stop Gap/Employers Liability coverage with limits not less than \$ 1,000,000 per accident/disease.
3. Business Automobile Liability coverage with limits not less than \$1,000,000 per accident for any auto.
4. Worker's Compensation coverage as required by the Industrial Insurance Laws of the State of Washington.



- B. Self-Insured Retentions
Self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved in writing by Colville Fuels.
- C. Other Provisions
Commercial General Liability policies shall be endorsed to:
 - 1. Include Colville Fuels, its officials, employees and volunteers as additional insured.
 - 2. Provide that such insurance shall be primary as respects any insurance or self-insurance maintained by Colville Fuels.
 - 3. Each insurance policy shall provide that coverage shall not be canceled except after thirty (30) days written notice has been given to Colville Fuels.
- D. Acceptability of Insurers
Insurance shall be placed with insurers with a rating acceptable to Colville Fuels.
- E. Verification of Coverage
The vendor awarded a contract under this RFB shall furnish Colville Fuels with certificates of insurance required herein. The certificates are to be received and approved by Colville Fuels before work commences. Colville Fuels reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies at any time.
- F. Subcontractors
Subcontractors hired pursuant to this RFB must provide coverage which complies with the requirements stated herein.

Tribal and Indian Preference

A vendor seeking to qualify for preference in contracting or subcontracting as a certified entity shall submit written proof of the vendor's Indian or Indian family ownership and control to the Tribes' Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO). Written proof of ownership shall include, but not limited to, deeds, titles, stock, bonds, tax records, joint venture agreements or contracts. Written proof of control shall include but not be limited to a business plan, articles of incorporation, by-laws, operating manual, or any document which shall have a binding effect upon the authority of the owner to exercise control over the entity.

Joint Response If Applicable

If your response to the technical and functional requirements—including any product demonstration—relies on a product from another vendor partner, please submit a single, joint response to this RFB. Additionally, any vendors, subcontractors, or transferees involved must comply with the same agreements (e.g., not transmitting tribal data outside of the United States) required of your company.

V. Evaluation Criteria

Submission of a bid indicates acceptance by the vendor of the conditions contained in this RFB, unless clearly and specifically noted in the bid submitted and confirmed in the contract between Colville Fuels and the contractor selected.

Each bid will be scored based on the criteria, as defined and outlined above, with the total possible score being one hundred (100) points. The weights assigned to each criterion are shown below. The entity with the highest score will be selected subject to successful reference checks, insurance coverage, and contract negotiations.

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| • Experience and Qualifications | 20% |
| • Communication | 15% |
| • References, Citations, and Litigation | 20% |
| • Pricing and Cost Breakdown | 20% |
| • Project Plan and Timeline | 15% |
| • Tribal and Indian Preference | 10% |

Colville Fuels reserves the right to refine the scope of work prior to finalization of the awarding contract terms.

VI. Proprietary Information

All information provided in response to this RFB shall be kept confidential and used solely for the purposes of evaluating this bid. Any restrictions on the use of data contained in a bid must be clearly stated in the bid itself.

VII. Contract

The selected vendor will be required to enter into a form contract which will include a “no assignment” provision indicating that the Contract may not be assigned without prior written consent of Colville Fuels. There will be no changes to the agreed upon price.



VIII. Dispute Resolution and Venue

Colville Fuels will require the selected vendor to expressly consent to the jurisdiction of the Colville Tribes and its Tribal Court for any and all disputes that may arise from the engagement of the vendor's services, including the application of tribal law.

IX. Sovereign Immunity

The Colville Tribes and its enterprise, Colville Fuels, fully retain and share in the Tribes' sovereign immunity. Consequently, the Tribes and Colville Fuels hereby expressly reserve to Colville Fuels tribal sovereign immunity from suit to the same extent that the Tribes would possess if engaged directly in the activities undertaken by Colville Fuels. This sovereign immunity shall apply to Colville Fuels' managers, officers, employees and agents to the same extent as the Tribes'.

X. Submission Instructions

Please ensure that your bid includes all the required information and adheres to the submission instructions provided in the RFB. Electronic submissions are preferred, and bids must be submitted by **September 19, 2025, 4:00 p.m. PST**, to:

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