Request for Bids
Fence Removal and Replacement of Northwest Reservation Boundary Fence

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Issue Date:	October 14, 2026
Bid Due Date:	November 13, 2026

1. Project summary

The Shoshone-Paiute Tribes Natural Resources Department invites bids to remove about 5.7 miles (approx. 30,100 ft) of fire-damaged and deteriorated fence and build approximately 5.7 miles of new barbed wire fence along the same line. Bids are due Nov 13, 2026, and all work must be complete by May 31, 2027.

The project is on rangeland burned in the Big Grass fire, on the Owyhee Plateau on the Northwest Corner of the Duck Valley Indian Reservation. The Tribes will provide a fence-line map. Each bid must cover both fence removal and new construction; partial bids will not be accepted.

2. Scope of work

The contractor furnishes all labor, equipment, materials, transport and disposal for both work items below.

Item A — Removal of burned fence

1. Remove all burned and damaged wire, posts, braces, stays and hardware along the existing fence line (about 5.7 miles).
2. Haul and dispose of all debris at an approved facility, or as the Tribes direct. Leave no wire, clips or post fragments on site.
3. Fill post holes and leave the corridor safe for livestock, wildlife and the new fence crew.

Item B — New fence construction

1. Build about 5.7 miles (approx. 30,100 ft) of 4-strand barbed wire fence to the specifications in Section 3.
2. Install brace assemblies at all corners, angles, gates and in-line every 1,320 ft.
3. Install gates where the Tribes designate. Price gates per unit on the bid form.
4. Build the new fence on the existing fence line, keeping the alignment straight. No route changes are allowed.

Final footage is paid on as-built measurement.

3. Technical specifications

All new fence must meet the NRCS Nevada Fence (382) standard for barbed wire fence and the specifications below.

Component	Requirement
Fence type	Barbed wire, non-electric, 42 in to top wire
Wire strands	3 barbed + 1 smooth, at 16, 24, 30 and 42 in above ground
Barbed wire	12.5 gauge, ASTM A-641 or A-121 galvanized coating
Smooth wire	12.5 gauge, ASTM A-641 coating
Corner, gate and brace posts	Steel, 7 ft long, 2-3/8 in diameter, set 2.5 ft deep in concrete
In-line brace spacing	Every 1,320 ft, plus at all corners, angles and gates
Braces	Steel pipe, horizontal and diagonal, 8–12 ft long, 2-3/8 in diameter, 40 in above ground
Line posts	Coated steel T-posts, 1.33 lb/ft, 6 ft long, set 1.5–2 ft deep
Line post spacing	15 ft
Stays	None
Wire attachment	Manufacturer's clips or 16-gauge tie wire
Staples (any wood posts)	9 gauge, 1.5 in

All line wires must be dead-ended at anchor posts and double-wrapped with at least 6 wraps back on the stretched line. The smooth wire is the bottom strand, for wildlife passage. Braces may be welded or attached with steel dowels or spikes.

4. Schedule

This request is posted October 14, 2026 for 30 days. Work may begin once the service contract is signed by all parties and Tribal Resolution passed and must be complete by May 31, 2027.

Milestone	Date
RFB posted	October 14, 2026
Pre-bid site visit	Optional

Milestone	Date
Questions due	November 10, 2026
Bids due	November 13, 2026, 5:00 pm MST
Award	After bid review
Work start	After service contract is signed by all parties
All work complete	May 31, 2027

5. Contractor requirements and site conditions

- **Experience.** At least three comparable rangeland fence jobs in the last five years.
- **Insurance.** General liability and auto coverage at, plus workers' compensation as required by law.
- **Licensing.** Any State Business or tribal business licenses required for work on the Reservation.
- **Tribal preference.** Indian preference and any TERO requirements apply per Tribal policy.
- **Cultural resources.** If any archaeological, cultural or historic site, or any protected species, is found, the contractor stops work in that area at once and notifies the Tribes. Work resumes only on written direction.
- **Site conditions.** Remote, burned rangeland on the Owyhee Plateau with limited road access. Bidders are responsible for access, water and fuel, and for weather and fire precautions.
- **Livestock.** The contractor keeps all gates closed and leaves no wire or debris that could harm animals.
- **Changes.** No route changes are allowed. No change to materials or design without written approval from the Tribes and NRCS.
- **Records.** Keep material receipts and delivery tickets and provide copies to the Tribes.

6. Inspection, acceptance and payment

Payment is released only after NRCS inspects the completed project and certifies that it meets Section 3. Work that fails inspection is corrected at the contractor's expense.

- The contractor provides as-built footage, gate and brace counts, material specs and photos.
- The Tribes may inspect at any time during construction.
- Payment is on measured as-built units at the bid unit prices.
- Payment terms: payment is made after NRCS certifies the completed project. No partial or progress payments, unless approved by Tribal Natural Resources and Tribal CFO.
- Warranty: materials and workmanship for 1 year after acceptance.

7. Bid contents

Each bid must include:

1. Company name, contact, address, and any tribal or Indian-owned business status.
2. Three comparable projects with owner references and phone numbers.

3. Proposed schedule, crew size and equipment.
4. Material list showing the products to be used and their specs.
5. Proof of insurance (or a letter from the carrier) and licenses.

8. Evaluation and award

The Tribes will award to the responsive, responsible bidder offering the best value, not necessarily the lowest price.

Criterion	Weight
Price	40%
Rangeland fence experience and references	25%
Schedule and ability to finish by May 31, 2027	20%
Tribal / Indian preference	15%

The Tribes may reject any or all bids and waive minor irregularities. No work may begin until the service contract is signed by all parties and approved by Tribal Resolution.

9. Submission and contact

Submit bids by November 13, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. MST to Crystal Kelly, Director of Land and Natural Resources, Shoshone-Paiute Tribes, PO Box 219, Owyhee, NV 89832, or by email to crystal.kelly@shopai.org. Mark the envelope or subject line "RFB – Fence Removal and Replacement." Late bids will not be considered.

Send all questions in writing to Crystal Kelly, crystal.kelly@shopai.org, 208-759-3100 extension 1217, by the questions deadline.