

STATE OF ALASKA REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI)



**Department of Administration
Office of Procurement & Property
Management
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Broadband Service for Rural Alaska- Craig, Haines, Klawock, and Skagway

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

The State of Alaska is requesting information from qualified businesses about network connectivity for State offices in the following rural Alaskan communities Craig, Haines, Klawock, and Skagway. The State is seeking consumer or business class internet service for State of Alaska offices within the communities listed in Attachment A:

RFI Broadband Service for Rural Alaska Response Spreadsheet. This service is intended to be used to connect State offices to the State network using Virtual Private Network (VPN).

The purpose of this RFI is to:

1. Identify Internet Service Providers (ISPs) in rural Alaskan communities who currently offer quality bandwidth and services to the State of Alaska within the following communities: Craig, Haines, Klawock, and Skagway.

INTRODUCTION:

Broadband services from ISPs are being sought because they are cost effective for the State. Historically, the State of Alaska has used private circuits that yield low bandwidth speeds at high cost. Using Cisco Meraki Auto-VPN technology, the State can now use standard internet services provided by local ISPs.

VENDOR RESPONSE:

The State has provided an Excel spreadsheet titled Broadband Services for Rural Alaska RFI Response Spreadsheet with two tabs. Please fill out all tabs in the attached Excel spreadsheet and return it to the Contracting Officer listed below as an unprotected .xlsx file, if possible.

1. How long has ISP been in operational business?
2. Please provide any applicable professional references that you have for providing similar reliable services as described in this RFI.

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HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

Interested ISPs must submit the spreadsheet titled Attachment A: Broadband Services for Rural Alaska Response Spreadsheet. A written response to the questions above may be submitted, but a copy of the electronic unprotected .xlsx Response Spreadsheet file is preferred.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

This Request for Information does not extend any rights to prospective contractors or obligate the state to conduct a solicitation or purchase any goods or services. The State is not responsible for any costs associated with the preparation of any response to this request.

RESPONSE INFORMATION

Interested parties must submit a response via email to the following email address: doa.dgs.info@alaska.gov by Thursday, May 06, 2021, at 3:00 p.m. ADT directed to the Procurement Officer, Jennifer Krick.

All questions must be directed to the Procurement Officer via email.

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Please note the State does not accept responsibility for failed e-mailed response deliveries. It is the responsibility of the interested party to follow up with the individual listed above to ensure your response was received prior to the deadline specified above.

Questions about this RFI can be directed to Jennifer Krick at Jennifer.Krick@alaska.gov.