

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians Department of Natural Resources is requesting sealed bids qualified dealers, manufacturers, or vendors for the purchase and delivery of a new 4WD riding brush mower suitable for heavy-duty brush clearing, rough terrain, trails, parks, wildlife habitat areas, and other Tribal Natural Resources Properties.

One (1) New 4WD Commercial-Grade Riding Brush Mower:

The proposed mower must meet or exceed the following minimum requirements:

- Four-wheel drive capability suitable for operation on rough and uneven terrain and slopes.
- Commercial-grade riding brush mower designed specifically for heavy brush and vegetation clearing.
- Rotary flail or equivalent heavy-duty brush-cutting system capable of cutting dense vegetation and woody brush.
- Minimum cutting width of approximately 38 inches.
- Adjustable cutting height with a minimum operating range of approximately 3-6 inches.
- Capable of cutting saplings/woody vegetation up to approximately 1-3/4 inches diameter.
- Hydrostatic or equivalent variable-speed transmission.
- Forward and reserve operation.
- Locking differential or equivalent traction-enhancing system.
- Low-center-of-gravity design suitable for operation on uneven terrain or slopes.
- ROPS (Roll-Over Protection Structure) with seat belt.
- Electric-start gasoline engine with sufficient horsepower for heavy-duty brush cutting.
- Fuel capacity sufficient for extended field operation.
- Heavy-duty tires suitable for rough terrain and brush-clearing applications.
- Foam-filled or equivalent puncture-resistant tires that substantially reduce the risk of flat tires caused by thorns, rocks, nails, brush or other debris.
- Front bumper or equivalent protection for the machine.
- Operator seat adjustable for safe and comfortable operation.
- Headlights or equivalent lighting for improved visibility.
- Machine must be designed for safe operation on slopes and rough terrain.

REQUIRED ACCESSORIES AND EQUIPMENT:

The bid price shall include, or separately identify as included at no additional cost, the following:

- One complete set of additional replacement cutting blades/knives appropriate for the proposed mower.
- All required blades bolts, collars, fasteners, or other hardware necessary to install the replacement blades.
- Foam-filled or equivalent puncture-resistant tires installed on the machine prior to delivery.
- Battery required for operation.
- Standard safety equipment and required manufacturer equipment.
- Operator's manual and maintenance information.
- Any tools or special equipment normally supplied by the manufacturer for routine blade replacement and maintenance.

BID INFORMATION:

Vendors shall provide the following information with their bid:

- Manufacturer and model.
- Complete equipment specifications.
- Purchase Price.
- Delivery charges, if applicable.
- Warranty information.
- Availability and estimated delivery date.
- Local and regional service and parts support.
- Cost of replacement blades and other routine maintenance parts.
- Confirmation that foam-filled/puncture-resistant tires are included and installed.
- Confirmation that an additional replacement blade set is included.
- Any additional equipment, accessories, or fees included in the proposed price.

Questions regarding the specifications may be directed to the TMBCI Natural Resources Department, Jeff Desjarlais at 701-477-2640.

Bidder is required to include 3% TERO Fee to bid of \$10,000.00 or more.
Must specify 3% TERO fee.

All sealed bids must be addressed and mailed to:

Allan Malaterre, TM Property Director
PO Box 900
4180 Highway 281
Belcourt, North Dakota 58316
Contact No: 701-477-2635

Faxed bids will not be accepted.

All Tribal and TERO Regulations will be applicable, and must be concurred with.

The Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, waive informalities, and select the bid determined to be in the best interest of the tribe.

CLOSING DATE: All bids must be received on or before the close of business at 4:30p.m.,
September 25, 2026.