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## **Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Cannabis Control Corporation, Inc.**

### **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)**

**Seed-to-Sale Tracking Systems, Medical Cannabis Registry, Cannabis Licensing Management**

**Issued by:** Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, CRST CCC, Inc.

**Issue Date:** 10/2/2024

**Proposal Submission Deadline:** October 31, 2024

## I. INTRODUCTION & PURPOSE

The Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Cannabis Control Corporation, Inc., is seeking qualified vendors to provide software solutions for one or more of the following areas: Medical Cannabis Registry, Cannabis Licensing Management, and Seed-to-Sale Tracking. Vendors may submit proposals that address **any** of these areas, but are **not required** to cover all components.

The overall goal is to implement systems that ensure compliance, transparency, and operational efficiency for both our Cannabis operations. We are looking for solutions that support data privacy, regulatory compliance, and seamless management of cannabis products from seed to sale.

## BACKGROUND

The Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe (CRST) is a federally recognized Tribe in central South Dakota, composed of four of the seven bands of the Lakota Nation: Miniconjou, Itazipco, Siha Sapa, and Oohenumpa. The Cheyenne River Indian Reservation, established in 1889 and spans over 3 million acres, making it one of the largest reservations in the United States. This land serves as the foundation of the tribe's sovereignty, allowing them to govern their own affairs and manage resources independently.

## II. PROJECT SCOPE

Vendors may submit proposals for one or more of the following system components. **Please clearly indicate which component(s) your proposal covers.**

### A. Medical Cannabis Registry System

The cannabis registry system should:

- **Register and verify patients and caregivers** for medical cannabis, ensuring HIPAA compliance and protecting patient data.
- **Issue and renew patient identification cards** electronically or physically.
- **Manage patient purchase limits** for medical cannabis users and ensure compliance with limits set by tribal regulations.
- **Securely store and manage patient data** while ensuring privacy and confidentiality.

### B. Licensing Management System

The licensing management system must:

- **Support the full licensing lifecycle** for cannabis businesses, including cultivation, processing, distribution, retail (dispensary), and testing.
- **Allow for online applications, renewals, and tracking** of licenses for cannabis businesses.
- **Provide real-time updates and reporting** on license status, renewals, and compliance.
- **Issue alerts** for upcoming renewals or compliance actions.
- **Track violations, suspensions, and other actions** against license holders, ensuring full transparency and accountability.

### C. Seed-to-Sale Tracking System

The seed-to-sale tracking system must:

- **Track cannabis products at every stage**, from cultivation and processing to distribution and retail sale of cannabis.
- **Provide detailed inventory tracking**, ensuring compliance with tribal regulations.
- **Generate compliance reports** for auditing purposes, ensuring that all cannabis products are traceable throughout the supply chain.
- **Monitor product recalls, quarantines, and product destruction**, with detailed tracking and logging of all actions taken.
- **Support barcode or RFID tracking** for cannabis batches and products at all stages of the supply chain.

## III. PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

Vendors must submit proposals including the following information:

### A. Company Overview

- **Business Name, Address, and Contact Information.**
- **Years of experience** in cannabis-related software and services.
- **Overview of relevant past projects** or clients in the cannabis industry.

### B. Proposed Solutions

- **Detailed description** of the proposed system(s) for Medical Cannabis Registry, Licensing, and/or Seed-to-Sale Tracking.
- **Security protocols** and compliance with relevant standards, including HIPAA and other cannabis regulations.
- **Proposed implementation schedule**, including project milestones and delivery phases.

### C. Support and Maintenance

- **Ongoing support services** offered (technical support, system upgrades, etc.).
- **Training plan** for tribal staff on system usage.
- **Service Level Agreement (SLA)** terms outlining response times, support hours, and maintenance schedules.

### D. Cost Proposal

- **Detailed pricing breakdown**, including:
  - Initial system setup costs.
  - Licensing or subscription fees.
  - Maintenance and support fees.
  - Any additional costs (training, in-house consulting, hardware, etc.).

## IV. EVALUATION CRITERIA

Proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

1. **System Functionality** – The system’s ability to meet the outlined requirements for Medical Registry, Licensing, and/or Seed-to-Sale Tracking.
2. **Vendor Experience** – Proven experience in cannabis-related software solutions and expertise in both medical and recreational markets.
3. **Cost Proposal** – Competitive pricing and value for the services and products offered.
4. **Implementation Timeline** – Clear and realistic project schedule with defined milestones.
5. **Support and Maintenance** – Quality of ongoing technical support and system maintenance.

## V. PROJECT TIMELINE

Timeline	Date
RFP Announcement	10/2/2024
Proposals Due	10/31/2024

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## VI. SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- **Submission Deadline:** All proposals must be submitted by October 31, 2024 to [summer.afraidofhawk@crstmail.com](mailto:summer.afraidofhawk@crstmail.com). Late submissions will not be considered.
- **Submission Format:** Proposals should be submitted electronically in PDF format.
- **Contact for Questions:** Any questions regarding this RFP should be directed to Summer Afraid Of Hawk by email at [summer.afraidofhawk@crstmail.com](mailto:summer.afraidofhawk@crstmail.com)

## VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- The CRST Cannabis Control Corporation, Inc., reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.
- Vendors are responsible for all costs incurred during the preparation and submission of their proposals.
- All submitted proposals become the property of CRST Cannabis Control Corporation, Inc.,