



## **Request for Proposals for Art/Structure/Sign Piece Chemawa Station Development**

The Chemawa Station LLC Board of Directors and development team (“Team”) is accepting art and/or structure concept and design submissions that would complement the already built water feature and art installation and new buildings at the entrance of the Chemawa Station development in Keizer, OR. This development is located at the intersection of Ulali Drive and Chemawa Road. The development is an equal partnership of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians and the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde.

The Team is looking for something in the realm of a small pedestal or sign or other structure that is representative of both Tribes, recognizing an understanding that this area is tied historically to the Chemawa Indian School. The installation should be made of material that is durable and long lasting and that will withstand weather storms and the overall climate of Keizer, OR, as well as minimize potential damage from graffiti or other mal intent.

There are words that must be on the sign in a noticeable manner. Those words are the following:

This land is dedicated to the first peoples of this place known as the Santiam Kalapuya and the proud Chemawa Indian school students who continue to come to the school.

This land is to be for the benefit of past, present, and future indigenous peoples of this place.

- ◆ The Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians
- ◆ The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Indians

The structure or sign should enliven this space and reflect respect for natural resources, family, and culture. The structure will be both welcoming and a source of pride for the community as well as visitors to the businesses that are present in the development.

Pacific Northwest Native American artists are encouraged submit design and build proposals. Contractor must be Native American in order to qualify for Native American preference.

### Space

- The size of the structure/piece should fit the overall scale of area of the water feature.
- The placement of the structure/piece should be somewhere near the water feature north of the new building, but final actual placement might be dependent on the size and look of the structure/piece.
- Pictures of the space are shown attached to this RFP. It would be best to perform a site visit to truly understand the workspace and specifications of what you would be working with in submitting an RFP.

### Selection Criteria

- Piece will be selected based on how the structure/piece complements the water feature, the retaining wall, and the building – that is what the overall look is like **(40 points)**
- Overall materials and cost (will it withstand weather and what does maintenance look like) **(20 points)**.
- Reflective of the Native American culture and spirit **(10 points)**
- Preference will be given to Native American Artists who are enrolled members of either the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians or the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde. (an additional **10 points**). Preference will be given to Other Tribe Native American artists as well **(5 points)**.

### Submission

- Submission due **by FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2026, 4:00 PM via email**
- Company/Artist background
- Past Imagery or work – Up to 10 JPEG images or PDF files of previous and/or similar work. All photos of works must have all rights to the images.
- Proposal for this project including a written idea and concept of the piece.
  - A developed and detailed sketch
  - Description of the idea and concept
  - Description of the materials needed to create, deliver, and install the structure
  - All team member names and contact information
  - A budget showing **all costs** to complete the project including: permits, design fee, cost of creation, materials, insurance, delivery and installation
  - A proposed timeline required to produce the structure/piece
  - Any additional information necessary for the Team to make a decision
- Email the proposals to Daniel McCue, Co-CEO Chemawa Station at [danielm@ctsi.nsn.us](mailto:danielm@ctsi.nsn.us)
- Include in subject line: Chemawa Station Sign Project

**Estimated Timeline**

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2026, 4:00 PM via email** Submission deadline

March 2026 – April 2026 Selection Committee meeting(s), Board of Director Meeting and review of proposals for selection to move forward

April 2026 – May 2026 – Selected submitter notified

Installation date – Estimated to be late Summer/Fall 2026, *subject to change based on selected contractor, schedule, material availability, and weather.*

*NOTE: There may be the opportunity to provide an interview by Zoom if the selection team feels it necessary to discuss final decision points.*

**Contact**

With questions about this RFP, please email Daniel McCue at [danielm@ctsi.nsn.us](mailto:danielm@ctsi.nsn.us)



Water Feature and Art Installation in area where sign will be placed







This is the architect drawing of the placement of the water feature in relation to the building.

