



## CENTRAL COUNCIL

### *Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska*

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## REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

### *Contract Vessel Charter*

**Issue Date:** May 24, 2018 • **RFP Deadline:** June 24, 2018

### I. INTRODUCTION

The Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida), a federally-recognized Indian tribal government, is soliciting proposals from vessel charter companies to provide a vessel to support archaeological/field investigations of Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) Section 14(h)(1) historical place and cemetery site applications filed by Sealaska Corporation. These investigations will help satisfy the Bureau of Indian Affairs' mandated responsibilities under the Act.

This request for proposal contains background information on Tlingit & Haida and specific information that must be included in the proposals submitted. The proposals must be submitted by no later than **5:00 PM (Alaska Time), June 24, 2018**, via PDF electronic copy, directly to our office at the following address:

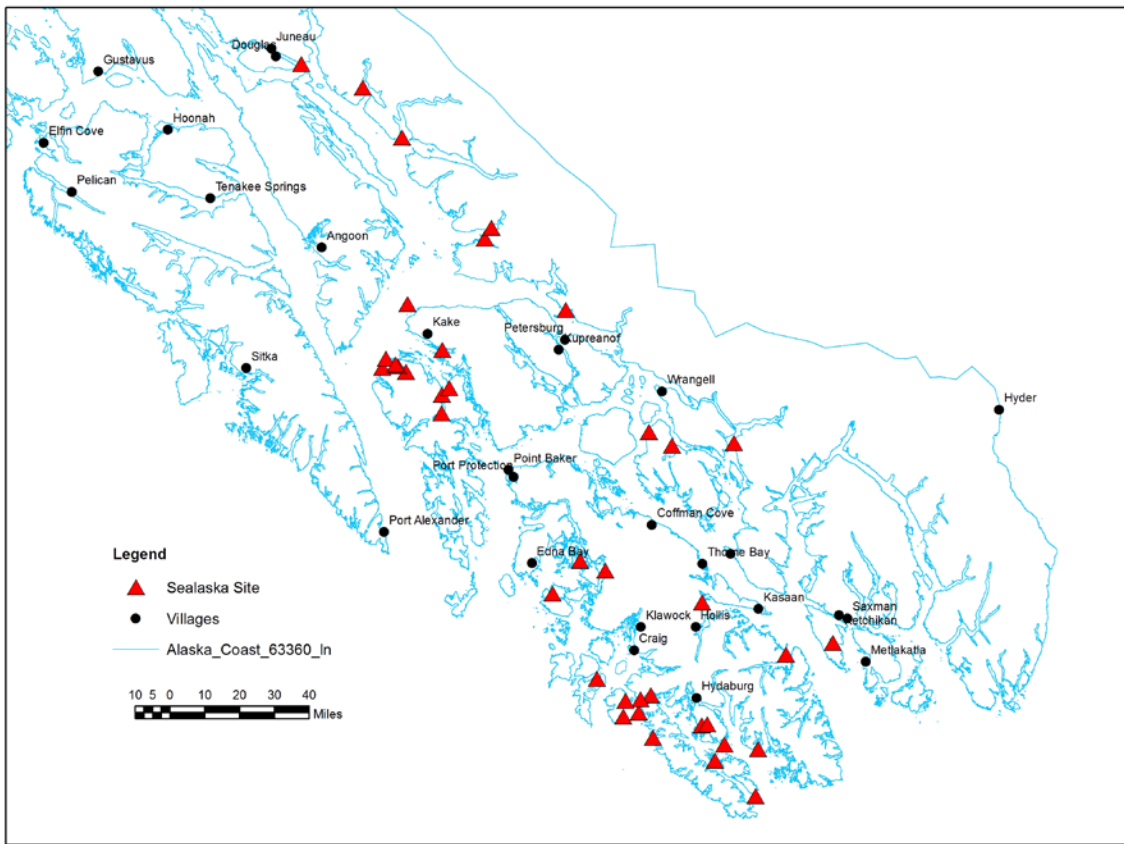
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### II. BACKGROUND

Tlingit & Haida is a federally-recognized Indian tribe and tribal government, not subject to federal or state taxation. Tlingit & Haida has over 30,000 tribal citizens. Tlingit & Haida provides governmental programs and services to eligible tribal citizens in its service area. Tlingit & Haida is funded primarily from federal and state governmental grants and agreements which Tlingit & Haida administers. Tlingit & Haida's mission is to preserve our sovereignty, enhance our economic and cultural resources, and promote self-sufficiency and self-governance for our citizens. The mission of Tlingit & Haida's Native Lands & Resources department is to manage and provide services that enhance and protect land, environment, and cultural artifacts.

### III. REQUIREMENTS

- A. Vessel must meet all United States Coast Guard safety requirements and the vessel captain must be United States Coast Guard licensed.
- B. The charter duration is 35 days guaranteed, with a possible extension of up to 5 days at the contractor's option. The charter will begin in Ketchikan, Alaska. The termination point will depend on field logistics but is likely be one of the following Southeast Alaska communities: Kake, Sitka or Juneau.
- C. Provide vessel transportation for four (4) to six (6) researchers to various locations from the vicinity of Ketchikan, in the south, to Juneau, in the north. (Specific locations that may be visited are shown on the project area map below).



D. Provide support services for four (4) to six (6) researchers including: three meals per day with cook; snacks; overnight accommodations with bunking, bedding, towels and shower; skiff use and transportation to beach with operator; safety equipment; insurance; communications; fuels; AC power and desk space for paperwork; storage space for equipment; drying space for wet gear; any necessary harbor fees and head taxes; general logistical support and assistance.

#### IV. SELECTION PROCESS AND TIMING

We will review all proposals based on the criteria outlined above. Companies whose proposals are selected for further consideration may be asked to make personal presentations to us and/or answer questions in advance of our final selection.

Responses to this RFP are requested to be received at this office by no later than **5:00 PM (Alaska Time) on June 24, 2018** in PDF electronic format. A selection will be made no later than June 28, 2018.

#### V. CONTACT INFORMATION

All inquiries should be directed to the following:

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