

Standing Rock Telecom
RFP for New Tower Construction
Response to Bidders' Questions
Deadline for Questions: Friday, January 9, 2026, 4:00p CST
Deadline to Respond to Bidders Questions: Friday, January 16, 2026, 4:00p CST

Bidder's Question	Response
What is the anticipated tower loading for all 4 of the carriers as well as what we are responsible to install on both the tower and the ground in the initial installation?	Each Site: Two Raycap junction boxes(i.e. one at top and another at bottom), Hybrid fiber cable, 6 radios, and 6 antennas.
What is the scope of work that these power companies will perform, the equipment they will supply, and the scope of work that we are responsible for, including trenching?	Typically, the power company will bring power out to a demarcation point and temp the meter. The Contractor's job is to extend wiring into the facility.
Who are the Moreau Grand Electric and Montana/Dakota Utilities Co-op contacts we can engage with?	Moreau Grand Electric in Timber Lake, SD. Bidders are responsible for reaching out to relevant agencies and utilities to obtain the necessary permitting. See the Response Requirements section on page 10 of the RFP.
For the fiber, what is provided by the fiber company and what are we expected to provide?	There is no OSP Fiber planned under the current grant funding. Fiber will be interconnected to the tower site upon availability of a capable carrier with services passing by the tower location. Little Eagle, SE has fiber passing by the tower from a South Dakota based service provider, and perhaps AT&T, but would need investigating for available service first. Otherwise, Tower interconnection will be provided by a Fixed Microwave Backhaul Radio System.
Can you verify that permitting is not part of our scope of work and will be provided to the winning contractor as additional scope, including building permits?	Building permits are not required as has been approved of by the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. Project will take place on 100% Tribally owned land. Please refer to the Response Requirements section on page #10 of the RFP, stated as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requesting Firm will acquire and provide the winning bidder with all the required Tribal permits and construction drawings to complete each segment touching Tribal Lands. • The vendor will supply any licenses required by local municipalities, DOT, County jurisdictions etc. that enable work in public rights-of-way.
Will the awarded vendor need to obtain any permits, and if so which ones would be required?	Will need to work with power vendors through their processes to power sites. Please also see line #11, above.
How long after the emailed requested will it take to receive the 4 documents not included with the RFP? (I have not yet received the documents	Within 1-3 business days. Please allow additional time for holiday closures. Follow up with Sunny.Downs@bakertilly.com if you still have not received the requested documents.
When is the awarded vendor required to pay the 2.5% to TERO?	Please Review section 30-111 - Employment and Contracting Rights Fees (page 11) and Section 30-112 - Collection of Fees (page 12) of the SRST TERO Ordinance: https://www.standingrock.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Title-XXX-30-TERO-Tribal-Employment-Rights-Office.pdf . The contact information to the TERO office is located on page 13 of the RFP.
Who should the email request for the Geotechnical Engineering Investigation reports be sent to?	Sunny.Downs@bakertilly.com
Are Vendors allowed to bid on some portions of the RFP and not others?	Yes. Please note, however, that by not bidding on some portions of the RFP may affect the outcome of the score received. See the Review and Evaluation section on page 14 of the RFP.
Will all questions and answers from the vendors be shared with all other Vendors?	Yes the responses will be posted on the SRTI website.

SRTI New Tower Construction RFP

Budget Template Fix and Adding Line Item for Tariffs

Budget Template Error:

- Cells on the budget template in the Personnel section on the External Personnel-Travel Tab are formatted as a Percentage instead of a Number.

Budget Section:

- External Personnel-Travel Tab

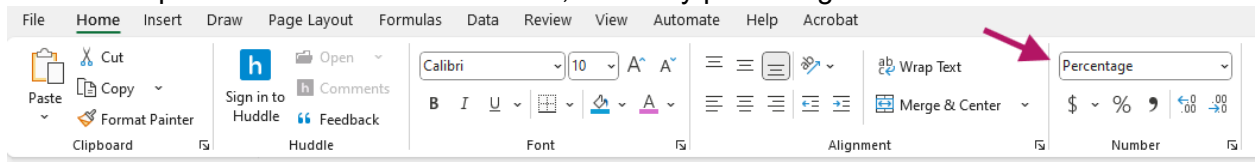


- Personnel section, Column C “Number of Hours Estimated for Project”, Cells C6-C16

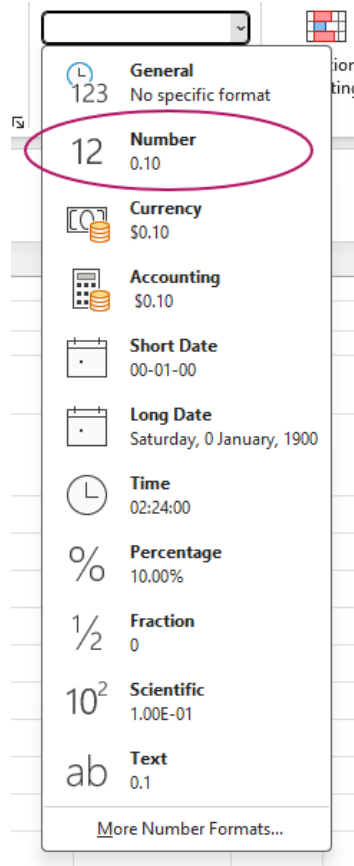
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1					
2		EXTERNAL PERSONNEL AND TRAVEL			
3					
4		Personnel			
5		Name/Title of Personnel	Number of Hours Estimated for Project	Hourly Rate	Total
6					\$ -

How to fix this issue:

- Highlight cells C6-C16.
- Use the drop-down menu on the Home tab, it will say percentage



- Choose Number from the drop-down menu. The cells will now display in number-only format. Do not use anything besides numbers in these cells.



Tariffs:

- If materials incur tariff costs, add a separate line below the material line to document the amount of the tariff separately. Put total cost of the tariff (if applicable) in the Unit Cost column.

Example:

Budget Category	Unit Measurement	Units	Unit Cost	Item Cost	Section Subtotal
Construction Material & Labor - Equipment/Materials less than \$10,000 per unit					
Construction Material					Subtotal Construction Material
Data Shelter				\$ -	
Data Shelter Related Tariffs or Duties	1	1		\$ -	