



REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL: Cinematographer

Summary and background

Plumas Audubon Society (PAS) is accepting proposals from cinematographers to contribute to the production of a documentary on Northern California grebes. The ideal individual will accompany PAS staff during strategic periods throughout the breeding season as they conduct the organization's research project. Per our desire to capture imagery throughout the grebe breeding season, we plan to begin surveys in mid-June and end in early September.

Guidelines for bidders

We will accept bids for this project until 11:59 p.m., May 24, 2024. We require all bidders to clearly represent their subcontracting intentions. All documents must be prepared and signed by those authorized to do so. All costs must be listed in USD. Further terms are subject to development pending the selection of a bid.

Project purpose and scope

PAS is producing a documentary based on the spectacular birds known as Western and Clark's grebes, which call a number of lakes in the Upper Feather River Watershed home. The purpose of the documentary is to raise awareness of the plight of these birds and prevent human disturbance to their nesting habitat. A secondary goal is to showcase the organization's more than a decade-long monitoring effort and groundbreaking research on the utility of artificial nesting platforms and social attraction to improve grebe nesting success on Lake Almanor, CA. Each year, PAS staff monitors grebes at Lake Almanor, Antelope Lake, and Lake Davis, located in Plumas County, CA. Surveys are conducted mid-June through early September by shore, kayak, and boat. The project will require the contractor to attend surveys periodically throughout the survey period to capture imagery of grebes nesting, breeding, and document grebe chicks after they have hatched.

Proposal timeline and project deadline

Proposals are due in writing to Plumas Audubon Society before 11:59 p.m. May 24, 2024. Proposals should be sent via email to plumasaudubon@gmail.com. Proposals will be evaluated until May 31, 2021, after which all bidders will be notified of their status within three business days. Upon contract award, work must be completed by October 2024.

Budget requirements

Each proposal should include the following for consideration:

- Cost of materials
- Cost of labor
- Overhead
- Total project cost

Criteria

Plumas Audubon Society will evaluate proposals based on the following criteria:

- Overall cost
- Company experience
- References
- Proposal professionalism and quality