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January 20, 1990

Ms. Melinda Peak
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RE: REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL, CLASS III ARCHEOLOGICAL SURVEY,
ROSEBUD PROJECT, PERSHING COUNTY, NEVADA

Dear Ms. Peak:

Attached is our request for a proposal to complete a cultural survey on approximately 1,000 acres at LAC's Rosebud Project, located in the Kamma Mountains, northern Pershing County, Nevada. The project background and scope of work are summarized and a map is included.

Please give me a call if there is any additional information that you require before submitting a bid. We would appreciate receiving your proposal by January 31, 1990.

Sincerely,

Nate Brewer
Senior Geologist

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Attachments



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LAC MINERALS (USA), INC.

Request for Proposal

Professional Consultant Services
To Conduct a
Class III Archeological Reconnaissance
For the Proposed LAC Minerals
Rosebud Exploration Project

A. BACKGROUND

LAC Minerals (USA), Inc. (company) is proposing to expand its ongoing mineral exploration program in the Kamma Mountains approximately 54 miles north of Lovelock, Nevada. The company intends to submit its expanded Plan of Operations to the Winnemucca District, BLM in early March 1990.

In accordance with BLM regulation and applicable federal statute, the exploration area must be surveyed with any identified cultural resources subject to the Section 106 consultation process with Nevada's State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO). Due to the BLM's current workload and inability to complete the necessary survey in a timely fashion, the company is looking to retain a qualified contractor to complete the required survey.

Five qualified contractors are being requested to submit their firm's qualifications, detailed work plans and cost proposals.

B. LAC MINERALS (USA), INC'S ROSEBUD PROJECT

LAC controls either by staking or by lease, approximately 9,000 acres of unpatented mining claims which are located in parts of Townships 34 and 35 North, Ranges 29 and 30 East in northern Pershing County, Nevada. A map of the project area is attached to this RFP. LAC began exploration in July 1988 under a Notice. As results were somewhat encouraging, LAC expanded its operations in June 1989 and filed a Plan of Operations. Accompanying the Plan were an EA prepared by Environmental Management Services Company (EMS) and a cultural survey report prepared by Mariah Associates. The approved plan was expanded in October and this request was supported by an additional Mariah survey.

The original cultural survey covered an area of approximately 460 acres. Dr. Vierra of Mariah identified and recorded three sites. The first two included a small historic tin scatter and a small historic glass scatter. Dr. Vierra determined that these sites did not meet any NRHP eligibility criteria. Site 3, was identified by Dr. Vierra as the "historic Rosebud Mine dated to 1906." He determined that this site met NRHP eligibility criterion (a). BLM reviewed this report and recommended avoidance until significance could be determined citing criteria's (a) and (d). SHPO agreed with (d) but felt additional information would be required to support (a). LAC agreed to avoid all these sites.

The second survey covered about 609 acres. During the course of this survey, Dr. Vierra recorded a small historic trash scatter, a small lithic scatter, three historic prospect pits and a historic corral. The corral was determined eligible under (d) by Dr. Vierra. Again LAC was stipulated to avoid all recorded sites and so agreed because all identified areas could be avoided.

LAC is proposing to expand its exploration operations and will require the survey of an additional 1,000 acres (highlighted in purple on attached map). Included in the survey boundary are the town sites of Goldbug and Rosebud. There are currently no remaining structures at these short-lived habitation sites but trash and glass scatters are present. LAC expects that its exploration plans will require some disturbance to these scatters and total avoidance may not be possible. At this time, no further cultural work is required in the previously Mariah surveyed areas.

C. GENERAL SCOPE OF WORK

1. Contractor will be responsible for all aspects of the required survey, including agency negotiation, field work, site recordation, preparation of a draft report for LAC's review, preparation of the final reports and completion of the Section 106 consultation process. All previous reports prepared by Mariah Associates will be available to the successful bidder as will copies of additional materials from LAC's project files. LAC personnel will be available to show the successful contractor the survey area on-the-ground and stake the corners if necessary.

2. Schedule -- The successful bidder will be notified by February 5, 1990. The final report is to be available for filing with the BLM by March 5, 1990. Minor delays due to snow cover may be negotiated although the survey area generally is snow covered for only brief periods.



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D. REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

1. Due date:

All proposals must be received by January 31, 1990 to:

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2. Contents

a. Demonstration of understanding of required scope of work, including the required Section 106 consultation process and current Nevada Permit.

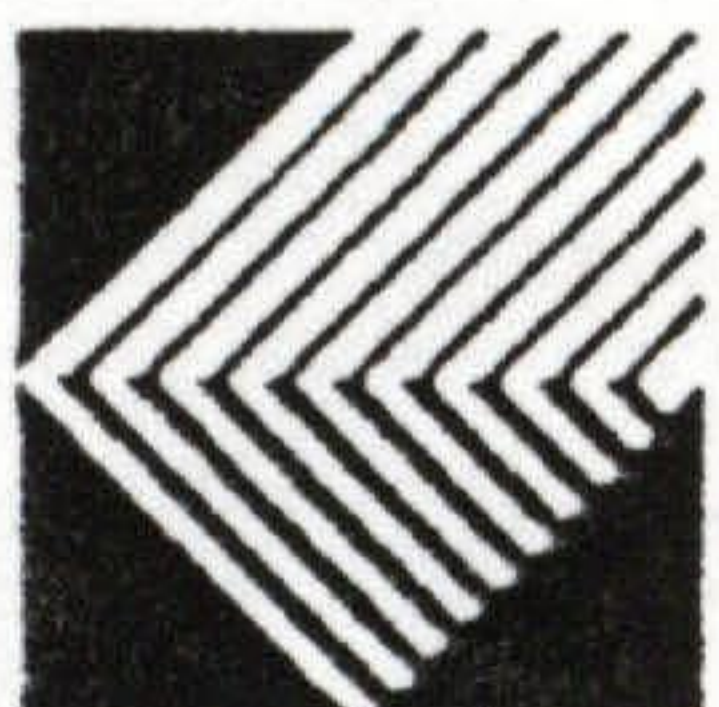
b. Experience with Nevada cultural surveys in areas of historic sensitivity and demonstrated capability to negotiate reasonable mitigation.

c. Experience of project team in conducting similar studies.

d. Project schedule.

e. Cost proposal assuming a 1,000 acre survey area.

We would appreciate being notified of your interest in performing the work. Should you have any further questions, please contact Nate Brewer at LAC Minerals.



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