

TO: **ALL ARCHITECTS/ENGINEERS OF RECORD**

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DATE: February 10, 2026

RE: **REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS**

Firms interested in being considered for an interview for project on the attached pages must follow these procedures:

- Submit Form 115 through the State's eMACS system, <https://solutions.sciquest.com/apps/Router/SupplierLogin?CustOrg=StateOfMontana>. Information in addition to the 115 is acceptable.
- Submissions must be submitted no later than **2:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 5, 2026**
- Submissions received after the deadline may result in rejection.
- The procedure for selection will be in accordance with 18-8-204 MCA.

Firms selected for an interview:

- Will be given project-specific initial information, interview topics/questions, and the interview schedule.
- Will be asked to present their credentials before an interview committee. The committee will then submit the names of three (3) qualified firms to the Dept. of Administration Director, who will appoint one firm for each project in accordance with 18-2-112 MCA.

*The State of Montana makes reasonable accommodations for any known disability that may interfere with an applicant's ability to compete in the application and selection process or that may interfere with an applicant's ability to perform the essential duties of the job. In order for the State to make such accommodations, applicants must make known any needed accommodation to the individual project managers or agency contacts listed. Persons using TDD may call the Montana Relay Service at 1-800-253-4091.*

**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) FOR A/E SERVICES**  
**MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**  
**EQUIPMENT STORAGE BUILDINGS**  
**A/E #: 2025-31-01**

**Project Budget: \$5,300,000**

The Architecture & Engineering Division is accepting qualifications for architectural and engineering services for Equipment Storage Buildings (ESB) for the following locations Three Forks, Wolf Creek, Lodge Grass, Conrad and Miles City for Montana Department of Transportation.

**Project Scope:**

The existing ESBs range from 56 – 70 years old. This project will develop a standard design for MDT's Equipment Storage Buildings differentiated only by the number of equipment bays in the structure per the 69<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session. The standard drawings will be used by MDT for future projects. These drawings will also be used to replace the existing buildings at the above sites. The new ESB's will be designed to meet equipment storage and office needs. Final design estimate will determine which locations are chosen as the budget was reduced in the 69<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session. Limited commissioning will be required for project.

**Construction Cost Estimate:**

The construction cost is estimated at \$4,500,000.

**Submittal & Selection Process (Ref: MCA 18-2-112):**

Firm shall submit their Statement of Qualification (Form 115).

Qualifications submittals are due through eMACS on the time and date shown in the eMACS System.

**Construction Execution:**

This project will be bid and executed as a design-bid-build.

**Additional Documentation and Contact Information:**

- Contact: Nate Cummings A&E Div., (406)444-0349, [Nathaniel.Cummings@mt.gov](mailto:Nathaniel.Cummings@mt.gov)

## PRIORITY CD-67

# THREE FORKS EQUIPMENT STORAGE BUILDING

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**\$3,000,000**

### **Project Highlights**

- This is a multi-year plan to strategically replace equipment storage buildings statewide.
- Understand the critical nature and advantages of the request to store snowplows inside.



### **Current Challenges**

The existing equipment storage facility is over 56 years old and is not sized to house the newer 38-foot snowplow trucks. As a result, trucks and tow plows must be stored outside preventing them from thawing between storm events and potentially causing delays. The lack of space also prevents crew members from performing required inspections around the trucks indoors increasing safety concerns. The facility lacks sufficient office space, crew rooms, restrooms, lighting, mechanical systems, weather-tight roof and siding, drainage, and overhead doors.

### **Proposed Solution**

This project will provide a new, 8-bay, 9,000-square-foot Equipment Storage Building (ESB) at the current site addressing the existing facility's limitations. The new ESB will accommodate the modern equipment, enhance safety and efficiency in highway maintenance operations and create a positive working space for six full-time employees and one winter temp position in one building. The existing facilities will either be removed or repurposed as cold storage.



FUNDING	
State Special Revenue	\$3,000,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,000,000</b>
ESTIMATED PROJECT COSTS	
Construction Costs	\$2,500,000
Architecture / Engineering Services	\$230,000
Non-Construction Costs	\$270,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,000,000</b>

## PRIORITY CD-68

# WOLF CREEK EQUIPMENT STORAGE BUILDING

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**\$2,400,000**

### **Project Highlights**

- This is a multi-year plan to strategically replace equipment storage buildings statewide.
- Understand the critical nature and advantages of the request to store snowplows inside.



### **Current Challenges**

The existing equipment storage facility is over 60 years old and is not sized to house the newer 38-foot snowplow trucks. As a result, trucks and tow plows must be stored outside preventing them from thawing between storm events and potentially causing delays. The lack of space also prevents crew members from performing required inspections around the trucks indoors increasing safety concerns. The facility lacks sufficient office space, crew rooms, restrooms, lighting, mechanical systems, weather-tight roof and siding, drainage, and overhead doors.



### **Proposed Solution**

This project will provide a new, 6-bay, 6,500-square-foot Equipment Storage Building (ESB) at the current site addressing the existing facility's limitations. The new ESB will accommodate the modern equipment, enhance safety and efficiency in highway maintenance operations and create a positive working space for four full-time employees in one building. The existing storage building will be either be removed or repurposed as cold storage.



FUNDING	
State Special Revenue	\$2,400,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,400,000</b>
ESTIMATED PROJECT COSTS	
Construction Costs	\$2,000,000
Architecture / Engineering Services	\$180,000
Non-Construction Costs	\$220,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,400,000</b>

## PRIORITY CD-69

# LODGE GRASS EQUIPMENT STORAGE BUILDING

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**\$2,400,000**

### **Project Highlights**

- This is a multi-year plan to strategically replace equipment storage buildings statewide.
- Understand the critical nature and advantages of the request to store snowplows inside.



### **Current Challenges**

The existing equipment storage facility is over 60 years old and is not sized to house the newer 38-foot snowplow trucks. As a result, trucks and tow plows must be stored outside preventing them from thawing between storm events and potentially causing delays. The lack of space also prevents crew members from performing required inspections around the trucks indoors increasing safety concerns. The facility lacks sufficient office space, crew rooms, restrooms, lighting, mechanical systems, weather-tight roof and siding, drainage, and overhead doors.



### **Proposed Solution**

This project will provide a new, 6-bay, 6,500-square-foot Equipment Storage Building (ESB) at the current site addressing the existing facility's limitations. The new ESB will accommodate the modern equipment, enhance safety and efficiency in highway maintenance operations and create a positive working space for five full-time employees and one winter temp position in one building. The existing storage building will be either be removed or repurposed as cold storage.



FUNDING	
State Special Revenue	\$2,400,00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,400,00</b>
ESTIMATED PROJECT COSTS	
Construction Costs	\$2,000,000
Architecture / Engineering Services	\$180,000
Non-Construction Costs	\$220,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,400,00</b>

## PRIORITY CD-70

# CONRAD EQUIPMENT STORAGE BUILDING

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**\$3,500,000**

### **Project Highlights**

- This is a multi-year plan to strategically replace equipment storage buildings statewide.
- Understand the critical nature and advantages of the request to store snowplows inside.



### **Current Challenges**

The existing equipment storage facility is over 60 years old and is not sized to house the newer 38-foot snowplow trucks. As a result, trucks and tow plows must be stored outside preventing them from thawing between storm events and potentially causing delays. The lack of space also prevents crew members from performing required inspections around the trucks indoors increasing safety concerns. The Conrad facility is comprised of 3 separate buildings, including a trailer for the construction crew, and all are lacking sufficient office space, crew rooms, restrooms, lighting, mechanical systems, weather-tight roof and siding, drainage, and overhead doors.



### **Proposed Solution**

This project will provide a new, 8-bay, 9,700-square-foot Equipment Storage Building (ESB) at a nearby site addressing the existing facility's limitations. The new ESB will accommodate the modern equipment, enhance safety and efficiency in highway maintenance operations and create a positive working space for thirteen full-time highway maintenance and engineering employees in one building. MDT and the City of Conrad are discussing options for the ESB's final location.



FUNDING	
State Special Revenue	\$3,500,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,500,000</b>
ESTIMATED PROJECT COSTS	
Construction Costs	\$2,800,000
Architecture / Engineering Services	\$280,000
Non-Construction Costs	\$320,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,500,000</b>

## PRIORITY CD-71

# MILES CITY EQUIPMENT STORAGE BUILDING

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**\$4,200,000**

### **Project Highlights**

- This is a multi-year plan to strategically replace equipment storage buildings statewide.
- Understand the critical nature and advantages of the request to store snowplows inside.



### **Current Challenges**

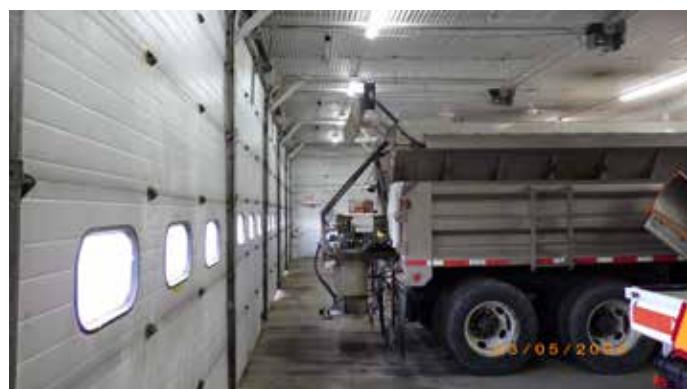
The existing equipment storage facility is over 70 years old and is not sized to house the newer 38-foot snowplow trucks. As a result, trucks and tow plows must be stored outside preventing them from thawing between storm events and potentially causing delays. The lack of space also prevents crew members from performing required inspections around the trucks indoors increasing safety concerns. The Miles City facility is comprised of many buildings with the



maintenance crew located throughout. The existing ESB lacks sufficient office space, crew rooms, restrooms, lighting, mechanical systems, weather-tight roof and siding, drainage, and overhead doors.

### **Proposed Solution**

This project will provide a new, 10-bay, 10,800-square-foot Equipment Storage Building (ESB) on the existing site addressing the existing facility's limitations. The new ESB will accommodate the modern equipment, enhance safety and efficiency in highway maintenance operations and create a positive working space for thirteen full-time highway maintenance and engineering employees in one building. It is anticipated that the existing storage building will be removed reducing the overall facility condition index at Miles City.



FUNDING	
State Special Revenue	\$4,200,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,200,000</b>
ESTIMATED PROJECT COSTS	
Construction Costs	\$3,500,000
Architecture / Engineering Services	\$300,000
Non-Construction Costs	\$400,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,200,000</b>