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REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS

**TWO (2) SKID STEER WITH ATTACHMENTS
NATURAL RESOURCES
WILDLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT**



Bid Due Date: March 06, 2026

CHEROKEE NATION

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The Cherokee Nation is accepting sealed bids from interested parties for two (2) Skid Steers with attachments for the Natural Resources Wildland Fire department. The specifications are included in this bid packet.

Interested parties are to provide a sealed bid to furnish product equal to or better than the specifications provided. Interested bidders must follow all directions outlined in this bid packet including the utilization of mandatory bid response sheet to be considered fully responsive.

The lowest most responsive, responsible bid will be the determining factor in awarding this bid taking Indian Preference into consideration in accordance with Cherokee Nation Policy & Procedures. The successful bidder will be issued a purchase order incorporating the bid response.

Sealed Bids are due March 06, 2026 by 2:00 p.m.

The Cherokee Nation invites bids on the form attached hereto, all blanks of which must be appropriately filled in. Bids will be received by the NATION at the **Purchasing Department until March 06, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.** “The envelopes containing the bids must be sealed, addressed to Cherokee Nation, Attn: Janice Vaughan, Purchasing Department. Sealed bids should be sent by carrier services or hand-delivered to Cherokee Nation Purchasing Department, Attn: Janice Vaughan, 17665 S. Muskogee Avenue, Tahlequah, Oklahoma 74464. **BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE TO BE CONSIDERED. BIDS MUST BE SEALED AND CLEARLY MARKED “SEALED BID, DO NOT OPEN, SOLICITATION: “TWO (2) SKID STEERS WITH ATTACHMENTS- NATURAL RESOURCES”. A PUBLIC BID OPENING WILL BE HELD ON MARCH 06, 2026 AT 2:00PM IN THE LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM LOCATED IN THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES BUILDING at 17665 S. Muskogee Ave. TAHLEQUAH, OKLAHOMA.**

Interpretation of the Bid Documents: All questions or requests for interpretation of the bid must be submitted in written format to Cherokee Nation Purchasing. Requests may be e-mailed to janice-vaughan@cherokee.org.

- a) To be given consideration, questions and interpretation requests must be received no later than February 23, 2026, by 5:00 p.m.
- b) Any and all such answers and interpretations and any supplemental instructions will be in the form of written addenda to the bid which, if issued, will be communicated in written format to all prospective bidders not later via a posting on the NATION’S website, www.cherokeebids.org with bid announcement. Due date for interpretations for this bid shall be February 25, by 5:00 p.m.
- c) No answers or interpretation of the bid documents will be made to any bidder orally.
- d) Failure of any bidder to receive any such addendum or interpretation shall not relieve such bidder from any obligation under his bid as submitted. All addenda so issued shall become part of the contract documents.

Bid Acceptance: Bids will be accepted from Indian and Non-Indian bidders. Cherokee Nation reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Cherokee Nation reserves the right to determine if a bid meets stated requirements, and to award a purchase order for the bid that is in the best interest of the Cherokee Nation including but not limited to the total cost and capability of the bidder. Bidders are responsible for any and all costs associated with the preparation and submission of bids. To be considered, bids must be received by the specified date and time; any bid received after stipulated date and time will be returned unopened. No bidder may withdraw their bid within 30 days after proposal due date.

TERO Certification: Indian preference will be given only to bidders who provide proof of current certification from the Cherokee Nation Tribal Employments Office (TERO) located in Tahlequah, Oklahoma, telephone number (918) 453-5000. Proof of TERO certification must accompany and be included in bid submittal.

Conflict of Interest and Restrictions: If any contractor, contractor's employee, subcontractor, or any individual working on the proposed contract may have a possible conflict of interest that may affect the objectivity, analysis, and/or performance of the contract, it shall be declared in writing and submitted to Cherokee Purchasing (Attn: Janice Vaughan) no later than March 06, 2026 by **2:00 p.m.** The NATION will determine in writing if the conflict is significant and material and if so, may eliminate the contractor from submitting a proposal.

Verbal Instructions: Interested parties shall not initiate or execute any negotiation, decision, or action arising from any verbal discussion with any Cherokee Nation employee. Only written communications from the designated Contact Person at Cherokee Nation may be considered a duly authorized expression on behalf of the NATION regarding this RFP. Additionally, only written communications from interested parties are recognized as duly authorized expressions on behalf of the vendor. The same instructions shall apply to any subsequent award and agreement communications.

Qualifications of Bidder: The NATION may make such investigations as deemed necessary to determine the ability of the bidder to perform the work, and the bidder shall furnish to the NATION all such information and data for this purpose as the NATION may request. The NATION reserves the right to reject any bid if the evidence submitted by, or investigation of, such bidder fails to satisfy the NATION such bidder is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the contract and to complete the work contemplated therein. Conditional bids will not be accepted.

Buy American – Recovery Act provisions: The buy American provisions direct that all of the iron, steel, and manufactured goods used in the project are produced or manufactured in the United States for a project for the construction, alteration, maintenance or repair of a public building or public work. This Buy American provision is applicable only to iron, steel, and manufactured good brought to the construction site for incorporation into a public building or public work. Products that do not fit the definition of manufactured goods are not covered.

Method of Award – Lowest Bid That Contains Lowest Most Responsive/Reasonable Offer From Qualified Bidder: After consideration of price and other factors, the purchase order will be awarded to the bidder whose bid is determined to be the lowest most responsive/reasonable offer taking Indian Preference into consideration and in the best interest of the Nation to accept. Award shall be to the lowest, most responsive/reasonable bid in accordance with Cherokee Nation Policy and Procedures. Indian/TERO Preference will be given only to bidders who provide proof of current TERO certification from the Cherokee Nation Tribal Employments Office (TERO) in accordance with current Cherokee Nation Policy. Proof of TERO certification must accompany and be included in sealed bid submittal.

Debarment, Suspension, Proposed Debarment, and Other Responsibility Matters: The responding party certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that the person, the firm, or any of its principals are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency or Indian tribe. The bidder will also certify they have not, within a three-year period preceding this Request for Proposal, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, Local or Tribal) contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commissions of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsifications or destruction of records, making false statements, and are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity with, commission of any of the offenses enumerated in this provision. The responding party certifies they have not, within a three-year period preceding this Request for Proposal, had one or more contracts terminated for default by a Federal, State, Local or Tribal agency. The responding party shall provide immediate written notice to the Cherokee Nation if, at any time prior to contract award, the person learns its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

General Information: Cherokee Nation reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any and all bids. Award of purchase order will be to the lowest most responsible responsive bidder and will be subject to availability of funds. All sums due to any suppliers utilized by successful bidders must be paid or will be paid within ten (10) days of receipt of any money received from the Cherokee Nation under any purchase order. Indian preference will be given to Contractors certified as an Indian-Owned firm by the Cherokee Nation Tribal Employment Rights Office (T.E.R.O.). Proof of certification must accompany all bids. No bidder may withdraw their bid within thirty (30) days after bid opening date.

A prospective contractor seeking to receive Indian Preference under this contract must be certified as an Indian-owned firm by the Cherokee Nation Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) and submit proof of that certification with their bid.

MANDATORY BID RESPONSE SHEET

Two (2) Skid Steers with Attachments

ITEM	QTY	TOTAL
Skid Steer	2	\$ _____
Brush Cutter	2	\$ _____
Brush Mulcher	2	\$ _____
Tree Saw	2	\$ _____
Tree Sheer	2	\$ _____
DELIVERY FEES		\$ _____
GRAND TOTAL BID		\$ _____

LEAD TIME ARO: _____

ALL SPECIFICATIONS ARE FULLY MET: _____ **YES** _____ **NO**

****Cherokee Nation will consider bids for product equal to or better. If not bidding exact product, complete details and specifications for product must be submitted with bid. ****

NOTE TO BIDDERS REGARDING INDIAN PREFERENCE:

TERO Certified Contractor: _____ Yes _____ No
(Proof of certification must accompany all bids)

SUBMITTED:

Company Name

Company Address

Company Phone Number

Authorized Signature

Print Name & Title

Product Specifications and Requirements
Provided by: NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

SKID STEER SPECS:

Gross Power - SAE J1995:2014-121hp

Bore-4,7in

Displacement-220in²

Net Power - ISO 9249-120hp

Net Power - SAE 1349-121hp

Peak Torque - 1 ,500 rpm - SAE J1995-4061b/ft

Stroke-3.9in

Rated Operating Capacities - 35% Tipping Load-45201b

Breakout Force - Lift Cylinder-8730lb

Breakout Force - Titt Cylinder-13920lb

Ground Contact Area - With 450 mm/17 .7 in Track-2724 in²

Ground Pressure - With 450 mm/17.7 in Track-5 psi

Rated Operating Capacities - 50% Tipping Load-6,4571b

Tipping Load-12915lb

Ground Pressure - With 400 mm/15.7 in Track-5.6psi

Operating Weight-136691b

Counterweight Adds to Operating Weight-4281b

Counterweight Adds to Operating Weight - ROC (35%)-2961b

Counterweight Adds to Operating Weight - Tip Load-8471b

Bucket Pin Height - Carry Position-8.2in

Bucket Pin Height - Maximum Lift-146.6in

Bucket Pin Reach - Maximum Lift-16.3in

Clearance at Maximum Lift and Dump-119.6in

Departure Angle- 26

Ground Clearance-11in

Height - Top of Cab-87.8in

Length - Track on Ground-72in

Length - With Bucket on Ground-157.4in

Length - Without Bucket-132.3in

Maximum Overall Height-178in

Maximum Reach - With Arms Parallel to Ground-50.6in

Overall Length – Track-85.8in

Rack Back Angle - Maximum Height-890

Reach at Maximum Lift/Dump-34.7in

Roll Back Angle-27.20

Turning Radius from Center - Bucket (racked)-94.5in

Turning Radius from Center – Coupler-62.1in

Turning Radius from Center - Machine Rear-74.3in

Vehicle Width (450 mm/17.7 in tracks)-81.8in

Maximum Dump Angle-40.50

FOPS-ISO 3449:2005 Level I

ROPS-ISO 3471:2008

FOPS Level II ISO

32149:2005 Level II

Cooling System-4.6gal (US)

Engine Crankcase 2.4gal (US)

Fuel Tank 36gal (US)

Hydraulic System-10.8gal (US)

Hydraulic Tank-6.9gal (US)

Diesel Exhaust Fluid (DEF) Tank-2.9gal (US)

Travel Speed - Forward or Reverse - One Speed-4.8mile/h

Travel Speed - Forward or Reverse - Two Speed-7.7mile/h

Hydraulic Flow - High Flow XPS - Hydraulic Power (Calculated)-80.7hp

Hydraulic Flow - High Flow XPS - Maximum Loader Hydraulic Flow-
34gpm

Hydraulic Flow - High Flow XPS - Maximum Loader Hydraulic Pressure-
4061psi

Hydraulic Flow - Standard - Hydraulic Power (Calculated)-46.4hp

Hydraulic Flow - Standard - Loader Hydraulic Flow-23gpm

Hydraulic Flow - Standard - Loader Hydraulic Pressure-3500psi

Hydraulic Flow - XE - Maximum Loader Hydraulic Pressure-4496klb/in²

Hydraulic Flow - XE - Maximum Loader Hydraulic Flow-40gpm

Hydraulic Flow - XE - Hydraulic Power (calculated)-103.9hp

Standard Equipment

Quick Coupler: Manual or Hydraulic

High Visibility Seat Belt: 50 mm (2 in), 75 mm (3 in), or 3-point
lap/shoulder

Steel Imbed Rubber Track-400 mm (15.7 in) block tread, 450 mm (17.7 in)
bar tread, 450 mm (17.7 in) block tread

Dual Flange Front Idler/Single Flange Rear Idler or Triple Flange
Front/Rear Idlers

Performance Packages

Performance Package HP5: XE Hydraulics

Performance Package HP6: XE Hydraulics,

Rear Auxiliary Ready Comfort Packages

Enclosed Cab with heat and air conditioning: Side windows, Cup Holder, Cell Phone Pocket, choice of Seat (Mechanical Suspension, High Back/Heated Air Ride Seat, High Back/Ventilated and Heated Air Ride Seat) and Door choice (Glass or Polycarbonate)

Technology Packages

T4-Advanced Touchscreen Monitor, Advanced Joysticks, Push start, X-mount cell phone holder, and a Rear-view camera.

T5 -T4 + 2 additional side view cameras. Radio

Radio, none -for open canopy machines and countries not certified for Bluetooth

technology

Integrated AM/FM radio with Bluetooth technology. Includes USB port, 3.5 mm (0.13 in)

AUX input, and BT microphone. Only for use with enclosed cab.

Availability varies by country.

Integrated DAB+/AM/FM radio with Bluetooth technology. Includes USB port, 3.5 mm (0.13 in) AUX input, and BT microphone. Only for use with enclosed cab. Availability varies by country.

Product Link" Basic series PL243

Product Link Elite series PLEM3 Cooling Fan

On-demand, variable speed hydraulic cooling fan

On-demand, variable speed hydraulic cooling fan, with automatic and manual purge reversing operation Guarding And Seating Packages

HD1- intermediate guarding and seating (HD0 + cab-to-frame side seating, lockable fuel fill access door, tilt cylinder guarding, and drive tine bottom guarding.) some equipment varies by region.

- o LM1 - intermediate level land management guarding and seating (HD1 + turbo guard, exhaust stack wrap, Diesel Particulate Fitter (DPF)/ Emission component wraps, light guarding, quick disconnect guarding, hydraulic lines guard cover (under step), screw-to- connect auxiliary hydraulic couplings, and engine air inlet pre-cleaner.) some equipment varies by region.

LM2 - most comprehensive land management guarding and seating (H01 + increased fuel capacity (220 U58 gat), turbo guard, exhaust stack wrap, DPF/Emission component wraps, light guarding, quick disconnect guarding, hydraulic lines guard cover (under step), screw-to-connect auxiliary hydraulic couplings, and engine air inlet pre-cleaner.) Some equipment varies by region. Electrical

Work Tool Electrical Harness

Heavy duty battery

Battery disconnect with lockout feature
12-volt Electrical System
100 Ampere Alternator
LED Work Lights
Auto Reverse Lights
Switch Backlighting
Interior LED Dome Light
Backup Alarm
Electrical Outlet, Beacon
Exterior Courtesy Lighting Operator Environment
Full color LCD monitor: Creep speed control, Drive response adjustment, Implement response adjustment, Drive Power Priority adjustment, Language selection (x 32), Multi-operator Anti-theft Security System and Monitoring, Maintenance schedule and reminders, Event and Diagnostic Code monitoring, Date /Time/Units/Brightness settings, and Smart Technology for use with Smart Attachments.
Operator Warning System Indicators: Air Filter Restriction, Alternator Output, Armrest Raised/Operator Out of Seat, Engine Coolant Temperature, Engine Oil Pressure, Glow Plug Activation, Hydraulic Supply Filter Restriction, Hydraulic Oil Temperature, Park Brake Engaged, Engine Emission System (where applicable)
Gauges: Fuel Level, Hour Meter, Hydraulic Temperature, Hour Meter, Battery Voltage, Tachometer
Fold In Ergonomic Contoured Armrest
Control Interlock System, when operator leaves seat or armrest raised: Hydraulic System Disables, Hydrostatic Transmission Disables, Parking Brake engages
ROPS Cab, Tilt Up
FOPS, Level I
Top and Rear Windows
Floor Mat
Headliner
Interior Rearview Mirror
Horn Hand (Dial) Throttle, Electronic
Seat Mounted Joystick Controls
Cell Phone Storage Pocket
Cup Holder
12-volt power port
Foot Throttle Hydraulics
Selectable control pattern - ISO or H

Electro/hydraulic implement control
 Electro/hydraulic hydrostatic transmission control
 Speed sensor guarding
 Heavy duty flat faced quick disconnects with integrated pressure release lever and case drain
 Hydraulic oil level sight gauge Power Train
 Turbocharged, after-cooled diesel engine, meeting Tier 4 Final and Stage V Emission
 Standards: Glow plugs starting aid Liquid cooled, direct injection
 Extended life antifreeze (-37°C, -34°F)
 Air cleaner, dual element, radial seat
 Scheduled Oil Sampling (S.O.S.M) Valve, Hydraulic Oil
 Ecology drain - coolant
 Radiator coolant level sight gauge
 Radiator expansion bottle
 Fitter, hydraulic supply, cartridge type
 Fitter, hydraulic return, cartridge type
 Fitter, canister type, engine oil
 Fitter, canister type, fuel and water separator
 Radiator/hydraulic oil
 Cooler (side-by-side)
 Spring applied, hydraulically released, parking brakes
 Hydrostatic transmission
 Lockable fuel cap
 Hydraulic demand cooling fan
 Auto engine idle Undercarriage
 E-bar (equalizer bar) suspension
 Two speed travel
 Integrated tie downs on track frame (4) Frame
 Machine tie down points (9)
 Removable panels for machine frame cleanout
 Support, lift arm
 Steel rear and front bumpers, welded
 Fuel fill, machine right hand side Other
 Auxiliary Hydraulics, Continuous Flow
 Telematics, Product Link, Cellular
 Steel engine door with replaceable louvers
 Engine door - lockable
 Work tool attachment coupler
 Optional Equipment

External Counterweights
Beacon, LED
Oil, Hydraulic, Cold Operation
4-point machine lifting eyes
Paint, Custom
Speed Sensitive Ride Control
Bluetooth Key Security
Attachment Hose Guide
Corrosion inhibitor Coating

THE FOLLOWING PAGES ARE THE SPECIFICATION FOR THE ATTACHMENTS:

BRUSH CUTTER SPECS:

Overall Width -75.2 IN

Cutting Width -72 IN

Maximum Cutting Diameter- 8 IN

Required Hydraulics -XHP / XE

Overall Length -85.4 IN

Overall Height -28.9 IN

Weight -2,363.4 LB

Optimal Hydraulic Flow-150-155 L/min (40-41 gpm)

Optimal Hydraulic Pressure -200-280 bar (2800-4100 psi)

Tip Speed (Depends On Flow)-4,020-4,140 mpm (13,189-13,583 fpm)

Motor Displacement -11.9 IN³/REV

Drive Shaft Torque -444-829 N·m (327-611 lb./ft)

Fully Balanced Blade Carrier

Fully balanced blade carrier holds four blades to prevent unnecessary vibration. Blade carrier weighing 409 kg (900 lb.) provides unmatched blade inertia. High inertia energy allows blades to wing through dense brush.

Hardened Reversible Blades

Hardened reversible blades provide aggressive cutting of material and deliver high performance and durability. Blades are attached to blade carrier with three bolts that can easily be torqued from an access panel on the top of frame.

Long Life Motor w/ Anti-Cavitation Valve

Anti-cavitation valve protects vital motor components, improving tool life and ensuring adequate machine and tool performance.

Integrated Accumulator

Integrated accumulator in hydraulic system works in conjunction with the anti-cavitation valve to reduce pressure spikes to the drive motor. On shutdown, the accumulator discharges oil to the motor to slowly spin down the drivetrain. This reduces noise emitted by the motor and the cavitation.

Heavy-Duty Skids

Heavy-duty skids allow easy movement of brush cutter through uneven terrain while maintaining stability of the work tool and machine.

Reinforced Push Bar

Control and guide foliage into blades. Push bar extends beyond blades protecting bystanders.

Tuned Hydraulic Performance

The Industrial Brush cutter is designed to match with standard flow, high flow XPS, and high flow XHP hydraulics. Each hydraulic platform optimizes recovery time and reduces heat load on the carrier to work in high ambient temperature environments.

Rigid Frame and Heavy Bearing Case

Improved tool life with reinforced corner gussets to provide strength in critical areas and mulch cut material. Heavy duty bearing case secures blade carrier to the drive system with a series of eight bolts.

Tool Mounted Operation and Maintenance Manual Holder

Tool mounted and sealed from the elements, this holder includes all the operation manuals and maintenance guides required for proper operation of the work tool.

BRUSH MULCHER SPECS:

Overall Width -83.5in

Working Width -67.2in

Length -53.3in

Overall, Height- 58.3in

Weight -3196.7lb

Drive Method-Polychain Belt

Motor -Axial Piston Dual Speed

Required Hydraulics- XHP / XE

Optimal Hydraulic Flow-150-155 L/min (40-41 gpm)

Optimal Hydraulic Pressure- 200-278 bar (2900-4061 psi)

Drum Speed 2140-2210 RPM- Fixed Teeth per Drum 38

Maximum Cutting Diameter -7.9in

Maximum Cutting Depth - 4.1in

DUAL SPEED HYDRAULIC MOTOR

Dual speed, axial piston motor provides smooth, efficient performance while delivering optimal torque under changing material loads.

ADJUSTABLE PUSH FRAME

Standard adjustable push frame allows for control of trees for optimal cutting and efficiency. Low profile design improves operator visibility and pin-style segments provide the opportunity to control which section of teeth are cutting, improving tooth life.

COLOR-CODED PRESSURE GAUGE

Color-coded pressure gauge is standard equipment that provides operator feedback in order to maximize productivity. With green, yellow, and red regions, the operator has indication of the load being applied to the mulcher and if adjustments can be made to maximize productivity in changing material loads.

HYDRAULICALLY OPERATED FRONT HOOD

Hydraulically operated front hood is standard. Linkage is enclosed within mulcher frame on High Flow models. Quick to open and close door allows for finer finished material to be produced from cutting all types of vegetation.

REAR CHAIN GUARD PROTECTION

Rear chain guard protection reduces spread of material.

SERRATED STEPS

Serrated steps allow for safe and easy access in and out of the cab.

LOCKABLE SERVICE PANEL

Hinged and lockable service panel allows easy access to hoses. Lockable with your Cat key, the service panel allows easy access to drive train components during service and inspection.

ADJUSTABLE AND REPLACEABLE SKID SHOES

Adjustable and replaceable skid shoes allow operator to control the ground height to accommodate different types of terrain.

TOOL MOUNTED OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE MANUAL (OMM) HOLDER

Located inside the lockable service panel and sealed from the elements, this holder includes all of the operation manuals and maintenance guides required for proper operation of the work tool.

MULTIPLE TEETH OPTIONS

Select from Standard Carbide, Rock Resistant, Chisel, and Side Cutter options to configure the mulcher to any underfoot or vegetation condition.

TREE SAW SPECS:

BLADE SIZE: 16"

AUXILIARY: 16gpm Minimum

CHAIN: Heavy Duty

CYLINDER & STROKE: 7" I.D. x 8" O.D.

WEIGHT: 1950 lbs.

TREE SHEER SPECS:

WEIGHT: 1800lbs.

DIMENSIONS (L x W x H) 43" x 76" x 24"

CYLINDER (Qty- Bore x Stroke) 2- 5" x 7.25"

CUTTING CAPACITY 16" (one cut)

SPRAY TANK CAPACITY 10 Gallons

OPTIONAL SPRAY SYSTEM AND TREE GRAPPLE

INTERGRATED WIRING HARNESS FACTORY INSTALLED

RECOMMENDED: 2500 lb. OPERATING CAPACITY ON LOADER

MINIMUM: 2500 PSI,

RECOMMENDED: 3000 PSI

GRAD 8 PLOW BOLTS KEEPS BLADES FLUSH TO GROUND
TREE GRAPPLE