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Request for Quotation

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DIVISION OF NATURAL RESOURCES
STONEWALL JACKSON STATE PARK
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TRAIL CONSTRUCTION AT STONEWALL RESORT STATE PARK						
REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)						
THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE PURCHASING DIVISION FOR THE AGENCY, THE WEST VIRGINIA DIVISION OF NATURAL RESOURCES IS SOLICITING BIDS TO PROVIDE THE AGENCY WITH ALL LABOR AND MATERIALS FOR THE REHABILITATION OF EXISTING PEDESTRIAN AND BIKE TRAILS AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW PEDESTRIAN AND BIKE TRAILS AT STONEWALL RESORT STATE PARK LOCAED IN ROANOKE, WEST VIRGINIA PER THE ATTACHED SPECIFICATIONS.						
A MANDATORY PRE-BID WILL BE HELD ON 02/26/2010 AT 10:00 AM AT THE PARK HEADQUARTERS AT STONEWALL RESORT STATE PARK IN ROANOKE, WV. ALL INTERESTED PARTIES ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND THIS MEETING. FAILURE TO ATTEND THE MANDATORY PRE-BID SHALL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION OF THE BID. NO ONE PERSON MAY REPRESENT MORE THAN ONE BIDDER.						
AN ATTENDANCE SHEET WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR ALL POTENTIAL BIDDERS TO COMPLETE. THIS WILL SERVE AS THE OFFICIAL DOCUMENT VERIFYING ATTENDANCE AT THE MANDATORY PRE-BID. FAILURE TO PROVIDE YOUR COMPANY AND REPRESENTATIVE NAME ON THE ATTENDANCE SHEET WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION OF THE BID. THE STATE WILL NOT ACCEPT ANY OTHER DOCUMENTATION TO VERIFY ATTENDANCE.						

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<p>THE BIDDER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING THEY HAVE COMPLETED THE INFORMATION REQUIRED ON THE ATTENDANCE SHEET. THE PURCHASING DIVISION AND THE STATE AGENCY WILL NOT ASSUME ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR A BIDDER-S FAILURE TO COMPLETE THE PRE-BID ATTENDANCE SHEET. IN ADDITION, WE REQUEST THAT ALL POTENTIAL BIDDERS INCLUD THEIR E-MAIL ADDRESS AND FAX NUMBER.</p> <p>ALL POTENTIAL BIDDERS ARE REQUESTED TO ARRIVE PRIOR TO THE STARTING TIME FOR THE PRE-BID. BIDDERS WHO ARRIVE LATE, BUT PRIOR TO THE DISMISSAL OF THE TECHNICAL PORTION OF THE PRE-BID WILL BE PERMITTED TO SIGN IN. BIDDERS WHO ARRIVE AFTER CONCLUSION OF THE TECHNICAL PORTION OF THE PRE-BID, BUT DURING ANY SUBSEQUENT PART OF THE PRE-BID WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO SIGN THE ATTENDANCE SHEET.</p> <p>TECHNICAL QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS PROJECT MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO FRANK WHITTAKER IN THE WV STATE PURCHASING DIVISION VIA MAIL AT THE ADDRESS SHOWN IN THE BODY OF THIS RFQ, VIA FAX AT 304-558-4115, OR VIA EMAIL AT FRANK.W.WHITTAKER@WV.GOV. DEADLINE FOR ALL TECHNICAL QUESTIONS IS 03/02/2010 AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS. ALL TECHNICAL QUESTIONS RECEIVED, IF ANY WILL BE ANSWERED BY ADDENDUM AFTER THE DEADLINE HAS LAPSED.</p> <p>QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE ACTUAL PROCESS BY WHICH A VENDOR MAY SUBMIT A BID TO THE STATE OF WV ARE NOT CONSIDERED TO BE TECHNICAL QUESTIONS AND MAY BE SUBMITTED AT ANY TIME PRIOR TO THE BID OPENING AND IN ANY FORMAT.</p> <p>EXHIBIT 5</p> <p>WEST VIRGINIA CODE 21-1D-5 PROVIDES THAT: ANY SOLICITA</p>						

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<p>TION FOR A PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT REQUIRES EACH VENDOR THAT SUBMITS A BID FOR THE WORK TO SUBMIT AT THE SAME TIME AN AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE BID. THE ENCLOSED DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE AFFIDAVIT MUST BE SIGNED AND SUBMITTED WITH THE BID AS EVIDENCE OF THE VENDOR'S COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 1D, CHAPTER 21 OF THE WEST VIRGINIA CODE. FAILURE TO SUBMIT THE SIGNED DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE AFFIDAVIT WITH THE BID SHALL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION OF SUCH BID.</p> <p>NOTICE TO PROCEED: THIS CONTRACT IS TO BE PERFORMED WITHIN 90 CALENDAR DAYS AFTER THE NOTICE TO PROCEED IS RECEIVED. UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED, THE FULLY EXECUTED PURCHASE ORDER WILL BE CONSIDERED NOTICE TO PROCEED.</p> <p>CANCELLATION: THE DIRECTOR OF PURCHASING RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CANCEL THIS CONTRACT IMMEDIATELY UPON WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE VENDOR IF THE MATERIALS OR WORKMANSHIP SUPPLIED ARE OF AN INFERIOR QUALITY OR DO NOT CONFORM WITH THE SPECIFICATIONS OF THE BID AND CONTRACT HERE IN.</p> <p>WAGE RATES: THE CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR SHALL PAY THE HIGHER OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR MINIMUM WAGE RATES AS ESTABLISHED FOR LEWIS COUNTY, PURSUANT TO WEST VIRGINIA CODE 21-5A, ET, SEQ. (PREVAILING WAGE RATES APPLY TO THIS PROJECT)</p> <p>ARBITRATION: ANY REFERENCES MADE TO ARBITRATION OR INTEREST FOR PAYMENTS DUE (EXCEPT FOR ANY INTEREST REQUIRED BY STATE LAW) CONTAINED IN THIS CONTRACT OR IN ANY AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO THIS CONTRACT ARE HEREBY DELETED.</p> <p>WORKERS' COMPENSATION: VENDOR IS REQUIRED TO PROVIDE</p>						

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A CERTIFICATE FROM WORKERS' COMPENSATION IF SUCCESSFUL.						
ALL OF THE ITEMS CHECKED BELOW WILL BE A REQUIREMENT OF THIS CONTRACT:						
(XX) INSURANCE: SUCCESSFUL VENDOR SHALL FURNISH PROOF OF COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF CONTRACT. UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED IN THE BID DOCUMENTS, THE MINIMUM AMOUNT OF INSURANCE COVERAGE REQUIRED IS \$250,000.						
() BUILDERS RISK INSURANCE: SUCCESSFUL VENDOR SHALL FURNISH PROOF OF BUILDERS RISK - ALL RISK INSURANCE IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO 100% OF THE AMOUNT OF THE CONTRACT.						
(XX) BONDS: FIVE PERCENT (5%) OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE BID PAYABLE TO THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, SHALL BE SUBMITTED WITH EACH BID AS A BID BOND. THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER SHALL ALSO FURNISH A PERFORMANCE BOND AND LABOR/MATERIAL BOND FOR 100% OF THE AMOUNT OF THE CONTRACT. BONDS MAY BE PROVIDED IN THE FORM OF A CERTIFIED CHECK, IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT, OR BOND FURNISHED BY A SOLVENT SURETY COMPANY AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA. A LETTER OF CREDIT SUBMITTED IN LIEU OF A BOND WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED FOR PROJECTS UNDER \$100,000. PERSONAL OR BUSINESS CHECKS ARE NOT ACCEPCTABLE IN LIEU OF THE 5% BID BOND, PERFORMANCE BOND, OR LABOR AND MATERIAL BOND.						
() MAINTENANCE BOND: A TWO (2) YEAR MAINTENANCE BON COVERING THE ROOFING SYSTEM WILL BE A REQUIREMENT OF THE SUCCESSFUL VENDOR.						
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EXHIBIT 7						
DOMESTIC ALUMINUM, GLASS & STEEL IN PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS						
IN ACCORDANCE WITH WEST VIRGINIA CODE 5-19-1 ET., SEQ., EVERY CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, ALTERATION, REPAIR, IMPROVEMENT OR MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS, WHERE THE COST IS MORE THAN \$50,000 AND, IN THE CASE OF STEEL ONLY, WHERE THE COST OF STEEL IS MORE THAN \$50,000 OR WHERE MORE THAN 10,000 POUNDS OF STEEL ARE REQUIRED, THE STATE WILL ACCEPT ONLY ALUMINUM GLASS, OR STEEL PRODUCTS PRODUCED IN THE UNITED STATES. IN ADDITION, ITEMS OF MACHINERY OR EQUIPMENT PURCHASED FOR USE AT THE SITE OF PUBLIC WORKS SHALL BE MADE OF DOMESTIC ALUMINUM, GLASS OR STEEL, UNLESS THE COST OF THE PRODUCT IS LESS THAN \$50,000 OR LESS THAN 10,000 POUNDS OF STEEL ARE USED IN PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS.						
FOREIGN MADE ALUMINUM, GLASS OR STEEL PRODUCTS MAY BE ACCEPTED ONLY IF THE COST OF DOMESTIC PRODUCTS IS FOUND TO BE UNREASONABLE. SUCH COST IS UNREASONABLE IF IT IS 20% OR MORE HIGHER THAN THE BID PRICE FOR FOREIGN MADE PRODUCTS. IF THE DOMESTIC ALUMINUM, GLASS OR STEEL PRODUCTS TO BE SUPPLIED OR PRODUCED IN A "SUBSTANTIAL LABOR SURPLUS AREA", AS DEFINED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, FOREIGN PRODUCTS MAY BE SUPPLIED ONLY IF DOMESTIC PRODUCTS ARE 30% OR MORE HIGHER IN PRICE THAN THE FOREIGN MADE PRODUCTS.						
IF, PRIOR TO THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT UNDER THE ABOVE PROVISIONS, THE SPENDING OFFICER OF THE SPENDING UNIT DETERMINES THAT THERE EXISTS A BID FOR LIKE FOREIGN ALUMINUM, GLASS OR STEEL THAT IS REASONABLE AND LOWER THAN THE LOWEST BID DOMESTIC PRODUCTS, THE SPENDING OFFICE MAY REQUEST, IN WRITING, A REEVALUATION AND						

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<p>REDUCTION IN THE LOWEST BID FOR SUCH DOMESTIC PRODUCTS. ALL VENDORS MUST INDICATE IN THEIR BID IF THEY ARE SUPPLYING FOREIGN ALUMINUM, GLASS OR STEEL.</p> <p>REV. 3/88</p> <p>EXHIBIT 9</p> <p>NOTICE FOR ISSUANCE & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECT ADDENDA</p> <p>THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER AND/OR AGENCY SHALL BE REQUIRED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE IN ISSUING CONSTRUCTION PROJECT ADDENDA FOR STATE AGENCIES:</p> <p>(1) THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER SHALL PREPARE THE ADDENDUM AND A LIST OF ALL PARTIES THAT HAVE PROCURED DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE PROJECT. THE ADDENDUM AND LIST SHALL BE FORWARDED TO THE BUYER IN THE STATE PURCHASING DIVISION. THE ARCHITECT/ENGINEER SHALL ALSO SEND A COPY OF THE ADDENDUM TO THE STATE AGENCY FOR WHICH THE CONTRACT IS ISSUED.</p> <p>(2) THE BUYER SHALL SEND THE ADDENDUM TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND, IF NECESSARY, EXTEND THE BID OPENING DATE. ANY ADDENDUM SHOULD BE RECEIVED BY THE BUYER WITHIN FOURTEEN (14) DAYS PRIOR TO THE BID OPENING DATE.</p> <p>(3) ALL ADDENDA SHOULD BE FORMALLY ACKNOWLEDGED BY ALL BIDDERS AND SUBMITTED TO THE STATE PURCHASING DIVISION. THE SAME RULES AND REGULATIONS THAT APPLY TO THE ORIGINAL BIDDING DOCUMENT SHALL ALSO APPLY TO AN ADDENDUM DOCUMENT. THE ONLY EXCEPTION MAY BE FOR AN ADDENDUM THAT IS ISSUED FOR TH</p>						
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SOLE PURPOSE OF CHANGING A BID OPENING TIME AND/OR DATE.						
REV. 11/96						
EXHIBIT 10						
ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT						
I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THE FOLLOWING CHECKED ADDENDUM(S) AND HAVE MADE THE NECESSARY REVISIONS TO MY PROPOSAL, PLANS AND/OR SPECIFICATION, ETC.						
ADDENDUM NOS. :						
NO. 1				02/24/2010	CLD	
NO. 2				03/02/2010	CLD	
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NO. 4						
NO. 5						
I UNDERSTAND THAT FAILURE TO CONFIRM THE RECEIPT OF THE ADDENDUM(S) MAY BE CAUSE FOR REJECTION OF THE BIDS.						
VENDOR MUST CLEARLY UNDERSTAND THAT ANY VERBAL REPRESENTATION MADE OR ASSUMED TO BE MADE DURING ANY ORAL DISCUSSION HELD BETWEEN VENDOR'S REPRESENTATIVES AND ANY STATE PERSONNEL IS NOT BINDING. ONLY THE INFORMATION ISSUED IN WRITING AND ADDED TO THE SPECIFICATIONS BY AN OFFICIAL ADDENDUM IS BINDING.						

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<p>..... <i>[Signature]</i> WV 003332 SIGNATURE</p> <p>..... TRI-STATE COMPANY, INC. COMPANY</p> <p>..... APRIL 2010 DATE</p> <p>REV. 11/96</p> <p>CONTRACTORS LICENSE</p> <p>WEST VIRGINIA STATE CODE 21-11-2 REQUIRES THAT ALL PERSONS DESIRING TO PERFORM CONTRACTING WORK IN THIS STATE MUST BE LICENSED. THE WEST VIRGINIA CONTRACTORS LICENSING BOARD IS EMPOWERED TO ISSUE THE CONTRACTORS LICENSE. APPLICATIONS FOR A CONTRACTORS LICENSE MAY BE MADE BY CONTACTING THE WEST VIRGINIA DIVISION OF LABOR CAPITOL COMPLEX, BUILDING 3, ROOM 319, CHARLESTON, WV 25305. TELEPHONE: (304) 558-7890.</p> <p>WEST VIRGINIA STATE CODE 21-11-11 REQUIRES ANY PROSPECTIVE BIDDER TO INCLUDE THE CONTRACTORS LICENSE NUMBER ON THEIR BID.</p> <p>BIDDER TO COMPLETE:</p> <p>CONTRACTORS NAME: TRI-STATE COMPANY, INC.</p> <p>CONTRACTORS LICENSE NO.: WV.003332</p> <p>THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FURNISH A COPY OF THEIR CONTRACTORS LICENSE PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER/CONTRACT</p> <p>APPLICABLE LAW</p>						

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<p>THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE CODE, PURCHASING DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS, AND THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THE "REQUEST FOR QUOTATION" ISSUED BY THE PURCHASING DIVISION IS THE SOLE AUTHORITY GOVERNING THIS PROCUREMENT.</p> <p>ANY INFORMATION PROVIDED IN SPECIFICATION MANUALS, OR ANY OTHER SOURCE, VERBAL OR WRITTEN, WHICH CONTRADICTS OR ALTERS THE INFORMATION PROVIDED FROM THE SOURCES AS DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVE PARAGRAPH IS VOID AND OF NO EFFECT.</p> <p>BANKRUPTCY: IN THE EVENT THE VENDOR/CONTRACTOR FILES FOR BANKRUPTCY PROTECTION, THE STATE MAY DEEM THE CONTRACT NULL AND VOID, AND TERMINATE SUCH CONTRACT WITHOUT FURTHER ORDER.</p> <p>REV. 5/2009</p> <p>NOTICE</p> <p>A SIGNED BID MUST BE SUBMITTED TO:</p> <p>DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION PURCHASING DIVISION BUILDING 15 2019 WASHINGTON STREET, EAST CHARLESTON, WV 25305-0130</p> <p>THE BID SHOULD CONTAIN THIS INFORMATION ON THE FACE OF THE ENVELOPE OR THE BID MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED:</p> <p>SEALED BID</p>						

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West Virginia Division of Natural Resources
Parks & Recreation Section
Trail Construction and Rehabilitation at
Stonewall Resort State Park

The West Virginia State Purchasing Division for the Agency, the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources, is soliciting bids for the rehabilitation of existing pedestrian/bike trails and the construction of new pedestrian/bike trails at Stonewall Resort State Park, Lewis County, Roanoke, West Virginia. This project is being partially funded by a Recreational Trails Program Grant, created by the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), Federal Project NRT-2007(111)D, State Project U321-STO/NE-2.00.

SCOPE OF WORK:

The scope of work will include the rehabilitation of existing pedestrian/bike trails by making all necessary improvements and the construction of new pedestrian/bike trails as outlined in this Request For Quotation within Stonewall Resort State Park. Both the rehabilitated and newly constructed trails will be multi-use trail facilities for use by the public and guests of the Park. During the rehabilitation and construction process through completion, these trails must maintain the integrity of the natural environment and location within the boundaries of a State Park and fit into these natural environments seamlessly.

The work must meet all requirements of the United States Forest Service (USFS) Standard Specifications for Construction and Maintenance of Trails, which are available at the USFS website www.fs.fed.us/ftp/rooot/pub/acad/devtrails/trails.htm. The trail corridor must be cleared at ten (10) feet in width. The treadway must be constructed at four (4) feet width and must be cleared to mineral earth. The contractor must prepare a 5% out-slope on the treadway. At locations where benchcuts are necessary, a full benchcut must be made.

CARINS TRAIL:

Contractor must create a connection from the northern end of Autumn Laurel Brooke Trail and moving east and up slope toward U.S. Route 19. The trail must terminate on the access road leading from U.S. Route 19 creating a connecting path to the Hevener's Orchard Trail. The trail is approximately 11,500 feet in length and has an elevation change of approximately 500 feet. Trail distance described is provided as a guide. Contractor will provide lump sum fee for the trail described without regard for the total distance described.

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CONNECTOR TRAIL:

Contractor must construct a connecting trail from the beginning of the Autumn Laurel Brooke Trail upslope and connecting with the new Carin Trail. The trail is approximately 2,300 feet in length and has an elevation change of approximately 225 feet. Trail distance described is provided as a guide. Contractor will provide lump sum fee for the trail described without regard for the total distance described.

ADD ALTERNATE NUMBER ONE – Trail Rehabilitation/Repair and Construction

Contract will rehabilitate/repair approximately 2,000 feet of existing trails and construct approximately 950 feet of new trail. Trails improvements and construction will be to stated standards. Trail distance described is provided as a guide. Total distance completed will be dependent on funding and costs.

A map with approximate trail locations is attached.

The scope of this bid package includes, but is not limited to the following:

- 1) The contractor must furnish all labor, materials, supplies, equipment, and tools to construct and improve pedestrian and bicycle pathways throughout Stonewall Resort State Park.
- 2) The contractor must meet the following minimum qualifications and submit documentation with their bid:
 - a. Proof that the bidder has completed no less than five (5) miles of trails using USFS Construction Specification (<http://www.fs.fed.us/ftp/rooot/pub/acad/dev/trails/trails.htm>) within the last twenty-four (24) months. Proof will include a copy of the executed contract specifying the construction based on the USFS specification with the company and photographs of completed work.
 - b. Bidder shall provide no less than three (3) letters of reference from companies, organizations and/or government agencies, which they have performed and completed pedestrian and bicycle trail construction.
- 3) The Stonewall Resort State Park Superintendent or his/her designee will conduct periodic inspections of the work. The inspections shall be as follows:

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- 4)
- a. Progress Inspections – Will be conducted on a weekly basis by the Park Superintendent or his/her designee.
 - b. Progress Billing Inspections – Will be conducted on or about the 25th day of each month to establish the contract billing for that month's progress based on a % complete of the total length of trail. Five (5%) percent shall be retained by the Agency until the Substantial Completion Certificate is issued.
 - c. Substantial Completion Inspection – Will be conducted upon the request of the contractor. Substantial Completion means that the contractor believes the work is at the level of completion that the Agency can use the work for its intended purpose. The Agency will issue a Certificate to the contractor with a punch list attached.
 - d. Final Inspection – Will be conducted at the request of the contractor when all punch list items are completed and the work is determined to be complete by the Agency.
- 5) The contractor must commence work upon receipt of a "Notice to Proceed". Completion of the Project must be in 90 calendar days after notice to proceed. The hours of work must be from 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Arrangements may be made with the Park Superintendent to allow for working alternate days and times.
- 6) The contractor is responsible for all safety operations of the work site, including training, equipment operation, and personal protective equipment. The contractor is responsible for safety in construction work zones for the contractor's employees, other resort and park employees and park guests. The contractor is responsible for the security of materials and equipment. Workers who are working with the rights-of-way of Federal-aid highways are required to use "high-visibility safety apparel".
- 7) The bidder is required to meet the drug free workplace policy and provide with the bid, the attached affidavit that the contractor implements and maintains a written drug free workplace policy which meets the requirements of Article 1D, Chapter 21 of the Official Code of West Virginia, as amended. The successful bidder must submit a copy of its drug free workplace policy within ten (10) days following the letting and prior to the awarding of the contract.

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- 8) The contractor must complete and submit with the bid, the certification forms attached as required by the West Virginia Department of Highways. The affidavit must be sworn before a notary public who affixes their seal thereto.

A mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held on 02/26/2010 at 10:00 am at Stonewall Resort State Park. Bidders will assemble at the State Park Administrative office for the meeting and site tour to follow. A failure to attend the mandatory pre-bid conference will result in bid disqualification. An individual may not represent more than one firm at the pre-bid conference.

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PRICE SHEET

Item Number	Description	Lump Sum Price
1	Carins Trail - Trail distance described is provide as a guide. Contractor will provide lump sum fee for the trail described without regard for the total distance.	70,430.65 \$21,750.00 41
2	Connector Trail - Trail distance described is provide as a guide. Contractor will provide lump sum fee for the trail described without regard for the total distance.	\$12,930.65

Total for Items 1 and 2

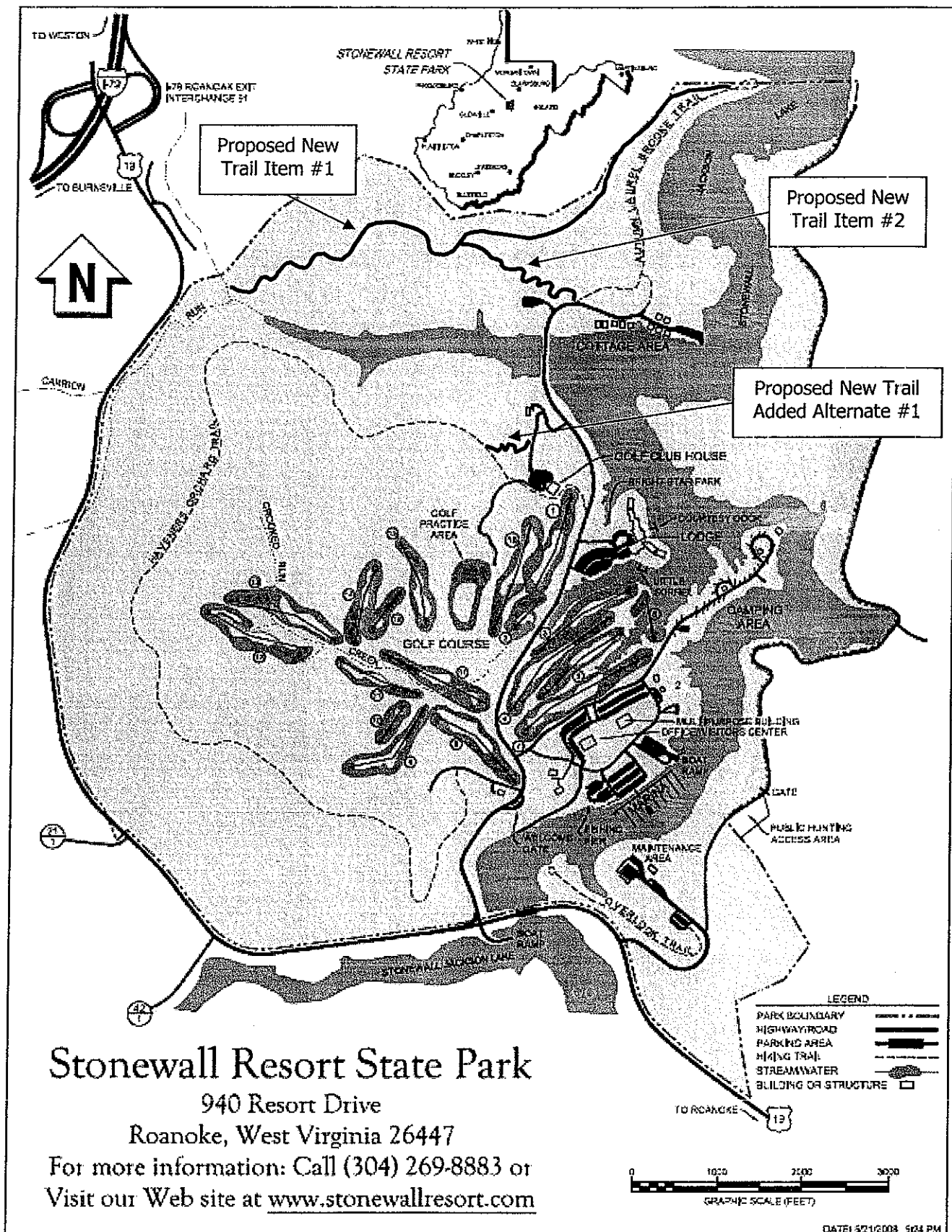
\$83,361.30

Item Number	Description	Unit Price	Measure	Estimated Quantity	Extended Price
3	Add Alternate Number One – Trail distance described is provided as a guide. Total distance will be dependent on funding and costs.	\$4.00	Linear Feet	2950	\$11,800

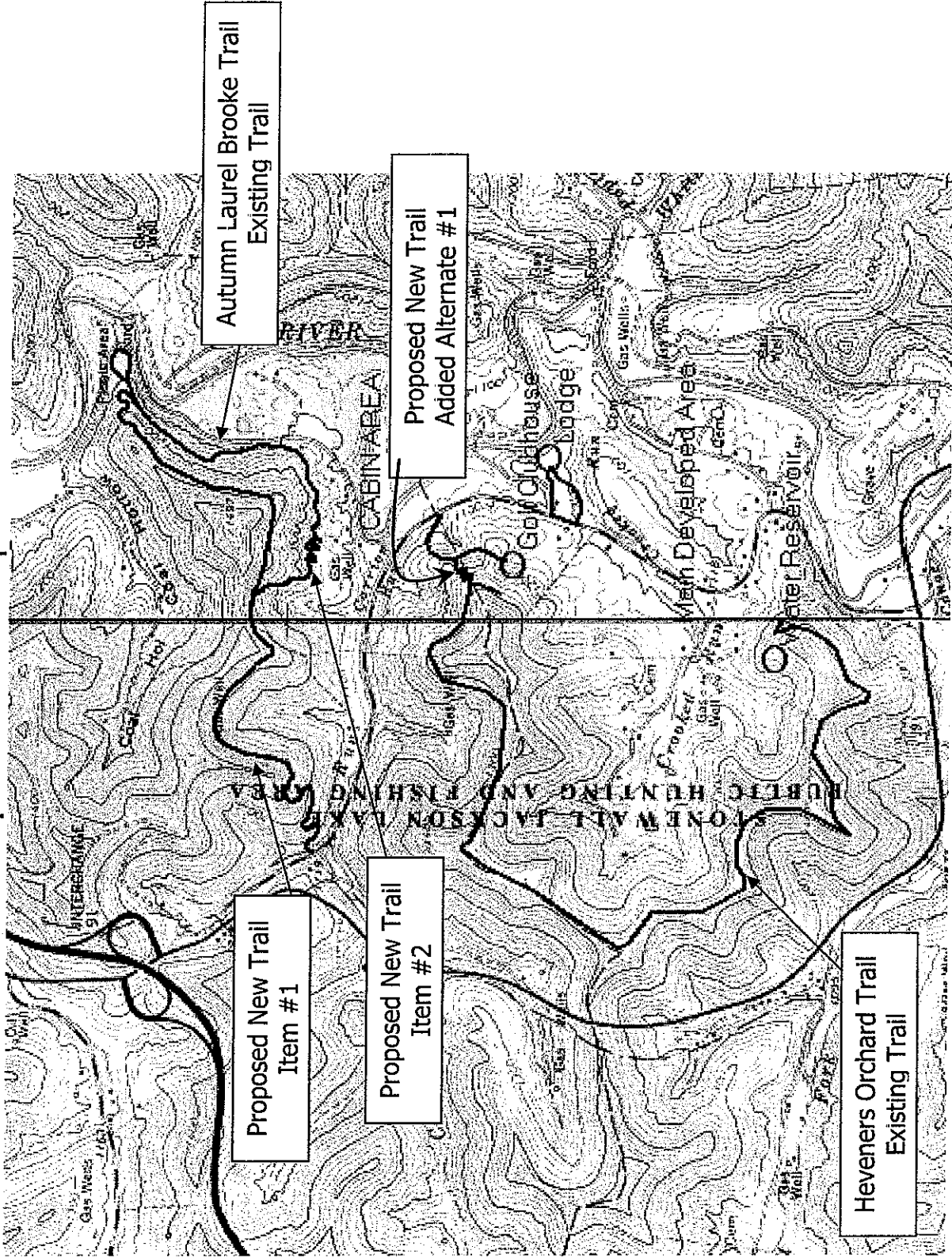
The quantities listed above are for bid evaluation purposes only. Actual quantities may differ.

Total for Items 1, 2 and 3

\$95,161.30



Stonewall Resort State Park Proposed Trails Map





HIGH VISIBILITY SAFETY APPAREL

As of November 24, 2008, the Code of Federal Regulations requires the use of "high-visibility safety apparel" for workers who are working within the rights-of-way of Federal-aid highways. The Federal Highway Administration, the Agency that makes funding available for Scenic Byways, Safe Routes To School, Transportation Enhancement, and Recreational Trails projects, is taking this action to decrease the likelihood of fatalities or injuries to workers on foot who are exposed either to vehicular traffic or to construction vehicles and equipment in use within the rights-of-way of Federal-aid highways.

High visibility is one of the most significant needs for workers who must perform tasks near moving vehicles or equipment; please note that this requirement applies both to paid and to unpaid workers within the rights-of-way. Please make certain that any volunteers or force account workers involved with your project be supplied with and utilize the recommended apparel and that any contractors involved supply their workers with the same.

For the purposes of this requirement, *high-visibility safety apparel* is defined as "personal protective safety clothing that is intended to provide conspicuity during both daytime and nighttime," and that meets the Performance Class 2 or 3 requirements of ANSI/ISEA107-2004 publication entitled "American National Standard for High-Visibility Safety Apparel and Headware." This publication is on file at the National Archives and Records Administration. It is also available for purchase from the International Safety Equipment Association (ISEA) at 1901 N. Moore Street, Suite 808, Arlington, Virginia 22209, <http://www.safetyequipment.org>.

**Please Note:**

A Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) goal of zero has been set for all Transportation Enhancement (TE), Recreational Trail (RT), Scenic Byways (SB) or Safe Routes To Schools (SRTS) projects, however, the West Virginia Division of Highways encourages the consideration of DBEs when hiring contractors for any TE, RT, SB, or SRTS project. If you, as the sponsoring agency, have specific DBE goals or guidelines established, you must utilize them when hiring for this project.



CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATIONS

The certification forms must be completed by the contractor and submitted to the Project Sponsor with their bid package. Failure to do so prior to the bid opening, will cause the contractor to be disqualified.

Please note the affidavit must be sworn to before a notary public who must affix their seal thereto (seal required, see Sections I and J).

Project Sponsor is responsible to insure the completed certification forms are included with the bid packages submitted to the Sponsor prior to the bid opening.

CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATIONS

STATE PROJECT DNR 210127

FEDERAL PROJECT _____

FOR

BIDDING REQUIREMENTS AND CONDITIONS

CONTRACTOR'S DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE POLICY

Each Contractor submitting a bid must include with the bid, on a form provided by the Project Sponsor, an affidavit that the Contractor implements and maintains a written drug-free workplace policy which meets the requirements of Article 1D, Chapter 21 of the Official Code of West Virginia, as amended. The successful bidder must submit a copy of its drug-free workplace policy within ten (10) days following the letting and prior to the awarding of the contract. Any successful bidder who fails to submit the policy within the specified time limit will risk forfeiture of his/her proposal guaranty bond.

The successful bidder must also insure that its subcontractors implement and maintain a written drug-free workplace policy complying with Article 1D, a copy of which must be submitted to the Project Sponsor by the Contractor prior to the start of the subcontract work. The contract may be terminated if the Contractor:

1. Fails to implement its policy;
2. Fails to provide information regarding implementation of the policy at the request of the Project Sponsor; or,
3. Provides to the Project Sponsor false information regarding the policy.

A clearly legible copy of the written drug-free workplace policy must be kept posted in a prominent and easily accessible place at the project site by each contractor subject to the provisions of Article 1D.

Every contractor shall keep an accurate record showing the names, occupation and safety-sensitive status of all employees, in connection with the construction on the project, and showing any drug tests or alcohol tests performed and employee education and supervisor training received, which record shall be open at all reasonable hours for inspection by the Project Sponsor. The Contractor must preserve these records for three years after completion and acceptance of the project.

All drug testing information specifically related to individual employees is confidential and should be treated as such by anyone authorized to review or compile program records

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

PLEASE READ AND COMPLETE SECTIONS A THROUGH K. PAGES 4 & 5 MUST BE EXECUTED BY CONTRACTOR FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THIS PROPOSAL. SIGNATURE ON PAGE 5 REPRESENTS CONTRACTOR'S UNDERSTANDING AND INTENTION TO COMPLY WITH ALL DOCUMENTS CONTAINED IN THIS PROPOSAL.

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

COUNTY OF CABELL, To-Wit:

I, TRI-STATE COMPANY, INC.
(Name of Company)

the contractor X, subcontractor _____, supplier _____,

on Project No(s) RFQ (DNR 210127) TRAIL CONSTRUCTION AT STONEWALL RESORT STATE PARK

in LEWIS County(s), West Virginia,

by CHARLES L. DUNDAS Title: PRESIDENT
(Name of Authorized Representative)

being duly sworn do depose, say and certify that:

Section A: FREE COMPETITIVE BIDDING AFFIDAVIT

That said person, firm, Association or Corporation, has not, either directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with the submitted bid or contract.

Section B: CERTIFICATION WITH REGARD TO THE PERFORMANCE OF PREVIOUS CONTRACTS OR SUBCONTRACTS SUBJECT TO THE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY CLAUSE AND THE FILING OF REQUIRED REPORTS (FEDERAL AID ONLY)

That said person, firm, Association or Corporation has (X), has not IA, participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the equal opportunity clause, as required by Executive Orders 10925, 11114, or 11246, and that said person, firm, Association or Corporation has (X) has not IA, filed with the Joint Reporting Committee, the Director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance, a Federal Government contracting or administering agency, or the former President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity, all reports due under the applicable filing requirements.

NOTE: The above certification is required by the Equal Employment Opportunity Regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR 60-1.7(b) (1)), and must be submitted by bidders and proposed subcontracts which are subject to the equal opportunity clause. Contracts and subcontracts which are exempt from the equal opportunity clause are set forth in 41 CFR 60-1.5 (Generally only contracts or subcontracts of \$10,000 or under are exempt.)

Currently, Standard Form 100 (EEO-1) is the only report required by the Executive Orders or their implementing regulations

Proposed prime contractors and subcontractors who have participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the Executive Orders and have not filed the required reports should note that 41 CFR 60-1.7(b) (1) prevents the award of contracts and subcontracts unless such contractor submits a report covering the delinquent period or such other period specified by the Federal Highway Administration or by the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance, U. S. Department of Labor.

Section C:

A Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) goal of zero has been set for all Transportation Enhancement (TE), Recreational Trail (RT), Scenic Byway (SB), or Safe Routes To School (SRTS) projects, however, the West Virginia Division of Highways (WVDOT) encourages the consideration of DBEs when hiring contractors for any TE, RT, SB, or SRTS project. If you, as the sponsoring agency, have specific DBE goals or guidelines established, you must utilize them when hiring for this project.

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CONTRACTOR'S DBE GOAL ³	PERCENT	% OF BID AMOUNT \$

1. DBE for the purpose of the certificate means a disadvantage business as defined by Special Provisions in the Proposal.
2. If material is to be supplied the figure in this column shall not exceed 60% of the actual cost unless the material is manufactured by a DBE in which case 100% of the cost can be recorded.
3. The total DBE GOAL participation as a percentage of the total contract bid amount, if applicable. The WVDOT DBE goal for this project is zero, however, if the sponsoring agency, has specific DBE goals or guidelines established, then they must be utilized.
4. If the material is not supplied by a regular dealer as defined in 49 CFR 26.55(e)(2)(ii), the figure in this column ² shall include only a reasonable and customary fee or commission for providing a bonafide service.
5. The Contractor shall submit written and signed documentation of commitment to use a DBE subcontractor whose participation the contractor submits to meet a contract goal.
6. The Contractor shall submit written and signed confirmation from the DBE that is participating in the contract as provided in the prime contractor's commitment.

Section D: ASSURANCE REQUIREMENT REGARDING EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR VENDORS, SUPPLIERS AND CONTRACTORS ENGAGED IN COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS WITH THE PROJECT SPONSOR.

Any firm desiring to avail itself of the benefits of engaging in commercial transactions with the Project Sponsor hereby agrees to:

- (1) give assurances that all employment and personnel practices will be conducted without regard to race, color, sex, creed or national origin.
- (2) include in all recruitment advertisement the following wording: "An Equal Opportunity Employer"

Section E: COMPLETION DATE (OPTIONAL – It is recommended that this statement or a similar statement be included in the Contractor Certifications, however, it is not required.)

Construction under the above proposal and calculation of working time will begin no later than ____ calendar days after notice to proceed, and will be completed by date of _____.

It is agreed that time is of the essence for this contract, and that I(we) will, in the event of my(our) failure to complete the contract within the time limited named, reimburse the Project Sponsor an amount to be determined by the said Project Sponsor as sufficient to cover fully any additional demonstrable costs incurred by the Project Sponsor because of such failure, including extra engineering costs, unless covered by a Liquidated Damage Clause for this project

Section F: CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE INVOLVING THE SUPPLYING OF ALUMINUM, GLASS, STEEL OR IRON PRODUCTS

We have complied and shall continue to comply with the provisions of Chapter 5, Article 19, of the Official West Virginia code, 1931, as amended, which statute is incorporated herein by reference and the applicable specifications, involving Domestic Aluminum, Glass, and Iron in Public Works Projects. We have also complied and shall continue to comply with the provisions of Chapter 5A, Article 3, Section 56 of the West Virginia code, 1931, as amended, which statute is incorporated herein by reference and the applicable specifications, involving *Domestic Steel Products in State Supported Projects*.

Section G: BLANK

Section H: WEST VIRGINIA CONTRACTOR LICENSING ACT CHAPTER 21 ARTICLE 11 CODE OF WEST VIRGINIA¹ LICENSE NUMBER WV003332

¹ Refer to Specification 102.6

BID BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, the undersigned, _____
 _____ of _____, _____, as Principal, and _____
 _____ of _____, _____, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of _____
 _____ with its principal office in the City of _____, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the State
 of West Virginia, as Obligee, in the penal sum of _____ (\$ _____) for the payment of which,
 well and truly to be made, we jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, administrators, executors, successors and assigns

The Condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the Principal has submitted to the Purchasing Section of the
 Department of Administration a certain bid or proposal, attached hereto and made a part hereof, to enter into a contract in writing for

NOW THEREFORE,

(a) If said bid shall be rejected, or
 (b) If said bid shall be accepted and the Principal shall enter into a contract in accordance with the bid or proposal attached
 hereto and shall furnish any other bonds and insurance required by the bid or proposal, and shall in all other respects perform the
 agreement created by the acceptance of said bid, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise this obligation shall remain in full
 force and effect. It is expressly understood and agreed that the liability of the Surety for any and all claims hereunder shall, in no event,
 exceed the penal amount of this obligation as herein stated.

The Surety, for the value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that the obligations of said Surety and its bond shall be in no
 way impaired or affected by any extension of the time within which the Obligee may accept such bid, and said Surety does hereby
 waive notice of any such extension.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Principal and Surety have hereunto set their hands and seals, and such of them as are corporations
 have caused their corporate seals to be affixed hereunto and these presents to be signed by their proper officers, this

_____ day of _____, 20____.

Principal Corporate Seal

Surety Corporate Seal

 (Name of Principal)

By _____
 (Must be President or
 Vice President)

 (Title)

 (Name of Surety)

 Attorney-in-Fact

IMPORTANT – Surety executing bonds must be licensed in West Virginia to transact surety insurance. Raised corporate seals must be affixed, a power of attorney must be attached.

AGENCY _____ (A)
RFQ/RFP# _____ (B)

Bid Bond

- (A) WV State Agency
(Stated on Page 1 "Spending Unit")
Request for Quotation Number (upper
right corner of page #1)
(C) Your Company Name
(D) City, Location of your Company
(E) State, Location of your Company
(F) Surety Corporate Name
(G) City, Location of Surety
(H) State, Location of Surety
(I) State of Surety Incorporation
(J) City of Surety Incorporation
(K) Minimum amount of acceptable bid
bond is 5% of total bid. You may state
"5% of bid" or a specific amount on
this line in words.
(L) Amount of bond in figures
(M) Brief Description of scope of work
(N) Day of the month
(O) Month
(P) Year
(Q) Name of Corporation
(R) Raised Corporate Seal of Principal
(S) Signature of President or Vice
President
(T) Title of person signing
(U) Raised Corporate Seal of Surety
(V) Corporate Name of Surety
(W) Signature of Attorney in Fact of the
Surety

NOTE: Dated, Power of Attorney with Raised
Surety Seal must accompany this bid
bond.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, the undersigned,
_____(C)_____ of _____(D)_____, _____(E)_____,
as Principal, and _____(F)_____ of _____(G)_____,
_____(H)_____, a corporation organized and existing under the laws
of the State of _____(I)_____ with its principal office in the City of
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a certain bid or proposal, attached hereto and made a part hereof to enter into a
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this _____(N)_____ day of _____(O)_____, 20 _____(P)_____.

Principal Corporate Seal

(R)

_____(Q)_____
(Name of Principal)
By _____(S)_____
(Must be President or
Vice President)
_____(T)_____
Title

(U)
Surety Corporate Seal

_____(V)_____
(Name of Surety)

_____(W)_____
Attorney-in-Fact

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STONEWALL JACKSON STATE PARK
ATTN: PARK SUPERINTENDENT
149 STATE PARK TRAIL
ROANOKE, WV
26447 304-269-0523

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02/24/2010						
BID OPENING DATE: 03/25/2010		BID OPENING TIME 01:30PM				
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THIS ADDENDUM IS ISSUED TO CHANGE THE MANDATORY PRE-BID DATE, DEADLINE FOR TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, AND THE BID OPENING DATE AS DESCRIBED BELOW.						
MANDATORY PRE-BID CHANGED TO: 03/05/2010 AT 10:00						
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03/02/2010				

BID OPENING DATE:

04/07/2010

BID OPENING TIME 01:30PM

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***** ADDENDUM NO. 2 *****						
THIS ADDENDUM IS ISSUED TO CHANGE THE MANDATORY PRE-BID DATE, DEADLINE FOR TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, AND THE BID OPENING DATE AS DESCRIBED BELOW. CHANGES ARE NECESSARY DUE TO INCLIMATE WEATHER						
MANDATORY PRE-BID CHANGED TO: 03/12/2010 AT 10:00						
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SIGNATURE	WV003332	TELEPHONE	304-736-2110	DATE	5 MAR 2010
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TRI-STATE COMPANY, INC.

4 April 2010

Department of Administration
Purchasing Division
Attn: Frank Whittaker
Building 15
2019 Washington Street, East
Charleston, West Virginia 25305-0130

Mr Frank Whittaker, Purchasing Division:

We are pleased to provide an offer on the RFQ [DNR210127], Trail Construction at Stonewall Resort State Park, Lewis County, West Virginia.

We attended the mandatory showing and have visited the various sites and have familiarized ourselves with the terrain and all of the requirements pertinent to the project. We were already familiar with the site, having carried out the trail design project for the developer and the mapping project of the archaeological sites for the DNR. All trail construction will be to United States Forest Service standards. We look forward to the challenge.

We have all the necessary equipment and tools to carry out the work. All of our equipment will fit within a four foot wide corridor. The primary trail building machine will be a Caterpillar 301 8c mini excavator. Our price for item number one includes the cost of a heavy timber bridge needed to cross the creek near the western terminus of the trail.

• **DESCRIPTION OF PRIOR COMPARABLE PROJECTS[USFS
STANDARD TRAIL CONSTRUCTED DURING LAST TWO YEARS IN RED AT
END OF LIST]**

The following is a partial list of projects that are similar to this project:

1. **Crabtree Falls Trail Reconstruction**, 1987, involved trail reconstruction restoring treadway, placing stone steps, treated timber barriers, switchbacks, and crushed stone paving [USFS Contract #50-3395-1-00028]
2. **Cascades Lower Trail Reconstruction**, 1987, involved working in an environmentally sensitive area rebuilding treadway, native timber cribbing, stone work, water bars, clearing, grubbing, and treated timber structure repair [USFS Contract #50-3395-7-0007]
3. **Bear Tree Lake Trail Construction**, 1988, involved the construction of approximately one 1 5 miles of barrier free/accessible trail around Bear Tree Lake in the Mount Rogers National Recreation Area. Work included clearing, grubbing, removal of all stumps and brush to a waste area, timber steps, excavation, and gravel sub-base with geo-textile in selected areas. [USFS Contract#50-3395-0-00032]
4. **Blue Loop Trail-Sherando Lake**, 1990, involved relocation and new construction of approximately two miles of trail. Work included clearing, grubbing, and excavation by hand and Gravelly Tractor, switchback construction, native stone barriers, overlapping

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stone steps and risers, log and stone waterbars, and removal of hazard trees [USFS Contract#50-3395-0-00032]

5. **Cascades Trail Reconstruction**, 1990, involved reconstruction of eroded treadway, new log cribbing, clearing, construction of new stone steps, and repair of stone masonry walkways [USFS Contract#5043-3395-00657]
6. **Whetstone Trail Construction and Reconstruction**, 1992, [adjacent to the Blue Ridge Parkway], involved construction of new side hill treadway, switchbacks, waterbars, removal of hazard trees, clearing, grubbing, and construction of native stone cribbing. Both hand labor and a Gravelly Tractor with a rotary cultivator as a trail machine were used to build the trail. This trail passed through stands of rhododendron and old growth Hemlocks requiring similar attention regarding protection of root systems [USFS Contract#43-3383-2-0621]
7. **Roaring Run Trail Reconstruction**, 1993, involved construction of an elevated treated timber walkway, stone steps, stone and timber cribbing, new tread construction, removal of large hazard trees [old growth Hemlocks killed by the Woolly Adelgid], masonry stone structures, treated timber steps, risers, and clearing and grubbing [USFS Contract#50-3395-3-9]
8. **Hoophole Trail Reconstruction**, 1994, involved building approximately two miles of trail through massive boulder fields, scree slopes, and the construction of waterbars, switchbacks, clearing, grubbing, and stone steps and risers. Most of the treadway was located on side slope gradients. The entire trail was constructed using hand tools [USFS Contract#50-3395-4-3-9]
9. **Charles C. Deam, Wilderness Trails Reconstruction**, 1994, involved the construction and reconstruction of thirty-two miles of horse and hiking trail in a "statutory wilderness" area. This meant that no motorized or mechanized equipment was permitted within the wilderness boundary. The work carried out included: clearing, grubbing, excavation, hazard tree removal, construction of switchbacks, installation of 100's of treated timber waterbars, side hill construction, hardening of stream crossings, and solving drainage problems on old abandoned roadways. [USFS Contract#50-56A1-3-01572M]
10. **Cascades Trail Reconstruction**, 1996, involved construction of treated timber cribbing, barrier railing, clearing, grubbing, and a massive set of overlapping stone steps. The area of construction was in an environmentally sensitive area requiring protection of plant and land resources [USFS Contract#50-3395-6-37]
11. **Memorial Park Fitness Trail Reconstruction**, 1996, involved reconstruction of a treated timber edged trail for the Greater Huntington Parks and Recreation District. The work required replacement of rotten or damaged timber edging and the placing of new crushed gravel surfacing.
12. **Mount Pleasant/Mills Creek Trails Reconstruction**, 1997, involved clearing, grubbing, installation of log waterbars, stone steps, check dams, approximately one half mile of side hill treadway, and native stone paving. Much of the work on treadway was done with a Gravelly Tractor and a rubber tracked Bobcat Excavator. Numerous large Oaks killed by Gypsy Moth were cut down [USFS Contract#50-3395-7-53]
13. **Mount Pleasant Phase II**, 1998, [Mount Pleasant National Scenic Area], involved rebuilding one half mile of existing trail and the construction of another half mile of trail through some of the most difficult terrain in the east. Again, a Gravelly tractor was used to construct most of the treadway. The work involved clearing, grubbing, and removal of hazard trees, rock waterbars, stone steps, and excavation. The resulting trail is now one of the premier trails in the George Washington and Jefferson National Forest. [USFS PO#43-3434-1017]
14. **RR Donnelley & Sons Company, Inc. Nature & Educational Trail**, 1998 and ongoing, involves the construction of a trail system at the site of the new Donnelley printing plant in Salem. The trail is approximately 2.5 miles long, with an outdoor classroom; trail signs, wetlands, and a picnic area. The trail is directed both to employee fitness concerns as well as the education enhancement of environmental programs in the local school system. The trail is also open to the public.
15. **Cascades Flood Damage Repair**, 1998-99, involved clearing, grubbing, excavation, side hill trail construction, removal of large hazard trees, timber cribbing, steps,

waterbars, and trail reconstruction to correct drainage problems. This project also included helicopter operations and the construction of four large treated timber bridges. [USFS Contract#50-3395-7-13]

16. **Randolph Park, Pulaski County, Dublin, VA** 1999-2000, involved construction of over two miles of accessible and standard trail of four foot width, with timber edging and puncheon bridges.
17. **Apple Orchard Trail Repair**, 1999-2000, involved reconstruction and clearing and grubbing of existing trail as well as relocations to improve gradients and the construction of treated timber steps. There was also the construction of an elevated curvilinear laminated walkway beneath the falls [USFS Contract#50-3395-9-89]
18. **National Heritage Forest Trail, Montpelier, VA** 2000, involved trail construction in old growth forest located at *Montpelier*, the home of President James Madison. The requirements for environmental impact diminishment were high. A total of 2.5 miles of trail was constructed in this jewel of a national treasure administered by the National Trust for Historic Preservation
19. **Apple Orchard Trail Repair** 2001, involved construction and reconstruction of trail in a remote site with all of the material delivered by helicopter. The work included pinned treated timber stairways, stream crossings, small foot bridge, rock waterbars, clearing and grubbing, and dry lay stone work in the form of cribbing and overlapping stone steps as well as stepping stones and trail hardening in wet areas. [USFS PO#43-3395-0196]
20. **Wildwood Park, Phase I** 2001, involved construction of a trail system for the City of Radford, VA in Wildwood Park. The work included construction of treated timber cribbing and waterbars identical to those called for in this project, as well as numerous round stock timber steps and waterbars [City of Radford, Gay & Keese A&E, project manager]
21. **Coal Mining Heritage Park Trail System Phase I**, 2002-2003, Montgomery County VA, involved construction of 300 lf. of elevated curvilinear laminated treated timber walkway over a wetland. Also included was treated timber edged trail [Montgomery County, VA IFB#01-73]
22. **Crawfish Valley Trail Rehab** 2003, involved construction and reconstruction of drainage dips on a new horse trail crossing the Appalachian Trail in an area soon to be administered as a "near" wilderness. The work also included hardening of stream crossings with geotextile, stone and fines. [Open purchase USDA FS New River District, GWJEFFNF, Blacksburg, VA]
23. **Wildwood Park, Phase III** 2004, involved ongoing trail construction in another section of the park to include box crib stairs, puncheon bridges, side hill tread construction, viewing platform and timber cribbing, "Coweta Dips", and waterbars. A Cat 301.5 was used to construct the treadway [City of Radford, Gay & Keese A&E, project manager.]
24. **Fork Mountain Trail** 2005, involved construction and rehabilitation of 11.5 miles of trail on the divide between the North and South Forks of the Cherry River in the Monongahela National Forest near Richwood, West Virginia
25. **Crabtree Falls Trail** 2006, involved reconstruction of two miles of trails with over 30 water bars, dips, and box crib steps. [USDA Forest Service, Glenwood-Pedlar District, GWJEFF National Forest]
26. **Pearisburg Cemetery Trail** 2007, involved the construction and reconstruction of approximately one half mile of ADA standard trail to the original Pearisburg, Virginia cemetery. [USDA Forest Service, Eastern Divide Ranger District, GWJEFF National Forest]
27. **Wildwood Park Phase IV** 2008 involved placement of gravel in previously constructed trail sections. [City of Radford, Virginia]
28. **Stonewall Resort and Stonewall Resort State Park** 2008, Design and mapping of 10.5 miles of new and existing trail, to include identification of an archeological site [Stonewall Resort and West Virginia Department of Natural Resources]
29. **Himot Trails** 2008 design and build approximately six miles of trail for a private land owner in Highland County, Virginia. Built to USFS Standards
30. **Demonstration Trail at James Madison's Montpelier** 2009 Two miles of trail for the National Trust for Historic Preservation built to USFS Standards

31. **Potts Valley Rail Trail** 2009-2010 Constuction of 5.1 miles of trail for Monroe County West Virginia. Trail located on USFS lands and private property, Funded by the State of West Virginia Recreational Trails Program

While this list is comprehensive, it does not include all of the trail projects that Tri-State Company, Inc has carried out. Well over two hundred miles of trail construction and reconstruction, and design have been carried out since 1987.

- **Qualification and Experience:** Tri-State Company has extensive experience in the construction of pedestrian bridges, hiking trails and other recreational infrastructure. We have been building trails as a corporation since 1989. However, our experience in trail building, as volunteers, stretches back to 1960. The total years of experience of the principals in Tri-State Company, Inc exceeds ninety-five years. We have carried out numerous projects for the United States Forest Service, United States Park Service, municipal and county park systems, state parks, private corporations and individuals. Our market 'niche' is the construction of recreational projects in remote and environmentally sensitive areas. We operate, using techniques and procedures, reflecting a 'light on the land' philosophy resulting in minimal impact on the site. It is often said, of our projects, that they appear to always have been there. We try to conform to the land, rather than impose a structure or trail on the land. We have had previous projects that are identical to the scope of work in this project. Charles L. Dundas and John Gibson, experienced trail crew members will be involved on the project on a day to day basis, along with a cadre of other experienced trail workers, as required. We would encourage you to visit our website at www.tri-statecompany.com to get a more complete overview of our history and capabilities. We are also one of the primary instructors for building "sustainable trails" under contract to the State of West Virginia WVDOT, Recreational Trails Program. We also have GPS [decimeter accuracy] and GIS capabilities and have a working relationship with an independent Landscape Architect, Mr. Ronnie Wiley, and the A&E firm of Anderson and Associates in Blacksburg, Virginia. A list of references is also provided, we encourage you to seek their responses.

One of the challenges with this project is that is almost design build in nature. We recognize that funds are limited and want to make sure that you understand that we are willing to negotiate and work with you to arrive at the best solution. We believe that we provide you the best choice of experience and capabilities for this project. Our philosophy of "light on the land" will minimize impact on the terrain and preserve the existing environment, as well as, the unique cultural features.

- **Our Proposed Bid**

1. **Cairns Trail.....\$70,430.65**
This price includes the cost of a heavy timber bridge over the stream at the west end of the trail.
2. **Connector Trail.....\$12,930.65**
Totals for items 1 and 2\$83,361.30
3. **Add Alternate One 2950 LF@\$4.00 /LF.....\$11,800.00**
4. **Total for Items 1,2, and 3\$95,161.30**

All Items are as stated in the Scope of work and to United States Forest Service Trail Construction Specifications. We look forward to working with you on this project and will endeavor in every possible way to see it to a mutually successful conclusion.

April 5, 2010

Respectfully submitted:



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Charles L. Dundas, President, Tri-State Company, Inc

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Encl 1: Letters of Reference and ReferenceList

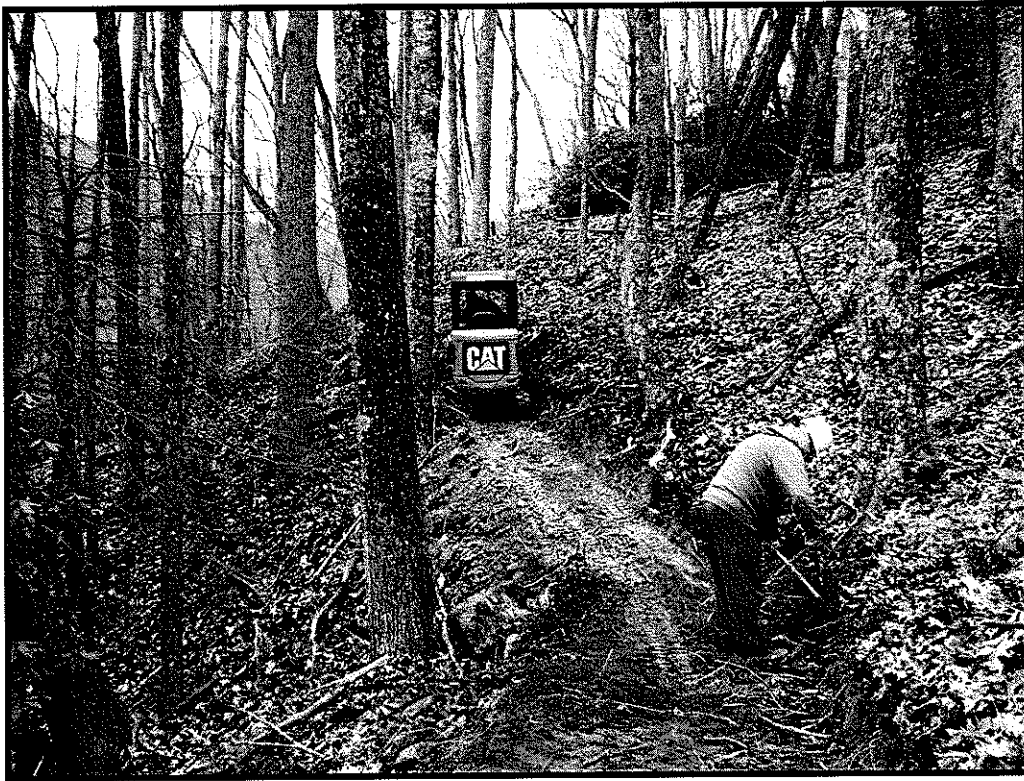
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THIS IS NOT A COMPLETE LIST, BUT IS REASONABLY COMPREHENSIVE AND SHOULD PROVIDE THE MEANS TO OBTAIN A FAIR EVALUATION OF OUR PAST PERFORMANCE AND REPUTATION. WE WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO CONTACT AS MANY ON THE LIST AS POSSIBLE.



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January 23, 2009

Professional Trail Builders Association
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Cedar Mountain, NC 28718

Attn: Mr. Woody Keene, President

RE: Letter of Recommendation: Tri-State Company, Inc.

Dear Mr. Keene,

I am writing in an effort to provide a letter of reference for Messrs. Charles Dundas and John Gibson, owners and operators of Tri-State Company, Inc. in Lesage, WV.

It has been my good fortune to know and work with Charlie and John over the past twelve years, supplying them with pressure treated lumber, timbers, poles, and piling for use on their projects. Typical Tri-State projects include bridges on land and over waterways, docks, piers, retaining walls, personnel training towers, stonework, and trail reconstruction for federal, state, municipal, and private customers. Specifically, those projects that I have been involved as a supplier are:

- Waterbars for the Charles C. Deam wilderness trails in Indiana and the Roaring Run Trail; Hoosier-Wayne NF, Indiana
- Fenwick Mine Viewing Platform, New Castle District; GWJEFF NF, Virginia
- Apple Orchard Falls Curvilinear laminated bridge and trail steps, New Castle District; GWJEFF NF, Virginia
- High Knob and Story Creek Trail Bridges; GWJEFF NF, Virginia
- Sherando Lake and Crabtree Falls trails, piers, and steps; Virginia
- Cascades trail bridges and railing, Braley Pond Dam stairway, and Elizabeth Furnace suspension bridge; GWJEFF NF, Virginia
- Wildwood Park Trail Bridge and Steps and the New River viewing platform in Bisset Park; City of Radford, Virginia
- "Green" parking lot at the Horton Horticultural Center at Virginia Tech
- Randolph Park trails and timber edging; City of Dublin, Virginia
- Camp Arrowhead rappelling tower; BSA, Huntington, West Virginia

- Coal Miners Heritage Park curvilinear bridge and trails; Montgomery County, Virginia
- Mason Simpson cantilever gorge deck; Bath County, V.A (private)

It is pertinent to note that five of the above referenced projects required the use of a helicopter to transport materials to a remote jobsite. These remote sites require a great deal of manpower, planning, and extensive coordination with project owners and helicopter crews. Where minimum site disturbance is paramount, Charlie and John have this coordination down to a fine art.

Many hours of physical labor and sweat go into every Tri-State project. Tri-State has assembled a top-notch team of individuals who compliment their work ethic and dedication to quality on each and every project. It should be noted that several architects and engineers have chosen to modify their designs and/or specifications after consulting with Charlie and John on their projects. A firm belief in and dedication to the best possible and most presentable workmanship is a key tenet in all of Tri-States finished products. While some contractors will simply bid and secure projects based on completing work in a minimal amount of time, without regard to the "look" of the finished product, I can assure you that Charlie and John always go the extra mile to ensure that their product is sturdy, detailed, clean, and worthy of continued repeat business. Tri-States customers are always amazed that these gentlemen can turn common items, such as wood and stone, into works of art. As a supplier, we are aware that Tri-State adds consistent value to our products whenever they choose to use them.

On a personal level, Charlie and John are very personable, have great personal and work ethics, possess the highest integrity, are honest and fair, and contribute greatly to their communities (as evidenced by their close work with the Boy Scouts). Being familiar with most of their past projects, I cannot imagine anything, within their line of work, which they would not provide to their customers with the very best workmanship.

I am honored and proud to know Charlie, John, and the rest of the Tri-State team. Whether you're considering them for the construction of a project, consultation on a project, the extension of credit for materials or services, the securing of financing to further their good work, or the inclusion into a professional association, I highly recommend these fine people to you.

Thanks much for your time and consideration. Please advise any questions and/or further clarification needed.

Very truly yours,



Bob Kline
Cox Industries Inc



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Route To:

Date: December 22, 2008

Subject: Tri-State Company Inc.

To: Professional Trail Builders Association

Tri-State Company Inc. has performed excellently on trail and bridge projects on the George Washington and Jefferson National Forests on numerous contracts for years. The work performed by Mr. Dundas and his colleagues is professional and of quality. You will find Tri-State a company which has unlimited knowledge and ability in trail and bridge construction.

Tri-State is always willing to help others in the trail building profession. Mr. Dundas will ensure others have access to the same information, suppliers, and knowledge about products and construction methods as Tri-State. I have observed Mr. Dundas assisting others even when this assistance may hinder Tri-States' ability to compete for government contracts. Tri-State believes in quality regardless of who performs the work.

During last summer Tri-State assisted the Boy Scouts of America, Order of the Arrow in the largest service project ever undertaken on the George Washington and Jefferson National Forests since the Civil Conservation corps (ArrowCorps5). Tri-State volunteered as a technical advisor for the Boy Scouts providing three construction experts to work along side and train over 700 scouts.

D. Michael Tripp P.E.
Contracting Officer's Representative
George Washington and Jefferson N.F.'s



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To: Mr. Woody Keen, President
Trail Dynamics, LLC
PO Box 664
Cedar Mountain, NC 28718

Date: January 12, 2009

From: William Talley, Civil Engineer
George Washington and Jefferson National Forests

Re: Letter of Reference

Dear Sir:

I wanted to send you a letter of reference recommending Tri-State Company, Inc. to the Professional Trail builders Association due to their outstanding work and the final products they provided us over the years. I have worked with Mr. Dundas and Mr. Gibson on various trail construction, trail maintenance, and trail bridge construction projects since 1989 as the Forest's Contracting Officer's Representative. I've received feedback from the public users, our District's employees, engineers, and others involved with our recreational facilities how very pleased they are with the bridges and trail work provided by Tri State Company. I have personally found the integrity and quality around their work to be top notched.

I especially want to recognize John Gibson for his professionalism in overseeing working. He is very detailed and sharp when it comes to knowing and anticipating the needs on the job. He was always on top of what was going on and always provided me with his knowledge and wisdom in working together with me to resolve all the in-field adjustments. He dealt with the Forest service, suppliers, and his own co-workers with utmost respect and made sure everyone put out their best effort to give us their best product.

Charles Dundas is one of the most competent and accessible manager/owners I've worked with. He constantly was in contact with me to insure the project was proceeding with no major obstacles stopping the work. He provided me with documentations and cut sheets upon request, and assisted in working out changes in a very timely manner. Even during disagreements he remained a professional. Their willingness to correct work when questioned, double check things to insure it was properly done, or answering any questions was reassuring.

You will be highly served by having Charles and John of Tri State Company involved with your Professional Trail builders Association.

Sincerely,


William S. Talley
CIVIL ENGINEER



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Joe Manchin III
Governor

December 12, 2008

Mr. Woody Keen, President
Professional Trailbuilders Association
c/o Trail Dynamics, LLC
Post Office Box 664
Cedar Mountain, North Carolina 28718

Dear Mr. Keen:

I would like to recommend Tri-State Company, Incorporated for membership in the Professional Trailbuilders Association. I have been associated with several of their projects that were funded by West Virginia Recreational Trails Program grants and have always found their work to be of the highest quality. I believe that the Professional Trailbuilders Association will find Tri-State's resume impressive as well.

Tri-State has been an instructor for two years at the West Virginia State Trail Conference and their session is the most popular class on the schedule. Many of our attendees have found Tri-State's work to transcend craftsmanship and approach the level of art.

As Tri-State's membership could only enhance the already considerable reputation of your organization, I urge your Board of Directors to respond in a positive manner to Tri-State's application for membership. If I can be of any further assistance, please call me at (304) 558-9615 or e-mail at bill.c.robinson@wv.gov.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "William C. Robinson", is written over a horizontal line.

William C. Robinson
State Trail Coordinator
Grant Administration Unit

WCR:w

January 19, 2009

To Whom It May Concern:

I have known and worked with Tri-State Company for 20 years. I first met Tri-State Company while they were working on Cascades National Recreation Trail, in Jefferson National Forest, Virginia. This area has 17,000 cars of people come to hike it every year. It is a four mile creek side loop trail that leads to a 66 foot waterfall. Most of the project is in a riparian area. As Landscape Architect on the project, I was impressed with Tri-State's "light on the land" approach to trail construction. Their ability to build sustainable trail in difficult locations and their expertise in remote bridge construction was, and still is, extremely impressive.

The construction process at the Cascades took place over many years and contracts. It involved working in an environmentally sensitive area rebuilding the tread way, native timber cribbing, stonework, water bars, clearing, grubbing, and treated timber structure repair, sections of trail were deconstructed and stream banks were armored with very large native stone.

Tri-State's extensive skills and artistry consistently created products that looked to have always been there. As an RFP contractor Tri-State's trail solutions have solved some true trail nightmares. When Tri-State closes a trail, no one will ever know there was a trail there. Everything that they build has the time honored feeling of permanence and quality. If they build it, it is going to be there for a while.

I have watched them helicopter in concrete and 70' stringers to a forested gorge; haul hundred pound rocks on their backs; generate accurate staking with laser equipment; carve signs; develop master plans; operate equipment; lay stone; hoist large rocks and pin them to armor creek banks.

Their construction methods have stood the test of time at the Cascades. It's not 1987 anymore. I am now the Recreation Program Manager, taking care of this same National Recreation Trail. It still sees 35-40 thousand visitors every year. I can easily say that the quality of the construction at Cascades will continue to last for years to come. They have handed me an easily sustainable product and I am grateful.

Tri-State has worked on other projects for our district. They have built bridges and picnic tables, and observation platforms; installed cedar shakes on a two story building; done new stone work and repaired old stonework; built elevated curvilinear walkway; installed signs; constructed treated timber steps; taught trail classes and been a consultant on countless projects. I have even hired them at my own home to install a water line and remove some vegetation. I appreciate their skill and the occasional opportunity to be on their team; it's a winning team that won't settle for anything less than their best.

Sincerely,

Sheryl Lyles
George Washington and Jefferson National Forest



**WEST VIRGINIA
SCENIC TRAILS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

P. O. Box 4042

CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA 25364

January 15, 2008

Mr. Woody Keen, President
Professional Trail Builders Association
c/o Trail Dynamics, LLC
P.O. Box 664
Cedar Mountain, NC 28718

Dear Mr. Keen:

Charles Dundas, a principal in the trail-building company called Tri-State Company, has indicated to me the company's intention to apply for membership in your worthy organization. I have been aware of your organization for many years, although I primarily perform volunteer trail construction and maintenance. Accolades are due the PTBA for advancing trail construction knowledge, improving construction and maintenance techniques, and disseminating information to professional trail builders of all sorts. Being a user of many trails constructed or improved by members of PTBA, I give you and your organization hearty thanks for your commitment to professionalism in the realm of trail design, creation, and maintenance.

I have known Charlie since long before he and others formed Tri-State Company. I have known John Gibson, another principal in the company, for nearly as long. In fact, I can remember when I first met John. He was a boy scout assisting Scoutmaster Dundas with preparation of the Kanawha Trace, a woodland hiking trail in southwestern West Virginia, for an upcoming boy scout hiking event. Many trail builders got their first taste of trail work through scouting programs, and to some, like John and Charlie, scouting remains an important recipient of their beneficent participation. Soon after Tri-State Company was formed, I assisted in some trail projects part-time to make some extra cash and to learn new trail building techniques to apply to the Allegheny Trail, the primary long-distance hiking trail the West Virginia Scenic Trails Association (WVSTA) has developed and maintained for nearly 40 years now. I have served in every board position of the WVSTA, and am currently serving as Secretary and as Trail Coordinator of Section IV of the trail. You may visit our website at: <http://wvscenictrails.org/index.html>. Tri-State Company has constructed bridges and sidehill tread on the Allegheny Trail under contract with the U. S. Forest Service, as have PTBA member companies. I have also served as President of the Mary Ingles Trail Blazers for several years now. It is a WVSTA chapter dedicated to developing a long-distance west-east trail commemorating the journey of a pioneer Virginia woman who escaped Shawnee captivity in the French and Indian War. There is a link to the chapter's website on the WVSTA website. For many years I served on the board of the West Virginia Trails Coalition, the organization responsible for completing the first grass-roots driven Statewide Trails Plan for West Virginia. Tri-State Company helped that organization plan and carry out the first WV Statewide Trails Conference.

My 30+ years of trail advocacy, development, and maintenance have allowed me to rub elbows with the Tri-State Company in varied ways. The experiences have always been memorable and educational. But my years of experience (not counting the previous 10 years of hiking and backpacking experience in scouting) pale in comparison to the trail experiences of Charlie. For instance, in the 1960s Charlie sat on the state committee that was appointed to hammer out a trail vision that would mesh with other state's trail visions in a national effort that culminated in passage of the National Trails Act, creating the Appalachian and Pacific Crest National Scenic Trails. While serving on that committee, Charlie was one of the first visionaries who put the idea of the Allegheny Trail on paper. Working with other West Virginia trail visionaries like Bob Tabor, one of the founders of the WVSTA, Charlie has helped bring the early visions into fruition as a vibrant statewide trail network for the Mountain State.

When I have been able to work for Tri-State Company as a part-time employee, I have learned valuable lessons about professional quality trail building. The company principals gave me the opportunity to work on diverse projects from the simple grading of side-hill tread with hand tools to the complex bridge span placement by helicopter. The company stresses safety for its employees, courteous professionalism towards its contract holders, rigorous adherence to professional standards, unfailing insistence on delivering high quality products, and incorporation of the latest sustainable/green concepts into its trail designs and work procedures. The company perfects tried-and-true methods of trail construction, while continually testing new technologies and procedures that might improve upon older methods. Innovation is a hallmark of Tri-State Company's operations. A good example of this is the Little Cabell Creek Bridge project on the Kanawha Trace. The staff packed in boards, glue, clamps, hardware, and other supplies, then laminated the boards together on site to create laminated trusses for the bridge span. This method of bridge building has excellent potential for use in wilderness areas where machinery and motor-powered equipment are not allowed.

I and the volunteer organizations I work with have benefited immensely from Tri-State Company's willingness to share its expertise with us and other trail advocates. Some of the company's accomplishments are highlighted on its website: <http://www.tri-statecompany.com/>. However, these highlighted projects do not include most of the projects the company and its staff have taken on as part of their volunteer efforts to assist other organizations at no charge. Tri-State Company truly practices social responsibility through its gratis local community support projects. Perhaps the most shining example is the Kanawha Trace project of the Tri-State Council of the Boy Scouts of America. Tri-State Company has contributed many weeks of work on this trail to benefit scouts, mountain bikers, school groups, and many other hikers and backpackers. You can learn a bit about the Kanawha Trace at this website: <http://webpages.marshall.edu/~kyle4/index.html>. Just last year, working cooperatively with the state of West Virginia Trail Coordinator and with the Mary Ingles Trail Blazers, Tri-State Company was able to convince the West Virginia Department of Highways to construct a well-designed, solar-lighted, under passage for the Kanawha Trace under a new four-lane highway. Suggestions first proposed by the company were eventually incorporated as the best solution to the crossing problem, with safety and aesthetic appeal in mind.

The company frequently shares its expertise at trail conferences, workshops, and seminars sponsored by governmental agencies, businesses, and trail organizations. Clearly illustrating, through visual aids and demonstration, the best techniques for sustainable trail design and construction, Charlie and other company staff are always a pleasure to watch at such venues. I have also noticed that the company often shares insight with other contractors in a spirit of

cooperation so rarely exercised in competitive businesses. I believe Tri-State Company's record of work, commitment to high quality trail construction, adherence to rigorous safety standards, promotion of green/sustainable technologies and practices in trail-building, and enthusiasm for socially responsible contributions to community development make it a worthy candidate for membership in the Professional Trail Builders Association. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

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January 24, 2009

Mr. Woody Keen, President
Professional TrailBuilders Association
C/O Trail Dynamics, LLC
PO Box 664
Cedar Mountain, North Carolina 28718

Dear Mr Keen:

I am writing in support and recommendation of Tri-State Company, Inc for membership in the Professional TrailBuilders Association.

I am recently retired Wilderness and Trails Program Manager for the George Washington National Forests having worked in that capacity for 15 years. During that time I had the good fortune and privilege to work with Charlie Dundas and John Gibson of Tri-State on a number of trail and bridge construction projects. Tri-State has always exhibited professionalism, integrity and a very high level of engineering skill and innovation in the projects the Forest Service contracted with them. These projects have indeed been both diverse and complex. I will highlight but a few examples.

Tri-State is renowned for its skill in rockwork. My first experience working with them was on the Whetstone Ridge Trail construction project on the Pedlar District of the George Washington NF in 1992. I was amazed at their ability to maneuver and place large sandstone rocks weighing upwards of a ton. It was also on that project that I first saw Tri-State's trail building machine which was a very effective adapted rototiller. The end result was a highly sustainable trail that lies very naturally on the mountain.

Tri-State has always been adept at finding solutions to trail problems. A case in point was the Mount Pleasant Spur trail constructed in approximately 1996. Our initial location on this .5 mile trail to the top of Mt. Pleasant involved some steep pitches and numerous drainage structures. Through extensive reconnaissance Tri-State came up with an improved location which, though involving more clearing and rockwork, was clearly a better solution. It resulted in a much more sustainable, lower maintenance trail that is more enjoyable for the public today.

Tri-State has contracted a wide diversity of projects on the GW/Jeff over the years which illustrate their diverse innovative engineering capabilities including the Elizabeth Furnace swinging bridge on the Lee District, the beautiful Apple Orchard Falls curvilinear bridge on the Glenwood District and the pinned stone elevated walkway on the Cascades Trail on the Eastern Divide District. These are but a few of their many projects but each project presented unique challenges both in logistics and in engineering and all are trail showcases on the Forest.

While Tri-State's tool of the trade is the pulaski they have always been on the cutting edge of equipment use and logistics. They are adept at use of all manner of trail machinery including Sweco's and dozers of all sizes. They have incorporated the latest digital engineering and survey equipment in their work resulting in a very high level of layout accuracy. In the area of logistics they are experienced in helicopter supply into remote locations. They are extremely safety minded, routinely identifying and correcting safety issues on job sites.

Tri- State has always been very civic minded. In June, 2008 I had the privilege of working with the Tri-State folks on the Boy Scout Order of the Arrow project known as ArrowCorps 5. It involved construction of a 50-mile Alleghany Multi-use trail System on the James River and Warm Springs Districts. Tri-State donated a week of time from all three of their employees to serve as project leaders working with several crews from among the 1000 Boy Scouts and scout leaders on the project. Their assignments were the most difficult and rocky sections of the system. The result was over 15 miles of completed construction and a tremendous learning experience for hundreds of youth and leaders.

In summary, I am very confident that the professional skill, innovation and integrity that the Tri-State Company has always exhibited will be a great asset in furthering the worthy goals of the Professional TrailBuilders Association.

Sincerely,

Alan R. McPherson

April 7, 2009

To Whom It May Concern:

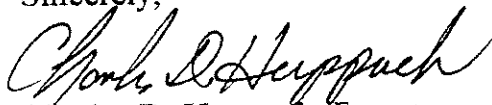
I would like you to know how much I respect and enjoy working with Tri-State Co. while planning and constructing a number of different type trails that they have built. During my professional career with the U.S. Forest Service I served as the Trails Specialist for the Southern Region where I was involved with many types of trails on National Forests.

I was first aware of Charlie Dundas and Tri-State in their construction of a very difficult trail ascending Grabtree Falls on the George Washington National Forest. Thousands of visitors have traversed this trail and it has held up well due to its excellent construction. Tri-State Company did an outstanding job for the Forest Service constructing rock walls, stone steps, and improving the trenches at Fort Edward Johnson. This has become a popular historical civil war site. Mr. Dundas's historical background enabled him to aid with the interpretive signs and their erection.

I worked with Mr. Dundas at Montpelier, the home of President James Madison. There, Tri-State won the bid to construct 1.5 miles of interpretive trail through the old "Landmark Forest." His trail experience in both construction and sensitivity to "go lightly on the land" proved invaluable to the conditions. The trail is now an important feature for the public visits to this historical home. The trail construction has held up well over the years. Montpelier has now used Tri-State and company for another trail phase at Montpelier. They are pleased with the work.

I would recommend Tri-State for their quality work and for their ability to complete trail work that most people would think could not be done.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Charles D. Huppuch".

Charles D. Huppuch, Forester
81 Fort River Rd. Verona, Va. 24482

Tri-State Company, Inc. Contract List

Contract Information		Location		Year
Site	Description	Organization	State	City
Indiana				
Charles C. Deam Wilderness	32 Mile Horse Trail - Hoosier National Forest	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Indiana	1993-1994
West Virginia				
Stonewall Resort State Park	Archaeological Survey (GIS Mapping)	West Virginia Department of Natural Resources	West Virginia	Roanoke 2008 -2009
Kanawha Trace	Kanawha Trace - Maintenance - 31 Miles every 5 years (Volunteer)	Boy Scouts of America	West Virginia	1958 - 2008
Potts Valley	Rail Trail Design, New Trail Construction	Monroe County	West Virginia	2009
Stonewall Resort State Park	Trail Design	Bench Mark Hospitality	West Virginia	Roanoke 2008
Oak Hill, WV	West Virginia State Trail Conference	West Virginia Department of Transportation	West Virginia	2008
Marshall University	Sustainable Trails Class	Marshall University (Recreation Program)	West Virginia	Huntington 2008
Camp Arrowhead	New Lake Drain and Overflow	Boy Scouts of America	West Virginia	2007
Marshall University	Sustainable Trails Class	Marshall University (Recreation Program)	West Virginia	2007
VA Medical Center	300LF Stone Wall & 2 Stone Towers	Department of Veterans Affairs	West Virginia	Huntington 2007
VA Medical Center	600LF Stone Wall Repair	Department of Veterans Affairs	West Virginia	Huntington 2007
Canna Valley Resort	West Virginia State Trail Conference	West Virginia Department of Transportation	West Virginia	2007
Camp Arrowhead	Little Cabell Creek Bridge	Boy Scouts of America	West Virginia	Cannan Valley 2006
Camp Arrowhead	Kanawha Trace Grant Work	Boy Scouts of America	West Virginia	Ora 2006
Tri-State Area Council Office	Flag Pole	Boy Scouts of America	West Virginia	Huntington 2006
Long Mountain Trail	Bridge - (Prefab Steel) - 0.1 Mile of trail to Bridge	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	West Virginia	Hardy County 2006
North Bend State Park	Trail Training - During Training built 0.25 Mile	West Virginia Department of Transportation	West Virginia	2006
Fort Mountain Trail	Trail Construction, Relocation, and Rehab 7.1 Miles	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	West Virginia	Richwood 2005
Kanawha State Forest	Trail Training - During Training built 0.5 Mile	West Virginia Scenic Trails Association	West Virginia	2005
Kanawha Trace	Recreation Trails Program - 31 Miles (Volunteer)	Boy Scouts of America	West Virginia	2005
Camp Arrowhead	Accessible Toilet and Fishing Pier	Boy Scouts of America	West Virginia	Ora 2004
Huntington Museum of Art	Trail Assessment/Design - Consultation - 2.5 Mile Design	Huntington Museum of Art	West Virginia	Huntington 2004
Laurel Run Trail	Guilan Bridge - 0.1 Mile of Trail to Bridge	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	West Virginia	2004
Blackwater Falls	Americorp Training	West Virginia Division of Natural Resources	West Virginia	2003
Camp Arrowhead	Rappelling Tower	Boy Scouts of America	West Virginia	Ora 2002
Camp Arrowhead	Lake Repair (II)	Boy Scouts of America	West Virginia	Ora 2002
Huntington Museum of Art	Viewing Platform	Huntington Museum of Art	West Virginia	Huntington 2002
Twin Falls State Park	Americorp Training - (II) - During Training built 0.25 Mile	West Virginia Division of Natural Resources	West Virginia	2002
Huntington Museum of Art	Americorp Training - (I) - During Training built 0.5 Mile	Huntington Museum of Art	West Virginia	2001
Kordel Park (Foot Randolph Park)	Stonewall Repair	Greater Kanawha RC&D	West Virginia	Huntington 2000
Memorial Park Fitness Trail (I)	Accessibile/Making Trail - 0.75 Miles	Greater Huntington Park Board	West Virginia	Point Pleasant 1997
Memorial Park Fitness Trail (II)	Re-edge and Gravel Trail	Greater Huntington Park Board	West Virginia	Huntington 1997
Rotary Park	Flood Damage Repair	Greater Huntington Park Board	West Virginia	Huntington 1996
Douhat Creek	New Trail Construction - Clearing, Treadwork - 1 Mile	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	West Virginia	Huntersville 1991
Camp Arrowhead	Douhat Creek Fish Habitat Structures	Boy Scouts of America	West Virginia	Ora 1990
Blue Bend	Lake Repair (I)	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	West Virginia	Neola 1990
Camp Arrowhead	Trail Maintenance - 50 Miles	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	West Virginia	Ora 1989
Camp Arrowhead	Gates and Steps	Boy Scouts of America	West Virginia	Ora 1989
Nitro Community Center	Rifle Range and Archery Range	Boy Scouts of America	West Virginia	Nitro 1989
Meadow Creek Trail	West Virginia State Trail Conference	West Virginia Trails Coalition	West Virginia	1989
Brandywine Lake Shore	Prefab Steel Bridge - Built 0.10 Mile of Trail from Alleghany Trail	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	West Virginia	Brandywine 1988
Grand View Elementary	Beachwell (Stonework) - George Washington National Forest	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	West Virginia	1988
Peters Mountain (Rice Field)	Nature Trail - 0.25 Miles	Kanawha County Board of Education	West Virginia	1988
Birch High School	Fencing	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	West Virginia	1987
Mamas Creek Gorge	Nature Trail - 0.2 Miles	Greater Kanawha RC&D	West Virginia	1986
	New Trail Construction and Reconstruction, Barrier Fencing - 2 Miles	West Virginia Department of Culture and History	West Virginia	1986
North Carolina				
Covealea Hydrological Lab	3 Wier Demolition and Rebuild - CCC Rebuild Design	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	North Carolina	2003
Maryland				
C&O Canal Trail - Lock 17	C&O Canal Trail - 2 Pedestrian Bridges 450 LF - Construction Control	United States Park Service	Maryland	2005

Virginia				
Werrimac Coal Mining Heritage Park	300 LF Curvilinear Screen/Elevated Walkway Bridge	Montgomery County	Virginia	Werrimac
Cascades Recreation Area	Flood Damage Reconstruction - 4 Bridges, Stonework - Helicopter Lift	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Pembroke
Pearlsberg Cemetery	Installation of a 35 Foot Flag Pole	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	1998 - 1999
Cascades Recreation Area	Upper Road - Rock Fall Removal, Stone Bridge Repair, & Flood Debris Removal	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	2009
Pearlsburg Cemetery/Appalachian Trail	New Trail Construction and Rebuild - 0.5 Mile	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Pembroke
Glen Allon Recreation Area	Reconstruction of Historic Fire Place and Grill	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Pearlsburg
Blackburg Work Center	Installation of Sign	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Glen Allon
Blackburg Work Center	Pole Building - Survey and construction of pediments	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Blacksburg
Southern Research Station	Constructing Sign and Installation	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Blacksburg
Bolley Field	Fire Ring	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	2008
Craig Creek Rifle Range	Concrete Floor	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	2008
Pandapas Pond	Wildlife Viewing Building - Concrete Footer (2' Pad)	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	2008
Interior Picnic Area	Barnier Railing	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	2008
James River District	ArrowCorps - Trail Tech. Assisting in a 5 day 12 Mile Trail Construction Project	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Cowington/Goshen
Wildwood Park	Phase III - Gravel paving - 0.5 Mile	City of Radford	Virginia	Radford
Highland County, Private Property	Trail System - 6 Miles and a Shelter	Private Trail for Hines	Virginia	2008
Shenando Lake	Floor Repair - Historic Reconstruction Prime Contractor - Sub Contracted	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	2008
Cascades Recreation Area	Ice Damage Repair (III)	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Pembroke
Cascades Recreation Area	Upper Road - Rock Hydraulic Breaker	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	2007
Blackburg Work Center	Workshop Equipment Shed addition	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Pembroke
Werrimac Coal Mining Heritage Park	1500 LF Accessible Trail	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	2007
Werrimac Coal Mining Heritage Park	Gate Repair	Montgomery County	Virginia	Werrimac
Cascades Recreation Area	Ice Damage Repair (II)	Montgomery County	Virginia	2007
Glen Allon Recreation Area	Wetlands Trail - Hauled and Spread Gravel - 0.5 Mile	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Pembroke
Blackburg Work Center	Crosscut Saw - Sharpening Training	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Glen Allon
Virginia Tech	Horton Agriculture Center - "Green" Parking Lot	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Blacksburg
Crawfish Valley Trail System	Trail Rehab, stream crossings - 3 Miles	State of Virginia	Virginia	Blacksburg
Cascades Recreation Area	Ice Damage Repair (I)	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	2005
Blackburg Work Center	Picnic Tables	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Pembroke
Bissel Park - Dunkle Landing	Bird Viewing Platform - 0.2 mile	City of Radford	Virginia	Blacksburg
Elizabeth Furnace	Cable Suspension Bridge 110 LF	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Radford
Crabtree Falls	Box Crab Steps, cribbing	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	2005
Glen Allon Recreation Area	Remov 2 buildings - Historic Restoration	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	2005
Wildwood Park	Phase II - Trail Construction - steps cribbing, & viewing platform -1 Mile	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Glen Allon
Farmwick Mines	Viewing Platform - 0.1 Mile of Trail to Platform	City of Radford	Virginia	Radford
Apple Orchard Trail	Trail Rehab - 2 Miles	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	2004
Little Stony Creek National Recreation Trail	Heavy Timber Steps - 0.5 Mile - Helicopter Lift	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	2004
North Mountain - Top Drive	Stone Wall Viewing Deck and Trail - 0.1 Mile	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	2003
Apple Orchard Trail	Lake Trail Bridge - 1 Mile of Reconstruction Trail - Helicopter Lift	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	2003
High Knob	Rehab of Trail - 2 Miles	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	2002
Private Property	Deck and Compasure River Access Trail - cribbing, platform - 0.5 Mile	Private Trail for Mason Simpson	Virginia	2002
Wildwood Park	Phase I - Trail Construction - Heavy Timber Bridge - 2 Miles	City of Radford	Virginia	Radford
Confederate Breastworks Trail	Trail Construction/Reconstruction - Sign Installation	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Montpelier
Montpelier	National Heritage Forest Trail - 2.5 Miles	National Trust for Historic Preservation	Virginia	Dublin
Apple Orchard Trail	New Trail Construction 3.5 Miles	Pulaski County	Virginia	1999
Crabtree Falls	Cumtlinnear Elevated Walkway/Bridge - Trail Construction 0.1 Mile - Helicopter Lift	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	1999
RR Donnelly & Sons (Salem Printing Plant)	Stone Barner Walls, Waterbars, Stone - 2 Miles	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Salem
RR Donnelly & Sons (Salem Printing Plant)	Wellness/Nature Trail 2.5 Miles and Outdoor Classroom	RR Donnelly & Sons	Virginia	Salem
Mt. Pleasant Trail	Picnic Tables	RR Donnelly & Sons	Virginia	1998
Wildron Trail	Relocation - 1 Mile	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	1998
Childrens Forest	Compasure River Bridge Repair (Flood Damage)	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Covington
Mills Creek	Trail and Parking Lot - 0.1 Mile	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	1997
Shenando Lake	Lower Trail - 3 Miles	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	1997
Mt. Pleasant Trail	Upper Trail - 2 Miles	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	1997
Shenando Lake	Low Water Bridge	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	1997
Wallice Trail	Cribbing, Waterbars, Treadwork - 2 Miles	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	1997
Wallice Trail	Compasure River Bridge Repair (Flood Damage) - (II)	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	1997
Hidden Valley - Jackson River	Bridge - Wind Anchor Removal	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	1997
Cascades Recreation Area	Upper Trail - Cribbing and Stone Steps	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	1987

Route 311	Stone Sign Removal and Demolition	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	New Castle	1996
Mt. Pleasant	Henry Lanum Trail - 5 Miles	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1996
Apple Orchard Trail	Lower Trailhead - Parking Lot - Trail Construction 0.1 Mile	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1996
Wallace Tract	Compassate River Bridge Repair (Flood Damage) - (I)	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1995
Devil's Fork Trail	Trail - 0.5 Mile	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1995
Hoop Hole Trail	Relocation, New Construction and Rehab of Trail - 3 Miles - (II)	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1995
Sherando Lake	Lakehouse Trail Steps and Cribbing	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1994
Hibb Knob	Tower - Reroof	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1994
Cascades Recreation Area	Upper Road - Landside Clean Up	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Pembroke	1994
Hoop Hole Trail	Native Timber Steps - 0.1 Mile - (I)	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1994
Konarak School	Reroof - Historic Rehab	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Konarak	1993
Braley Pond	Dam Steps - Heavy Timber	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1993
Rearing Run	Reconstruction of Trail walkway and steps - 2 Miles	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1993
Glenwood Ranger District	Stonework - Walls, Towers, and gate for Picnic Area	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Glenware	1993
Mt. Pleasant Trail	Glenwood Horse Trail - 5 Miles	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1992
Little Stony Creek National Recreation Trail	Upper Steps and Waterbars - 1 Mile	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Wise County	1992
Cascades Recreation Area	Little Stony Corder Branch Bridge - Helicopter Lift	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Pembroke	1992
Whetstone Ridge Trail	Stone Kiosk	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1992
Cascades Recreation Area	Trail Construction - 3 Miles	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1991
Cascades Recreation Area	Lower Trail - Rehab, waterbars, cribbing, stone - 1 Mile	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Pembroke	1991
Cascades Recreation Area	Lower Viewing Platform	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1990
Bark Camp Lake	Trail - Steps and paving 0.05 Mile	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Blacksburg	1990
Blacksburg Work Center	Repair Building	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1990
Sherando Lake	Blue Loop Trail Phase I - 2 Miles	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1990
Sherando Lake	Blue Loop Trail Phase II - 0.5 Mile	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1990
Chalroo Falls	Stone Barrier Walls, Waterbars, Cribbing	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1989
Pedar Ranger District	Trail Maintenance - 47 Miles	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1989
Hidden Valley - Jackson River	Cable Suspension Bridge 140 LF - 0.1 Mile Trail Approach	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1989
Crabtree Falls	Addition Rails, Waterbars, Steps, and Trail Rehab - 2 Miles	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1988
Beet Tree Lake	Accessible Trail - 2.5 Miles - Clearing, Sub Grade, Gravel Paving	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1988
Raven Cliff Trail	Bridge (Pretab Steel) - Mount Rogers	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1988
White Rock Campground	Water Tank	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1988
Butt Mountain	Toilet Reroof & Skylights	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Pembroke	1988
Cascades Recreation Area	Fire Tower, Sign Removal	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Pembroke	1988
Cascades Recreation Area	Toilet Reroof & Skylights	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Pembroke	1988
Cascades Recreation Area	Lower Trail - Rehab, waterbars, stonecribbing - 1 Mile	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Pembroke	1988
Cascades Recreation Area	Stone Causeway Masonry Repair	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1988
Sherando Lake	Beach Wall and Steps - Stonework - Trail Construction 0.1 Mile	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1988
Redish Knob	Wall Reconstruction	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1987
Cascades Recreation Area	Raven Cliff Picnic Shelter - Stonework - Mount Rogers	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1987
Crabtree Falls	Upper Road - Dips	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia	Pembroke	1987
	Barrier Rails, Waterbars, Steps, and Trail Rehab - 2 Miles	United States Department of Agriculture - Forest Service	Virginia		1987
Washington D.C.					
Hillwood Museum & Gardens	Consulting - Erosion Mitigation	Hillwood Museum & Consulting	Washington D.C.		2003

PRIOR CONTRACTS
TRI-STATE COMPANY, INC.
NOMINALLY 6 miles

4 November 2008

Monroe County Commission
Potts Valley Rail Trail Project
Attn: Dr. Craig Mohler, Project Coordinator
PO Box 350
Union, WV 24983

Dr. Mohler and Members of the Monroe County Commission:

We are pleased to provide an offer on the Potts Valley Rail Trail Project, Federal Project: NRT-2007(106)D; State Project: U332-POTS/TS-100RFP AG-3395-S-08-0010, located on both private and federal lands in Monroe County, West Virginia

We have visited the site and have familiarized ourselves with the terrain and all of the requirements pertinent to the project. We were already familiar with the site, having carried out projects for the United States Forest Service at Glen Alton and White Rock Camp Ground in adjoining Giles County, Virginia. All trail construction will be to USFS standards. The old Potts Valley Rail corridor is noteworthy for the tremendous civil engineering accomplishments on display there, [even by today's standards]. In some respects, the construction of the trail into the stream gorge at the Crosier Trestle site will be a piece of trail engineering of similar scope. The bulk of the work and hence cost, will be applied to dealing with this challenge. The slopes at this site and the presence of bedrock exposures, as well as, the pediments of the former trestle all add to the challenge in building the trail here. It is doable, but will be time consuming and difficult. We look forward to the challenge.

We have had discussions with Dr. Mohler, regarding alternate solutions to the trail alignment at the Crosier crossing. One of the observations that we offered, was whether it made sense to build trail ascending the north side of the Crosier water gap to rejoin the rail bed when the trail would leave the rail bed again within several hundred yards to descend to the "lower grade". It may be better to parallel the rail bed at the level of the Crosier crossing and rejoin the existing proposed trail route where it descends from the "upper grade". The alternate route is located on federal land. This alternate route would also give a different perspective to travel along the trail and would be less costly to construct than another steep side hill route ascending out of the Crosier crossing. In our design assessment, we will provide cost analysis for the proposed route, as well as, any alternatives recommended.

• **DESCRIPTION OF PRIOR COMPARABLE PROJECTS**

The following is a partial list of projects that are similar to this project:

1. **Crabtree Falls Trail Reconstruction**, 1987, involved trail reconstruction restoring treadway, placing stone steps, treated timber barriers, switchbacks, and crushed stone paving. [USFS Contract #50-3395-1-00028]
2. **Cascades Lower Trail Reconstruction**, 1987, involved working in an environmentally sensitive area rebuilding treadway, native timber cribbing, stone work, waterbars, clearing, grubbing, and treated timber structure repair. [USFS Contract #50-3395-7-0007]

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- 3 **Bear Tree Lake Trail Construction**, 1988, involved the construction of approximately one 15 miles of barrier free/accessible trail around Bear Tree Lake in the Mount Rogers National Recreation Area. Work included clearing, grubbing, removal of all stumps and brush to a waste area, timber steps, excavation, and gravel sub-base with geo-textile in selected areas. [USFS Contract#50-3395-0-00032]
- 4 **Blue Loop Trail-Sherando Lake**, 1990, involved relocation and new construction of approximately two miles of trail. Work included clearing, grubbing, and excavation by hand and Gravelly Tractor, switchback construction, native stone barriers, overlapping stone steps and risers, log and stone waterbars, and removal of hazard trees [USFS Contract#50-3395-0-00032]
- 5 **Cascades Trail Reconstruction**, 1990, involved reconstruction of eroded treadway, new log cribbing, clearing, construction of new stone steps, and repair of stone masonry walkways. [USFS Contract#5043-3395-00657]
- 6 **Whetstone Trail Construction and Reconstruction**, 1992, [adjacent to the Blue Ridge Parkway], involved construction of new side hill treadway, switchbacks, waterbars, removal of hazard trees, clearing, grubbing, and construction of native stone cribbing. Both hand labor and a Gravelly Tractor with a rotary cultivator as a trail machine were used to build the trail. This trail passed through stands of rhododendron and old growth Hemlocks requiring similar attention regarding protection of root systems [USFS Contract#43-3383-2-0621]
- 7 **Roaring Run Trail Reconstruction**, 1993, involved construction of an elevated treated timber walkway, stone steps, stone and timber cribbing, new tread construction, removal of large hazard trees [old growth Hemlocks killed by the Woolly Adelgid], masonry stone structures, treated timber steps, risers, and clearing and grubbing [USFS Contract#50-3395-3-9]
- 8 **Hoophole Trail Reconstruction**, 1994, involved building approximately two miles of trail through massive boulder fields, scree slopes, and the construction of waterbars, switchbacks, clearing, grubbing, and stone steps and risers. Most of the treadway was located on side slope gradients. The entire trail was constructed using hand tools [USFS Contract#50-3395-4-3-9]
- 9 **Charles C. Deam, Wilderness Trails Reconstruction**, 1994, involved the construction and reconstruction of thirty-two miles of horse and hiking trail in a "statutory wilderness" area. This meant that no motorized or mechanized equipment was permitted within the wilderness boundary. The work carried out included: clearing, grubbing, excavation, hazard tree removal, construction of switchbacks, installation of 100's of treated timber waterbars, side hill construction, hardening of stream crossings, and solving drainage problems on old abandoned roadways. [USFS Contract#50-56A1-3-01572M]
- 10 **Cascades Trail Reconstruction**, 1996, involved construction of treated timber cribbing, barrier railing, clearing, grubbing, and a massive set of overlapping stone steps. The area of construction was in an environmentally sensitive area requiring protection of plant and land resources. [USFS Contract#50-3395-6-37]
- 11 **Memorial Park Fitness Trail Reconstruction**, 1996, involved reconstruction of a treated timber edged trail for the Greater Huntington Parks and Recreation District. The work required replacement of rotten or damaged timber edging and the placing of new crushed gravel surfacing.
- 12 **Mount Pleasant/Mills Creek Trails Reconstruction**, 1997, involved clearing, grubbing, installation of log waterbars, stone steps, check dams, approximately one half mile of side hill treadway, and native stone paving. Much of the work on treadway was done with a Gravelly Tractor and a rubber tracked Bobcat Excavator. Numerous large Oaks killed by Gypsy Moth were cut down. [USFS Contract#50-3395-7-53]
- 13 **Mount Pleasant Phase II**, 1998, [Mount Pleasant National Scenic Area], involved rebuilding one half mile of existing trail and the construction of another half mile of trail through some of the most difficult terrain in the east. Again, a Gravelly tractor was used to construct most of the treadway. The work involved clearing, grubbing, and removal of hazard trees, rock waterbars, stone steps, and excavation. The resulting trail is now one of the premier trails in the George Washington and Jefferson National Forest. [USFS PO#43-3434-1017]

- 14 **RR Donnelley & Sons Company, Inc. Nature & Educational Trail**, 1998 and ongoing, involves the construction of a trail system at the site of the new Donnelley printing plant in Salem. The trail is approximately 2.5 miles long with an outdoor classroom; trail signs, wetlands, and a picnic area. The trail is directed both to employee fitness concerns as well as the education enhancement of environmental programs in the local school system. The trail is also open to the public.
- 15 **Cascades Flood Damage Repair**, 1998-99, involved clearing, grubbing, excavation, side hill trail construction, removal of large hazard trees, timber cribbing, steps, waterbars, and trail reconstruction to correct drainage problems. This project also included helicopter operations and the construction of four large treated timber bridges [USFS Contract#50-3395-7-13]
- 16 **Randolph Park, Pulaski County, Dublin, VA** 1999-2000, involved construction of over two miles of accessible and standard trail of four foot width, with timber edging and puncheon bridges.
- 17 **Apple Orchard Trail Repair**, 1999-2000, involved reconstruction and clearing and grubbing of existing trail as well as relocations to improve gradients and the construction of treated timber steps. There was also the construction of an elevated curvilinear laminated walkway beneath the falls [USFS Contract#50-3395-9-89]
- 18 **National Heritage Forest Trail, Montpelier, VA** 2000, involved trail construction in old growth forest located at *Montpelier*, the home of President James Madison. The requirements for environmental impact diminishment were high. A total of 2.5 miles of trail was constructed in this jewel of a national treasure administered by the National Trust for Historic Preservation.
- 19 **Apple Orchard Trail Repair** 2001, involved construction and reconstruction of trail in a remote site with all of the material delivered by helicopter. The work included pinned treated timber stairways, stream crossings, small foot bridge, rock waterbars, clearing and grubbing, and dry lay stone work in the form of cribbing and overlapping stone steps as well as stepping stones and trail hardening in wet areas. [USFS PO#43-3395-0196]
- 20 **Wildwood Park, Phase I** 2001, involved construction of a trail system for the City of Radford, VA in Wildwood Park. The work included construction of treated timber cribbing and waterbars identical to those called for in this project, as well as numerous round stock timber steps and waterbars [City of Radford, Gay & Keese A&E, project manager]
- 21 **Coal Mining Heritage Park Trail System Phase I**, 2002-2003, Montgomery County VA, involved construction of 300 lf of elevated curvilinear laminated treated timber walkway over a wetland. Also included was treated timber edged trail. [Montgomery County, VA IFB#01-73]
- 22 **Crawfish Valley Trail Rehab** 2003, involved construction and reconstruction of drainage dips on a new horse trail crossing the Appalachian Trail in an area soon to be administered as a "near" wilderness. The work also included hardening of stream crossings with geotextile, stone and fines. [Open purchase USDA FS New River District, GWJEFFNF, Blacksburg, VA]
- 23 **Wildwood Park, Phase III** 2004, involved ongoing trail construction in another section of the park to include box crib stairs, puncheon bridges, side hill tread construction, viewing platform and timber cribbing, "Coweta Dips", and waterbars. A Cat 301.5 was used to construct the treadway. [City of Radford, Gay & Keese A&E, project manager]
- 24 **Fork Mountain Trail** 2005, involved construction and rehabilitation of 11.5 miles of trail on the divide between the North and South Forks of the Cherry River in the Monongahela National Forest near Richwood, West Virginia.
- 25 **Crabtree Falls Trail** 2006, involved reconstruction of two miles of trails with over 30 water bars, dips, and box crib steps. [USDA Forest Service, Glenwood-Pedlar District, GWJEFF National Forest]
- 26 **Pearisburg Cemetery Trail** 2007, involved the construction and reconstruction of approximately one half mile of ADA standard trail to the original Pearisburg, Virginia cemetery. [USDA Forest Service, Eastern Divide Ranger District, GWJEFF National Forest]

27. **Wildwood Park Phase IV** 2008 involved placement of gravel in previously constructed trail sections [City of Radford, Virginia]
28. **Stonewall Resort and Stonewall Resort State Park** 2008, Design and mapping of 10.5 miles of new and existing trail, to include identification of an archeological site. [Stonewall Resort and West Virginia Department of Natural Resources]
29. **Himot Trails** 2008, design and build approximately six miles of trail for a private land owner in Highland County , Virginia

While this list is comprehensive, it does not include all of the trail projects that Tri-State Company, Inc has carried out. Well over two hundred miles of trail construction and reconstruction, and design have been carried out since 1987

- **Qualification and Experience:** Tri-State Company has extensive experience in the construction of pedestrian bridges, hiking trails and other recreational infrastructure. We have been building trails as a corporation since 1989. However, our experience in trail building, as volunteers, stretches back to 1960. The total years of experience of the principals in Tri-State Company, Inc. exceeds ninety-five years. We have carried out numerous projects for the United States Forest Service, United States Park Service, municipal and county park systems, state parks, private corporations and individuals. Our market 'niche' is the construction of recreational projects in remote and environmentally sensitive areas. We operate, using techniques and procedures, reflecting a 'light on the land' philosophy resulting in minimal impact on the site. It is often said, of our projects, that they appear to always have been there. We try to conform to the land, rather than impose a structure or trail on the land. We have had previous projects that are identical to the scope of work in this project. Charles L. Dundas, John Gibson, and Chris Kyle will be involved on the project on a day to day basis along with a cadre of other experienced trail workers, as required. We would encourage you to visit our website at www.tri-statecompany.com to get a more complete overview of our history and capabilities. We are also one of the primary instructors for building "sustainable trails" under contract to the State of West Virginia WVDOT, Recreational Trails Program. We also have GPS [decimeter accuracy] and GIS capabilities and have a working relationship with an independent Landscape Architect, Mr. Ronnie Wiley, and the A&E firm of Anderson and Associates in Blacksburg, Virginia. A list of references is also provided, we encourage you to seek their responses.

One of the challenges, with this project, will be to accurately provide a cost estimate, given the fact that the design elements are not set in stone, since they have to be reviewed by the United States Forest Service and a NEPA study must be conducted of the proposed route. We recognize that funds are limited and want to make sure that you understand that we are willing to negotiate and work with you to arrive at the best solution. We believe that we provide you the best choice of experience and capabilities for this project. We also have excellent relations with the Eastern Divide Ranger District and have a long history of working with them. Our philosophy of "light on the land" will minimize impact on the terrain and preserve the existing environment, as well as, cultural features.

- **Our Proposed Bid**

1. **Phase 1- Routing and Trail Assessment.....\$4,500.00**
2. **Phase 2- Trail Construction.....\$45,000.00**
[This price is subject to adjustment or negotiation, depending on the outcome of the USFS review of the design and the NEPA study.]
3. **The services provided by this cost are as contained in the Scope of Work provided by Monroe County in the solicitation.**

April 4, 2010

We look forward to working with you on this project and will endeavor in every possible way to see it to a mutually successful conclusion.

Respectfully submitted:

Charles L. Dundas, President, Tri-State Company, Inc.

WV0003332, VA 2705 045738

Encl 1: Reference list

Encl 2: DVD of work images.

Potts Valley Rail Trail

Monroe County, West Virginia

Scope of Work for Bid Package

State Project: U332-POT/TS. 00

Federal Project: NRT-2007(106)D

**Funded in part by a grant from the Federal Highway
Administration's Recreational Trails Program, administered by
the WV Department of Transportation**

Scope of Work

Definitions:

For the purposes of this outline, the following definitions shall apply:

Sponsor The Monroe County Commission and/or Dr. Craig Mohler, Project Coordinator.

Contractor The private contractor or youth corps group which is selected as the successful bidder in regard to the work outlined in this bid package.

Forest Service The Eastern Divide District of the George Washington and Jefferson National Forest. Cynthia Schiffer, District Ranger, headquartered in Blacksburg, VA.

Upper Grade, Lower Grade. In order to achieve a suitable slope on the descent from the Eastern Continental Divide into Potts Valley, the railway ran along the side of a ridgeline from the divide to a point about one mile southeast of (and 250 feet above) the village of Waiteville. There the tracks looped around a knoll and traveled in the reverse direction at a lower elevation along the same ridgeline to finally reach the valley floor. The section of railway above the loop was historically referred to as the "upper grade," while the section below the loop was referred to as the "lower grade."

Grade, Rail Grade, Rail-bed. All are terms commonly in use for the graded, filled, and improved surface on which railway tracks are laid. Ties, rail, and trestles were removed from the Potts Valley line when it was abandoned in the 1930s. However, the "grade" remains.

Overview:

As proposed, the Potts Valley Rail Trail project involves the creation of 4.5 to 5 miles of recreational trail for use by hikers and bicyclists in the Potts Valley section of Monroe County, WV. For general location, see *Attachment One – Project Location*. The entire project area can be viewed on USGS topo maps within the Waiteville Quadrangle. Based on the sponsor's contract with the WV Department of Transportation (which administers the grant funding for this project), consultants, appraisers, contractors, youth corps, and in-kind services may be used for the various aspects of the total project. The bid herein described is for a substantial portion of the work, but does not include all aspects of the project.

Approximately 90% of the proposed route lies within the George Washington and Jefferson National Forest, with the remaining 10% crossing private property. Likewise, about 85% to 90% of the route will utilize established rail-bed, while the remaining 10% to 15% will need to be constructed as new trail. Part of the new trail involves creating a crossing of the stream gorge formerly spanned by Crosier Trestle, which measured roughly 100 feet in height and 600 feet in length. The second section of new trail is needed to cut-off a 2.5 mile loop of the former rail grade; thereby connecting the upper and lower grades, and providing access to the second trailhead. The entire section of abandoned grade cannot at present be utilized for the trail due to the sponsor's inability to secure rights-of-way through multiple private parcels within the 2.5 mile section removed from consideration.

Much of the existing grade is already relatively free of brush and debris, and will require very little additional work. Some trimming of growth along the edge of the grade may be required in some areas. Also, wet areas within some of the cuts caused by failure of drainage will need to be addressed or avoided, as will a few rock-fall areas.

Logistics will require that the work within this bid contract be broken into two separate and distinct phases. Descriptions of specific tasks in each phase are provided below.

Description of Work:

Phase I – Routing and trail assessment

A tentative route for the trail has been established and mapped, and is included with this package as *Attachment 2 – Draft Detail Map*. A descriptive outline of the route, including trailheads, landmarks, points of interest, and areas where problems need to be addressed – with GPS coordinates provided for these locations - is included with this package as *Attachment 3 – Coordinate Guide*. Keyed numbers on the Coordinate Guide match those noted on the Detail Map.

While the trail is defined by existing rail-bed for most of the route, the contractor shall study options and recommend the suggested best routing for the new trail section at Crosier Branch (between points 23 and 26 on the map) and for the connector between the upper and lower grades (between points 28 and 34 on the map). Such routing shall be described, noted on surveyors' plats and/or by GPS coordinates, and flagged on location so that the project sponsor and the forest service may review the suggested routing at the completion of the study. The Crosier Branch section will also require recommendations on the best location for the construction of a bridge.

Secondly, the contractor shall assess the remaining sections of the trail on existing rail-bed and provide specific plans on addressing debris removal, encroaching growth, trail surface irregularities, and drainage issues - wherever attention to such is needed. A few specific areas of concern are noted on the coordinate guide and map, however additional areas in need of work may exist. Locations of the two trailhead parking areas have already been tentatively selected, however the contractor may provide recommended specifications for said parking areas, and/or suggest minor revisions to locations if such is deemed prudent.

Thirdly, the contractor shall provide at least minimal recommendations for historic, scenic, or environmental interpretation of the route, suggestions for locations of benches, kiosks, trail signs (including signs in regard to the trail section on private property), or other trailside amenities, and present a brief discussion of potential for future development of the trail such as spurs to points of interest or potential connectors to other trails.

Once all aspects of the routing and trail assessment phase have been completed, recommendations and findings are to be provided to both the project sponsor and the forest service for review, and all work by the contractor must temporarily stop.

During this interim period, the sponsor will select an appraiser to determine the value of the trail section on private property, and negotiate a lease agreement with the landowner. During this time also, the forest service will complete the required environmental and archeological reviews of the project area. Upon completion of these tasks (and assuming no changes are requested by either the sponsor or the forest service in regard to routing and trail assessment), the sponsor will present the required reports to the WV Department of Transportation and request a second "notice to proceed." Only after this second notice to proceed has been received may the contractor proceed to construction. As such, a break in the contractor's work schedule of several weeks to several months may occur at this point.

Phase II – Trail construction

The contractor shall clear and build the two aforementioned sections of new trail to specifications suitable for hiking and bicycling. Depending on the specifics of routing, the total length of these new sections is anticipated to be between one-half and one mile.

The contractor shall undertake and complete improvements to the portion of the trail on existing rail-bed (totaling about 4 miles in length) as determined by the trail assessment and including clearing of overgrowth and debris, correction of surface irregularities, improving drainage, and minor rerouting if necessary.

The contractor shall also clear and construct any spur trails to specific points of interest, as prescribed by the trail assessment

Various aspects of the construction phase may progress in any sequence, or concurrently, at the discretion of the contractor or pending advice of the forest service.

Additional Requirements and Considerations:

Bidding and general issues

*As required by the contract between the sponsor and the WV Department of Transportation (which administers federally funded Recreational Trails grants on behalf of the State of West Virginia) the bid for this project must be awarded to the lowest qualified, responsive, and responsible bidder. Previous experience with recreational trail building and/or training in the same, will be weighed heavily in determining what is a "qualified and responsible" bid. Both the sponsor and the forest service feel that such experience or training will be necessary in satisfactorily completing the routing study on location of new trail, and also in creating an accurate bid in regard to other aspects of the work. Applicants are required to submit references with their bids, demonstrating such expertise.

*As required by the Recreational Trails program, form FHWA-1273 and the provisions therein must be included in the contract for the successful bidder. This is provided as *Attachment 4 – FHWA-1273*. Bidders must also complete a Contractor Certifications Form, *Attachment 5 – Contractor Certifications*, and the completed document must be received by the sponsor before or at the time of bid opening.

*Davis Bacon and/or West Virginia Prevailing Wage rates must be paid where applicable. If both rates apply, the higher of the two must be used.

Routing, Assessment, and Construction

*The successful bidder will complete an initial walk-through of the route with the sponsor and other interested parties prior to the beginning of the routing study and trail assessment. This is required to familiarize the contractor with the project, and provide the opportunity for discussion on specific goals, concerns, issues, and etc.

*The majority of the route lies within the George Washington and Jefferson National Forest which, as an independent federal entity, has its own set of requirements, regulations, and issues which must be considered in regard to work undertaken within their jurisdiction. The contractor must meet with the forest service prior to the beginning of the routing study and trail assessment if the forest service requests such a meeting. The contractor must also be available to discuss needs or concerns with the forest service as all aspects of the project are ongoing.

*The proposed Potts Valley Rail Trail lies within forest lands and with the exception of the two trailheads, is well removed from any road access. A significant portion of the route borders the national forest's Mountain Lake Wilderness Area. As such, it is anticipated that much of the work (including much of the construction phase) will need to be done on foot and without the use of heavy equipment.

*It is likely that the new trail construction in the vicinity of Crosier Branch will be the most challenging aspect of the work outlined for this bid. The gorge formerly spanned by Crosier Trestle is steep and rocky. If the resulting trail is to be usable by both hikers and bicyclists, a significant amount of deviation from a direct linear route will be required to descend the 100 vertical feet to Crosier Branch, and then ascend 100 feet again to the rail-bed on the other side. Several stone foundation piers remain as the last vestiges of the old wooden trestle. It is hoped that the trail can be routed to wind in and out among at least some of these foundations – and thereby give subsequent trail users some degree of perspective on the former trestle.

*A bridge will be required to cross Crosier Branch. In recommending a location for such bridge during the routing phase, the contractor should make every effort to determine a location which can be spanned in 15 feet or less. Regulations and permitting which the forest service must obtain in regard to bridges is considerably more difficult, complex, and time consuming for spans in excess of 15 feet than is the case for smaller bridges. The selected location should also be reasonably safe from flooding. It is also hoped that the bridge can be accessed via sloped ramps rather than steps to facilitate bicycle use.

Review of Sequence of Work:

In regard to items included within this bid, the general sequence of work for the contractor will be as follows:

1. Awarding of Bid
2. Participate in initial "walk-through" with the sponsor, and meet with forest service personnel if such is requested.
3. Complete routing study for two sections of new trail (including flagging), and perform assessment of work needed on remaining sections on established rail-bed.
4. Create recommendations for short spur trails, interpretation, trailside amenities, and connectivity
5. Submit reports to project sponsor and to the forest service for review.

* At this point, work by the contractor must cease while recommendations are being reviewed, while environmental and archeological assessments are being completed, and while acquisition of right-of-way on private property is being obtained.

6. Upon receipt of a second "notice to proceed" from the WV DOT, the sponsor will notify the contractor that construction may begin.
7. Clear and build two sections of new trail to specifications suitable for hiking and bicycling
8. Make improvements to existing trail including clearing, debris removal, correction of surface irregularities, improving drainage, and minor rerouting if necessary
9. Clear and build short spur trails to specific points of interest, as prescribed by the trail assessment and approved by the forest service and sponsor

* Items 7, 8, and 9 may progress in any sequence, or concurrently, at the discretion of the contractor.

Exclusions:

Several work items required for completion of the total project are not included or only partially included within this bid. Location for the Crosier Branch bridge, and suggested locations for signs and trailside amenities are to be addressed by the contractor during routing and trail assessment, but actual construction of the bridge and of signs and amenities will not be dealt with in the construction phase of this bid contract. Some of these items will be completed or dealt with in part by volunteer labor, and some will be bid out separately. Likewise, while recommendations from the contractor are welcome in regard to trailhead parking, the construction of the two trailhead parking areas will be accomplished through a separate bid process.

Additional work which is not addressed in either the routing and assessment or the construction phase of this bid includes: printing of maps and other documents for trailhead kiosks, construction of a vehicle barrier at the private-property trailhead, and the printing of brochures.

It is anticipated that sufficient funding is already in place for these remaining work items. As such, additional requests for bids may go out during or shortly after the construction phase of this bid.

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – Project Location
Attachment 2 – Draft Detail Map
Attachment 3 – Coordinate Guide
Attachment 4 – FHWA-1273
Attachment 5 – Contractor Certifications

The following additional attachments are provided for general reference:

Attachment 6 – Project narrative (A more detailed discussion of the proposed trail, including goals and anticipated usage).
Attachment 7 – Rail History
Attachment 8 – Current photos
Attachment 9 – Historic photos

PRIOR CONTRACTS
TRI-STATE COMPANY, INC.
NOMINALLY 2 MILES

25 July 2009

Mr. Christian J. Cotz
Manager of Student and Family Programs
James Madison's Montpelier
P.O. Box 911
Orange, Virginia 22960

Dear: Mr. Cotz,

This letter is to provide you a quotation to construct trail at James's Madison's Montpelier, specifically trail in the National Natural Landmark Forest and the associated demonstration forest. The trails will meet the design parameters listed in the attached documents. Based on collected data provided by Mr. Charles Huppuch there will be approximately 876 Linear Feet in Trail #1. This trail will be constructed to two feet of finished tread width with a natural surface. Our price for constructing this section of trail is \$3.50 per linear foot [876LF x \$3.50=\$3,066.00]. Trail #2, located in the demonstration forest will be constructed to a width of five feet. Our price for this trail is \$4.50 per linear foot [4,156LF x \$4.50=\$18,702.00]. Thus the total price for the work is **\$21,768.00**. This price reflects Montpelier providing temporary housing, as per our discussions. There will be three people working with a planned start date on or about the 10th of August 2009. The final price will be based on Actual Quantity of trail constructed at the proposed unit costs. The design quantity and as built quantity typically are slightly different. Thus, if no work is required on the timber road section, that cost goes away or if on the other hand it becomes necessary to route around it for drainage reasons that effort will then be addressed. Attached to this letter of understanding is the trail description or "scope of work" provided by Mr. Huppuch and the blank RFQ. We construct trail to United States Forest Service Standards and will have a set of those standards with us and will modify them at the direction of the project manager, if required. We also understand the need to conduct possible coordination for the movement of bridge timber to the stream crossing point where trail #1 connects to the existing trail in the Landmark Forest. We will be also be mapping the trails, using a Topcon GMS-2 sub meter GPS data collector. We will be providing that data to you at the conclusion of the project.

Neither of the attached documents addresses payment schedules or method of payment. We need to discuss this item. Typically we invoice on a two week schedule with billing being based on measured progress. We are a small business and cash flow is critical for our operation. We look forward to once again working at James Madison's Montpelier. If you have any additional questions please contact us.

Respectfully submitted:

Charles L. Dundas, President, Tri-State Company, Inc

WV0003332, VA 2705 045738, FEIN: 55-0688481, DUNS#CEC, CCR 17-991-5491

Attachments: Montpelier Forest Demonstration Trail

Montpelier Trail Bid 2009

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EXHIBIT # 1

MONTPELIER FOREST DEMONSTRATION TRAIL

Station #	Description	Dist. In Feet	Ft. Between
1	Start at bridge	0+00	
2	End Landmark Forest	876	60
3	Succession story	936	558
4	Old road by yellow poplar thinning	1494	750
5	Haul road (edge of field)	2244	412
6	Leave haul road- enter crop tree release	2656	347
7	Leave crop tree hit haul road	3003	250
8	Cross haul road enter crop tree	3028	376
9	Patch cut opining	3404	1,079
10	Began oak regeneration	4423	290
11	Leave " "	4713	40
12	Enter cleared field	4753	57
13	Enter skid road	4810	536
14	Skid road in YP thinning	5346	536
15	Hit trail end – to close loop	5444	98

TOTAL FEET = 5,444 OR 1.03 miles

Alternative side trail by haul road = 321 feet
Measurement done by wheel.

July 10 , 2009

INVITATION FOR BID FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FOREST DEMONSTRATION TRAIL AT MONTPELIER

1. INTRODUCTION:

- A. Montpelier is soliciting a bid for construction of an interpretive trail through the grounds at Montpelier, a National Historic Landmark property located in Orange County, Virginia. Montpelier is located on Route 20 approximately 35 miles north of Charlottesville. This project is being undertaken by Montpelier, the Virginia Department of Forestry, and Virginia Tech Forestry Extension to provide access to and interpretation of forest management techniques within a demonstration forest.
- B. Montpelier was the home of James Madison, the 4th President of the United States and the principal author of the U.S. Constitution. The property, first settled by Madison's grandparents in 1723, remained in the Madison family until it was sold by Dolly Madison in 1844, five years prior to her death. It was acquired in 1901 by William Dupont Sr. who maintained it as a private country estate and horse farm. The National Trust acquired the property in 1984 from the estate of Marion Dupont Scott. It was opened to the public by the National Trust in March 1987. The property consists of 2,750 acres. Approximately 200 acres of woodland have been designated by the National Park Service as a National Natural Landmark Forest
- C. The completed system will consist of approximately 5,444 feet of trail through the Landmark Forest and the demonstration forest. The trail will enhance the visitor's experience at Montpelier by:

- (i) opening a new section of Landmark Forest to the public and student groups:
- (ii) informing visitors of the ecology and forest management techniques.
- (iii) Providing general information on the growth, care and management of forest resources and wildlife;
- (iv) Explaining the composition and dynamics of the Forest through a trailhead interpretive exhibit, wayside signs and brochure.

2. DEADLINE FOR BID – A sealed bid will be accepted by Montpelier until -----??? At which time it will be opened in public and recorded. A mailed bid should be addressed to: ????

3. PRE-BID CONFERENCE: needed?? (Dundas has seen)

4. SCOPE OF WORK & SPECIFICATIONS:

A. The Trail System: The total constructed trail will consist of two (2) separate but connecting trails within Montpelier's National Natural Landmark Forest and the demonstration forest, situated behind the Madison home. A map depicting the layout of the system is attached as Exhibit A. The two trails are:

- (i) Trail # 1 – 876 feet long, 2 feet wide and natural surface
- (ii) Trail #2 – 4,156 feet long, 5 feet wide and natural surface (The trail will run on a timber haul road for 412 feet- no trail construction required)
- (iii) Trail distances are shown in feet. See Exhibit #1

B. Statement of Work/Specifications: The contractor will provide all of the labor, equipment, tools, and transportation required to construct the two trails. The work will include, but not limited to, the construction of:

- (i) 876 feet of 2 foot wide un-surfaced trail and clearing shrubs and trees within the clearing limits.
- (ii) 4,156 feet of 5 foot wide un-surfaced trail and clearing shrubs and trees within clearing limits.
- (iii) Construct waterbars, dips, and mounding on the abandoned road for drainage.

C. General Requirements:

- (i) Rock, cedar and locust poles used in construction may be obtained from land where specified.
- (ii) Mechanized equipment utilized in trail construction shall be permitted on Trail# 2
- (iii) The timber haul road into the Demonstration Forest will support vehicles for construction on a limited basis.
- (iv) Detailed trail locations will be flagged by Montpelier staff before construction begins.
- (v) Contractor's equipment may be stored in a locked barn near the construction site.
- (vi) Limited housing for the contractor's personnel will be available on-site.

D. Environmental Concerns: The trails to be built will allow public access and provide interpretation of the Landmark Forest. The contractor must use extreme care to prevent damage to old growth trees, vegetation and an archaeological site that is identified in the Demonstration Forest.

E. Time Limits: The contractor will begin work after receiving a notification to proceed. Both trails must be completed by ???

F. Suspension of Work: (fill in)

G. Trail Construction Requirements: The following describes the construction requirements of each trail. A list of definitions for the terms used is attached:

Trail # 1

- (a) Construct a 2-foot wide trail with 9% slope or less as marked for 876 feet beginning at the Poplar Run Bridge site.
- (b) The trail will be grubbed to mineral soil, saving the organic matter to be placed outside the outslope. The trail profile shown on Exhibit # 2
- (c) All roots to be grubbed and backfilled with packed soil. Large roots may be avoided and left on large living trees where determined by Montpelier staff to reduce the trees stress.
- (d) Drainage dips will be placed in natural terrain or constructed as shown in #7700-66
- (e) Trees and shrubs will be cleared on both sides of the trail as specified in exhibit # 2
- (f) Hazard trees that will fall across the trail to be cut and removed from the trail clearing limits.
- (g) The finished trail will be firmly packed and provide a firm-walking surface free of tripping stumps.
- (h) All severed trees and vegetation will be pulled below the trail out slope and cut to lie on the ground and stems pointing away from the trail

See attached drawings #7700-62 for additional specifications.

Trail #2

- (a) Construct a 5-6 foot wide natural surface trail for 4,156 feet with less than 8% grade.
- (b) The trail will be grubbed to mineral soil saving organic litter to be placed along the exposed out slope.
- (c) The finished trail will be firmly packed and back slope of 1 to 1 or to natural grade where reasonable.
- (d) All severed trees and vegetation will be pulled below the trails out slope and cut to lie on the ground with stems pointing away from the trail. All exposed soil, except tread will be covered in leaves.
- (e) Natural or construction drainage dips will be marked by staff with temporary flags on the trail before construction. See # 7700-66
- (f) Roots of large living trees may be left in the trail as determined by Montpelier staff to reduce stress on the tree.
- (g) Dangerous dead trees or unstable live trees designated by Montpelier staff within 100 feet (slope distance) of the trail shall be cut off not more than 12 inches above the uphill ground line. Felled trees shall not be left hanging or leaning.

- (h) At each interpretive sign location, clear a radius of 8 feet semi-circle of trees and shrubs and grub to mineral soil for visiting groups to stand and to view sign.
- (i) The trail shall be mounded or provide natural drainage along old road and in field for 750 feet.

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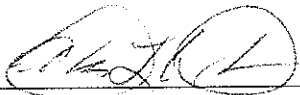
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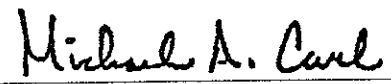
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This license, or a copy thereof, must be posted in a conspicuous place at every construction site where work is being performed. This license number must appear in all advertisements, on all bid submissions and on all fully executed and binding contracts. This license cannot be assigned or transferred by licensee. Issued under provisions of West Virginia Code, Chapter 21, Article 11.

BID BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS That we, the undersigned, Tri-State Company, Inc.
 of 4240 Lycans Branch Road, Ona, WV 25545, as Principal and American Contractors Indemnity Company
 of 601 S. Figueroa St., Ste. 1600, Los Angeles, CA 90017, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of California
 with its principal office in the City of Los Angeles, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the State
 of West Virginia, as Oblige, in the penal sum of Five Thousand & 00/100 Dollars (\$ 5,000.00) for the payment of which,
 well and truly to be made we jointly and severally bind ourselves, our heirs, administrators, executors, successors and assigns

The Condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the Principal has submitted to the Purchasing Section of the
 Department of Administration a certain bid or proposal, attached hereto and made a part hereof, to enter into a contract in writing for
Trail Construction at Stonewall Resort State Park

NOW THEREFORE,

(a) If said bid shall be rejected, or
 (b) If said bid shall be accepted and the Principal shall enter into a contract in accordance with the bid or proposal attached
 hereto and shall furnish any other bonds and insurance required by the bid or proposal, and shall in all other respects perform the
 agreement created by the acceptance of said bid, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise this obligation shall remain in full
 force and effect. It is expressly understood and agreed that the liability of the Surety for any and all claims hereunder shall, in no event,
 exceed the penal amount of this obligation as herein stated

The Surety, for the value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that the obligations of said Surety and its bond shall be in no
 way impaired or affected by any extension of the time within which the Oblige may accept such bid, and said Surety does hereby
 waive notice of any such extension

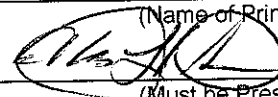
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Principal and Surety have hereunto set their hands and seals, and such of them as are corporations
 have caused their corporate seals to be affixed hereunto and these presents to be signed by their proper officers this
7th day of April, 2010

Principal Corporate Seal

Tri-State Company, Inc.

(Name of Principal)

By



WV 003332

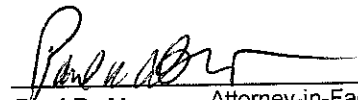
(Must be President or
Vice President)PRESIDENT

(Title)

Surety Corporate Seal

American Contractors Indemnity Company

(Name of Surety)



Paul R. Abrams Attorney-in-Fact

**IMPORTANT – Surety executing bonds must be licensed in West Virginia to transact surety insurance. Raised corporate seals
 must be affixed, a power of attorney must be attached.**

POWER OF ATTORNEY

AMERICAN CONTRACTORS INDEMNITY COMPANY UNITED STATES SURETY COMPANY U.S. SPECIALTY INSURANCE COMPANY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That American Contractors Indemnity Company, a California corporation, United States Surety Company, a Maryland corporation and U.S. Specialty Insurance Company, a Texas corporation (collectively, the "Companies"), do by these presents make, constitute and appoint:

Paul R. Abrams, Kimberly A. Nunnelley, Emily Johnson, or Christy Music of Cincinnati, Ohio

its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-fact, each in their separate capacity if more than one is named above, with full power and authority hereby conferred in its name, place and stead, to execute, acknowledge and deliver any and all bonds, recognizances, undertakings or other instruments or contracts of suretyship to include riders, amendments, and consents of surety, providing the bond penalty does not exceed ****Three Million**** Dollars (\$ **3,000,000.00**) This Power of Attorney shall expire without further action on March 18, 2011. This Power of Attorney is granted under and by authority of the following resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of the Companies:

Be it Resolved, that the President, any Vice-President, any Assistant Vice-President, any Secretary or any Assistant Secretary shall be and is hereby vested with full power and authority to appoint any one or more suitable persons as Attorney(s)-in-Fact to represent and act for and on behalf of the Company subject to the following provisions:

Attorney-in-Fact may be given full power and authority for and in the name of and on behalf of the Company, to execute, acknowledge and deliver, any and all bonds, recognizances, contracts, agreements or indemnity and other conditional or obligatory undertakings and any and all notices and documents canceling or terminating the Company's liability thereunder, and any such instruments so executed by any such Attorney-in-Fact shall be binding upon the Company as if signed by the President and sealed and effected by the Corporate Secretary

Be it Resolved, that the signature of any authorized officer and seal of the Company heretofore or hereafter affixed to any power of attorney or any certificate relating thereto by facsimile, and any power of attorney or certificate bearing facsimile signature or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The Companies have caused this instrument to be signed and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed, this 15th day of July, 2008

AMERICAN CONTRACTORS INDEMNITY COMPANY UNITED STATES SURETY COMPANY U.S. SPECIALTY INSURANCE COMPANY

Corporate Seals



By: _____

Daniel P. Aguilar, Vice President

State of California

County of Los Angeles SS:

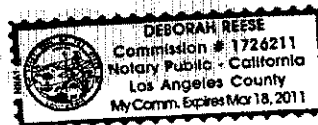
On this 15th day of July, 2008, before me, Deborah Reese, a notary public, personally appeared Daniel P. Aguilar, Vice President of American Contractors Indemnity Company, United States Surety Company and U.S. Specialty Insurance Company who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct. WITNESS my hand and official seal

Signature _____

Deborah Reese

(Seal)



I, Jeannie J. Kim, Assistant Secretary of American Contractors Indemnity Company, United States Surety Company and U.S. Specialty Insurance Company, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Power of Attorney, executed by said Companies, which is still in full force and effect; furthermore, the resolutions of the Boards of Directors, set out in the Power of Attorney are in full force and effect

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seals of said Companies at Los Angeles, California this 7th day of April, 2010.

Corporate Seals

Bond No. 1000842293
Agency No. 9041



Jeannie J. Kim
Jeannie J. Kim, Assistant Secretary

ACORDTM**CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE**

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

04/05/2010

PRODUCER 304.736.2222 FAX 304.733.1234
Insurance Systems, Inc
PO Box 10
Ona, WV 25545

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW.

INSURED Tri State Company, Inc.
P. O. Box 419
Lesage, WV 25537

INSURERS AFFORDING COVERAGE**NAIC #**INSURER A: **BrickStreet Mutual Insurance**

INSURER B:

INSURER C:

INSURER D:

INSURER E:

COVERAGES

THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. AGGREGATE LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR ADD'L LTR INSRD	TYPE OF INSURANCE	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFFECTIVE DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXPIRATION DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
	GENERAL LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS MADE <input type="checkbox"/> OCCUR GEN L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: <input type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input type="checkbox"/> PRO-JECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC				EACH OCCURRENCE \$ DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$ MED EXP (Any one person) \$ PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$ GENERAL AGGREGATE \$ PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG \$
	AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO <input type="checkbox"/> ALL OWNED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> NON-OWNED AUTOS				COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) \$ BODILY INJURY (Per person) \$ BODILY INJURY (Per accident) \$ PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) \$
	GARAGE LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO				AUTO ONLY - EA ACCIDENT \$ OTHER THAN AUTO ONLY: EA ACC \$ AGG \$
	EXCESS / UMBRELLA LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> OCCUR <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS MADE DEDUCTIBLE RETENTION \$				EACH OCCURRENCE \$ AGGREGATE \$ \$ \$ \$
A	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? <input type="checkbox"/> Y / N (Mandatory in NH) If yes, describe under SPECIAL PROVISIONS below	WC10211687-02	09/27/2009	09/27/2010	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WC STATU-TORY LIMITS <input type="checkbox"/> OTH-ER E.L. EACH ACCIDENT \$ 100,000 E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE \$ 100,000 E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT \$ 500,000
	OTHER				

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES / EXCLUSIONS ADDED BY ENDORSEMENT / SPECIAL PROVISIONS

CERTIFICATE HOLDER

State of West Virginia
Charleston, WV

CANCELLATION

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, THE ISSUING INSURER WILL ENDEAVOR TO MAIL 10 DAYS WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER NAMED TO THE LEFT BUT FAILURE TO DO SO SHALL IMPOSE NO OBLIGATION OR LIABILITY OF ANY KIND UPON THE INSURER, ITS AGENTS OR REPRESENTATIVES.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

Alene Lyons/ALENE

Alene D. Lyons

IMPORTANT

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DISCLAIMER

This Certificate of Insurance does not constitute a contract between the issuing insurer(s), authorized representative or producer, and the certificate holder, nor does it affirmatively or negatively amend, extend or alter the coverage afforded by the policies listed thereon.

ACORD

GENERAL LIABILITY

CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

04/05/2010

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 Insurance Systems, Inc
 PO Box 10
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INSURED Tri State Company, Inc.
 P. O. Box 419
 Lesage, WV 25537

INSURERS AFFORDING COVERAGE

NAIC #

INSURER A: Nautilus Insurance Co B

INSURER B:

INSURER C:

INSURER D:

INSURER E:

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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY				DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$ 50,000
	<input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS MADE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR				MED EXP (Any one person) \$ 1,000
	GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER:				PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$ 1,000,000
	<input type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input type="checkbox"/> PRO-JECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC				GENERAL AGGREGATE \$ 1,000,000
					PRODUCTS - COM/OP AGG \$ included
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	ANY AUTO				BODILY INJURY (Per person) \$
	ALL OWNED AUTOS				BODILY INJURY (Per accident) \$
	SCHEDULED AUTOS				PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) \$
	HIRED AUTOS				
	NON-OWNED AUTOS				
	GARAGE LIABILITY				AUTO ONLY - EA ACCIDENT \$
	ANY AUTO				OTHER THAN EA ACC \$
					AUTO ONLY: AGG \$
	EXCESS / UMBRELLA LIABILITY				EACH OCCURRENCE \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUR <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS MADE				AGGREGATE \$
					\$
	DEDUCTIBLE				\$
	RETENTION \$				\$
	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY				WC STATUTORY LIMITS \$
	ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH) If yes, describe under SPECIAL PROVISIONS below				OTH-ER \$
	OTHER				E L. EACH ACCIDENT \$
					E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE \$
					E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT \$

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CERTIFICATE HOLDER

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**WEST VIRGINIA
STATE TAX DEPARTMENT**

2010

**BUSINESS REGISTRATION
CERTIFICATE**

ISSUED TO:
**TRI-STATE COMPANY INC
PO BOX 419
LESAGE, WV 25537**

BUSINESS REGISTRATION ACCOUNT NUMBER: **1040-5693**

This certificate is issued for the registration period beginning: **July 1, 2008**

This certificate is valid until: **June 30, 2010**

*This business registration certificate is issued by
the West Virginia State Tax Commissioner
in accordance with Chapter 11, Article 12 of the West Virginia Code.*

*The person or organization identified on this certificate is registered
to conduct business in the State of West Virginia at the location above.*

This certificate is not transferrable and must be displayed at the location for which issued.

**ENGAGING IN BUSINESS WITHOUT CONSPICUOUSLY POSTING A WEST VIRGINIA BUSINESS
REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE IN THE PLACE OF BUSINESS IS A CRIME AND MAY SUBJECT YOU
TO FINES PER W VA CODE § 11-9.**

TRAVELING/STREET VENDORS: Must carry a copy of this certificate in every vehicle operated by them
CONTRACTORS, DRILLING OPERATORS, TIMBER/LOGGING OPERATIONS: Must have a copy of
this certificate displayed at every job site within West Virginia

SECTION I: DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE WORKPLACE:

AFFIDAVIT

DRUG & ALCOHOL FREE WORKPLACE

TRI-STATE COMPANY, INC. ("Contractor"), a
CORPORATION WEST VIRGINIA corporation (state of incorporation), by
CHARLES L. DUNDAS (officer or agent signing),
PRESIDENT (title), does swear or affirm that the Contractor has a written plan for a
 drug-free workplace policy and maintains a valid drug-free workplace policy in compliance with Chapter 21, Article
 1D of the West Virginia Code, 1931, as amended.

The Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace representative is CHARLES L. DUNDAS

TRI-STATE COMPANY, INC.
 (Contractor)
 By: [Signature]
 Title: PRESIDENT.

Date 5 APRIL 2010

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
 COUNTY OF CABELL

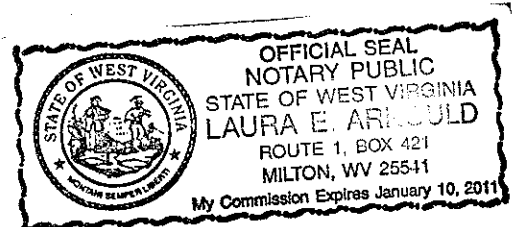
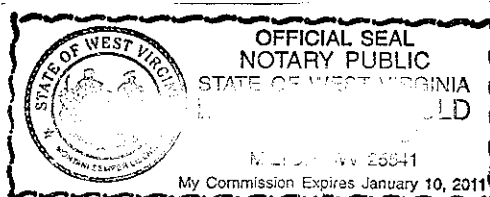
Taken, subscribed and sworn before me this 5th day of April,
 20 10 by LAURA E. ARNOULD

Laura E. Arnould

Notary Public

My Commission expires January 10, 2011

Notary Seal is required



Section J: ADDENDA (Project Sponsor to include this statement if addendums exist)

I hereby acknowledge receipt of the following checked addendum(s) and have made the necessary revisions to the contractor's proposal, plans and/or specifications, or other applicable documents and have considered the addendum(s) in the calculation of my bid

ADDENDUM NUMBERS: 1 ☒ 2 ☒ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ I further acknowledge that failure to confirm receipt of the addendum(s) will cause my proposal to be rejected.

Section K: IF AN INDIVIDUAL, SIGN BELOW:

(Name) (Street and Post Office Address)

IF AN INDIVIDUAL DOING BUSINESS UNDER A TRADE NAME SIGN BELOW:

(Trade Name) (Street and Post Office Address)

Sole Owner By

IF A PARTNERSHIP, SIGN BELOW:

(Name of Partnership) (Street and Post Office Address)

By _____
(Authorized Partner) (Street and Post Office Address)

IF A JOINT BID, SIGN BELOW:

(Name of Corporation) (Name of Corporation)

Incorporated under the laws of the State of _____
Incorporated under the laws of the State of _____

By _____
By _____

(Title of Officer) (Title of Officer)

(Street and Post Office Address) (Street and Post Office Address)

IF A CORPORATION, SIGN BELOW:

TRI-STATE COMPANY, INC.
(Name of Corporation)

Incorporated under the laws of the State of WEST VIRGINIA

By _____

4240 LYCANS BRANCH ROAD, P.O. BOX 419, LESAGE WV
(Street and Post Office Address) (Title of Officer Signing)

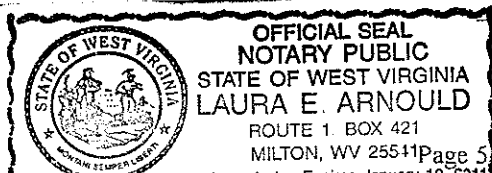
ACKNOWLEDGMENT, MUST BE NOTARIZED:

Taken, subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of April, 20 10

My Commission Expires January 10, 2011

Notary Seal is required

Laura E. Arnould
Notary Public



RFQ No. DNR 210127STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
Purchasing Division**PURCHASING AFFIDAVIT**

West Virginia Code §5A-3-10a states: No contract or renewal of any contract may be awarded by the state or any of its political subdivisions to any vendor or prospective vendor when the vendor or prospective vendor or a related party to the vendor or prospective vendor is a debtor and the debt owed is an amount greater than one thousand dollars in the aggregate.

DEFINITIONS:

"Debt" means any assessment, premium, penalty, fine, tax or other amount of money owed to the state or any of its political subdivisions because of a judgment, fine, permit violation, license assessment, defaulted workers' compensation premium, penalty or other assessment presently delinquent or due and required to be paid to the state or any of its political subdivisions, including any interest or additional penalties accrued thereon.

"Debtor" means any individual, corporation, partnership, association, limited liability company or any other form or business association owing a debt to the state or any of its political subdivisions. "Political subdivision" means any county commission; municipality; county board of education; any instrumentality established by a county or municipality; any separate corporation or instrumentality established by one or more counties or municipalities, as permitted by law; or any public body charged by law with the performance of a government function or whose jurisdiction is coextensive with one or more counties or municipalities. "Related party" means a party, whether an individual, corporation, partnership, association, limited liability company or any other form or business association or other entity whatsoever, related to any vendor by blood, marriage, ownership or contract through which the party has a relationship of ownership or other interest with the vendor so that the party will actually or by effect receive or control a portion of the benefit, profit or other consideration from performance of a vendor contract with the party receiving an amount that meets or exceeds five percent of the total contract amount.

EXCEPTION: The prohibition of this section does not apply where a vendor has contested any tax administered pursuant to chapter eleven of this code, workers' compensation premium, permit fee or environmental fee or assessment and the matter has not become final or where the vendor has entered into a payment plan or agreement and the vendor is not in default of any of the provisions of such plan or agreement.

Under penalty of law for false swearing (*West Virginia Code* §61-5-3), it is hereby certified that the vendor affirms and acknowledges the information in this affidavit and is in compliance with the requirements as stated.

WITNESS THE FOLLOWING SIGNATUREVendor's Name: TRI-STATE COMPANY, INC.Authorized Signature: [Signature]Date: 5 APRIL 2010State of WEST VIRGINIACounty of CABELL, to-wit:Taken, subscribed, and sworn to before me this 5th day of April, 2010My Commission expires January 10, 2011

NOTARY PUBLIC

[Signature: Laura E. Arnold]

AFFIX SEAL HERE

