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Middle Niobrara Natural Resource District Request for Proposal (RFP) – Long Pine Creek Watershed (LPCW) Restoration Phase 3 (SD4)

Proposal Deadline:

April 26th, 2021

Introduction

The Middle Niobrara Natural Resources District (MNNRD) is requesting proposals for engineering services necessary for the LPCW Restoration Phase 3 (SD4) Project located in Brown County, Nebraska on Sand Draw Creek (SDC) approximately 9 miles from Ainsworth, NE which includes the planning, design, permitting, construction, and construction oversight of the project. A LPCW Map, project location map, and site photos are attached at the end of the RFP.

Background Information

The LPCW Restoration Phase 3 (SD4) Project has received funding assistance through Nebraska Environmental Trust (NET) and Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy (NDEE). The LPCW Restoration Phase 3 project site has experienced major issues including erosion, channelizing, downcutting, and streambed degradation from a headcut that has moved several hundred feet upstream over the last several years.

Project Viewing Day

The MNNRD along with any Consulting Firm that wishes to view/bid the project will have a site viewing day on April 6th, 2021 at 9:30AM CT. We will be meeting in Ainsworth, NE on the west side of the parking lot of the Roadrunner gas station with the Subway in it, off the north side of Highway 20. That day will be the day to get boots on the ground, lay eyes on the area, and get a better understanding of the resource concerns at hand.

Submittal Process

All proposals must follow the format outlined in this Request for Proposals (RFP). Failure to do so may result in disqualification of the firm's proposal. For this RFP, a page shall mean one printed side of a sheet of paper. The RFP may include a front and back cover page (no plastic covers please). Do not include any divider pages.

Proposals may be printed single sided (one page per sheet of paper) or double sided (two pages per sheet of paper). The following information shall be submitted with the proposal:

1) A letter of interest that includes the firm name, contact name, address, telephone number and email address, the year the firm was established, any previous names for the firm and a list of types of services for which the firm is qualified.

- 2) A description of the project organization, the names of the personnel expected to be utilized including any sub-consultant personnel and the specific project contact person.
- 3) A list of not more than four (4) similar projects completed by the firm within the last five (5) years and a brief description of each project. Please list key personnel involved in each project.
- 4) Resumes for up to ten (10) key personnel. Resumes shall include their workplace location, a description of their relevant experience, length of time with the firm, applicable licensures and registrations, and their proposed role in this project.
- 5) Proof of Insurance.
- 6) General overview of firm's understanding of the project(s) and approach to the project(s).
- 7) Conflict of interest statement addressing if any potential real or perceived conflict of interest exists between this project and other past or ongoing projects.

Selection factors for the project will include the following:

- 1) Project understanding, approach and similar projects completed by the firm.
- 2) The project organization, adequacy of available staff, qualifications of professional personnel and staff members and location of personnel relative to the project location.
- 3) Ability to meet schedule of completion.
- 4) Approach/Success in obtaining 404 permits.
- 5) Experience working with NET and NDEE Grant systems.
- 6) Project Cost

Selection

The MNNRD staff will attempt to negotiate a contract for engineering services at a fair and reasonable price. If a satisfactory contract cannot be negotiated, negotiations will end. MNNRD Staff and Board will determine the firm. If needed, a new Request for Proposal based upon a new scope of work or new selection process will begin. Once a contract has been negotiated, MNNRD Board will provide final approval. The MNNRD Board reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

Scope of Services

Upon approval of contract, MNNRD representatives and firm will finalize scope of work to be accomplished. Project status reports/updates will be delivered to the points of contact at the 30%, 60%, 90% and 100% completion.

One hard copy and an electronic copy of your qualifications/proposals must be provided to:

Middle Niobrara Natural Resource District

Attn: Chandler Schmidt

303 East Highway 20

Valentine, NE 69201

No later than 5:00 p.m. CT on April 26th, 2021 .

Questions regarding the RFP and hiring process can be addressed to Chandler Schmidt at the MNNRD
(Phone: 402-376-3241, email address: cschmidt@mnnrd.org)

Your interest in submitting a project proposal is appreciated.

Sincerely,

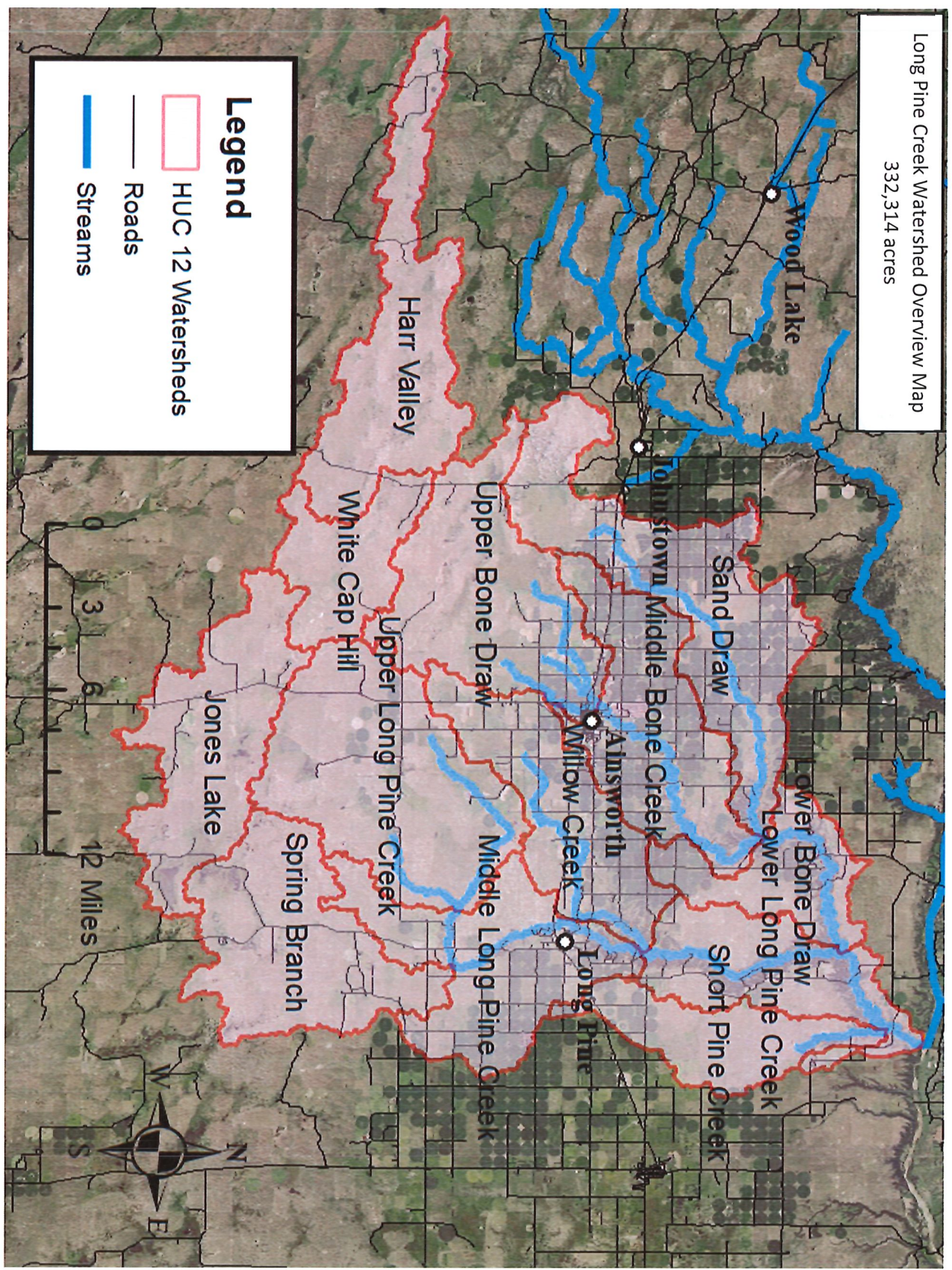


Chandler Schmidt

Watershed Coordinator, MNNRD

Long Pine Creek Watershed Overview Map

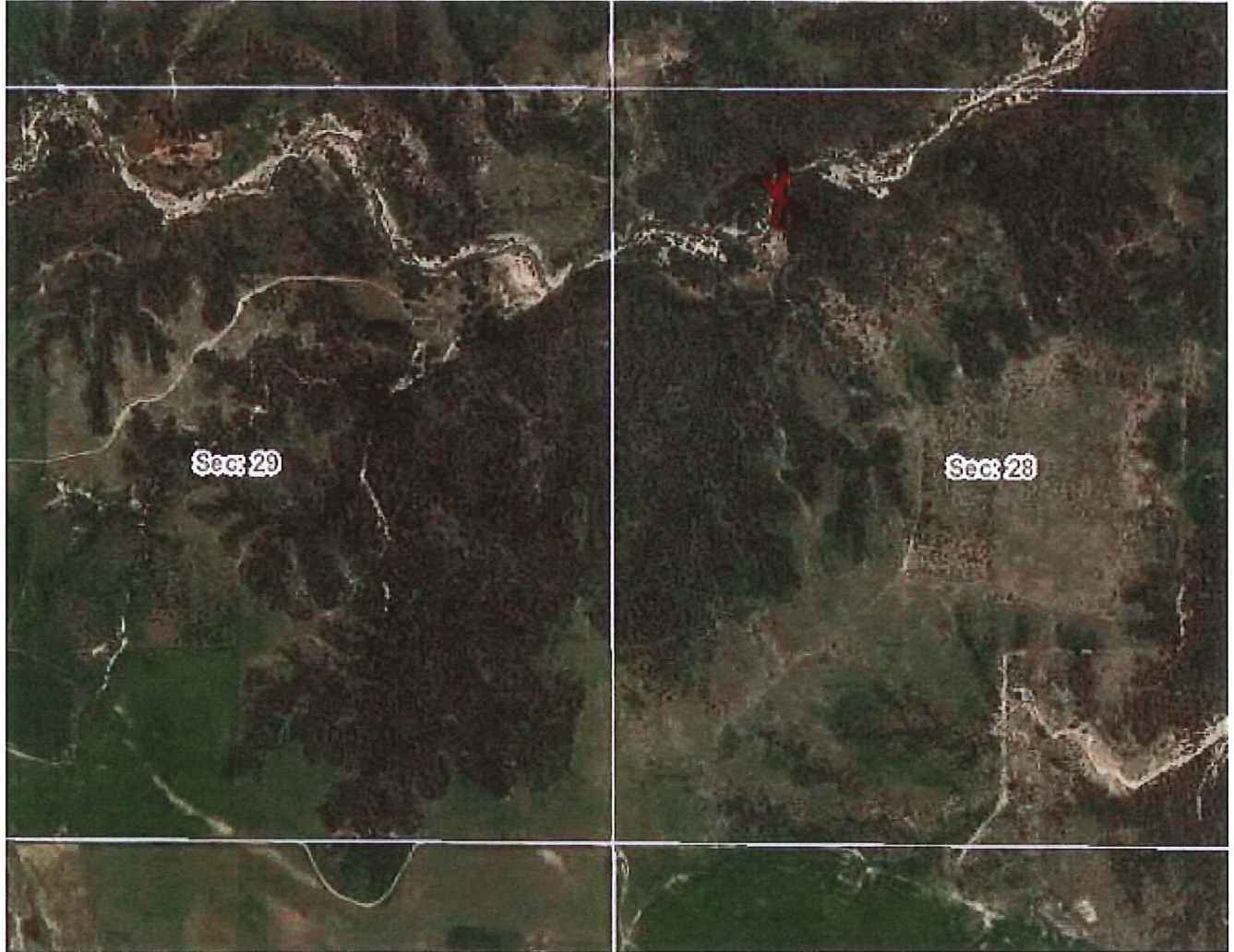
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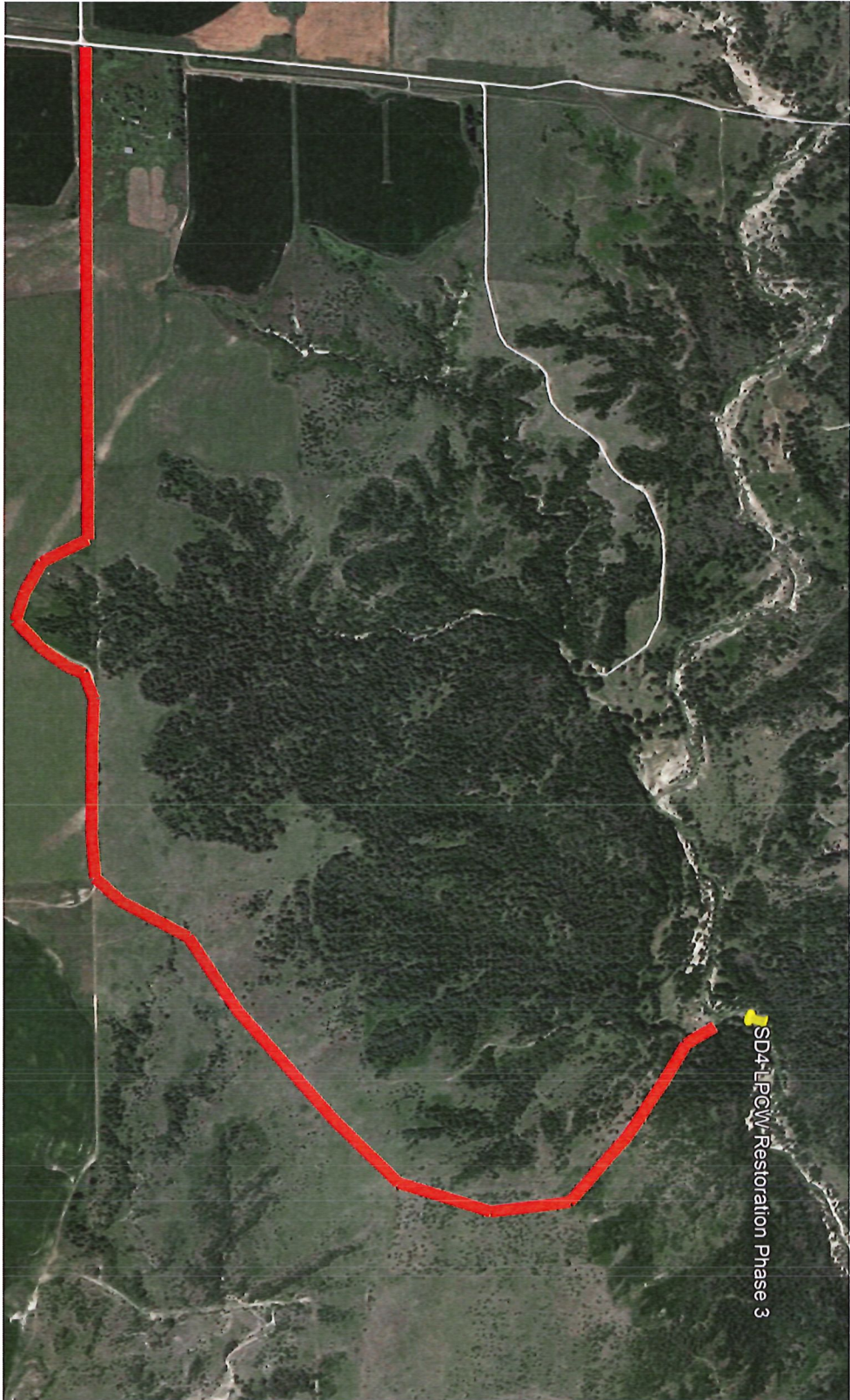
LPCW Restoration Phase 3 (SD4) Site Photos

Location: Northeast of Ainsworth, NE approximately 9 miles

S28, T31N, R21W



Potential "Access Route" to the project site



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Protecting Lives – Protecting Property – Protecting the Future