

Sole Source Application and Determination Form

A sole source determination is not effective until the sole source application for determination has been posted on the Purchasing website for thirty (30) calendar days without protest and is subsequently approved in writing by the Vice President of Administration and Finance.

1. Name of Department: PRRC
Contact Name: William Ampomah
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2. Name of Prospective Vendor: Path Three Marketing
Contact Name: Wally Drangmeister
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Email: wally@paththreemarketing.com
Estimated Cost: \$53,000
Duration (for Services or Professional Services – limited to four years): 09/1/2025 – 09/30/2026
3. Purpose/need for purchase and detailed list of items of tangible property, services, or professional services:

The proposed service under this project includes the efforts on the community engagement which have implications on the Navajo Nation. Meanwhile, the service should support to develop statements, engagement methods and implementation strategies to carry out meaningful community engagement and promote the Community-based organizations collaboration.

4. Detailed explanation of criteria developed for this purchase:

The criteria of developing this purchase is based on the previous project engagement and the credits gained from the similar work scope. The close relation/relationship with Navajo nations is a big plus to be recognized as a vendor.

5. Provide a detailed, sufficient explanation of the reasons, qualifications or unique capabilities of the prospective vendor that make that prospective vendor the one source for providing the items of tangible property, services, or professional services:

The contractor has tremendous experience in community engagement especially in the Four Corners region which is most relevant to this project. The contractor is already involved in other sponsored projects within the region and continuity and coordination is key to our overall outreach strategy.

6. Provide a detailed, sufficient explanation of how the items of tangible property, services, or professional services is/are unique and how this uniqueness is substantially related to the intended purpose of the department/grant:

Wally Drangmeister has the great relationship on/off of the Navajo nations and due to the continuous community engagement efforts in the Four Corners regions for years, he has established and firm network with the local communities which will significantly impact the project directions by spreading the research topics to all of the stakeholders.

7. Please provide a narrative description department's due diligence in determining a basis for the procurement. Include:
 - a. method used to research and review other available sources (i.e. list of potential vendors from Purchasing, internet, state pricing agreements, purchasing cooperatives)
 - b. list of vendors contacted, the date and method of contact (i.e. email, phone call)
 - c. documentation explaining why:
 - i. those vendors cannot provide the required items of tangible property, services, or professional services
 - ii. other similar items of tangible property, services, or professional services cannot meet the intended purpose of department/grant:

The vendor was written into the budget for leading community engagement efforts on/off the nation and DOE already scrutinized the vendor.

I certify I have performed thorough and diligent research and analysis to determine Path Three Marketing is the only source capable of providing the required Community Engagement and outreach scope of the project. I understand that violations of the New Mexico Procurement Code (Chapter 13, Article 1 NMSA 1978) can carry severe penalties. I affirm that the information provided in this Sole Source Determination is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name, Title: William Ampomah, Associate Professor *William Ampomah* 9/16/2025

Review: Purchasing Services: Lisa Majkowski, Director of Purchasing *Lisa Majkowski* 09.17.2025

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Protested (Yes/No):

Approval: Delilah A. Walsh *Delilah A. Walsh*
Vice President of Administration and Finance

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