

**This is a "Sources Sought Notice" for Market Research Only.  
This Source Sought notice is for minor repair and stabilization of two Scott Farm  
Complex located at Upper Makefield Township Newtown, Bucks County,  
Pennsylvania, Historic Reuse Project (HRP)**

- No award will be made from this notice.
- No solicitation, specifications, or drawings are available.
- Do not request a copy of a solicitation.
- Respondents will NOT be notified of the results of this notice.
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- This is not a solicitation but rather a Sources Sought to determine potential sources for information and planning purposes only.
- The purpose of this Sources Sought is to conduct market research to determine if responsible sources exist. The Government will use this information to determine the best acquisition strategy for this procurement. The government requests all interested Business respond to this notice if applicable and identify their business status.
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**Introduction**

This Sources Sought Notice provides the opportunity for interested parties to submit statements of capabilities to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Office of Real Property (ORP) to repair and stabilize two historic Scott Farm Buildings located at Upper Makefield Township Newtown, Bucks County, Pennsylvania. The property is currently on the site of the Washington Crossing National Cemetery.

These properties were determined eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places in December 2008 under Criterion D for its potential to yield information about materials, usage, construction practices and dwelling forms of early cultural groups of Bucks County. The period of significance corresponds to the dwelling's date of construction, ca. 1800.

## **English Barn**

### General:

- Store door from northeast elevation inside barn to for protection

### Foundation:

- Stabilize existing stonework with new lime-based mortar, color to match existing
- New stone infill to match existing.

### Exterior Walls:

- Install marine grade plywood sheathing in areas where asphalt shingles are missing.
- Secure all framed openings with marine grade plywood.
- Remove deteriorated particle board and re-secure openings with marine grade plywood.
- Secure upper level windows with marine grade plywood.
- Install marine grade plywood on northeast end over existing right hand original door to match that on the left hand door.

### Roofing:

- Remove inappropriate red industrial roofing panels
- Remove deteriorated asphalt shingles
- Replace/repair decking/purlins as necessary
- Re-roof with corrugated tin, silver in color, with half circle ridge cap.
- Install half round gutters and downspouts at all eaves on northeast and southwest

## **Stone Farm House**

### General:

- Secure attic windows on east elevation.
- Secure entry into shed/kitchen addition.

### Foundation:

- Stabilize existing stonework with new lime-based mortar, color to match existing
- New stone infill to match existing.

### Exterior Walls:

- Remove painted particle board sheathing from east elevation.
- Prep, prime and paint wood siding.

Remove painted particle board sheathing over windows and replace with painted marine plywood simulating six-over-six window sashes.

### Roof:

- Remove rolled roofing over shed/kitchen addition.
- Remove particle board decking and replace with  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch plywood.
- Remove 3 tab asphalt shingles from main roof.
- If necessary, repair/replace decking with materials matching existing in profile and dimension.
- Install new Enviroshake wood-look shingles, brownish gray in color.
- Install new half round aluminum gutters and downspouts on north and south elevations.

- Install new half round aluminum gutters and downspout on shed/kitchen addition.
- Flash around chimney on east elevation.











## **Questions and Answers and Response**

All questions regarding this notice must be submitted in writing to the project manager by July 28, 2018 to allow VA sufficient time to respond in writing. VA will answer all questions received in a single document that will be sent to all registered interested parties. Oral instructions or explanations provided will not be binding. Questions should be addressed to [maina.gakure@va.gov](mailto:maina.gakure@va.gov) with a copy email to Ed Hooker, III, NCA Historic Architect, [William.Hooker@va.gov](mailto:William.Hooker@va.gov).

## **Site Visit**

There will be a site visit scheduled for July 26, 2018 at 1 PM EST. Send an email to [maina.gakure@va.gov](mailto:maina.gakure@va.gov) if you plan to visit. This will be the only site visit that the Project Manager and Technical Representative will attend.

## **Response**

If your organization is interested and is capable of executing all aspects of the project, please EMAIL Maina Gakure with your Statement of Capability at [maina.gakure@va.gov](mailto:maina.gakure@va.gov) before July 31, 2018 by 11:00 am EST.

## **Statement of Capability Content and Instructions**

The response need not follow any specific format; however, it must be complete and accurate, provide strong support for feasibility, and reflect a realistic understanding of the property and its value. Proposals should include the following:

- 1) Proposer Identification and References: Provide full identification of the organization or person(s) responsible for the proposal, including names, addresses and phone numbers of two personal and two professional references. List if your company size standard; for example, SDVOSB, VOSB, WOSB etc.
- 2) List of Proposed prime Contractor and subcontractors, including detailed information on the experience repairing Historical Buildings.
- 3) If significant subcontracting or teaming is anticipated in order to deliver technical capability and scale, organizations should address the administrative and management structure of such arrangements.
- 4) Signature of the Proposer