

Request for Proposal (RFP)

1. General

The Office of National Archives, Culture and Historic Preservation (NACH), FSM National Government, invites qualified and experienced individuals or organizations to submit proposals for the construction and renovation of pedestrian walkways and a bridge at the World Heritage Site at Nan Madol, Pohnpei.

2. Project Goals and Objectives

The project goal is the installation of a safe, aesthetically pleasing, easily traversable, durable entrance made primarily of local materials, and by a local workforce, that will not significantly impede the flow of water through Nan Madol's canals, cause any other significantly environmental problems, or negatively affect the attributes that convey the site's authenticity, integrity, and Outstanding Universal Value.

The Contractor shall support the conservation of Nan Madol: Ceremonial Centre of Eastern Micronesia by improving water flow within the site. This includes mitigating threats, preventing further deterioration and collapse of the megalithic basalt structures, and preserving the site's authenticity.

All activities shall be carried out in close coordination with:

Pohnpei State Government

FSM National Commission for UNESCO

UNESCO World Heritage Centre (WHC)

3. Scope of Work

- Remove the existing pedestrian walkways and bridge identified in the 2018 Reactive Monitoring Mission engineering report.
- Rebuild pedestrian walkways and bridge to improve canal hydrology and water flow.
- Implement measures aligned with Decision 44 COM 7A.30 to clear canals and enhance hydrological function.

3a. Terms of the Assignment

Technical Expertise

- Recruit a qualified Master Arborist to:
 - Provide expert advice on environmental and vegetation considerations.
- Supervise the design and construction of the walkways and bridge within the site.

3b. Design and Planning

- Develop detailed designs for:
 - Walkways
 - Pedestrian bridge
- Ensure connectivity between:
 - Entry point at Temwen island
 - Nandowas complex
- Ensure designs are consistent with heritage conservation standards.

3c. Workforce Mobilization

- Recruit and manage local labor for:
- Removal of existing walkways and bridge
- Construction of new walkways and a bridge

3d. Construction Works

- Safely dismantle existing walkways' structures.
- Construct walkways and a bridge according to approved designs.
- Ensure minimal disturbance to the site's integrity and environment.

4. Location and Duration

- Project Location: Nan Madol, Pohnpei
- Project Duration: One Year
- Completion Date: May 25, 2027

5. Proposal Format

- Name and Address
- Telephone numbers
- Name, address, and email address of the contact person
- Title of proposal and brief description of proposal (50 words or less)
- Project Period: May 25, 2026 to May 25, 2027

- Statement of Mission

Statements of Goals, activities, objectives, outputs and timelines. (State as many goals as needed along with sets of activity outcomes or objectives, outputs and timelines.)

- General Budget Outlays:
 - a. General budget outlays
 - b. Line-item budgets (budget itemization)

6. Deliverables

Based on the scope of work, the contractor shall provide the following deliverables:

- a. Produce the walkways and bridge designs
- b. Produce the walkways maintenance plan

7. Date of Submission

All proposals shall be submitted no later than April 27, 2026, at 5:00 pm to the addresses below:

(A courtesy file copy to this address:)

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