



# Samson Cree Nation

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## COMMUNITY NOTICE

### 2022 Townsite Water Upgrades –

### Final Request for Resumes

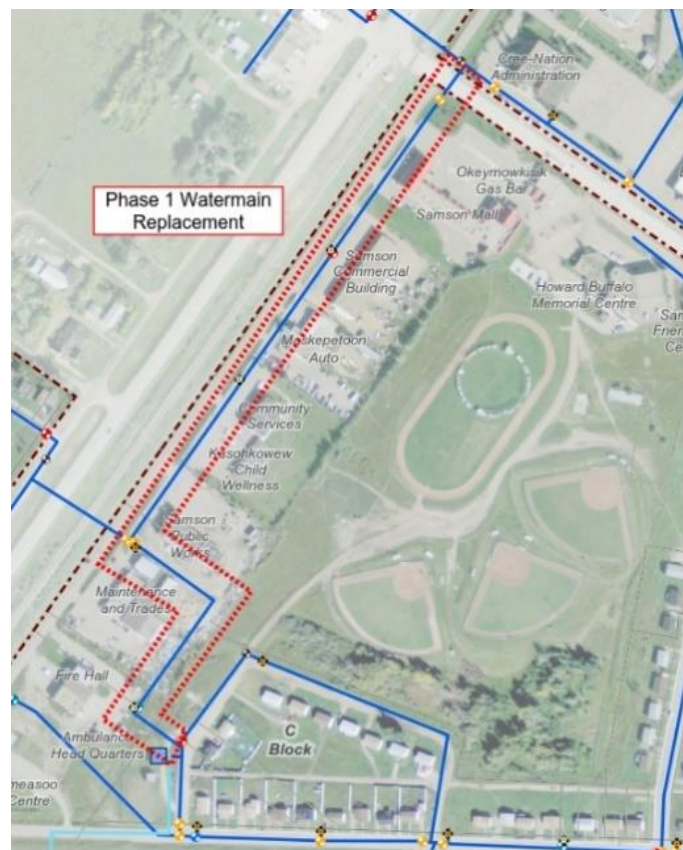
March 28, 2022

*The final deadline for resumes is coming up quickly!  
Please submit yours before Friday, April 8, 2022.*

#### Project Overview

We have been experiencing frequent leaks in our townsite potable water distribution system for at least the past 10 years. Approximately 7.9 km of the 14.4 km (55%) piped system was built in the 1970s and is starting to fail. Repair work on our sewer system in the townsite over the past few years highlighted how brittle the watermain is by creating numerous breaks and water service disruptions just by working with heavy equipment adjacent to our waterlines.

We have been advocating for funding to repair and replace our aging infrastructure since at least 2010. In 2020, we received funding from Indigenous Services Canada to complete an assessment of the townsite water system. This assessment led to the creation of a Nation-led plan to systematically replace our aging townsite water infrastructure over 10 phases (5-10 years). Through continued advocacy, the Nation was successful in securing funding from Indigenous Services Canada in 2021 to design the first phase of the planned watermain replacements and associated system upgrades. We expect to have the design complete and be ready to tender the project by late April/early May, 2022.





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We anticipate this work will be tendered in two separate contracts:

## Contract 1 - Watermain Replacement

- Removal and replacement of approximately 800m of watermain, including valves, hydrants, and building service connections from the Samson Cree Nation Townsite Water Treatment Plant along Crane Road to the Band Office. Includes restoration of parking lots, lot approaches, and fencing along the alignment (where applicable).

## Contract 2 - Facilities

- Construction of a backup power generator for the Samson Cree Nation Townsite Water Treatment Plant, located just north of the existing Water Treatment Plant. Also includes construction of a potable water booster station/pumphouse in the Whoville area using a pre-manufactured building.

These **contracts will require at least 15% local resources (a combination of laborers and supplies) from Maskwacis** to be included in the delivery of the work, **but we'd like that number to be much higher.**

We would like to provide support to our members in advance of releasing the tender for this project to allow for the greatest opportunity for engagement in the project. Ideally this will mean including resumes and local contractor information in the tender documents.

## Project Schedule Highlights

Tender Contracts 1 & 2 – April/May 2022

Construction of Contracts 1 & 2 – June–December 2022

## What We Need from You

### 1. Submit resumes to the Nation:

- Individual resumes showing relevant experience, training certificates, education, references, contact information, etc.
- Contractor brochures/resumes showing relevant experience, references, contact information, insurance & bonding capabilities, WCB Confirmation, COR Certification, etc.

*Please submit your resume, supplier information, or company brochure to the following email address **before Friday, April 8, 2022:***

[personnel.179@gmail.com](mailto:personnel.179@gmail.com)

*Alternatively, you can direct resumes and questions about the project to:*

Chad Simon, Community and Capital Projects – Water Project Coordinator:

E: [c1rcachad@gmail.com](mailto:c1rcachad@gmail.com) P: (780) 394-7211



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## Potential Job Opportunities

We expect each contract will be awarded to a General Contractor who will need to hire sub-contractors, local labour and services to complete the work. The following list outlines potential job opportunities for each of the two contracts. These jobs are not guaranteed and are only listed as examples.

<b>Contract 1 - Watermain Replacement</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General Contractor</li> <li>• Labourers</li> <li>• Foreman</li> <li>• Pipelayer</li> <li>• Equipment Operators (Excavator, Dozer, Skidsteer, Loader, Packer, Grader, etc)</li> <li>• Heavy Duty Mechanic</li> <li>• Hydrovac Operator/Contractor</li> <li>• Gravel Supply</li> <li>• Class 1-5 Drivers</li> <li>• Utility Locator</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Augering Contractor</li> <li>• Chain Link Fencing Contractor</li> <li>• Paving Contractor</li> <li>• Landscaping Contractor</li> <li>• Equipment/materials supplier(s)</li> <li>• Fuel supply for construction equipment</li> <li>• Temporary site office and washroom facilities supplier(s)</li> <li>• Site Inspection Support</li> <li>• Site Security</li> </ul>
<b>Contract 2 - Facilities</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General Contractor</li> <li>• Journeyman Electrician</li> <li>• Heavy Duty Mechanic</li> <li>• Labourers</li> <li>• Foreman</li> <li>• Pipelayer</li> <li>• Concrete Supply &amp; Placement</li> <li>• Equipment Operators (Excavator, Dozer, Skidsteer, Loader, Packer, Grader, etc)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gravel Supply &amp; Placement</li> <li>• Landscaping Contractor</li> <li>• Class 1-5 Drivers</li> <li>• Equipment/materials supplier(s)</li> <li>• Fuel supply for construction equipment</li> <li>• Temporary site office and washroom facilities supplier(s)</li> <li>• Site Inspection Support</li> <li>• Site Security</li> </ul>

## Potentially Required Training/Certification/Personal Protective Equipment (varies by job duty)

- Resume detailing relevant experience
- Class 5 Driver's License (preferred) – may include drivers abstract review and/or means of transportation to/from work site
- Valid Construction Safety Training System ([CSTS](#)) Ticket
  - With relevant job-specific module topics such as: Basic Ladder Safety, Confined Space Awareness, Environmental Protection, Excavation & Exposing Utilities, etc
- Pre-Employment Drug and Alcohol screening
- High school diploma/GED (preferred)
- First Aid/CPR, H2S Alive, Fall Protection, Confined Space, Ground Disturbance
- Hard hat, steel-toed boots, appropriate work clothing



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## **Job Readiness Support**

Samson Cree Nation has two excellent resource centers to help you with resume and job readiness preparation, including certification and training enrolment and completion.

### **Maskwacis Employment Center (MEC)**

**Hours:** 9:30-3:00, Monday to Friday  
*Virtual or by Appointment*

**Contact:** Ph. (780-585-4450); C (text). (780-360-4423);  
Web: <https://www.maskwacisemployment.ca/contact-us>

### **Type of Training/Support:**

- Resume & Cover Letter Preparation
- Interview Preparation
- Exposure Courses (Safety Tickets)
- Computer Access
- Employment Readiness Sessions

### **Samson Cree Nation Workforce Training & Development**

**Hours:** 9:00-3:00, Monday to Friday,  
*Virtual or by Appointment*

**Contact:** Ph. (780-585-3305)

### **Type of Training/Support:**

- Training Expenses
- Drug and Alcohol Testing Expenses
- PPE



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## Other Projects

Alongside this important work, the Nation is also working on the following water projects that received funding in 2020/2021. These projects are being delivered through collaboration across multiple departments and committees including Community and Capital Planning (CCP), nipi'y, Housing & Trades, and Maskwacis Health Services:

1. Completed in 2021
  - Emergency Replacement and Upgrade of Wells 11 & 12, improving water supply to our Townsite Water System and ensuring adequate supply of drinking water.
  - Priority Water Valve Replacements, improving townsite water system operations by creating water system “zones” to reduce the need to shut down water service to the entire townsite in event of a water break.
2. Currently Underway
  - Implementation of a geographic database system to improve management and record-keeping for our water, sewer, and housing infrastructure.
  - Design of Phase 2 of the planned watermain replacements work in the Townsite (anticipated construction in 2023)
  - Comprehensive water quality testing and concept design for future upgrades to the townsite water treatment plant (anticipated construction in 3+ years). This is a proactive project to ensure we have a plan ready and funding secured to upgrade our water treatment plant when it reaches end-of-life.
  - Assessment of some individual rural household water systems that are on drinking water advisories to better understand the root causes and advocate for appropriate funding to be able to provide safe, reliable drinking water to all our members in Samson Cree Nation and Pigeon Lake.

Thank you,

Samson Cree Nation