

**REQUEST FOR INFORMATION - SOURCES SOUGHT  
NSA CRANE AND LAKE GLENDORA TEST FACILITY  
BUFFER ZONE ANALYSIS AND OUTREACH**

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**Responses are due to Radius Indiana no later than 4:30PM Eastern Time on  
31 March 2018.**

## **1. SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND**

Radius Indiana is currently seeking potential business sources with the capabilities to establish a baseline inventory of all properties and land use characteristics within a buffer zone defined as a three-mile perimeter of Naval Support Activity (NSA) Crane and Lake Glendora Test Facility (LGTF), and then to carry out research and identification of funding sources that can be utilized to implement voluntary encroachment safeguards via easements, purchase of development rights, acquisition and other voluntary land use controls.

There has long been a military presence in the southwestern area of Indiana, which consists of Naval Support Activity Crane, (NSA Crane), the nation's third largest naval base. Located approximately 70 miles southwest of Indianapolis and 90 miles northeast of Evansville, NSA Crane and LGTF are surrounded by Daviess County, Greene County, Lawrence County, Martin County and Sullivan County and the incorporated and unincorporated communities within them. NSA Crane engages in technological, logistical, and munitions missions with little impact on the surrounding area due to the region's sparse population and limited traffic. It is an economic engine of prosperity, enabling jobs for more than 5,000 workers who reside in the counties around the base.

The Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA) received financial assistance from the Department of Defense Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA) in 2014 to conduct a Joint Land Use Study (JLUS). OCRA recently completed the NSA Crane JLUS for the base and its LGTF. This was a 24-month collaborative study between NSA Crane, surrounding counties, and other state and regional organizations. An organized communications effort between local jurisdictions, NSA Crane, the LGTF and other stakeholder entities that own or manage land within the regions was needed to address the need for future growth around the installation to be coordinated and compatible with current and future military operations.

The NSA Crane JLUS final report at [www.cranejlus.com](http://www.cranejlus.com) contains detailed implementation plans and strategies. These implementation plans and strategies incorporate a variety of actions that can be implemented to promote compatible land use and resource planning.

Radius Indiana is a relatively young organization established in 2009. The State's Economic Development Corporation was mandated through legislation, to fund economic development initiatives in South Central Indiana. As a result, Radius Indiana was formed to ignite prosperity in the region and to be the partner to the state, tasked with the development and implementation of regional economic strategies and initiatives. The counties within Radius are Crawford, Daviess, Dubois, Greene, Lawrence, Martin, Orange and Washington.

The mission of Radius Indiana is to lead regional economic development through collaboration; this is accomplished by leveraging the diverse assets of southwestern central Indiana. NSA Crane is the largest employer in our region and one of our top priorities. As the eight-county, regional economic development partnership serving the counties that house and surround the base, Radius is a point of contact for Crane outside the gate. Radius is charged with the responsibility to encourage increased communications about economic and community development, compatible land use, conservation, and natural resource management issues affecting both the communities and NSA Crane.

## **2. PROJECT PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION**

The purpose of this project is as follows: The NSA Crane JLUS final report identified several specific recommendations that involve voluntary participation by the public in programs to prevent incompatible

development within the three-mile perimeter that negatively impacts NSA Crane missions. Additional information and effort is needed to address the specific NSA Crane JLUS recommendations identified as: AT-1B, BIO-1A, BIO-1B and LU-1C (further information on these recommendations is available at a [www.cranejlus.com](http://www.cranejlus.com)). This effort will address several items by gathering and assessing data at the parcel level within the three-mile buffer around NSA Crane and LGTF, identifying parcels with the highest development potential, meeting with stakeholders and educating the public on optional programs for land use conservation, and identifying means for landowners to become engaged in such programs. The overall intent is to help preserve the missions at NSA Crane and LGTF by inviting the public to participate in compatible land use programs.

### **Project Description:**

Radius Indiana is seeking a provider to develop a Buffer zone map with various GIS layers. The map must show existing land use status for parcels within the three-mile perimeter of NSA Crane and LGTF. The Buffer zone map will utilize the latest web-based technology to create a map site that is user friendly, simple to use, and provides detailed information about the three-mile buffer.

Based upon the GIS data, the selected provider will perform analysis on land identified in three-mile perimeter and then pinpoint those parcels with the highest potential for incompatible development. Program research will utilize the current land attributes to identify a list of potential compatible land use incentive programs that are relevant to land owners within the three-mile perimeter. The chosen provider will provide and document details on each program sufficient to inform the landowners of their options.

The provider shall facilitate a series of public outreach meetings to inform residents and landowners of these options. The public outreach efforts must convey the voluntary nature of the compatibility programs to the landowners and how they contribute to the environment and military compatibility. Outreach must be sufficient to expose large numbers of landowners to new information that may lead them to voluntarily enroll their property in such programs.

The provider will coordinate with Radius and/or other entities to modify the existing [www.cranejlus.com](http://www.cranejlus.com) website to include the Buffer zone map and provide a link to and from the Radius website. A technical report will be developed to include results of all research, analysis, conclusions, points of contacts and summary level and detailed level information on each conservation program.

## **3. PROJECT RESPONSES**

Interested parties are requested to provide information regarding their relevant capabilities by providing the following information: Company Name- Point of Contact- Address- Phone Number- Business Type - (e.g., Small Business, Small Disadvantaged Business, 8(a), HUBZone, Woman-owned Small Business, Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business, Veteran Owned Small Business)

Any contract vehicles your company has been awarded that address the scope of services described herein. Any other relevant past performance information pertinent to the scope of services described herein.

Narrative describing your company's core capabilities and expertise that are relevant to performance in the above-mentioned areas. Respondents should specify if they are able to provide all of the requested capabilities or only specific areas. Respondents can include additional information, such as brochures, reports, or any other specific information that would enhance Radius's evaluation of the current market conditions for a contract of this nature.

This Sources Sought is for planning purposes only and does not constitute a Request for Proposal (RFP) or an obligation on the part of Radius. Responses to this source sought are not proposals and cannot be accepted by Radius to form a binding contract. This is not a guarantee of a future RFP or an award.

Radius is not obligated to notify respondents of the results of this survey. All information is to be submitted at no cost or obligation to Radius.

Questions shall be directed to RADIUS INDIANA, CRANE COMMUNITY SUPPORT, 1504 I STREET, BEDFORD, IN, 47421. RADIUS INDIANA PHONE NUMBER IS 812-277-9778 AND BUSINESS hours are 08:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday thru Friday.

Responses shall be submitted via e-mail to [m.craig@radiusindiana.com](mailto:m.craig@radiusindiana.com) NO LATER THAN 4:30PM Eastern Time on 31 March 2018.