



# Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund

## 2021 Request for Proposal

### General Information

**Proposal ID:** 2021-324

**Proposal Title:** Ranier/Safe Harbor Transient Dock on Rainy Lake

### Project Manager Information

**Name:** Sherril Gautreaux

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### Project Basic Information

**Project Summary:** To construct a dock in Ranier which would accommodate boats 26 feet or longer with the goal of increasing public access for boat recreation on Rainy Lake.

**Funds Requested:** \$762,000

**Proposed Project Completion:** 2023-12-31

**LCCMR Funding Category:** Land Acquisition for Habitat and Recreation (G)

### Project Location

**What is the best scale for describing where your work will take place?**

Region(s): NE

**What is the best scale to describe the area impacted by your work?**

Region(s): NE

**When will the work impact occur?**

During the Project

## Narrative

### **Describe the opportunity or problem your proposal seeks to address. Include any relevant background information.**

There is a need to construct a facility for recreational boats 26 feet or longer due to a growing demand for recreational access for larger boats. Ranier is situated at the confluence of Rainy Lake and Rainy River and is considered the gateway to Voyageurs National Park (VNP), Minnesota's only national park. This project is needed to accommodate the more than 150 houseboats, sailboats and other vessels longer than 26 feet that are either privately or commercially owned on Rainy Lake.

### **What is your proposed solution to the problem or opportunity discussed above? i.e. What are you seeking funding to do? You will be asked to expand on this in Activities and Milestones.**

A total of 18 overnight and eight daytime slips will be provided that can accommodate larger boats on the lake. Amenities will be provided to accommodate transient boaters' needs including electrical services, sewage pump out and freshwater services. Construction of the dock will also enhance VNP by creating a docking space for the VNP large tour boat

### **What are the specific project outcomes as they relate to the public purpose of protection, conservation, preservation, and enhancement of the state's natural resources?**

An expanded dock facility in Ranier would bring other opportunities for boaters and enhance the recreational boating experience on Rainy Lake and Voyageurs National Park. The designed dock will provide continuity of public access to the shore since 1896. This will be the only western access point to Rainy Lake for larger boats.

## Activities and Milestones

### Activity 1: Engineering design, survey, plans and construction management.

**Activity Budget:** \$150,000

**Activity Description:**

Complete engineering design of boat dock with final construction documents. Complete bathymetric survey of bottom of Rainy Lake in area of construction. Complete land topographic survey and soli/bedrock exploration. Obtain professional engineering assistance with MNDNR and US Army Corp of Engineers permitting process.

**Activity Milestones:**

Description	Completion Date
Complete Bathymetric and Topographic Survey	2021-07-31
Complete engineering design, plans specs and bid documents of boat dock.	2021-12-31

### Activity 2: Dock Construction

**Activity Budget:** \$612,000

**Activity Description:**

The dock will be constructed by a responsible contractor selected through the appropriate bidding process. At the successful conclusion of this project, the Port of Ranier will have an ADA compliant transient dock facility with 18 overnight, protected slips and eight daytime slips located on public property, owned and managed by the City of Ranier. This marina will provide overnight transient boaters with water, electricity, and sewage pump-out services.

**Activity Milestones:**

Description	Completion Date
Construction of bin-wall designed dock facility	2023-12-31

## Long-Term Implementation and Funding

**Describe how the results will be implemented and how any ongoing effort will be funded. If not already addressed as part of the project, how will findings, results, and products developed be implemented after project completion? If additional work is needed, how will this be funded?**

The new transient boat facility will provide tastefully lighted, safe overnight dockage and land-based comforts never previously available. The addition of this facility will also support other local marinas and provide a long overdue alternative for transient boaters not seeking a strictly "wilderness" experience in VNP.

## Other ENRTF Appropriations Awarded in the Last Six Years

Name	Appropriation	Amount Awarded
Rainy Lake Recreational Access and Boat Wash Station	M.L. 2019, First Special Session, Chp. 4, Art. 2, Sec. 2, Subd. 09p	\$200,000

## Project Manager and Organization Qualifications

**Project Manager Name:** Sherril Gautreaux

**Job Title:** City Administrator

**Provide description of the project manager's qualifications to manage the proposed project.**

Ms. Sherril Gautreaux, Ranier City Administrator is an attorney with extensive case and document management experience and organizational skills.

**Organization:** City of Ranier

**Organization Description:**

The city of Ranier is a local governmental agency in Koochiching County.

## Budget Summary

Category / Name	Subcategory or Type	Description	Purpose	Gen. Ineligible	% Benefits	# FTE	Classified Staff?	\$ Amount
<b>Personnel</b>								
							<b>Sub Total</b>	-
<b>Contracts and Services</b>								
TBD	Professional or Technical Service Contract	Project design, construction management, bathymetric survey, land survey, soil bedrock exploration and permitting				-		\$150,000
							<b>Sub Total</b>	\$150,000
<b>Equipment, Tools, and Supplies</b>								
	Equipment	Marina pedestal 50 amp services x 3, 3- amp services x 9, bollard lighting, electric service, shore control panel, water services, sanitary sewer connection, boat sanitary pump	Dock lighting and electrical service for slips. Fresh water station and sanitary sewer pump out station for transient boats.					\$51,000
							<b>Sub Total</b>	\$51,000
<b>Capital Expenditures</b>								
		Dock construction	Construction materials required for dock					\$561,000
							<b>Sub Total</b>	\$561,000
<b>Acquisitions and Stewardship</b>								
							<b>Sub Total</b>	-
<b>Travel In Minnesota</b>								
							<b>Sub Total</b>	-

<b>Travel Outside Minnesota</b>								
							<b>Sub Total</b>	-
<b>Printing and Publication</b>								
							<b>Sub Total</b>	-
<b>Other Expenses</b>								
							<b>Sub Total</b>	-
							<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$762,000</b>

Classified Staff or Generally Ineligible Expenses

Category/Name	Subcategory or Type	Description	Justification Ineligible Expense or Classified Staff Request
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## Non ENRTF Funds

Category	Specific Source	Use	Status	Amount
<b>State</b>				
			<b>State Sub Total</b>	-
<b>Non-State</b>				
In-Kind	In kind services from local commercial houseboat company owner.	Expertise from local commercial houseboat company owner donated 100's of hours in development of project and travel to St. Paul for LCCMR presentation,	Secured	\$10,000
Cash	Koochiching County Development Program	Grant funds used toward preliminary engineering	Secured	\$5,000
Cash	Application for Federal Boating Infrastructure Grant (BIGP) was submitted with award pending.	The BIGP grant application filed for \$1,950,000 will provide 75% of the funding.	Pending	\$1,950,000
			<b>Non State Sub Total</b>	<b>\$1,965,000</b>
			<b>Funds Total</b>	<b>\$1,965,000</b>



## Attachments

### Required Attachments

#### *Visual Component*

File: [f3345e47-053.pdf](#)

#### *Alternate Text for Visual Component*

Overhead view of proposed dock.

#### *Board Resolution or Letter*

Title	File
Ranier Council Resolution Supporting Dock Project	<a href="#">114350a5-7b3.pdf</a>

### Optional Attachments

#### *Support Letter or Other*

Title	File
Letters of Support	<a href="#">11447316-9ba.pdf</a>

## Administrative Use

**Does your project include restoration or acquisition of land rights?**

No

**Does your project have patent, royalties, or revenue potential?**

No

**Does your project include research?**

No

**Does the organization have a fiscal agent for this project?**

No

