

12/04/2025

BID DEADLINE DATES and BID OPENING DATE NOTICE TO ALL POTENTIAL BIDDERS

Bid deadline extension for postal mailed bids: The deadline for mailed sealed bids must be post marked 01/20/2026.

Bid deadline extension for hand delivered bids: The deadline for sealed hand delivered bids is now 01/20/2026 at 1pm CST.

The Bid Opening Date is now scheduled for 10am CST on 01/21/2026.

FY 2026 Nodaway Holt R7 RFP for C2 Form 470 260007385

Nodaway-Holt SD R7, 318 South Taylor Street, Graham, MO 64455

Eligibly entities and addresses:

Nodaway-Holt High School, 318 South Taylor Street, Graham, MO 64455

Nodaway-Holt Elementary School, 409 Hickory Street, Maitland, MO 64466

Purpose of RFP: Switch and Wireless infrastructure upgrade and initial configuration

District Contact: Mike Hollingsworth

Email for Questions: erate@nodholt.org

Method for all bids: Sealed

No phone calls.

Resources for Form 470/RFP

District Website: <https://www.nodholt.org/>

District Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/nodholt>

USAC Website: www.usac.org

Introduction

The Nodaway-Holt SD R7 is seeking bids for upgrading switching and wireless infrastructure including all related components and initial configuration needed for broadband connectivity within the district.

The district currently has 12 switches and 45 access points in various locations throughout the district, consisting of Aruba, Netgear, HP, and D-link switches. Upgrades to PoE switches to support upgraded Access Points.

ALL ITEMS LISTED IN THIS RFP ARE ITEMS EQUAL OR EQUIVALENT TO WHAT IS BEING REQUESTED.

DISQUALIFICATION FACTORS

All bidders will be required to attend and participate in a mandatory walkthrough/bidder's conference to submit a bid, failure to attend mandatory walkthrough is reason for disqualification.

A district map will be provided to all bidders that attend the mandatory walk through. District specifications for this project will only be available to bidders that attend the mandatory walk through.

No other opportunities will be provided to any vendors.

All vendors that attend will have the opportunity to submit questions via email by the specified date.

Answers to these questions will be uploaded to the usac.org EPC portal, posted on the district website and district Facebook page by specified date.

Vendors that submit bids that do not attend this mandatory walkthrough event will be disqualified.

Bidders that do not submit bids by the stated deadline will be disqualified.

Important Dates and Deadlines

Local Ad Posting: 12/01/2025

Posting of 470/RFP in EPC, District Website, District Facebook page: 12/02/2025

Mandatory Walk-Through Date: 12/15/2025

Time: 10am CST

Location: Nodaway-Holt High School, 318 South Taylor Street, Graham, MO 64455 will start at 10am CST, Nodaway-Holt Elementary, 409 Hickory Street, Maitland, MO 64466 will follow immediately after the HS walkthrough.

All vendors will be required to sign the vendor walk through attendance log, please have your company's SPIN and a valid ID.

Note that if this mandatory walk-through must be cancelled for any reason by the district, the cancellation of the mandatory walk-through date/time will be posted on EPC portal, District Website and Facebook page by 6am on 12/15/2025, this notice will include updates to required dates to meet program rules

Questions Deadline: 12/18/2025 by 1pm CST, questions received after this deadline will not be answered.

Questions Email address: erate@nodholt.org

Question Method: Email Only

Answers to Questions Posting Date: 12/19/2025 by 1pm CST

Answers to Questions Posting Method: USAC EPC Portal, District Website, District Facebook Page

It is the responsibility of the Vendor to view all questions and answers posted.

Bid Deadline: 01/19/2026, postmarked 01/19/2026-hand delivered by 1pm CST

All bids must be sealed, hand delivered with proof of delivery verified by district staff or mailed/post marked by 01/19/2026, bids received after this deadline will not be accepted for any reason.

Postal Mail/Hand Deliver sealed bids to: Nodaway-Holt District Office, ATTN: Mike Hollingsworth, 318 South Taylor Street, Graham, MO 64455

Bid Submission Method: Sealed Bids Only

Bid Opening: 01/20/2026, 10am CST, Nodaway-Holt District Office, 318 South Taylor Street, Graham, MO 64455

Notification of Contract Awarded/Non-Awarded: Vendors will be notified after 01/21/2026

Bid Submission Guidelines

- Vendor information: SPIN, SPAC, Vendor Quote Number, Vendor Contact Name, phone number, email address, SPI Option, and FCC Form 470 Application number
- Pricing: A detailed line-item for all equipment, related components, and any shipping costs.
- Product details: Include the type of product, description/Model#/SKU, cost and quantity for all equipment. All vendors submitting a bid for equipment in this RFP that vendor deems is equal or equivalent to equipment listed on this RFP, the vendor shall submit evidence of equivalency in the proposal.
- Project Dates: Start and end dates for requested bids should align with the E-rate Funding Year.
- Warranty: Manufacturer's warranty and vendor warranties must be included as part of the component cost.

Project Scope of Work

Vendor should provide pricing for all materials and initial configuration costs to be honored from April 1, 2026-September 30, 2027.

The district will self-install all equipment and materials.

Details of district specifications for this project will be available only at the mandatory walk-through date provided in this RFP.

Bids should include pricing for the following:

Ubiquiti Switches, up to 12 or more, all related components for Switches to be functional, per district specs

Ubiquiti Access Points, up to 45 or more, all related components for APs to be functional, per district specs

Initial Configuration costs

Provide line-item pricing for all switches, access points, related components, including but not limited to appropriate transceiver modules, connecting cables, adapters, brackets.

If a Basic Maintenance agreement is required at a separate cost for technical support including online and telephone-based technical support, software upgrades and patches including bug fixes and security patches, and any configuration changes after the initial configuration bid costs, vendors to provide a 1-year fixed cost for this service.

Awarded Vendor will be expected to provide district with a formal contract to be signed by both parties upon notification of award.

Vendors to identify terms and payment requirements in bids.

Vendors submitting bids in response to this RFP and related Form 470 have read, understand and accept the following:

- All proposed contracts must comply with all/any district board, local and state procurement requirements and/or restrictions and all/any applicant policies and procedure requirements and/or restrictions.
- National Security Supply Chain Restrictions – Equipment or services produced or provided by a company that the FCC has designated as a national security threat to the integrity of communications networks, or the communications supply chain are not eligible for E-Rate support. 47 CFR § 54.9(a). In addition, participants are prohibited from using E-Rate support to purchase, rent, lease, or otherwise obtain any covered communications equipment or service, or maintain any covered communications equipment or service previously purchased, rented, leased, or otherwise obtained. 47 CFR § 54.10. A list of covered communications equipment and services can be found on the FCC's website at <https://www.fcc.gov/supplychain/coveredlist> and will be updated to reflect any future determinations after the certification of this RFP and related Form 470.
- LCP
- FCC Form 473 will be current with USAC
- If equipment isn't available for the stated E-rate FY dates in RFP that Vendor will accommodate substituting an equivalent solution for district
- In the event no funds or insufficient funds are appropriated or budgeted or sufficient funds are otherwise unavailable by any cause whatsoever in any fiscal period for the payments due under any Contract, Entity shall immediately notify vendor of that event and the Contract shall terminate without penalty or expense to the Entity on

the last day of the fiscal period for which appropriations have been received or made.

- All responses are governmental records subject to public disclosure under the Right-to-Know Law. The Entity will not accept responses marked confidential in whole or in part.
- Entity reserves the right to accept some, all or none of the services/items in this RFP and reserves the right to select one or more vendors to perform services stated in this RFP.
- Entity reserves the right to cancel this RFP at any time.
- Any Vendor that is unfamiliar with the use of USAC's EPC will contact USAC CSB at 1-888-203-8100 to request assistance with responding to the Form 470/RFP. The applicant of this RFP will not provide any assistance with this process.