

**Town of Canton**  
**Miner Street Road Engineering Discovery Study**  
**Request for Quotation**  
**May 14, 2019**

**I. Introduction**

The Canton Town Board, in cooperation with the Complete Streets Task Force and the Canton Trails Committee, requests your consideration and response to this Request for Quotation. In brief, the project involves reviewing a portion of Miner Street (commencing at the Clark St. intersection) in the Village, crossing the Grasse River Bridge into the Town and continuing to Jingleville Road. By using the Canton Master Trail Plan concepts as an example, your proposal will serve as the basis for a major infrastructure improvement project, Phase I, on approximately 1.2 miles of Miner St. and Miner St. Rd. combined.

**II. Background**

The recently written "Canton Master Trail Plan," which has been approved and adopted by the Town Board, serves as a set of concepts to update and improve various locations within the Town and incorporated Villages. Please consult this plan, <https://cantontny.gov/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/Canton-Master-Trail-Plan.pdf> for further information.

The plan highlights Miner St. and Miner St. Road as a priority project. The road parallels the Grasse River, passing Jingleville Road, and terminating at the Eddy-Pyrites Road, a total distance of five miles. The road is very popular with recreational joggers, roller bladders, and pedestrians, including families with children. Miner St. Rd connects the Village to the popular Taylor Park Community Beach. It is the start of bicycle routes that include the Jingleville Road loop and trips to Pyrites, Hermon, Rensselaer Falls, and other communities. Miner Street Road is used as a bicycle commuting corridor into the village. Competitive running events are routinely scheduled on this road.

Despite being a significant corridor for pedestrian and bicycle recreation and commuting, Miner Street Road lacks any improvements to promote the safety of non-motorized users. A jogging fatality in 1982 spurred St. Lawrence University to develop the Ferguson Trail on campus as a safer option for joggers. However, no improvements for pedestrians and bicyclists were made on Miner Street Road itself. Normal use and drainage issues, over the years, have deteriorated the road surface, thereby creating safety issues for ALL users.

**III. Purpose and Scope of Work**

The purpose of this project is to redesign and re-engineer the section of Miner St. from Clark St. in the Village to the Jingleville Road intersection in the Town of Canton so that the safety of ALL users is dramatically improved. Drainage will be improved so as to mitigate the deleterious effects of weather on the roadway. The Town Board wishes to have the best thinking and suggestions for redevelopment of this road. The eventual completion of this project can serve as a model for other road improvement projects.

Examples of issues to consider are the following:

- Private driveway access
- Width considerations (utility poles, topography, building placement, etc.)
- Speed
- Lane designations (vehicles, pedestrians, non-motorized traffic)
- Maintenance of residential character

The RFQ asks for a cost proposal to accomplish the Engineering Study required to achieve the stated improvements.

#### **IV. General Submission Instructions & Requirements**

Prospective firms will be required to provide a cost for the engineering study, team qualifications, proposed solutions (work plans), proposed schedule, and other related items as part of the response. The deadline for submitting responses is 4:00 p.m. on June 7, 2019. Please submit written proposals to Lisa Hammond, Town Clerk, Municipal Building, 60 Main St., Canton NY 13617. Questions regarding this RFQ should be directed to Robert Washo (bwasho@cantonny.gov), Deputy Town Supervisor, Municipal Building, 60 Main St., Canton NY 13617.

Complete statements of the firm's qualifications to work on this engineering discovery project are required. These include curriculum vitae of personnel, a statement of the firm's method of discovery/operation, and a suggested timeline for accomplishing the project outcomes. A letter of authorization to complete this RFQ is required, signed by a principal of the firm.

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