

# Wildfire Resilience Consortium of Canada Platform – RFP Q&A

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**Q1: Is there an estimated budget or range for this project?**

**A:** While no exact budget is disclosed in the RFP, proponents are expected to propose realistic costs that reflect the scope and phased development plan outlined, particularly for Phase 1. Cost-effectiveness and scalability will be key evaluation criteria.

**Q2: Are vendors expected to develop both the interim and comprehensive platforms?**

**A:** No. The interim website has already been developed and launched at <https://wrcc-crffc.org>. This RFP focuses on building the long-term, comprehensive platform.

**Q3: Will WRCC provide content or should vendors budget for content development and migration?**

**A:** WRCC will contribute core content and metadata, but vendors should anticipate supporting content structuring, migration tools, and editorial workflows. Content development is not the primary focus, but support for scalable ingestion and review is.

**Q4: Is there a preferred technology stack or CMS?**

**A:** No specific technology stack is mandated. However, vendors should justify their choices in relation to scalability, security, performance, accessibility, and suitability for a relational knowledge platform with AI integration.

**Q5: Will Indigenous communities be directly engaged during development?**

**A:** Yes. The platform must be built with respect for Indigenous data governance (e.g., OCAP® principles). Proponents should describe how they will engage with Indigenous stakeholders during design and implementation.

**Q6: What level of AI functionality is expected in Phase 1?**

**A:** At minimum, vendors should propose AI-assisted metadata tagging and enhanced search/discovery tools. More advanced capabilities (e.g., intelligent recommendations or question answering) may be staged for future phases.

**Q7: Can proposals include third-party tools or integrations?**

**A:** Yes, especially if they enhance performance, analytics, accessibility, or content delivery. All third-party solutions must meet Canadian data residency and privacy requirements.

**Q8: Is a mobile app required?**

**A:** Not for Phase 1. However, the platform must be fully mobile-responsive and accessible on all major devices. Future phases may explore mobile-specific applications.