

Request for Information (RFI)

Building Envelope: Energy Audit and Efficiency Upgrades

LOCATION:

Dodgeville Elementary School, 404 N Johnson St, Dodgeville, WI 53533

Dodgeville High School, 912 W Chapel St, Dodgeville, WI 53533

DATES:

RFI Release Date: January 12, 2026

RFI Questions Due: January 26, 2026

RFI Responses Due: February 13, 2026

ISSUED BY:

Midwest Renewable Energy Association (MREA)

The MREA is a regional nonprofit that promotes clean energy, energy efficiency, and sustainable living through education and demonstration.

RFI POINT OF CONTACT:

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1. Introduction

The purpose of this Request for Information (RFI) is to gather pricing information to support a comprehensive energy audit (ASHRAE level 1, 2, or 3) and priority recommendations for building envelope energy efficiency upgrades for Dodgeville Elementary and High School. Your response will be used to inform the decision-making process and may lead to future procurement. Any future procurement will be independent of this RFI.

This RFI is part of the Net Zero Pathways (NZP) for Schools initiative, through which participating schools have developed roadmaps to achieve net zero energy and emissions goals. RFI responses will help ensure that plans include appropriate design, price, and performance assumptions.

2. Information Requested

Dodgeville Elementary and High School are looking for a comprehensive energy audit to define highest value building envelope upgrades. The audit should identify priority investments including air sealing, insulation, window and door upgrades, and other investments and conservation measures that increase comfort and reduce cooling and heating costs for Dodgeville Elementary and High School.

Dodgeville Elementary and High School are interested in receiving the following information from interested service providers:

- Description of energy audit process and report
- General description of upgrade considerations, strategies, and options
- Price estimate and available incentives
- Availability and timeline for energy audit
- Sample project(s) and report(s)
- Company experience, interest, and availability

3. Building Energy Use

Dodgeville Elementary and High School are billed through Alliant Energy Utility's Cg-2 Commercial TOD Service electricity rate and Alliant Energy Utility's GC3F Gas Firm Service, Medium Commercial & Industrial 20000-200000 natural gas rate.

- Dodgeville Elementary School uses 381,560 kWh per year paying an average of \$0.12/kWh, totaling \$46,617. Dodgeville Elementary School uses 33,219 therms per year paying an average of \$0.649 per therm, totaling \$19,419.
- Dodgeville High School uses 1,201,700 kWh per year paying an average of \$0.14/kWh, totaling \$166,101. (This does not include electricity use at the football field). Dodgeville High School uses 62,876 therms per year paying an average of \$0.649 per therm, totaling \$34,460.

Dodgeville Elementary School was built in 1967 and upgraded in 1992 and 2024. The elementary school has what is estimated to be steel frame and brick exterior construction. The roof is considered a “lifetime roof” that has been torch-dried and surfaced with pea gravel. The high school building was constructed in 1963 and has gone through two phases of renovations, including a 2020 addition of performing arts and athletic spaces. The high school’s rooftop was upgraded during the 2020 renovations. This plan did not collect full R-value details or U-value details of the current windows and doors. Judging by the overall performance of the schools, based on current EUI and Energy Star Portfolio Benchmarking, the school is performing well in terms of energy use. Both school buildings are over 25 years old and at the point where weather and air sealing may be failing. It is recommended that the school consider having professional infrared imaging done to determine roof, wall, window, and door areas that may need air sealing improvements.

4. Submission Details

- Firm profile and qualifications - Describe the company size, location, and local organizational structure. Describe the demonstrated experience of the company in energy audits on commercial building. Briefly describe company experience with similar projects.
- Point of contact - Identify the main contact for questions related to the RFI.
- Expected approach, outcomes, and recommendations – Briefly describe how the company conducts energy audits, expected outcomes, and typical recommendations including level of detail provided in the audit report.
- System price estimate – Provide system price estimate including price range and optional products and services as appropriate.
- System performance expectation – Estimate system energy savings, cost savings, and financial performance including details on the assumptions used in the modeling.

- Availability and timeline – Provide general timelines for audit services including considerations for the school during the process.
- Sample reports – Provide examples of relevant projects, if available, that demonstrate relevant audit reports and outcomes.
- Company interest and availability – Briefly describe the company interest in performing the proposed work, next steps, and company availability to perform work.

5. Timeline

- RFI Announced
- RFI Questions Due/Posted
- RFI Response Submission Deadline

6. Conditions And Reservations

The MREA and its partners are not obligated as a result of the submission of a Proposal to enter into an agreement with any Proposer and have no financial obligation to any Proposer arising from this RFI. MREA and/or its partners may request a full proposal based on continued and future interest in project development.