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## **Request For Quotations (RFQ) – Exterior Repainting of Tarbell House in Titusville**

Issued by the Oil Region Alliance on June 2, 2026

Quotations must be received at ORA office by 2 p.m. on Thursday, June 18, 2026

The Oil Region Alliance of Business, Industry & Tourism (ORA) is accepting quotations for the exterior repainting (to match existing colors) of the entire Tarbell House (all four elevations, porches, handicapped ramp, decks, and all levels including cupola), including wooden and metal surfaces (excluding main roof). The ORA-owned property is located at 324 East Main Street, Titusville, PA 16354 within the Titusville Historic District.

Work tasks included in this quotation request are as follows:

- (a) Preparation of the entire exterior wood surfaces for repainting, including the storm windows. All peeling or dilapidated paint shall be removed from wood surfaces, and the surfaces shall be clean and free from mildew prior to painting.
- (b) Preparation of the metal roof of the front porch and bay window roofs for repainting. All peeling or dilapidated paint shall be removed from the metal surfaces, and the surfaces shall be clean and free from mildew prior to painting.
- (c) Paint one prime coat and two finish coats of the exterior surfaces using the designated Sherwin-Williams products (on wood) and Rust-Oleum products (on metal).

See enclosed exterior painting color diagram and current exterior photographs.

Quotations must be received in the ORA office no later than 2 p.m. on Thursday, June 18, 2026. Vendor selection is expected to occur at the ORA Board Meeting on June 25, 2026. The resulting painting contract will start July 1, 2026 and terminate September 30, 2026. Contractors interested in this project may visit the site themselves; all work is on the building exterior.



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Funding for this project is made available from the National Park Service and from private donors such as those who have donated through Crawford Gives. Davis-Bacon wages are required for this project; wage and fringe documentation must be provided along with each invoice submitted to ORA for this project.

ORA is arranging for another firm to perform the exterior carpentry repairs, with those repairs completed by or before July 15, 2026. In the process of preparing the wood surfaces for repainting, the painting contractor might come across additional spots needing repairs. In this case, the contractor should contact ORA's designated project coordinator, for decision and communication with the carpenter. For any spots which the painting contractor ends up repairing, please be aware that caulk is not to be utilized in making wood repairs; rather, professional wood products such as Abatron brand WoodEpoxy (epoxy wood replacement compound) shall be used.

Here are the specifications for the paint coat layers on wood surfaces. The prime coat is to be exterior oil wood primer using Alkyd MPI EXT 6.3A or equivalent. Intermediate Coat is to be exterior Latex matching topcoat. Topcoat layer is to be semigloss exterior Latex.

Deck floors shall utilize SuperDeck brand among the Sherwin-Williams products. S-W's A100 line of paints are not to be utilized on the Tarbell House exterior. Proposing firm should indicate costs for this project in relation to each of these S-W product groups from which ORA will choose when contractor is selected: SuperPaint or Latitude (new name for previous Resilience level; generally considered Better); Duration (generally considered Best); and Emerald (generally considered Top level).

Here are the specifications for the paint coat layers on metal surfaces, specifically the roofs of the bay windows and the front porch. The prime coat is to be Rust-Oleum Professional Flat Red Rusty Metal Primer, SKU #242252 <https://www.rustoleum.com/product-catalog/consumer-brands/professional/rusty-metal-primer>. The intermediate and topcoat layers are to be Rust-Oleum High Performance Protective Enamel Regal Red, SKU #7524402, <https://www.rustoleum.com/product-catalog/consumer-brands/professional/high-performance-protective-enamel>. A test

patch/match is required prior to painting the intermediate and top coat layers. If the Rust-Oleum Regal Red does not match, then the upper layers can be Sherwin-Williams Industrial Enamel Alkyd Gloss, <https://www.sherwin-williams.com/homeowners/products/industrial-enamel>.



Based on an earlier Color & Conservation Paint Analysis of the colors used within ten years of construction, the Tarbell House uses a three-color paint scheme. In the diagram below, the body of the house is pale yellow (P1), trim is grayish reddish brown (P2), and window sashes are strong reddish brown (P3). The diagram below shows the front elevation. Not shown but definitely included in this project is the repainting of the handicapped ramp situated on the west side of Tarbell House; please match the existing colors as in place on the ramp floor, posts, finials, and its railings.

Quotations may be e-mailed to [marilynblack@windstream.net](mailto:marilynblack@windstream.net), or be delivered to or mailed to ORA, 217 Elm Street, Oil City, PA 16301, using the form included



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in this RFQ; provide all information requested; additional information may be submitted, if necessary. Facsimile transmittals are not permitted.

A project quotation must include a list of at least four references related to jobs/projects completed by the quoting firm involving exterior painting of 19<sup>th</sup> century wood structures. Be sure to include for each reference this information: name of customer, address, company name, main contact's telephone number(s), e-mail address, and brief description and date of that prior related project.

Contractor must provide a warrantee for a minimum of five (5) years for all painted surfaces.

The selected vendor shall provide proof of general business liability insurance, and the selected contractor will be required to include ORA as an additional insured party; this cost should be included in the quotation budget.

Quoting person or firm shall indicate their current valid Pennsylvania Contractor license number.

If a lift is utilized by the contractor, mats shall be used to protect the lawn from damage by the lift.

The contractor should be aware that the first floor of the Tarbell House is used for scheduled public and private events; the selected contractor will be furnished with event schedule specifically identifying dates when active project work should not occur. The second floor of the building is an occupied private apartment; the painting schedule will not be impacted by activities of the tenants.

Please direct questions regarding this Request For Quotations (RFQ) to Marilyn Black, consultant for ORA at [marilynblack@windstream.net](mailto:marilynblack@windstream.net) or 814-671-2058 mobile phone.

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Enclosures: RFQ Form – Exterior Painting of Tarbell House  
Current Photographs of Building Exterior

QUOTATION FORM

**Exterior Repainting of Tarbell House**

Quotation submitted to Oil Region Alliance of Business, Industry & Tourism (ORA)

Deadline for Quotation: At ORA office, Thursday, June 18, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.

Firm Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Title: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ PA Contractor License #: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ See enclosed detailed list of at least 4 references, including contact information and description of the related exterior painting project done for each.

\_\_\_\_\_ Firm is not presently debarred or suspended at the state or national level.

\_\_\_\_\_ Firm has general business liability insurance, and will add ORA as additional insured party if firm is selected to conduct this project.

\_\_\_\_\_ Firm assures that the full scope of work will be completed by September 30, 2026.

Comments: (Attach if need more space) \_\_\_\_\_

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**Quotation Prices: NOTE: Circle your recommended paint, but price each level.**

**REMINDER: Davis-Bacon wages are required for this project.**

Exterior Painting (including body, trim, porches, ramp, cupola, storm windows, roofs of bay windows/porches, etc.) cost estimate, including labor at least equal to Davis-Bacon rates:

Using Sherwin-Williams SuperPaint/Latitude and SuperDeck\* \_\_\_\_\_

Using S-W Duration and SuperDeck\* \_\_\_\_\_

Using S-W Emerald and SuperDeck\* \_\_\_\_\_

\*Including Professional Rust-Oleum products on metal surfaces as detailed in RFQ.

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This quotation is authorized by: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature

Date Signed

Signer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please print or type name.

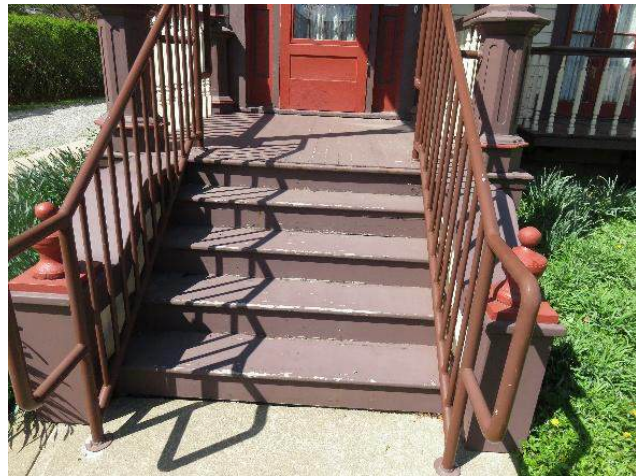
Signer's Title

**Current Photographs of Tarbell House Exterior; May 2026  
324 East Main Street; Titusville, PA 16354**

These pictures show a representative sample of the exterior wood, metal, and other components of the exterior of Tarbell House owned by Oil Region Alliance (ORA). These pictures are not a comprehensive indication of the carpentry repairs and repainting included in the scope of work for this Request For Quotations (RFP). Interested contractors are encouraged to visit project site for closer examination of current exterior conditions. No appointment is necessary; OK to take own photos.



South and East Elevations



Front Porch Steps



Original Cast Masonry Finial at  
Base of Front Porch Steps



West Elevation



Front (south) Face of Cupola



West Face of Cupola



South and East Faces of Cupola



Access Door to Basement



Railing Corner of Front Deck



Railing Spindles of Front Deck



Storm Windows over East Bay Set



Storm Window over West Window



Outdoor Stairs to Apartment



Stairs and Side Porch (West Face)



Warped Railing over East Bay Set



Metal Roof over Front Porch



Looking up ADA Ramp to Ramp Landing



Rotted Wood Finial to be Replaced (Ramp)



Upper Half of ADA Ramp, from Ramp Landing



Split Finial to be Repaired or Replaced (Ramp)

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