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Dear Interested Party:

The Columbia River Estuary Study Taskforce (CREST) is announcing the opportunity to submit proposals for Phase I of the *Dibblee Point Restoration Project*- Development of Modeling, 3-4 Alternatives, and 30% Design. The anticipated project design and modeling budget for Phase I is \$25,000. CREST meets federal and state contracting guidelines for contracts \$100,000 and above with this RFP, and may continue a contract with the selected consulting firm for Phases II and III based on the outcome of their performance in Phase I without reopening with an additional RFP.

The project has been sponsored by CREST in partnership with the Oregon Department of State Lands, and funded by Bonneville Power Administration. CREST is Council of Governments that includes the local counties, cities, and port districts surrounding the Columbia River Estuary in both Oregon and Washington. CREST was initially formed in 1974 and current members include Clatsop and Wahkiakum Counties; the cities of Astoria, Warrenton, Ilwaco, Gearhart, Cannon Beach and Seaside; the Port districts of Astoria, Ilwaco, and Wahkiakum (No.2); and Port of Peninsula. CREST provides coastal and estuarine technical services for members, coordinates activities between local, state, and federal agencies; and provides information, maps, and educational materials to citizens of the region.

The Dibblee Point Restoration Project RFP is available on-line at www.columbiaestuary.org. If you are unable to download the pdf document, please direct questions to Matt Van Ess, Habitat Program Manager at (503) 325 – 0435 or mvaness@columbiaestuary.org.

All proposals must be received by 4 pm, November 18, 2011. Fax or electronic proposals will not be accepted. Late applications will not be accepted. A site visit is scheduled for Friday November 11, 2011, starting at 10:30 am from the Dibblee Point Interpretive sign at the entrance of Dibblee Beach. Please RSVP by Wednesday November 9.

Sincerely,

Matt Van Ess
Habitat Program Manager
Columbia River Estuary Study Taskforce