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November 6, 2023

Dear Interested Party:

The Columbia River Estuary Study Taskforce (CREST) is announcing the opportunity to submit proposals for the *South Tongue Point Restoration Post-Construction Planting* project. CREST meets all federal and state contracting guidelines with this RFP.

The project is sponsored by CREST and the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA). BPA, a federal agency, is the project funder. The land is owned by the State of Oregon (Department of State Lands) and Clatsop Community College. The planting is scheduled to take place in two phases, one in December and a second in February. The area to be planted is the site of a tidal wetland restoration project that wrapped up in early November. The site has been seeded but no plants have yet been installed.

CREST is a Council of Governments that includes the local counties, cities, and port districts surrounding the Columbia River Estuary in both Oregon and Washington. CREST provides coastal and estuarine technical services for members and coordinates activities between local, state, and federal agencies.

The RFP and appendices are available online at <https://www.columbiaestuary.org/rfps.html>. Please direct questions to Tracy Hruska, Project Manager, at [thruska@columbiaestuary.org](mailto:thruska@columbiaestuary.org)

All proposals must be received by 4 pm on December 1st, 2023. Please submit proposals in PDF form to Tracy Hruska at the email address above. A pre-bid site visit will be held on Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. Attendance at the site visit is required. Please RSVP with Tracy no later than 2 pm on November 14<sup>th</sup> to confirm details.

Sincerely,

Tracy Hruska  
Habitat Restoration Project Manager  
Columbia River Estuary Study Taskforce

Oregon  
Clatsop County ~ City of Astoria ~ City of Warrenton ~ City of Seaside ~ Port of Astoria ~ Clatsop Soil and Water Conservation District  
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