

**Lower Columbia River Estuary Partnership  
Lower Columbia River Water Trail Camp Site and Shore Land Inventory  
Boat Services Request for Proposals**

**Project Description:**

The Lower Columbia River Estuary Partnership seeks the services of a boat and its operator to conduct a Lower Columbia River Water Trail camp site inventory in the lower Columbia River. This is likely Phase 1 of a multi-phase project. Phase 1 targets an approximately 43 mile stretch of river between river miles 81 and 38, roughly between Kalama and Cathlamet, Washington. Approximately 20 sites (shore lands and islands) have been identified as likely stopping points. At each site, a Water Trail team of 4-6 people will disembark the boat and spend approximately 1-2 hours assessing the site.

**Timeline:**

The project will take place over a 4-day period between mid December and mid-February. Ideally the project will be accomplished over consecutive days, but weather and project team schedules could require the work take place non-consecutively. The Estuary Partnership will schedule the on-water days with the boat provider. An on water day will consist of 6.5 – 7 hours, from 9:00 to approximately 3:30-4:00. The project may take less than 4 days.

**Budget:**

The available budget for the project is \$1,300. This is expected to include boat transportation to and from the river, on-water fuel, and boat operator time. Submissions should provide a per day cost. A donation of boat services would also be strongly considered. The Estuary Partnership is a registered 501c(3) non-profit organization and donations may be tax deductible.

**Boat Requirements:**

Capacity of 5-8 adults  
Ability to operate in inclement weather  
A covered area  
Current registration  
Appropriate safety gear (life jackets, flare, fire extinguisher)  
Ability to efficiently and quickly move from one site to another  
Suitable for easy landing and debarking on lower Columbia River islands and shore lands

**Operator Requirements:**

Familiarity with the lower Columbia River  
Oregon State Marine Board Operators Permit (if Oregon resident/registered boat)

**Scope of Work:**

The Estuary Partnership is planning for a four day project, but the project may take fewer days. The project schedule would be the same each day.

- Have boat ready to start project by 9:00 am at a predetermined launch and landing site.
- Shuttle project team to and from lower Columbia River islands and shore lands based on a predetermined itinerary.

- Deliver project team back to launch site at approximately 4:00 pm. Estuary Partnership staff will plan each day's itinerary in consultation with the boat owner/operator.

**Submittals Requirements:**

Proposers should submit the following

- A paragraph detailing your experience piloting a boat and with the lower Columbia River
- A per day cost
- A description of the boat
- A photo of the boat to be used

**Submit Materials To:**

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Electronic submissions are preferred but not required.

**Submission Deadline:**

December 5, 2005

**Questions:**

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