

**Elliott Public Ownership Project
Oregon Department of State Lands
April 2018 Update**

Habitat Conservation Plan Development

The Department of State Lands (DSL) received two proposals in response to our solicitation (141-1182-17) to hire a contractor to develop a habitat conservation plan (HCP). DSL assembled an evaluation team composed of agency staff and representatives from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service to review the proposals, interview the proposers, and select the winning proposal. The Oregon Department of Administrative Services provided procurement oversight and assistance.

On Friday, April 13, DSL issued an “intent to award” the contract to ICF Jones & Stokes, Inc. All documents are posted on the Oregon Procurement Information System. Following the intent to award announcement, any adversely affected proposers have seven calendar days to protest (due date: April 20). If DSL receives a protest within this timeframe, we will review it promptly and determine the next steps. If no protest is received, DSL will move forward with contract negotiations with ICF Jones & Stokes, anticipating a mid-May 2018 contract execution. Work will begin immediately upon the contract being signed by both parties.

Common School Fund Decoupling

Oregon Consensus has completed Phase I of the decoupling project, and is well into Phase II interviewing. OC staff have talked with approximately 20 individuals representing a wide variety of organizations interested in the Elliott decoupling; they are scheduling another dozen or more interviews for April and May. Once the bulk of the interviews are completed, OC and DSL will meet to discuss emerging themes and next steps.