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*Funding Available for Consultant Study
of Governance and Financing Options for Integrated Regional
Sediment Management and Sea Level Rise Adaptation*

BEACON Announces the Availability of Funding for a consultant study of governance and financing options for integrating regional sediment management (RSM) and Sea Level Rise adaptation planning in California.

The purpose of the study is to identify mechanisms to facilitate the availability and provision of sediment needed to support regional, nature-based sea level rise adaptation projects throughout coastal California.

The Beach Erosion Authority for Clean Oceans and Nourishment (BEACON) will conduct a study, with state funding provided by the Coastal Conservancy, and prepare a report outlining a range of available and feasible governance and financing options for integrating regional sediment management (RSM) with sea level rise adaptation planning in California.

The study will examine current governance structures and current policies and programs of coastal sediment management and evaluate their effectiveness and contribution to increased integration of sediment management and sea level rise approaches.

The study will also identify lessons learned and best practices for using science to inform policy; identify strategies to overcome barriers to enabling long-term solutions that address sea level rise and related cumulative erosion, sediment transport and fate issues, advance regional sediment management; and contribute to implementation of the California Coastal Sediment Master Plan (SMP).

The study will result in a report, informed by stakeholder input and technical expertise, that outlines a range of innovative governance and finance options aimed at an integrated approach to regional sediment management and sea level rise adaptation. Ultimately, the project will result in a framework for integrating policies into regional sediment management plans.

BEACON requests interested consultants respond to this notice with a statement of qualifications detailing their interest, readiness, and experience with undertaking studies similar to one detailed below. An amount of \$50,000.00 has been approved for this study.

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