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Asilomar State Beach & Conference Grounds Notice of RFP Release and Pre-Proposal Meeting

ASILOMAR – On May 20, 2008, California State Parks will begin accepting proposals from individuals and organizations for a 20 year contract to develop, manage and maintain Asilomar State Beach and Conference Grounds. The proposal submission deadline is August 26, 2008. Highlights of the proposed contract include development and management of high-quality conference facilities with lodging; implementation of the State's Accessibility Plan for the unit; State resource management and operational support; and preservation of the overall integrity of this National Historic Landmark.

There will be a mandatory pre-proposal meeting on Tuesday, June 3, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. at Asilomar Conference Grounds Social Hall, 800 Asilomar Avenue, Pacific Grove, California. The meeting will be followed by a tour of Asilomar grounds. Potential proposers must contact Michael Ferry, Sector Superintendent, at (831) 646-6441 by May 30, 2008, to confirm attendance at this meeting. The purpose of this meeting will be to review the Request for Proposals (RFP) process, materials and meet local staff.

The existing contract has been on month-to-month status since June 1, 2007 following the current contract expiration. The new RFP is being pursued in compliance with State law that requires a competitive bid process open to all parties for concession operations. The current concession operation reported over \$21,000,000 in gross sales during fiscal year 2006/2007.

Interested parties are encouraged to download a complimentary copy of the RFP at <http://www.parks.ca.gov/concessions>. Copies of the RFP package may be purchased for \$75 by contacting Jim Pine at (916) 653-7733 or jpine@parks.ca.gov.

For further information, contact Mat Fuzie, Monterey District Superintendent at (831) 649-2836 or Teresa Montijo, Concessions Program Manager at (916) 653-7733.

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