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Operators Sought for Closed State Parks

Mendocino County Parks

California State Parks is now accepting proposals for keeping three (3) state park units open through concession agreements. The Request for Proposals (RFP) allows bids for one or more of the parks being offered. The bid process is open to all interested parties.

The parks being offered are located in Mendocino County, as follows:

- Hendy Woods State Park
- Russian Gulch State Park
- Westport-Union Landing State Park

In response to budget reductions, State Parks identified 70 parks it could no longer afford to operate. In this RFP offering, the Department is requesting proposals for operating these three parks.

This RFP is being issued for a five-year concession contract focusing on campground, day use area, facility maintenance, and housekeeping. The urgency of park closures and logistics requires that this process be expedited. As a result, there will be no "pre-proposal" meeting or formal walk through. Proposers are encouraged to visit the park on their own and submit written questions to the Concessions, Reservations and Fees Division (address below).

Questions regarding the RFP are due by 5:00 p.m. on April 18, 2012. Responses to the questions will be made on or about April 26, 2012. Proposers interested in operating multiple park units will be required to submit a separate proposal for each unit. Proposals are due by 2:00 p.m., June 5, 2012 at California Department of Parks and Recreation, Concessions, Reservations and Fees Division, 1416 Ninth Street, Room 1442-13, Sacramento, CA. 95814. A paper copy of the complete RFP may be purchased for \$40 or a copy at no charge may be downloaded from the California State Parks website at http://www.parks.ca.gov/concessions.

For more information or to purchase an RFP, please call the Concessions Division or John Mott at (916) 653-7733 or e-mail <u>imott@parks.ca.gov</u>.

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