

U of W Restoration Ecology Network RFP Form

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Question 7. Name of Project: Earth Sanctuary Roadside Restoration

Question 8. Site Location (city, county, watershed, cross-streets, section, township, range):

Whidbey Island

Question 9. Site Description: (Size of project area, topography, watershed positioning, level of disturbance, existing land use):

Option 1: Add-on to the previous roadside restoration work done by UW-REN along Newman Road. There are two directions that can be taken. A) To the Northwest is moderate slope leading from the edge of an adjacent road down to a fen shoreline. B) To the Southeast, is a section of steep slope followed by a wetland. My preference is B.

Option 2: Plant trees and native around the north side of the Fen.

Option 3: Plant trees and native plants around north side of the Middle Pond.

Question 10. Project Goals & Objectives (What is to be accomplished and why):

Option 1: Restore the roadside habitat with an attractive native assemblage of native plants to garner the attention of those passing by and increase the diversity of native plant species. Be a model for roadside restoration.

Option 2 & 3: Help implement Earth Sanctuary's 500-year plan to return the property to old-growth forest by adding to the diversity of tree and plant species. To date, ~3,000 trees have been planted at Earth Sanctuary.

Question 11. Deliverables (What are the deliverables you expect from the UW-REN student Group):

UW-REN students, working with the Earth Sanctuary landscape designer, will remove non-native species and add native trees and native plants with conspicuous and attractive growth forms and floral displays. Include interpretive signage. Plant with a focus on species to (1) accelerate

succession to a mature evergreen canopy and to (2) create structural diversity in the understory for habitat.

Question 12. Reference Material (what reference information can be provided to assist in the research and development of the project goals/ baseline data, reports, site reconnaissance information):

See past student reports.

Question 13. Volunteer Resources (If volunteers are going to assist in aspects of the project does your organization have access to a volunteer resource pool):

We can provide volunteers, as needed, to help clear invasive plants.

Question 14. Other Relevant Information:

See: www.earthsanctuary.org