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Throwe Environmental renews nationwide role, expands partnership to include NAFWS and ASAP

BRISTOL, RI (November 28, 2022) – <u>Throwe Environmental, LLC</u> has been selected as technical Field Liaisons for the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation's <u>National</u> Coastal Resilience Fund (NCRF).

Throwe will renew its role as national Field Liaisons, expanding its services to include new partnerships with the <u>Native American Fish and Wildlife Society</u> (NAFWS) and the <u>American Society of Adaptation Professionals</u> (ASAP). Throwe has served as the sole NCRF Field Liaisons since February 2021.

Throwe responded to a Request for Qualifications for technical field liaison support for coastal resilience, including NCRF, in April 2022. After a thorough review process, the expanded Field Liaison team was selected in October 2022.

As Field Liaisons, Throwe, NAFWS, and ASAP will conduct direct outreach, host conversations with potential applicants to develop project ideas, and troubleshoot with previous applicants as they consider reapplying for funding. The Field Liaisons will also host virtual and in-person peer-to-peer learning event(s) throughout 2023.

"I'm thrilled that our team will continue to support communities across the country as they look to become more resilient to the effects of climate change and coastal hazards," shared Joanne Throwe, President of Throwe Environmental. "Our team has developed strong relationships with community leaders over the last year and a half. But we're just getting started. I'm grateful for the opportunity to build on that success."

"I'm most excited, though, about our new partners on this contract," noted Throwe.
"NAFWS brings unparalleled experience advancing the natural resource goals of indigenous communities. ASAP operates an expansive network of climate adaptation leaders, with a deep library of training tools and resources to draw on."

"Native American and Alaska Native Tribes are on the frontlines of climate change, however, there are barriers that prevent them from accessing many funding opportunities. NAFWS is encouraged by this collaboration to help remove barriers for Tribes to access NCRF funding and NAFWS is ready to offer assistance to Tribes in this new capacity. This is a much needed step toward increasing equitable funding and coastal resilience on Tribal lands," said NAFWS Executive Director Julie Thorstenson.

"ASAP excels at bridging gaps between sectors, scales, and geographies in the climate adaptation space," offered ASAP Acting Director Rachel Jacobson. "Getting projects funded is the number one challenge practitioners share with us. That's why we use the power of our network to help communities navigate the complex worlds of climate resilience funding and finance. I look forward to bringing that power to NCRF and helping increase the climate resilience of coastal communities across the US."

Over the next year, the Field Liaison team will support new and past applicants as they apply for NCRF funding. The Field Liaison team is available for virtual and in-person events and presentations, as well as one-on-one project conversations.

The awards for the 2022 round of NCRF funding is currently being finalized. The next funding cycle is expected to open in March 2023. Interested applicants are encouraged to reach out to the Field Liaison team (ncrf@throwe-environmental.com) at their earliest convenience to begin exploring potential NCRF opportunities.

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Throwe Environmental, LLC assists communities and organizations across the United States in identifying, implementing, and sustainably financing action to address the impacts of climate change. Through outreach, technical assistance, and institutional development, Throwe helps its clients address environmental challenges through resilient, sustainable, and practical

methods. For more information, please visit throwe-environmental.com.

The Native American Fish and Wildlife Society (NAFWS) is a non-profit 501(c)3 intertribal organization founded in 1983 by a group of Tribal fish and wildlife professionals to "assist Native American and Alaska Native Tribes with the conservation, protection, and enhancement of their fish and wildlife resources." NAFWS is the only national Tribal organization with a specific focus on Tribal fish and wildlife resources. Membership includes 227 Support Member Tribes in 7 regions. NAFWS hosts conferences, trainings, webinars, youth education and provides technical assistance to the 574 federally recognized Tribes in the US and fish and wildlife professionals working in Indian Country. For more information, please visit nafws.org.

The American Society of Adaptation Professionals (ASAP) helps its members strengthen their professional network, exchange best practices, and accelerate innovation, all leading to more equitable and effective climate adaptation practices. ASAP works across North America, with a network composed of 1,000 individuals and 40 organizations, and a digital network of more than 4,000. Over the past six years, ASAP has hosted multiple workshops on how to secure funding and financing for climate adaptation and resilience projects. This work has taken the form of in-person training, virtual events, and the publication of white papers. For more information, please visit adaptationprofessionals.org.