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Subject: Clark Fork River Delta Restoration Project

The Kinnikinnick Native Plant Society appreciates the opportunity to comment on this large project. We are a robust and active organization in the two northern counties of Idaho's Panhandle, intimately concerned with the health and success of our native flora and we work constructively for its conservation.

If the erosion of the Delta is allowed to continue it would destroy existing native plants (both aquatic and terrestrial) as well as their habitats; for that reason, **we strongly support the Restoration of the Clark Fork River Delta.**

- **Vegetation:** We strongly encourage the use of appropriately selected native plants in the restoration process.
- **Weeds:** Because weeds are an ongoing threat to the area's native vegetation, we support the reduction and control of nonnative reed canary grass as well as measures to prevent the incursion of other invasive weeds. Once introduced, they are virtually impossible to eradicate.
- **Temporary Roads:** Roads are often a pathway for weed invasion; consequently, we are in favor of the removal and re-vegetation with native plants of any roads built during the construction phase.

Please feel free to contact us regarding any needs for volunteer assistance as the project moves forward.

Respectfully yours,

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