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SKIP SWENSON JOINS THROWE ENVIRONMENTAL AS PROJECT PARTNER

Swenson brings 25 years of experience in strategy, policy, and program development

BRISTOL, RI (July 12, 2023) – Skip Swenson has joined [Throwe Environmental, LLC](#) as a Project Partner, expanding Throwe’s expertise and capacity on conservation markets and incentives creation.

Swenson joins the Throwe team with over twenty-five years of experience in the non-profit, private, and public sectors, including sixteen years working on land-based policy and program development – notably, the development of conservation markets and advancement of community resilience and development goals. Most recently, Swenson led conservation and community initiatives in Washington State as Senior Director of Special Projects at Forterra.

“Getting to know the folks at Throwe has been a real pleasure,” shared Swenson. “I’m looking forward to joining a team that has been at the forefront of the conversation on climate resilience, sustainable investment, and community action.”

Swenson’s deep experience brings additional capacity to Throwe’s existing portfolio, which includes a feasibility assessment of a [climate resilience financing authority in Baltimore County, MD](#); strategic planning and [program development with the Resilience Authority of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County \(MD\)](#); and the development of an [innovative financing framework to incentivize coastal resilience and marsh migration on Maryland’s Eastern Shore](#).

“On behalf of all my colleagues, we’re thrilled to have Skip join this amazing team,” said President Joanne Throwe. “Skip’s record on innovative financing and programming will

be a natural fit with Throwe’s action-oriented approach to helping our communities become more resilient.”

Swenson was Senior Director of Special Projects at Forterra from 2022–2023 and Vice President of Policy and Programming from 2015–2021. He was responsible for advancing the organization’s carbon mitigation and natural climate solution programming; engaging elected officials, Tribal and agency governments, NGOs and business partners, academics, and community members to address rural and urban land-based issues; and providing organizational strategic direction as a member of Forterra’s executive management team. Prior to these senior positions, Swenson also served Forterra in various other director and management capacities.

Swenson has served as a Board Member and/or Advisory Committee Member to the Washington Association of Land Trusts; Carbonland Trust; City Forest Credits; Washington Department of Natural Resources; Puget Sound Regional Council; Emerald Alliance for People, Nature, and Community; Regional Open Space Strategy; and Northwest Avalanche Center.

Swenson earned a Master of Public Administration and a Master of Science in Forest Resources, both with focuses on environmental policy, land planning, and natural resources management, from the University of Washington. Swenson earned a Bachelor of Business Administration from the University of Wisconsin–Madison. Swenson resides in Seattle, WA.

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.

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