



## MEDIA ALERT

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# 150 Volunteers will plant first Blazers '3s for Trees' Saturday at the Sandy Delta

**What:** Planting more than 800 native trees and shrubs at the Sandy River Delta, including the first trees to go in the ground from the Portland Trailblazers' "Threes for Trees" campaign.

**When:** Saturday, November 8, 8:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**Who:** 150+ citizen volunteers organized by Friends of Trees and partner groups, including 50 employees from the Port of Portland, one of the event sponsors, for their Annual Employee Volunteer Day. Organizing partners include the Sandy River Basin Watershed Council, the Friends of the Sandy River Delta, and Ash Creek Forest Management with support from East Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District, the U.S. Forest Service, PGE's Habitat Fund, and the Jubitz Family Foundation.

**Where:** Sandy River Delta Park, north terminus of Crown Point Highway in Troutdale ([map](#)). Look for the Friends of Trees signs.

**Why:** The Delta is 1,500 acres of forests and wetlands popular with dog-walkers, hikers, bikers and equestrians. Friends of Trees and partners continue more than a decade of work to restore the Delta—the historic confluence of the Sandy and Columbia Rivers—to the natural state that Lewis and Clark first encountered.

The plantings are made possible not only by the Blazers (three trees are planted for each three-pointer this season), but also by Daimler Trucks North America, which is funding 3s for Trees, as well as generous support from the Port of Portland. A second public planting event will be held at the Delta February 7, 2015.

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### About Friends of Trees

Friends of Trees empowers people to improve the natural world around them through a simple solution: plant a tree. Together. FoT operates in Portland, Vancouver, Eugene, Salem and surrounding areas. Through its Green Space Initiative, trained crew leaders guide volunteers at weekend events to restore green spaces. The Neighborhood Trees program provides homeowners with discounted trees to plant at their homes with their neighbors. [www.friendsoftrees.org](http://www.friendsoftrees.org)