



Rulemaking: Hunting Rules Clarification

**Public comments received
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Oregon Parks and Recreation Department

Proposed rule change:

Hunting Rule Clarifications

Commenter name (if provided):

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Public comment:

Hunting in La Pine State Park is not safe. Two legs of the Fall River Trail goes thru the hunting area. Hundreds of local hikers, runners, horseback riders can not use the area during hunting season. Hunting needs to be banned in La Pine State Park its...

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Commenter name (if provided):

Rick and Willee Carter

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Public comment:

Dear State Parks Management & Commission,

We live in an area in close proximity to Lapine State Park and are concerned with the discussion being developed to establish hunting permissions in the northern range of the park property and given the fact that there are other federal (Forest Service) properties currently in proximity to the State Park and are currently utilized by hunters, the establishment of addition hunting area is not necessary.

Another concern is the increased use of high-power weapons in established hunting areas and potentially now the proposed hunting area within the park.

Secondly, the use of these high-powered weapons can have a deadly effect on individuals driving, walking and riding horses and bicycles in the proposed hunting areas, that has a wide range of dirt roads and trails, along the northern area of La Pine State Park.

It is our opinion, that the State Parks Management and State Park Commission should reject any further discussion or consideration regarding this project.

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Commenter name (if provided):

Mike Totey

Commenter email (if provided):

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Public comment:

The Oregon Hunters Association (OHA) is a conservation organization with 10,000 members in 26 chapters across Oregon. OHA values our public lands as a place to hunt and recreate, and also as valuable habitat for the wildlife we care about. As such, the management of these lands, and our hunting opportunities are important to OHA. We are providing comments on the proposed amending of OAR 736-010-0055 to update park resource rules to clarify hunting boundaries.

OHA supports the proposed amending of OAR 736-010-0055 to update park resource rules to clarify hunting boundaries as submitted by the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD). The proposed amendments will not eliminate any hunting opportunities on OPRD lands and moving from written descriptions in the OAR to a mapped format will allow users to more accurately identify areas where hunting is allowed.

OHA is supportive of innovative efforts to clarify hunting boundaries and we believe that maps and associated programs (i.e., phone applications) will add value to the users, decrease potential use conflicts, and identify areas for enforcement if needed.

As hunters of Oregon transition to a mobile platform for licenses, tags, and permits, these electronic maps should be made available through the ODFW and OPRD outreach platforms as this will make these recreation opportunities more clear to the users.

OHA is supportive of, and encouraged by OPRD's proactive approach to clarify the hunting area boundaries on these valuable public properties.

Sincerely;

Mike Totey
Conservation Director
Oregon Hunters Association

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Thursday, January 6, 2022



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Commenter name (if provided):

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Public comment:

Hunting maps should be posted in all campgrounds as well as all cabins and yurts in State Parks where hunting is allowed. In addition, when someone books a camping site in a state park where hunting is allowed, their reservation should include a map of the hunting areas. This is for SAFETY reasons.

Re La Pine State Park specifically - allowing hunting within 1-1.5 miles of the campgrounds is too close! We are having problems in Central Oregon with dogs on trails getting shot by hunters and dogs getting caught in hunters' snares. Most people who camp in La Pine State Park hike much further than 1 mile from the campgrounds. This distance should be extended to at least 5 miles.

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