

***Report of Activities and Results of the
Oregon Department of Forestry OHV Program to
the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department
and
All-Terrain Vehicle Advisory Committee***



Airplane Hill Trail, TSF

Fiscal Year 2019



Introduction

The 75th Legislative Assembly (2009) directed that the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) transfer funding from OPRD's All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) Funds to the Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) for the operations and maintenance of ATV/Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) trails on state forests.

The current Interagency Agreement, #7964, outlines the requirements and specifies the biannual dollar amount that will be transferred to ODF to support the Off-Highway Vehicle Program.

This annual report of activities and results is submitted to OPRD and OPRD's All-Terrain Vehicle Advisory Committee to comply with ODF reporting responsibilities contained in Section 5.5 of the Interagency Agreement.

Oregon Department of Forestry Off-Highway Vehicle Program

The Oregon Department of Forestry OHV Program works within the Recreation Program in the State Forests Division of ODF. The State Forests Division is funded through a share of revenue from timber sales. Revenue that is generated from timber sales are split giving 63.75% to the counties in which the sale resides and 36.25% back to ODF. The transfer of OPRD ATV Funds is the primary funding source for the ODF OHV Program. ODF Funds are used to supplement the needs of the program as well.

The Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) OHV program includes riding areas in the Clatsop State Forest, Tillamook State Forest, Santiam State Forest and West Oregon ODF District. The Santiam State Forest and the West Oregon ODF District OHV areas are not currently utilizing ATV transfer dollars to support their riding areas and thus are not included in this report.

State Forest Land is divided into districts for management purposes. The OHV Program works collaboratively through an "OHV Team" which is comprised of employees that work within these districts. The OHV Team consists of Natural Resource Specialists and Heavy Equipment Operators supported by OPRD ATV funds as well as management and other personnel positions funded by ODF. The OHV Team meets throughout the year to coordinate OHV program activities.

Annual Operating Plans/Timber Sale Planning/Timber Sale Contract Administration

The Tillamook and Clatsop State Forests are actively managed forests. The forests are managed under adopted forest management plans to provide economic, environmental, and social benefits to Oregonians. Most of the revenue from timber sales goes to county governments and local taxing districts, and from Common School Fund lands to benefit schools throughout the state.

Annual Operations Plans (AOP) encompass planning for timber sales, reforestation, roads, and recreation management. In these plans are annual OHV program goals and objectives regarding trail operations, improvement, trail maintenance, re-routes, new trail construction, event management, grant planning, and OHV facility improvement. Our AOPs focus for the OHV program continues to be on operating and maintaining our existing trail and facility investments, improving trail system connectivity and sustainability, and addressing public safety and resource protection issues.

All sales that impact OHV recreation are reviewed during the sale planning stage by OHV Program staff and Unit Managers. The OHV staff then works closely with the Foresters, Forest Road Specialists, and Contract Administrators to minimize trail impacts and the length of time a trail is closed due to harvest activity. They collaborate to ensure that trails are protected and impacts are minimized or mitigated and that trails impacted by timber harvest or road building activity are repaired and restored.

Adopt-a-trail Projects

The adopt-a-trail program is a volunteer based trail management cooperative program focused on building partnerships between ODF and clubs, organizations, families, and individuals within the OHV community to help increase our collective capacity to maintain and improve the OHV trail system on the Tillamook and Clatsop State Forests.

<i>State Forest</i>	<i>Number of Adopt-a-Trail Projects</i>
Tillamook	22
Clatsop	1

Work Accomplishment Summary

This table shows the work accomplishments in the three major categories; trail construction, trail improvement, and trail maintenance. The details of these accomplishments are shown in the specific State Forest reports, on the following pages.

<i>Activity</i>	<i>Miles Accomplished</i>
Constructed	2.1
Improved	11.3
Maintained	192.5

Cedar Tree Trail- TSF



Elliott Creek Trail-TSF



Clatsop State Forest

The Nicolai Mountain OHV Area is located in the northern portion of the Clatsop State Forest and provides 30 miles of Class I, II, III, and IV trails in a predominantly wet temperate rain forest setting. Most of the trails are rated Easy to Moderate. OPRD ATV dollars partially fund one Natural Resource Specialist 2, one Natural Resource Specialist 1, a Forest Management Technician, two vehicles, equipment trailers, maintenance on two quads, and one utility side by side. OPRD ATV Funds support the facilities and projects listed below.



Staging Areas/Campgrounds

Shingle Mill Staging Area (open year-round)

Parking area
Loading and unloading area
3 day use sites with picnic tables and barbeques
1 single vault toilet building
Learner's Loop with viewing area
Garbage cans

Hunt Creek Staging Area (open year-round)

Parking area

Shingle Mill Dispersed Campsite (open year-round)

2 dispersed campsites, picnic tables, and fire pits

Viewpoint Camp and Staging Area (open year-round)

4 campsites, picnic tables, and fire pits
1 single vault toilet building
Parking area

Kerry Camp Dispersed Camping Area (open year-round)

2 dispersed campsites, picnic tables, and fire pits

Plympton Camp Dispersed Camping Area (open year-round)

2 dispersed campsites, picnic tables, and fire pits

Project Work Accomplished

- Re-rocked approach to an OHV Bridge on Plympton Creek Trail
- Constructed a re-route on Plympton Creek Trail to address resource damage.

Trail Maintenance Accomplished

- A total of 30 miles of general trail maintenance was completed.
- Staged 500+ yards of trail hardening material at various locations to be used for maintenance activities.

Adopt-A-Trail Agreements

Pacific Trail Riders continue to work within the guidelines of an "Adopt a Trail" agreement for approximately five miles of class 1-4 ATV Trail. The club members volunteer one weekend a month maintaining and upgrading trails.

ODF Volunteer Work Parties

- Mapping trail inventory work
- Tuck & Roll re-route
- ODF recorded 488 hours of volunteered time.



Event Administration

Clatsop State Forest hosted 1 Dual Sport Event on the Nicolai OHV trail system.

Tillamook State Forest

The Tillamook State Forest OHV trail system consists of 421 miles of motorized trail and provides opportunities for Class I, II, III, and IV OHVs in varying ranges of difficulty levels from easy to extreme. Heavy rainfall, steep terrain, year-round access and high volume of use on the trail system present a number of challenges for trail system maintenance. OPRD ATV dollars fund the full time work of two Natural Resource Specialists (OHV Specialists), two OHV Program Equipment Operators and five vehicles (1/2 ton pickup, ¾ ton pickup, 1.5 ton dually, 2.5 ton International truck with a drop bed, and 10 yard dump truck), operation and maintenance of heavy equipment (Two Bobcat E32 compact excavators, Sweco dozer, two Morooka rock haulers, ST 240 single track machine), equipment trailers, maintenance on two dirt bikes, two trials bikes, two quads, and two 6x6 utility ATVs. Funds also support operations and maintenance activity at the facilities listed below.

Staging Areas/Campgrounds

Browns Camp OHV Staging Area and Campground

30 campsites and day use parking area
3 double vault toilet buildings
1 single vault toilet building
3 trash dumpsters
4 kid's tracks

Rogers Camp Day Use and Staging Area (open year-round)

1 double vault toilet building

Diamond Mill OHV Area (open year round)

17 campsites and day use parking area
1 double vault toilet building
Seasonal dumpster service
Trials bike area
Kids track

Hollywood Camp (open year-round)

7 campsites and day use parking area
Edwards Creek kids loop trail

Upper Nestucca OHV Trail System

There are 11 trail sections (4 miles) in the Upper Nestucca OHV area that are on State Land. These trails are monitored by ODF and have been maintained by a local club (Applegate Rough Riders Motorcycle Club). The majority of the Upper Nestucca OHV trail system is managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

Lyda Camp Dispersed Camp and Staging Area (open year-round)

6 dispersed campsites
2 portable toilets (seasonally)

Woods Point Dispersed Camping Area (open year-round)

6 dispersed campsites

Cedar Creek OHV Camping and Staging Area (open year-round)

24 campsites and day use parking area
4 portable toilets (seasonally)
Seasonal dumpster service

Jordan Creek OHV Area

6 campsites and day use parking
Dumpster service
1 single vault toilet building



Bob Lanphere's Annual Sprint Enduro-TSF

Project Work Accomplished

Trail Construction- Projects that focused on improving trail system connectivity and sustainability, improving public safety and reducing resource impacts, maintenance need, and user conflict. 2019 winter storm impacts limited progress on project work during the winter months. Facility work focused on protection investment and reducing maintenance costs.

- General maintenance activities were conducted at Browns Camp OHV Staging Area and Campground, Rogers Camp Trailhead, Lyda Camp OHV Staging Area, Woods Point Dispersed Camping Area, Diamond Mill OHV Area, Cedar Creek OHV Area, Jordan Creek OHV Area and other OHV dispersed campsites.
- Constructed 2.1 miles of trail open to Class I, II, III and IV users to improve trail system connectivity and sustainability.
- Constructed a 45' Glu-lam Stringer OHV bridge on Elliott Creek Trail to replace an old log stringer bridge that was failing. Bridge funded by the Federal Highways Administration Recreation Trails Program Grant.
- Constructed a 25' Glu-lam stringer OHV bridge on Spaur Creek trail to replace a failing undersized bridge. Bridge funded by the Federal Highways Administration Recreation Trails Program Grant.
- Constructed the Diamond Mill OHV Staging Area Kids Track.
- Improved 10.8 miles of OHV trail post timber sale activity.



Elliott Creek Trail-TSF



Spaur Creek Trail-TSF

Trail Maintenance Accomplished - Work that is focused on protecting investment and reducing resource impacts.

- Completed seasonal review and assessment of OHV trails.
- Completed winter storm damage and logout and clearing maintenance on the entire trail network.
- Completed basic trail tread and drainage maintenance on nearly 75 miles of trail.
- Completed seasonal maintenance and cleaning of 14 trail bridges.

Adopt-a-trail Projects

- Currently working with local club (Flat Broke & 4 Wheelin') to construct a re-route off of the BPA Powerline access roads to eliminate vandalism that occurs around and to power poles. This project will also improve trail system connectivity and reduce off trail travel.
- Facilitated 3 new trail adoptions

ODF Volunteer Contribution

- Sponsored the second annual Single Track Trail Day with 20 volunteers contributing 160 hours to clearing of OHV trails.
- 156 OHV club and individual volunteers contributed 1635 hours to the OHV trail network.
- Trail Patrol: 335 volunteer hours.

Event Administration

- Administered 14 non-profit OHV trail use events.
- Administered the National Jeep Jamboree through a Special Use Permit.
- Administered the Toys 4 Tots Holiday Toy Drive through a Special Use Permit.
- Administered a National Observed Trials at Diamond Mill OHV Area
- Administered the Annual Kids Field Day
- Administered 1st permitted Class IV event on the Tillamook State Forest
- Administered 4 Special Use Permits for corporate marketing purposes

Grants

- Awarded Oregon Parks and Recreation Department ATV Grant to purchase two heavy equipment trailers and a rock hammer for use on OHV program mini-excavators.
- Awarded a Yamaha Outdoor Access Initiative Grant to install a double vault CXT toilet at the Cedar Creek OHV Staging Area.

Miscellaneous Activities and Accomplishments

- Attended and presented at the Pacific Northwest 4-wheel drive Association Annual Region 3 meeting.
- Attended the National Off-Highway Conservation Council Trails Workshop sponsored by Oregon Parks and Recreation Department.
- Designed and revised the Tillamook State Forest OHV Map
- Purchased a Morooka MST300VD Rock Hauler using Federal Highways Administration Recreation Trail Program Grant dollars.
- Facilitated the 2019 SOLVE trash clean-up event on the TSF.

FY19 ATV Transfer Fund Expenditure Summary

Oregon Department of Forestry	
Fiscal Year 2019 OPRD ATV Fund Actual Expenditures	
Personal Services	\$435,618.67
Services & Supplies	\$159,295.11
Total FY19 Actual Expenditures	\$594,913.78
Total FY 18-FY 19 Expenditures	\$1,142,829.70*
2017-19 Biennial Funding	\$1,111,531

*difference paid by ODF Funds



Mongo's Trail re-construction due to landslide-TSF



2019 National Trials Competition-TSF



2019 National Jeep Jamboree-TSF