



## Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission

February 24 & 25, 2021  
Zoom Meeting

### Draft Agenda

**Wednesday, February 24, 2021**

*Zoom Meeting*

**WORK-SESSION / TRAINING: 9:00am - 10:30am**

- Legislative Process – 60 min.
- Best Practices – 30 min.

**Thursday, February 25, 2021**

*Zoom Meeting*

**Executive Session: 8:30am**

*The Commission will meet in Executive Session to discuss acquisition priorities and opportunities, and potential litigation. The Executive Session will be held pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(e) and (h), and is closed to the public.*

**Break: 9:00am - 9:15am**

**Business Meeting: 9:15am**

**1. Commission Business**

- a) Welcome and Introductions (Information)
- b) Approval of November Minutes (**Action**)
- c) Approval of February Agenda (**Action**)

**2. Public Comment:** Please submit written public comments no later than 5 p.m. February 23<sup>rd</sup> to [chris.havel@oregon.gov](mailto:chris.havel@oregon.gov)

**3. Director's Update**

- a) Agency Update (Information)
- b) Legislative update (Information)
- c) Naming Policy (**Action**)
- d) Best Practices (**Action**)
- e) OREC Advisory Council (**Action**)

**4. Budget**

- a) Budget Update (Information)

**5. Property**

- a) Floras Lake Exchange Update (Information)
- b) Tumalo State Park – Smallwood Easement (**Action**)
- c) Iwetemlaykin - Rahmani Property Proposed Acquisition (**Action**)

## **6. Community Engagement**

- a) LGGP Large Grants Recommendation (**Action**)
- b) LGGP Small Grants Recommendation (**Action**)
- c) LGGP Planning Grants Recommendation (**Action**)
- d) Vietnam War Memorial proposal at State Capitol State Park (**Action**)

## **7. Heritage**

- a) Heritage Division Updates (Information)
- b) 2020 Veterans and War Memorials Grant Awards (**Action**)

## **8. Park Development Division**

- a) North Falls Visitor Complex (**Action**)
- b) Ben and Kay Dorris fire salvage (**Action**)
- c) Collier fire salvage (**Action**)

## **9. Rulemaking**

- a) Request to adopt rulemaking- Reservations (736-015-0015) (**Action**)
- b) Update on rulemaking- Ocean shores driving restrictions in Tillamook County, 736-024-0015 (Information)

## **10. Reports (Information)**

- a) Actions Taken Under Delegated Authority
  - i. Contracts and Procurement
  - ii. Ocean Shores and Scenic Waterway Permits
  - iii. Timber Harvest Revenue

## **11. Commission Planning Calendar (Information)**

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# Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission

November 18, 2020

Zoom

## Draft Minutes

**Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>**

Location: Zoom

### Executive Session: 8:30am

The Commission will meet in Executive Session to discuss acquisition priorities and opportunities, and potential litigation. The Executive Session will be held pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(e) and (h), and is closed to the public.

### Business Meeting: 9:45am

• Cal Mukumoto, Commission Chair	• Chrissy Curran, OPRD
• Lisa Dawson, Commission	• Tanya Crane, OPRD
• Jonathan Blasher, Commission	• Katie Gauthier, OPRD
• Doug Deur, Commission	• Trevor Taylor, OPRD
• Vicki Berger, Commission	• Ross Kihs, OPRD
• Jennifer Allen, Commission	• Dennis Comfort, OPRD
• Lisa Sumption, OPRD Director	• JR Collier, OPRD
• Steve Shipsey, Counsel for Commission, DOJ	
• Denise Warburton, OPRD	
• Daniel Killam, OPRD	
• Chris Havel, OPRD	

### 1. Commission Business

- a) Welcome and Introductions (Information)
- b) Approval of September Minutes 2020 (**Action**)

**ACTION: Commissioner Allen moved to approve the June 2020 Minutes with correction to 5a typing error and remove MG from the attendance list. Commissioner Blasher seconded. Motion passed, 6-0. (Topic starts at 00:03:25 and ends at 00:04:59)**

- c) Approval of November Agenda 2020 (**Action**)

**ACTION: Moved agenda 9a to top of the agenda. Commissioner Berger moved to approve the November 2020 Agenda. Commissioner Dawson seconded. Motion passed, 6-0. (Topic starts at 00:05:03 and ends at 00:06:36)**

### 2. Rulemaking

- a) Request to open rulemaking- Vehicle Restrictions on Ocean Shore in Tillamook County (736-024-0015) (**Action**)

**2. Public Comment:** *This is the time for the public to address the Commission.*

*If you wish to make public comment on an item on the agenda you can choose to make your comment either when the item is heard, or during this allotted time. **Speaking time is limited to 3 minutes.** Please submit written public comments no later than 5 p.m. November 16<sup>th</sup> to [chris.havel@oregon.gov](mailto:chris.havel@oregon.gov)*

David Yamamoto  
Lynnae Ruttledge  
Michael Hanna  
Briana Goodwin (missed Charlie Plybon until after the vote passing 9.a.)  
James Tillett  
Mary Faith Bell  
Lisa Macy-Baker  
Michael Jensen  
David Gomberg  
Stephanie Knoll

**ACTION: Commissioner Deur moved to approve opening rulemaking on vehicle restrictions on ocean shore in Tillamook County. Commissioner Allen seconded. Motion passed, 6-0. (Topic starts at 00:06:39 and ends at 01:33:39)**

### **3. Director's Update**

- a) Office of Outdoor Recreation Update/Interagency Agreement (**Action**)

**ACTION: Commissioner Blasher moved to approve OREC Interagency Agreement. Commissioner Allen seconded. Motion passed, 6-0. (Topic starts at 01:09:00 and ends at 01:30:50)**

- b) Legislative update (Information)
- c) Annual Internal Audit Update (Information)
- d) Wildfire Update (Information)

### **4. Budget**

- a) Budget update (Information)

### **5. Property**

- a) Notice of Grant Restriction- Sulak - Champoeg (**Action**)

**ACTION: Commissioner Berger moved to approve the Notice of Grant Restriction – Sulak - Champoeg. Commissioner Deur seconded. Motion passed, 6-0. (Topic starts at 02:11:10 and ends at 02:14:48)**

### **6. Community Engagement**

- a) Recreational Trails Program Achievement Award (Information)
- b) RTP Grant Approval (**Action**)

**ACTION: Commissioner Dawson moved to approve the RTP Grants presented with the addition of #5. Commissioner Allen seconded. Motion passed, 6-0. (Topic starts at 02:17:50 and ends at 02:26:28)**

- c) ATV Committee Member Appointments (**Action**)

**ACTION: Commissioner Blasher moved to appoint the ATV Committee members presented. Commissioner Berger seconded. Motion passed, 6-0. (Topic starts at 02:08:00 and ends at 02:30:30)**

## 7. Heritage

- a) Heritage Division updates (Information)

## 8. Park Development Division

- a) Natural Areas Program: Provisional Registration for Tillamook River Wetlands (**Action**)

**ACTION: Commissioner Deur moved to approve the provisional registration of Tillamook River Wetlands. Commissioner Blasher seconded. Motion passed, 6-0. (Topic starts at 02:38:41 and ends at 03:01:09)**

- b) Natural Areas Program: Dedicating Glass Hill Natural Area (**Action**)

**ACTION: Commissioner Allen moved to approve the dedication of the Glass Hill Natural Area. Commissioner Deur seconded. Motion passed, 6-0. (Topic starts at 03:03:29 and ends at 03:14:30)**

- c) Paving Projects (**Action**)

**ACTION: Commissioner Blasher moved to approve the presented paving projects. Commissioner Dawson seconded. Motion passed, 6-0. (Topic starts at 03:14:51 and ends at 03:19:22)**

## 9. Rulemaking

- b) Request to open rulemaking- Reservations (736-015-0015) (**Action**)

**ACTION: Commissioner Allen moved to approve open rulemaking for reservations. Commissioner Deur seconded. Motion passed, 6-0. (Topic starts at 03:19:35 and ends at 03:22:23)**

## 10. Reports (Information)

- a) Actions taken under delegated authority
  - i) Contracts and Procurement
  - ii) Scenic Waterway Notifications, Ocean Shores Permits, and Timber Revenue
- b) Annual KPM Report

## 11. Commission Planning Calendar (Information)

- a) 2021 Planning Calendar

Commissioner Allen moved to adjourn. Commissioner Blasher seconded. Motion passed, 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 1:22pm.

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## Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission

February 25, 2021

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Agenda Item: 3c Action  
Topic: OPRD Policy #GEN.130.000: OPRD Park Property Naming Policy  
Presented by: Katie Gauthier, Government Relations and Policy Manager

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The Park Property Naming Policy is a commission level policy guiding the naming of park properties and facilities within parks. The current agency policy was last revised in 2009. Based on discussions regarding naming of park properties in the last few years, the Commission requested the policy be reviewed and updated.

During development of the policy, a team of agency staff reviewed naming policies from state parks around the country and consulted with subject matter experts to develop a draft policy that incorporates naming criteria for park properties, facilities within parks and other recognition options.

The draft policy has been updated from the initial review during a November 2020 Commission work session to incorporate changes requested, including:

- Adding guidelines that the agency should strive for property acquisitions that do not include name restrictions in the deed;
- Adding ethnicity to list of protected classes that the agency will ensure names not offensive or derogatory toward;
- Enhancing criteria required in order to name a park or facility after an individual, specifically requiring an individual to be deceased for fifty years for a park and five years for a park facility name.
- Clarifying that any park facility named after an individual will need Commission approval.
- Requiring the director, or designee, to approve any memorial accompanied by a plaque designating it for an individual.

### **Next Steps:**

With Commission approval of the policy, staff will work on implementation of the policy including development of a procedure on park level memorials to help guide park managers in decision making.

**Prior Action by Commission:** A work session on the draft policy was held in November 2020.

**Action Requested:** Approve OPRD Policy #GEN.130.000: OPRD Park Property Naming Policy

**Prepared by:** Katie Gauthier

**Attachments:**

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## OPRD Policy # GEN.130.000: *OPRD Park Property Naming Policy*

Authorized:

*Lisa Sumption, Director*

Date:

xx/xx/2020

### **INTRODUCTION & OVERVIEW**

Park property, facility, and site naming decisions must be carefully considered, by weighing naming considerations outlined in this policy, in a transparent process to ensure names are aligned with the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) mission and values. The Oregon State Parks and Recreation Commission (Commission) has the authority to decide on the name of park properties while facilities, sites, features, and other recognition methods may be approved by the Director or designee. Other recognition methods are considered favorable to naming parks after individuals. OPRD may maintain previous naming decisions or recognition that do not precisely fit with these guidelines, but may not use it as precedence to justify future decisions that are contrary to this policy.

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this policy is to establish a consistent and objective approach to use in the naming of park properties, facilities, or sites and in determining other types of recognition.

#### **Goals**

This goal of this policy is to accomplish the following:

- Properly balance the perception that park properties, facilities, and sites belong to the public, with the need for recognizing outstanding contributions to the park system;
- Provide guidance for recognizing the contributions that individuals, local communities, and tribes make to the park system; and
- Ensure consistency, fairness, and transparency in naming decisions.

We will know we are achieving our goal if the following are noted:

- This policy is consistently applied throughout OPRD;
- The public can understand, and participate in, the process for naming of state parks;
- Park names meet policy criteria, maintain high significance, and are not used lightly; and
- Park property naming exceptions are carefully considered.

#### **Scope**

*Applicability:* This policy applies to the naming of state park properties, facilities and sites and determinations of recognitions within park properties.

Audience: This policy applies to the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department Commission, Director, Planning Division, and Park Managers (including Region and District Managers).

Topics: Park property naming, recognition, and honorariums

### **Background**

This policy exists to address evolving OPRD values surrounding the naming of Oregon State park properties, facilities, and sites. The policy has evolved as pressures to name properties after donors (human and corporate) have increased. In an effort to engage with local communities and tribes, this policy is intended to guide our considerations where we relate and adapt to the evolving composition of our state, while honoring our historic and cultural past.

### **Authority**

The authority for this policy is established in the following:

- ORS 390.111 (2), which states that “except as may be provided by an agreement to the contrary between the State Parks and Recreation Commission and the county, city or political subdivision thereof which exercised jurisdiction and authority over the park, ground or place prior to acquisition by the state, the department has complete jurisdiction and authority over all state parks, waysides and scenic, historic or state recreation areas, recreational grounds or places acquired by the state for scenic, historic, natural, cultural or recreational purposes except as otherwise provided by law.”
- ORS 390.131, which states that “the State Parks and Recreation Director is the executive head of the State Parks and Recreation Department and shall be responsible to the State Parks and Recreation Commission for administration and enforcement of the duties, functions and powers imposed by law upon the commission and the department (1); and appoint, supervise and control all commission employees and, under policy direction of the commission, be responsible for all of the commission’s functions and activities (2).”

## **POLICY PROVISIONS**

### **Definitions**

Cardinal Directions: Four cardinal directions, also known as cardinal points, are the directions north, east, south, and west, commonly denoted by their initials N, E, S, and W. East and west are perpendicular (at right angles) to north and south, with east being in the clockwise direction of rotation from north and west being directly opposite east.

Commemorative Name: Refers to a name or proposed name, which incorporates a person's name in their honor.

Diacritical Marks: Diacritical marks are those special characters or symbols essential to the spelling of words that indicate a special phonetic value or to distinguish words that are otherwise spelled the same way. The use of these characters, such as the tilde (cañon), dieresis or umlaut (Korcë, Nürnberg), barred O (Rerøs), or superior dot (Skarżysko-Kamienna), are outlined by the Board on Geographic Names.

Tribe: As described in ORS 182.162, means a federally recognized Indian tribe in Oregon.

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Geographical Features: Natural features include lakes, mountains, rock formations, and streams. Human-made features include constructed features such as areas, roads, bridges, dams, reservoirs, factories, houses, big buildings etc.

Park Property: Defined in OAR 736-010-0015 to mean any state park, natural area, wayside, corridor, scenic area, monument, historic structure or area, trail, or recreation area under the jurisdiction of OPRD.

State park facilities and sites: All buildings, trails, natural or developed features and other areas within a park boundary.

#### **Park Property Classifications**

State Park: Park property under OPRD ownership providing a variety of general outdoor recreational uses within an extensive scenic setting. May include outstanding natural, cultural, or historic resources.

State Natural Site or Area: Park property designated to protect outstanding or important portions of Oregon's ecosystems for continued public education or contributing to larger ecosystem health. May include important wildlife habitat, plant communities, plant or animal viewing areas, wetlands, river, or lake ecosystems, bays, geological formations, or other ecosystem components.

State Recreation Site or Area: Park property designated to provide access to resource-dependent, recreational activities, without OPRD ownership in extensive scenic settings. May include recreational resources including lakes, rivers, bays, etc. and climbing rocks.

State Heritage Site or Area: Park property designated to protect important historic, prehistoric, or cultural resources for future generations and to provide for public education, interpretation, and understanding of them and their importance to the state. May include things as small as a historic marker or survey point, or as large as a district of Portland or a portion of an agricultural or mining landscape. Those heritage sites or areas with potential for interpreting a larger or more extensive portion of the history and prehistory of Oregon, and with sufficient developable lands, could be classed as state heritage centers.

State Waysides and Rest Areas: Park property designated to provide, in cooperation with Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), needed opportunities for state highway-related rest opportunities for travelers. Waysides are small, isolated parcels along minor state highways. Rest areas are larger parcels along major state highways.

State Greenway: Park property designated to provide extensive recreational river access and resource protection for designated rivers. May be for natural, recreational, scenic, or cultural purposes.

State Trail: Park property designated to provide recreation trail opportunities for hikers, equestrians, cyclists, and, where appropriate, motorized recreation vehicles such as snowmobiles,

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all-terrain vehicles, motorcycles, and jeeps. May include former railroad corridors and utility lines, irrigation ditch roads, constructed trails through scenic and recreation areas, historic roads and trails, and roads converted to trails.

## **Policy Statements**

### **General**

1. The Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission (Commission) shall approve names for park properties through a transparent, public process utilizing the criteria described within this policy.
2. The OPRD Director or designee may approve naming a park facility or site within a park.
3. A Park Manager may approve other recognitions based on criteria described within this policy.
4. OPRD will first consider other recognition alternatives when considering naming a park property, facility, or site after an individual, tribe, group, or donor.
5. OPRD will honor previous naming decisions that do not meet the criteria set forth in this policy. However, such decisions may not serve as precedent to justify future decisions that do not comply with this policy. The Commission may consider alternative names for park property names not specified in deed.
6. OPRD should ensure property acquisition that does not include name restrictions within the deed.

### **Criteria used in Naming and Recognition Decisions**

7. OPRD and the Commission shall name park properties, facilities, and sites after area geographical features, natural resources, recreation attractions, events, or items of historic or cultural significance, or local names of long-standing common usage for a particular area, purpose, or function.
8. When naming park properties, the Commission must do the following:
  - a. Consult and consider input from the Oregon Geographic Names Board; and
  - b. Invite federally-recognized tribes having an historic or cultural affiliation with the geographic location to engage in government-to-government tribal consultation;
  - c. Ensure names are not derogatory or offensive on the grounds of age, color, disability, ethnicity, gender, gender expression, gender identity, genetic information, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, veteran status, or any other protected class.
  - d. Follow the process for naming state park properties described within this policy.
9. When naming park properties, the Commission will consider the following:
  - e. Avoid duplicate names. Duplication of names often causes confusion and misunderstanding. (Example: Joseph Stewart and L.L. Stub Stewart).
  - f. Avoid using cardinal directions to prevent future confusion. (Example of future conflict: northern section of property called “north campground” and then additional land acquisition occurs to original park property which now places “north campground” squarely in the middle).
  - g. As advised by the U.S. Board on Geographic Names, diacritical marks should be avoided unless they are names for which active local usage may indicate that accents or diacritical marks should be included.

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- h. Avoid using initials and long names if proper names must be used.
10. **Recognizing Commercial Enterprises:** The Commission should not name park properties after commercial enterprises. It is OPRD's policy to use recognition alternatives outlined herein in "Other Types of Recognition" when recognizing commercial donations.
11. **Exception Criteria – Recognizing Individuals:** The Commission will avoid naming park properties, facilities, and sites after individuals because such places are public places owned by the people of Oregon. The spirit of public ownership is a strongly held value of the agency. Naming parks after individuals may imply that ownership is held by someone other than the general public and make parks less welcoming to a diverse constituency. However, in rare circumstances the Commission may consider exceptions to this general provision based on the criteria described below.
12. **Park Properties:** The Commission may determine that naming a park property after an individual is appropriate after considering the following criteria:
- The honored individual was instrumental in the creation of the park;
  - The honored individual has made long-term contributions to OPRD;
  - There is demonstrated support for naming a park after an honored individual;
  - The honored individual has made a lasting contribution with a significant and historic impact to Oregon;
  - The individual represents the inclusionary goals of OPRD;
  - The honored individual has been deceased for at least fifty (50) years for a park property and five (5) years for a facility within a park;
  - Suitable alternatives for honoring the individual are not available; and
  - There is not a potentially controversial legacy associated with the individual.
13. **Park Facilities and Sites:** In addition to consideration of the above criteria, the Commission may determine that naming a park facility or site after an individual is appropriate if:
- The facility is a non-historic or new park facility, structure, or appropriate room within a structure. Landscape and geographical features within parks, whether natural or human-made, may not be named for individuals or donors;
  - The individual had a clear and long-lasting association with OPRD and provided extraordinary support to the site, the state park system, or both;
  - OPRD has exercised reasonable care and consideration to determine the appropriateness and endurance of the individual's merit and contributions;
  - The donor has funded more than 50% of the construction cost or has established a significant endowment for managing the park or facility; and
  - OPRD has documented how other forms of recognition were considered and deemed insufficient.
14. **Subordination:** Where the naming of any facility, structure, or appropriate room within a structure in recognition of a donor or individual, (as described above) is deemed appropriate by the Commission, the recognition must be secondary or subordinate to names that describe purposes or application, historic names, or common usage.
15. **Permanence:** OPRD must advise donors that where naming is approved, permanence cannot be assured, and the name may be removed and replaced within an established time frame, when the facility is being renovated, if facility uses change, if there are

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problems of vandalism or other maintenance concerns, or at the discretion of the Commission.

#### **Process for Naming State Park Properties**

16. Names for new park properties or new names for existing park properties will be developed by a Naming Committee, appointed by the Director, that includes OPRD staff and diverse community stakeholders.
17. OPRD will research proposed names utilizing criteria in the naming considerations outlined above.
18. The public shall have an opportunity to comment on proposed new park names and changes to existing park names prior to a Commission decision.
19. OPRD staff will recommend a park classification or classifications as part of a new name. Park classifications may be changed by the Commission or as part of a master planning process.
20. The Commission will determine the final name and park classification.

#### **Process for Naming State Park Facilities and Sites**

21. Prior to naming a new park facility or site, or renaming an existing facility or site, OPRD will research proposed names utilizing criteria in the naming considerations above.
22. Park facilities or sites may be named as part of a master planning process or separately at on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of the Director or designee.
23. Park facilities and sites named after an individual must have Commission approval.

#### **Other Recognition**

24. OPRD considers the types of recognition listed in this section as preferred alternatives to naming a state park, facility, or site after an individual, group, or donor at the discretion of the Commission.
25. The Director or designee may approve other recognition options on a case-by-case basis and may advise the Commission of such recognitions.
26. General Criteria: The Director or designee must consider the following criteria prior to making any decisions:
  - a. The honored individual or group has made a significant contribution to the park or the state park system;
  - b. The association between the park system and/or a particular park and the individual, group, or event being recognized is exceptional and of great importance;
  - c. The recognition aligns with OPRD inclusionary goals;
  - d. The recognition factors in any controversial legacy of the individual;
  - e. If an employee or former employee, the honored individual's contributions went above and beyond the scope of their duties as an employee;
  - f. There is demonstrated support for recognition of an honored individual or group;
  - g. The honored individual or group has made a lasting contribution with a significant and historic impact to Oregon and has not been, or could not be, honored otherwise in a more appropriate manner;
  - h. The honored individual has been deceased for at least five (5) years;

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- i. The recognition will likely improve or enhance the park and be consistent with park's primary uses, plans, significance, and purpose; and
  - j. The recognition will not result in a significant expense, liability, encumbrance, or administrative or maintenance burden to OPRD.
27. Recognition Forms: The following are OPRD's approved special recognition methods and the situations under which they may be appropriate.
- a. Letter of Recognition: The Director may recognize and honor an individual or group for their contributions to a park or the state park system in a formal letter of recognition.
  - b. Interpretive Materials: OPRD may recognize and honor an individual or group in a park's printed interpretive materials, signs and programs, or on the OPRD website.
  - c. Memorial Event: OPRD may recognize an individual or group by naming an event held at the park in their honor.
  - d. Memorial: OPRD may recognize an individual or group by placing a memorial object or planting at the park in their honor. Memorials may include signs, plaques, benches, rocks, or other similar markers. Such memorials may only be approved, accepted, and maintained when consistent with the following criteria:
    - i. The memorial object fits with the natural or scenic values of the park and does not detract from people's enjoyment of the landscape due to its size, shape, location, material make-up, or proximity to other memorials or objects;
    - ii. There are no significant objections received regarding the memorial, and it is not a distraction, nor is it expected to distract from the primary purposes of the park and people's enjoyment of the park;
    - iii. The memorial will not result in a significant expense, liability, encumbrance, or administrative or maintenance burden to OPRD; and
    - iv. The other general criteria described above continue to be met.
    - v. Memorial items without plaques signifying the honoree may be approved by the park manager, based on the above criteria. The addition of a plaque or similar recognition of a specific honoree must be approved by the Director, or designee.
    - vi. The process for determining recognitions and honorary features at the State Capitol State Park operate under specific rules found in OAR 736-010-0066.
  - e. Resolution of the Commission: The Commission may recognize and honor an individual or group for their contributions to a park or the state park system in a formal resolution of the Commission.

#### **Roles and Responsibilities**

Policy Lead: Ensure the policy is properly and promptly revised, updated and approved. Educate users on policy provisions.

Commission: Approve policy and approve park property names in accordance with this policy.

Director: Approve park facility and site names and other recognitions in accordance with this policy and ensure exceptions are appropriate, benefit the agency, and stand the test of time and public scrutiny.

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OPRD Managers and Employees: Propose appropriate recognition in accordance with the policy.

## **ADMINISTRATION**

### **Leadership**

Responsible Director's Group Member: Associate Director  
Lead responsibility delegated:  
Contact for questions:

### **Dates**

First approval date: 09/15/1994  
Effective date: xx/xx/2020  
Revision schedule: Every three years  
Next revision date: xx/xx/2023

*This policy supersedes policy number COM 10-5 and PSP.190 Naming of Oregon State Parks and Facilities and Other Types of Recognition, effective September 15, 1994, and any preceding versions of that policy or procedure.*

### **Feedback**

Your comments are extremely important to improving the effectiveness of this policy. Email [policy.feedback@oregon.gov](mailto:policy.feedback@oregon.gov) to comment on this or any policy. Please list the policy number and name in your e-mail's subject. Your comments will be reviewed during the policy revisions process and may result in changes to the policy.

## Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission

February 25, 2021

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Agenda Item:	3d	Action
Topic:	Commission Best Practices	
Presented by:	Chris Havel	

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The State of Oregon requires an annual review of Commission business practices and procedures. The Commission, with mediation by staff, reviewed sixteen practices during a workshop on February 24:

1. Executive Director's performance expectations are current.
2. Executive Director receives annual performance feedback.
3. The agency's mission and high-level goals are current and applicable.
4. The board reviews the Annual Performance Progress Report.
5. The board is appropriately involved in review of agency's key communications.
6. The board is appropriately involved in policy-making activities.
7. The agency's policy option packages are aligned with their mission and goals.
8. The board reviews all proposed budgets (likely occurs every other year).
9. The board periodically reviews key financial information and audit findings.
10. The board is appropriately accounting for resources.
11. The agency adheres to accounting rules and other relevant financial controls.
12. Board members act in accordance with their roles as public representatives.
13. The board coordinates with others where responsibilities and interests overlap.
14. The board members identify and attend appropriate training sessions.
15. The board reviews its management practices to ensure best practices are utilized.
16. The board approves property acquisition and disposition in a manner consistent with goals and policy.

The review reflected on the period from July 2019 to June 2020. Where all commissioners agree their practices achieve the stated aim, the practice is marked as MEETS or EXCEEDS. Where the commissioners are not in agreement on a practice, it is marked DOES NOT MEET. This report is submitted to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, and incorporated into the budget document submitted to the Governor and Legislative Assembly.

**Attachment:** Best Practices Report attachment provided on February 24, 2021.

**Action Requested:** Approve report.

**Prior Action by Commission:** Prior years' approval of Best Practices reports.

**Prepared by:** Chris Havel



### **Outdoor Recreation Advisory council: Membership and Function**

(1) The State Parks and Recreation Commission (commission) may appoint an Outdoor Recreation Advisory council (council) to the Oregon Office of Outdoor Recreation (OREC). The purpose of the council is to support OREC's duty to promote and facilitate efforts to coordinate outdoor recreation policy and priorities across the state, and with government and nongovernmental entities, as outlined in ORS 390.233 and subsection (7).

(2) The council should be composed of:

(a) At least three outdoor recreation participants that reflect the indigenous heritage, cultural richness, varied physical ability, socioeconomic status and geographic diversity of this state and the many forms of recreation enjoyed here;

(b) At least three representatives from Oregon's outdoor recreation sector such as brands, manufacturers, retailers, outfitters, guides and community-based organizations and/or non-profits;

(c) Two members from federally-recognized sovereign tribal governments.

(d) Ex-officio Membership on the council is intended to be limited to those individuals and organizations that have or potentially have significant in-kind or other resources to contribute. Ex-officio members may fully participate in discussions and deliberations of the council. Ex-officio membership shall include, but is not limited to, the director or the director's designee of the following agencies:

(A) One member designated by the Travel Oregon;

(B) One member designated by the Oregon Business Development Department;

(C) One member designated by the Department of Fish and Wildlife;

(D) One member designated by the Oregon State Marine Board;

(E) One member designated by the Oregon Department of Forestry;

(F) One member designated by the Oregon Department of Transportation;

(G) One member designated by the Oregon Health Authority;

(H) One member designated by the Oregon Department of State Lands

(I) One member designated by Oregon State University Extension Service;

(J) One member designated by the Association of Oregon Counties.

(e) Other members deemed necessary by the commission in consultation with OREC.

(3) Members appointed under subsection (1) may serve two consecutive three-year terms on the council. Members are eligible for reappointment and vacancies may be filled by the commission.

(4) The commission shall appoint the chair from the council membership, considering the recommendations of the council.

(5) The council shall meet at times and places specified by the call of OREC.

(6) A majority of the appointed members of the council constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.

(7) Function and duties of the council. Upon the request of the Office of Outdoor Recreation, the council may assist in efforts to:

(a) Work with public, private and non-profit sectors to advocate for conservation and stewardship of land, air, water, and wildlife, and for public access to them.

(b) Educate and empower Oregon residents and visitors on the importance and interrelatedness of a healthy environment, outdoor recreation and a vibrant economy.

(c) Facilitate public-private partnerships to enhance public outdoor recreational access, infrastructure improvements, and conservation efforts.

(d) Coordinate outdoor recreation policy, as mandated in ORS 390.233, through a consensus-oriented approach:

- (A) Within the administrative divisions of OPRD and between and among the department and federal, state, regional and local government entities and nongovernmental entities.
- (B) Assist in developing or updating the outdoor recreation management strategies of the department.
- (C) Collaborate with Travel Oregon and the Oregon Travel Information council to create effective forums for communicating recreation-based initiatives and for sharing best practices. Serve as a clearinghouse and information center for outdoor recreation stakeholders.
- (D) Develop data, independently or through contracts with appropriate public or private agencies, on the social, economic and resource impacts of outdoor recreation in this state.
- (E) Promote the health and social benefits of outdoor recreation in coordination with other related state programs and initiatives.
- (e) Collaborate with the Oregon Business Development Department and Travel Oregon, representatives of regional and local governments, the outdoor recreation industry and other outdoor recreation stakeholders to promote a robust economic cluster focusing on the outdoor industry and outdoor recreation participation. In furtherance of promoting economic development, the Office may recommend, adopt or assist in the implementation of policies and initiatives that:
  - (A) Encourage development of the outdoor recreation industry in a manner that balances improved recreational opportunities in this state with protection of natural resources.
  - (B) Maximize public and private investment in outdoor recreation activities and in the outdoor recreation industry in this state.
  - (C) Develop and implement state policies and programs to bolster outdoor recreation for locals and visitors.
  - (D) Work with partners to improve, manage or develop recreational opportunities that yield economic returns through participation and travel spending.
  - (E) To balance improved or expanded outdoor recreation access with resource protection.
  - (f) Strive to enhance quality of life and economic vibrancy in communities across the state.
  - (g) Aim to strike a sensitive balance between development and preservation of the unique natural experiences provided by Oregon's outdoor recreation resources, and between motorized and non-motorized outdoor recreation activities.
  - (h) Seek a proactive approach to enhancing regional and local outdoor recreation infrastructure.
  - (i) Establish 1 and 5-year work plans within OPRD that involves policy guidance and strategic planning for grants, recreation trails, Engage-Relate-Adapt, Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP), and state park service delivery.
  - (j) Develop cooperating agreements with Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, Oregon Department of Forestry, Oregon State Marine Board, Department of State Lands, Department of Land Conservation & Development, Travel Oregon, Oregon Health Authority, and Business Oregon and other entities.
  - (k) Make recommendations for legislation, on policies and initiatives to be included in an annual report submitted by the Office of Outdoor Recreation to the Legislative Assembly.
- (8) Reporting structure:
  - (l) Final joint outdoor recreation policy, legislative, and strategic plan recommendations developed by council will be submitted for review by any other affected agency or organization for a period of 30 days prior to OREC submitting recommendations for review by the Oregon State Parks and Recreation Commission.
  - (m) The council shall solicit and consider input from agencies and organizations that would be involved in implementing any recommendations, providing the opportunity to identify any statutory, regulatory, logistical, budgetary or staffing issues that may not be apparent.
  - (n) An action by the commission is required to request any other affected government or nongovernment organization's approval, adoption, or agreement with joint outdoor recreation

plans, legislative concepts, or strategic plan recommendations produced by the council. Approval, adoption, or agreement with joint policies or plans are subject to the rules and procedures of the affected organizations.

(9) Expectations:

(a) Recommendations from the council are expected to help to shape outdoor recreation policy and strategy across the state without regards to jurisdiction or public/private boundaries. The recommendations from this group, however, are not a mandate for any government or nongovernment organization to implement joint policies, legislative agendas, or strategic plans unless the affected organization agrees to do so.

(b) All joint outdoor recreation policies, legislative concepts, and strategic plans developed through council will include analysis of additional resources that may be needed, and provide recommendations for producing those resources through public and private means.

(c) OREC shall maintain regular communications with the council around legislative considerations.

(10) Administrative Entity: the Office of Outdoor Recreation (OREC) operates as an entity within the State Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) , and as such, OPRD shall be the administrative entity responsible for the administration and enforcement of the duties, functions and powers of the Office, as imposed by law upon the Office.

(11) By-Laws: the council shall adopt by-laws consistent with its duties to conduct its affairs. By-Laws shall be created and administered by the council, OREC and under OPRD and the commission. By-Laws shall reflect the council established as a non-governing body, and as such, shall serve in an advisory capacity to their appointing authority, not subject to requirements of a governing body (ORS 192.610).

(12) Members of the advisory council are not entitled to compensation, but in the discretion of the director may be reimbursed from funds available to the department for actual and necessary travel and other expenses incurred by them in the performance of their official duties in the manner and amount provided in ORS 292.495.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 390.233;

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 390.233; 390.010

**Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission**

**February 25, 2021**

Agenda Item: 4a

Information

Topic: Budget Update

Presented by: Tanya Crane, Budget Manager

The December 2020 Lottery forecast was released November 18, 2020. It reflects an increase in Lottery Fund revenue for the Department of \$1,288,587. Since the close of session (June 2019), the Lottery Fund revenue forecast has decreased by \$13,430,722. The Department’s budget was built on a Lottery Fund revenue forecast of \$109.5 million and the December 2020 forecast is \$96.0 million. The table below reflects the change in the Lottery revenue forecast for the 2019-21 biennium and beyond.

<b>Lottery Forecast History (2019-25 Biennium): OPRD's Share of PNRF</b>						
	<b>2019-21</b>		<b>2021-23</b>		<b>2023-25</b>	
<b>Forecast Date</b>	<b>Forecast</b>	<b>Change from Prior Forecast</b>	<b>Forecast</b>	<b>Change from Prior Forecast</b>	<b>Forecast</b>	<b>Change from Prior Forecast</b>
May 2019 Forecast (close of session)	\$109,488,309		\$118,008,973		\$127,644,181	
September 2019 Forecast (released 8-28-2019)	\$110,366,888	\$878,579	\$120,142,733	\$2,133,760	\$130,881,505	\$3,237,324
November 2019 Forecast (released 11-20-2019)	\$110,667,551	\$300,663	\$120,092,862	(\$49,871)	\$130,551,032	(\$330,473)
March 2020 Forecast (released 2-12-2020)	\$111,396,954	\$729,403	\$120,957,300	\$864,438	\$131,615,031	\$1,063,999
May 2020 Forecast (released 5-20-2020)	\$83,540,779	(\$27,856,175)	\$101,492,357	(\$19,464,943)	\$117,593,717	(\$14,021,314)
September 2020 Forecast (released 9-23-2020)	\$94,769,000	\$11,228,221	\$110,834,500	\$9,342,143	\$122,400,000	\$4,806,283
December 2020 Forecast (released 11-18-2020)	\$96,057,587	\$1,288,587	\$113,422,167	\$2,587,667	\$125,419,667	\$3,019,667
<b>Total Cumulative Change</b>		<b>(\$13,430,722)</b>		<b>(\$4,586,806)</b>		<b>(\$2,224,514)</b>

While there is improvement in the forecast, the revenue decline is still driven by the COVID 19 pandemic. Lottery fund income is driven by the video lottery games people play primarily in bar and restaurant settings; with these facilities having limited inside capacity available or still closed, revenue generation is limited. The December 2020 forecast was completed before the Governor declared to the pause and new ranking criteria in late November; those changes could continue to impact the forecast. The Department will continue to watch revenues closely and adjust operations accordingly.

The March 2021 Lottery forecast is expected to be released February 24, 2021 and an update will be provided at the Business meeting.

The 2021-23 Governor’s Recommended Budget was released December 1, 2020. There were several changes made to OPRD’s budget. A summary is provided below:

1. Increase Local Government Grant program by \$1,349,481 to account for the increase in the September and December 2020 Lottery forecasts.
2. Adjustments were made to reduce the Attorney General (AG) hourly rate and the State Government Service Charges (SGSC) from the Department of Administrative Services (DAS). \$10,974 and \$3,013,426 respectively, total funds.
3. Additions to OPRD’s budget:
  - a. Office of Outdoor Recreation: added \$500K in General Fund to cover an additional full-time position (\$187K) and funding for a grant program (\$313K).
  - b. Director’s Office: added a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Coordinator funded with Measure 76 Lottery funds (\$216,073).

Below are charts summarizing the 2021-23 Governor’s Budget for the Department.

<b>Beginning Balances:</b>		<b>Revenues:</b>			
Local Govt Grants	7,810,915	Non Business License/Fees	2,279,065		
RV County Grants	675,876	Park User Fees	57,698,167		
OR Prop Mgmt Acct	80,791	Interest Income	4,501,938		
Main Street	5,748,591	Sales Income	4,013,400		
ATV Funds	3,538,364	Other Revenues	8,453,207		
Trust/Dedicated Funds	11,719,270	Federal Funds	27,192,019		
Cash Flow*	20,950,169	From DAS - M76	113,422,168		
Non Dedicated	22,886,094	From DAS - non M76	3,776,660		
Total	73,410,070	General Fund	500,000		
		From Business Oregon	260,000		
		From Marine Board	400,000		
*Cash flow breakdown:		From ODOT	57,020,697		
OR Prop Mgmt Acct	125,000	Transfer to Counties	(15,634,249)		
ATV Funds	5,107,000	Transfer to State Police	(894,602)		
Trust/Dedicated Funds	1,118,169	Transfer to Forestry	(1,787,438)		
General Operations	14,600,000	Transfer to ODOT	(715,483)		
Total	20,950,169	Total	260,485,549		
<b>Policy Packages:</b>		<b>Budgets by SCR (including packages):</b>		<b>Pos</b>	<b>FTE</b>
070 Revenue Reduction	(193,993)	Director's Office	3,713,134	8	8.00
090 Analyst adjustments	716,073	Central Services	41,127,286	79	78.51
096 SW DAS Charges	(2,399,728)	Park Development	25,499,791	8	8.00
097 SW AG Charges	(10,974)	Direct Services	129,836,578	742	475.68
099 DAS MS 365	(613,698)	Community Support/Grants	58,882,088	27	27.00
101 Operating Needs	862,749	Total	259,058,877	864	597.19
102 Carryover - grants	17,274,306				
		Acquisitions	1,684,037		
Total	15,634,735	Facilities Construct/Maintain	18,500,428		
		Local Government Grants	13,528,564		
		Total	33,713,029		

<b>Ending Balances:</b>					
Local Govt Grants	7,893,011	*Cash flow breakdown:			
RV County Grants	195,775	OR Prop Mgmt Acct	125,000		
OR Prop Mgmt Acct	554	ATV Funds	5,742,000		
Main Street	970,641	Trust/Dedicated Funds	1,290,484		
ATV Funds	2,739,226	General Operations	20,100,000		
Trust/Dedicated Funds	11,194,717	Total	27,257,484		
Cash Flow*	27,257,484				
Reserve - Salary/Wages	9,059,729				
Federal Funds	4,469,390				
Non Dedicated	11,056,215				
Total	74,836,742				

The next step is the legislative process. The Department is expected to present the Governor’s Budget to the Natural Resources subcommittee of Ways and Means. OPRD is tentatively scheduled to present to the Natural Resources Subcommittee of Ways and Means on February 8<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Typically, the plan calls for three phases – public hearings where the agency familiarizes the committee with what the Department does, the agency’s budget request and other information as requested by the committee (phase 1); discussion of major issues, if necessary (phase 2); work session on budget bill (phase 3). Finalized instructions on the process have not yet been received by the agency as the writing of this document.

The Governor’s Budget was built based on the December 2020 Lottery Forecast. The Legislatively Adopted Budget will be based on either the March (released February 24<sup>th</sup>) or June (released May 19<sup>th</sup>) 2021 forecast. The budget may need to be adjusted depending on the forecast. During this time the Department will have the opportunity to revisit revenue projections, the need to carryover limitation and other possible technical adjustments. Budget staff will work with the agency’s Legislative Fiscal Analyst to make any necessary adjustments.

**Prior Action by Commission:** The 2021-23 Agency Request Budget was approved at the June 2020 meeting. A brief update was provided in November 2020.

**Action Requested:** None.

**Attachments:** None.

**Prepared by:** Tanya Crane

## Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission

February 25, 2021

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Agenda Item:	5a	Information
Topic:	Floras Lake Exchange update	
Presented by:	Chris Havel	

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A south coast property exchange between OPRD and Curry County was substantially completed by the end of 2020. Approved in September 2019, the swap involved OPRD taking possession of 90 acres of property adjacent to Floras Lake and the existing Floras Lake State Natural Area (SNA), trading the 32-acre Port Orford Cedar State Scenic Corridor (SSC) to the county. The property values are closely matched, and the Port Orford Cedar SSC property was undeveloped and unused. The incoming property adds scenic and ecological value to Floras Lake SNA.

As part of the exchange, the county vacated platted (but undeveloped) roads, and OPRD committed to engage in joint trails planning and exploring other exchange options as part of a comprehensive state park plan for the county. The agency has two years to begin the process of preparing a 5-year trails plan. There are opportunities to create and improve trail connections between county and state public lands from the Floras Lake area south to Cape Blanco, a project that will be planned using some combination of OPRD staff and contracted services.

Even with the stress of reduced staffing and a turbulent 2020, OPRD and County staff completed this exchange on time. County Counsel John Huttel and especially OPRD Right-of-Way Agent Ladd Whitcomb handled the transaction with aplomb.

**Attachment:** Map.

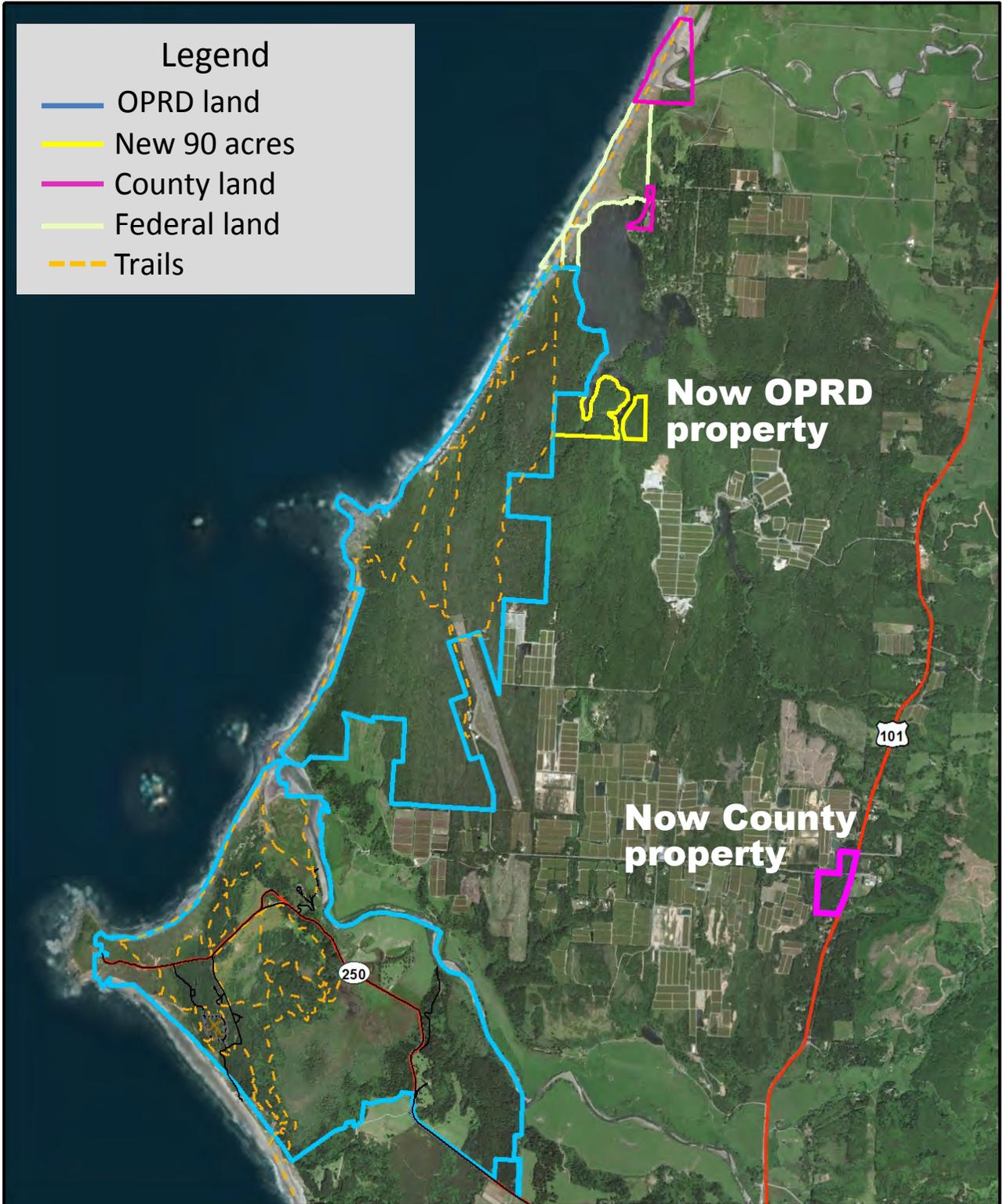
**Action Requested:** None.

**Prior Action by Commission:** Approval of exchange in September 2019, Agenda 5a.

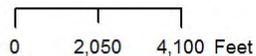
**Prepared by:** Chris Havel

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Floras Lake SNA  
Vicinity Map

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Agenda Item: 5b

Action

Topic: Tumalo State Park – Easement from Smallwood

Presented by: Ladd Whitcomb

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Scott and Carol Ann Smallwood own property in Deschutes County adjacent to the southern parcels of Tumalo State Park. The Smallwoods submitted plans to the Deschutes County Planning Department (DCPD) (file 247-19-000913-LL, 19-914-TP) to subdivide their property and were told they would need to provide OPRD a stub road and bicycle path to access the adjacent Tumalo State Park.

Unlike the northern portion of Tumalo State Park, this southern portion is undeveloped and (except for the trail down by the river) is neither set up nor intended for recreational use. Additionally, this southern portion is not contiguous to the northern portion so any stub road or bicycle path would not connect up to the northern portion that is regularly being used by the recreating public.

In discussions with Region, District, and Park Management it was determined that the creation of a stub road or a bicycle path would encourage the public to enter this portion of the park that is not suited, developed, or monitored for the recreation that this would appear to encourage.

With input and direction from field management, a letter was drafted to the DCPD informing them that given the anticipated negative impact to our ability to manage and monitor this undeveloped portion of the park, OPRD respectfully requests that neither a stub road nor a bicycle path be developed leading into the portion of the park adjacent to the Smallwood property. We did state we were willing to work with the Smallwoods to create a minimal easement across a portion of their property to allow OPRD personnel access for the purpose of inspecting and maintaining our property adjacent to their proposed development.

The DCPD was satisfied with this and OPRD began working with Smallwood's attorneys to draft a mutually agreeable easement. We approved of the final draft of the easement, and Smallwoods incorporated it into the plan they submitted to the County with the caveat that the Oregon State Parks and Recreation Commission (OSPRC) would need to approve the easement.

This easement from the Smallwoods is more than OPRD anticipates needing and it has no cost to the agency. Should OSPRC approve the transaction, recording fees will be covered by the grantor (Smallwoods).

**Prior Action by Commission:** None known

**Action Requested:** Approve Accepting Easement

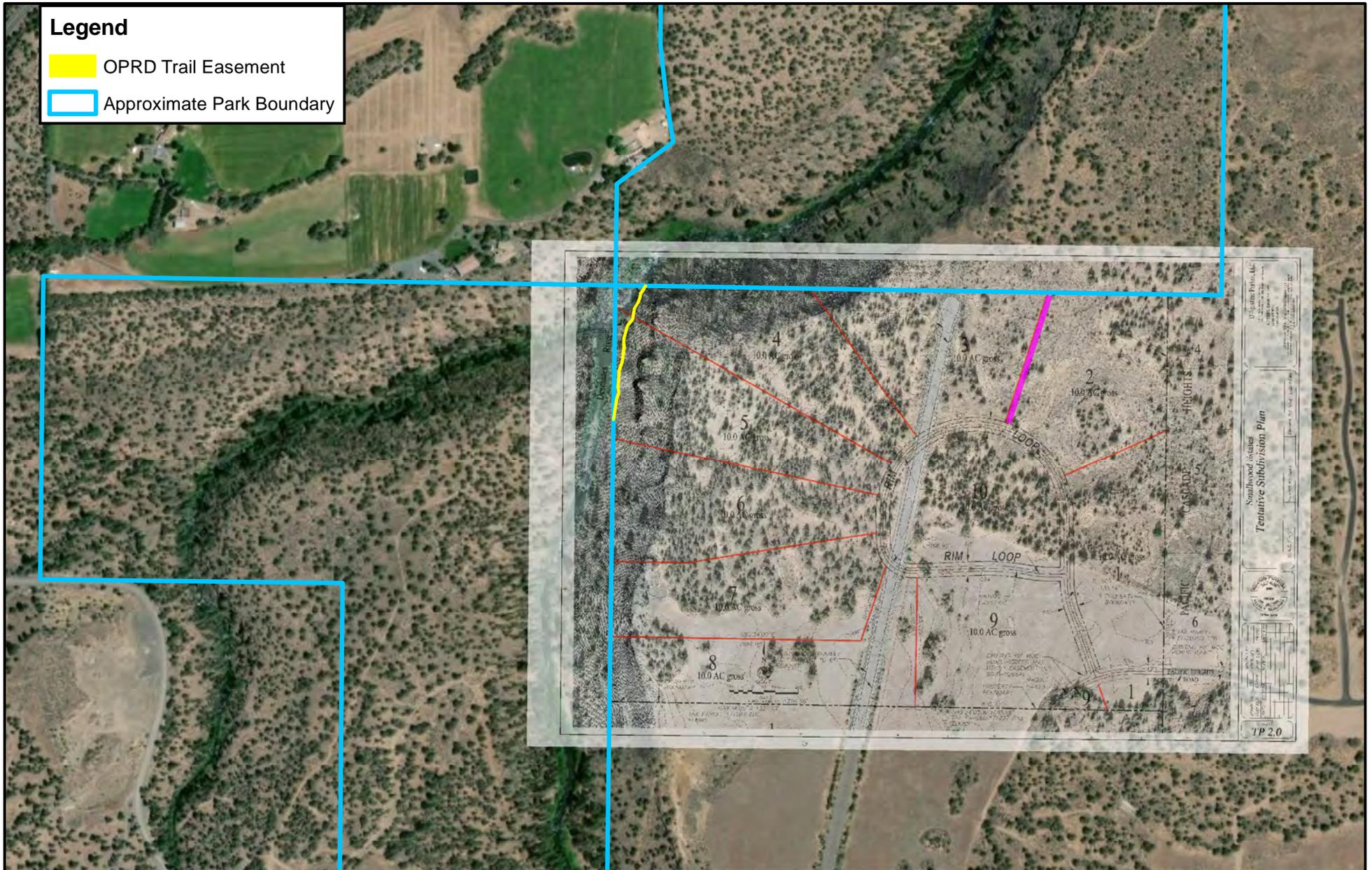
**Attachments:** Maps

**Prepared by:** Ladd Whitcomb, Right of Way Agent

# Tumalo State Park

with SMALLWOOD ESTATES tentative Subdivision Plan overlay

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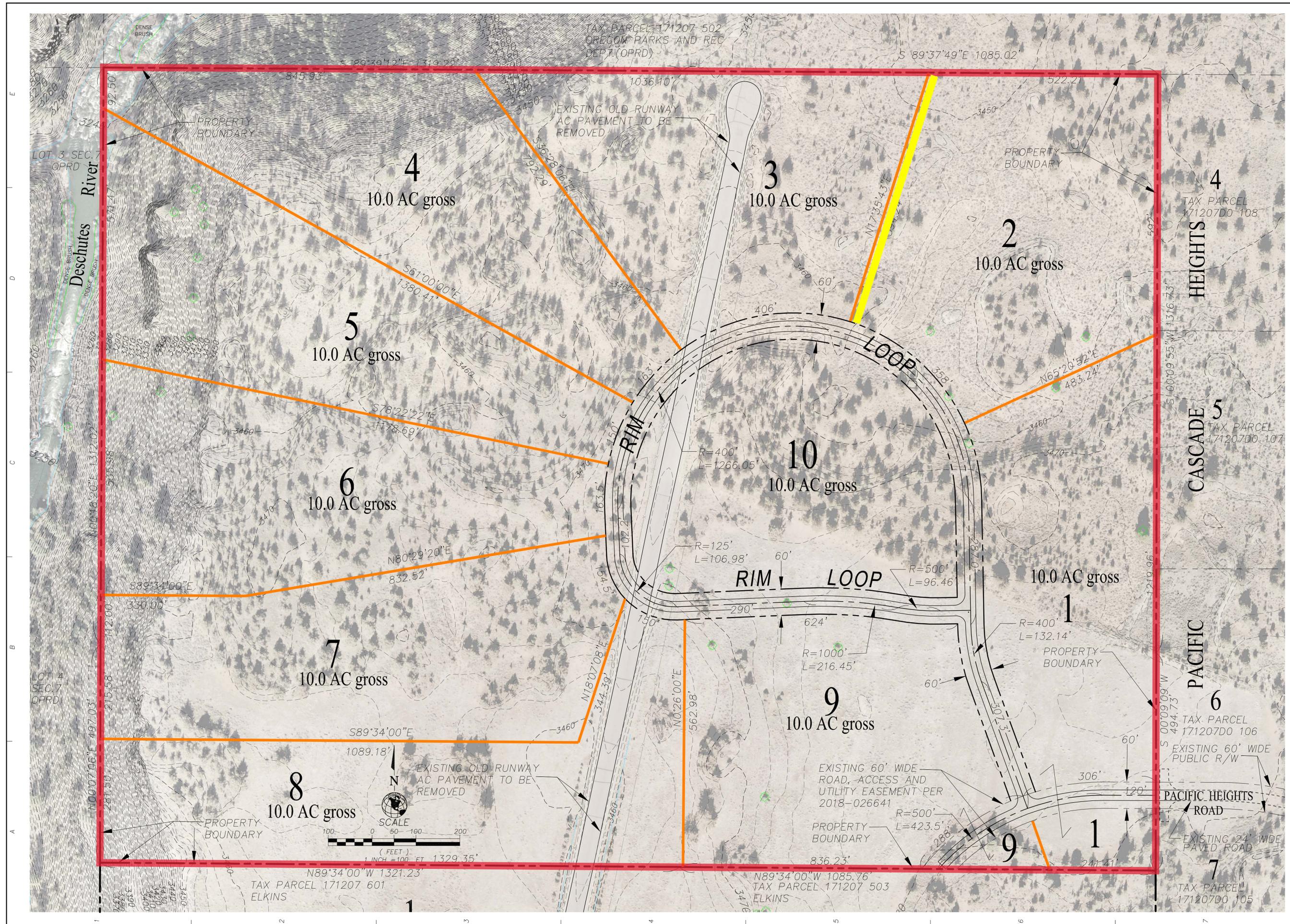


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Smallwood Property- Bend, Oregon  
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## Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission

February 25, 2021

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Agenda Item: 5c

Information

Topic: Iwetemlaykin – Rahmani Property Proposed Acquisition

Presented by: Ladd Whitcomb

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In 2008, OPRD attempted to acquire a 3.23 acre property adjacent to Iwetemlaykin State Heritage Site. Due to a downward turn in land values that was taking place followed by a reduction in available acquisition funding, OPRD was unable to acquire the land.

This property was identified in the 2009 Master Plan for Iwetemlaykin SHS as an “area of concern”. Development of this property could have a visual impact on the area as well as negative impacts to the cultural and natural resources of this site.

A 2019 application to subdivide this property brought the property to local attention and resulted in phone calls and inquiries to OPRD in regards to our potential interest in these lands. Both the Nez Perce Tribe and Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation have expressed strong support for OPRD to consider adding this property to the State Heritage Site. OPRD and the owner were in discussions regarding a sale in 2019 but those talks did not result in an agreement. Recently, the property owner has contacted staff to discuss the possibility of a sale to OPRD.

Acquisition of this property would ensure the conservation of the cultural and scenic resources associated with Iwetemlaykin SHS.

Re-appraisal work has been initiated to determine the current fair market value of this property at the time of this writing. Both appraisal and appraisal review are expected to be completed prior to the April Commission meeting. The appraised value will be shared with the Commission at that time. OPRD’s offer to acquire, subject to Commission final approval, will be at the value established by this appraisal.

**Prior Action by Commission:** February 2019 Informational brief

**Action Requested:** None

**Prepared by:** Ladd Whitcomb, Right of Way Agent

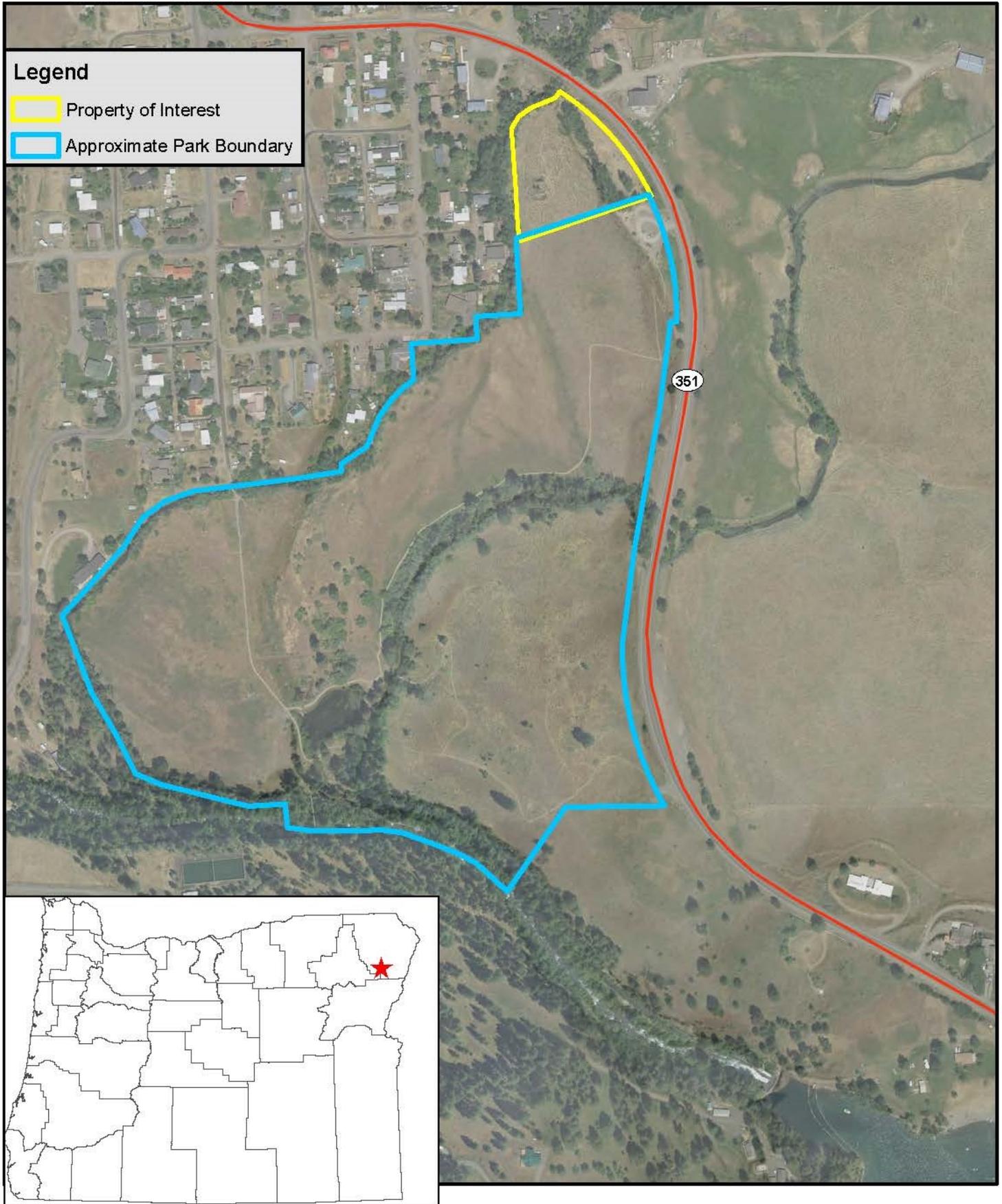
# Iwetemlaykin State Heritage Site

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Oregon Parks and Recreation Department  
February 25, 2021  
**Local Government Grant Program (LGGP) Project Ranking**  
**Large Grant Requests (\$75,001 to \$750,000. Up to \$1,000,000 for property acquisitions.)**  
\$4,036,089 Available for Grant Awards (Projected)

Rank	Project Name	Applicant	County	Brief Project Description	Total Project Cost	Grant Funds Requested
1	Ford's Pond Community Park / Projects 2A and 2B	City of Sutherlin	Douglas	The project will construct ADA-accessible restrooms, 600' of connectivity sidewalk, two inclusive natural children's play areas, three shaded picnic pavilions, site furnishings, landscaping, and security cameras at Ford's Pond Community Park in Sutherlin, Oregon.	\$880,664	\$517,814
2	Spence Mountain Acquisition	Klamath County	Klamath	The project will purchase 7,589 acres of scenic forest land overlooking Upper Klamath Lake in Klamath County, Oregon. The project will permanently secure public access to Spence Mountain, a scenic regional landmark that supports a growing trail network.	\$6,216,450	\$1,000,000
3	Mosier Center Plaza and Bike Hub	City of Mosier	Wasco	The project will construct a new Bike Hub, plaza, restroom, pedestrian and bicycle paths, signage, and play area in Mosier, Oregon.	\$979,000	\$750,000
4	Riverwalk Improvement Project	City of Astoria	Clatsop	The project will add a public restroom, wayfinding and interpretive signs, lighting for nighttime use, and other ADA upgrades to the Astoria River Walk, a five mile public park along the Columbia River shoreline in Astoria, Oregon.	\$717,345	\$428,408
5	Milwaukie Bay Park Project	North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District	Clackamas	The project will develop a nature play area, extensive pathways, entry plaza, picnic terrace, restrooms, redwood tree preservation, water supply, and storm sewer at Milwaukie Bay Park in Milwaukie, Oregon.	\$1,500,000	\$750,000
6	Rogue River Rooster Park	City of Rogue River	Jackson	The project will develop a new community park that will include irrigation, lawn and landscaping, lighting, amphitheater, pathways, furnishings and a splashpad at Rooster Park in Rogue River, Oregon.	\$365,471	\$251,360
7	* St. Helens Riverwalk Phase I	City of St. Helens	Columbia	The project will construct 350' of 10' wide boardwalk, and 430' of 8'-12' wide concrete path along the Columbia River at Columbia View Park in St. Helens, Oregon.	\$1,480,371	\$338,507
				<b>Totals:</b>	\$12,139,301	<b>\$4,036,089</b>

**Funding for projects below this line will likely not be available.**

Rank	Project Name	Applicant	County	Brief Project Description	Total Project Cost	Grant Funds Requested
8	Laurel Woods Bridge	City of Cornelius	Washington	The project will construct and install a 212-foot-long prefabricated steel truss bridge to provide a critical connection at the midpoint of a 0.9-mile-long bike/ped trail in Cornelius, Oregon.	\$1,187,907	\$275,000
9	Teen Adventure Park	City of Hermiston	Umatilla	The project will create a new youth adventure park and will include an 18,000sf covered skatepark, restroom, climbing rock, basketball, zip-line, passive recreation, and parkour fitness at Teen Adventure Park in Hermiston, Oregon.	\$542,366	\$271,183
10	Butte Falls Forest Project	City of Butte Falls	Jackson	The project will purchase 430 acres of forest land for public open space and recreation including trails, access to water, wildlife and nature viewing, surrounding the town of Butte Falls, Oregon.	\$1,114,500	\$700,000
11	Mill Creek Park - Phase 1	City of Stayton	Marion	The project will develop a new park and will include a restroom, 3 picnic shelters, a playground, basketball court, baseball field, trails, a skate park, wildlife viewing area and a stage at Mill Creek Park in Stayton, Oregon.	\$1,250,000	\$750,000
12	Sahalee Park Restrooms	City of Madras	Jefferson	The project will demolish an existing outdated restroom and install a new precast unit in a more centralized location at Sahalee Park in Madras, Oregon.	\$480,000	\$288,000
13	Riverview Park Rehabilitation Phase 1	City of Independence	Polk	The project will reshape the existing parking lot, build new sidewalk and trails, and install new landscaping and stormwater improvements at Riverview Park in Independence, Oregon.	\$1,000,000	\$600,000
14	Westholm Park Playground Rehabilitation	City of Grants Pass	Josephine	The project will rehabilitate the playground by removing and replacing the existing substandard and condemned playground equipment at Westholm Park in Grants Pass, Oregon.	\$230,569	\$115,284
15	Greenville Park - Phase 1	City of Banks	Washington	The project will add basketball courts, pathways, amenities and play elements to Greenville City Park in Banks, Oregon.	\$325,000	\$260,000
16	Rolling Rock Park Improvements - Phase I	City of Lowell	Lane	The project will re-develop the City's central park by installing irrigation, turf, playground, amphitheater seating, walking paths, shelter, restrooms, and interpretive exhibits at Rolling Rock Park in Lowell, Oregon.	\$705,186	\$212,593
17	Half Moon Bay - Phase II - Day Use Park	Douglas County Parks Department	Douglas	The project will develop a currently undeveloped day use park by paving the access road and parking area, constructing 2,700' of hardened trail, and installing utilities and a restroom at Half Moon Bay in Douglas County, Oregon.	\$527,000	\$263,500
18	Bill Riegel Park Phase Two Development	City of Salem	Marion	The project will add a 5-12 year old age appropriate playground, skate spot, concrete paths, picnic shelter and plaza, site furnishings and landscaping to complete Bill Riegel Neighborhood Park in Salem, Oregon.	\$628,000	\$270,145

Rank	Project Name	Applicant	County	Brief Project Description	Total Project Cost	Grant Funds Requested
19	Pettit Park	City of Silverton	Marion	The project will design and construct park amenities including driveway access, parking, picnic area, a one-mile long 6 foot wide compressed gravel accessible hiking trail around Pettit Lake with a pedestrian bridge, at Pettit Park in Silverton, Oregon.	\$775,000	\$465,000
20	Watt Family Park Day Use Area & Playground	City of Bay City	Tillamook	The project will develop part of a 5.73-acre park with a new day-use pavilion, playground area, ADA accessible walking paths and associated parking/site access upgrades at Watt Family Park in Bay City, Oregon.	\$937,500	\$750,000
21	Master Trail Plan Connection-Phase 1	City of Umatilla	Umatilla	The project will fund Phase 1 of the City's recently adopted Master Trail Plan by constructing 1,955 linear feet of new trail path, a crosswalk and a footbridge along Powerline Road in Umatilla, Oregon.	\$916,000	\$549,600
22	City of Vernonia Skate Park	City of Vernonia	Columbia	The project will design and construct a 6,000 square foot multi-user Skate Park in Vernonia, Oregon.	\$358,000	\$248,000
23	North Douglas Memorial Pool Safety Improvements	North Douglas Park & Recreation District	Douglas	The project will upgrade the mechanical system, chemical management system, filtration system, boiler, pump and associated valves at North Douglas Memorial Pool in Drain, Oregon.	\$309,745	\$247,395
24	Mill City Addition to Kimmel Park	City of Mill City	Linn	The project will purchase property and demolish a structure to incorporate vacant land into Kimmel Park in Mill City, Oregon.	\$324,775	\$259,775
25	Estacada Lake Shore Trail & Water Access Facility	City of Estacada	Clackamas	The project will complete design and construct water access via soft-surface trail and hard-surface multi-use trail with stairs, gangway, and in-water dock along the east waterfront of Estacada Lake, Estacada, Oregon.	\$1,453,467	\$625,328
26	Lakeview Pool & Park Rehabilitation Project	Town of Lakeview	Lake	This project will provide major rehabilitation and repair of pool building, pool deck area, new piping, upgraded electrical, parking improvements, new skate park and basketball court at Lakeview Pool and Park in Lakeview, Oregon.	\$930,000	\$738,000
27	Stone Creek Golf Club Pond Rehabilitation Project	Clackamas County	Clackamas	The project will rehabilitate an irrigation pond that will ensure long term water conservation, habitat protection, public safety and the ongoing use of trails and pathways at Stone Creek Golf Club in Clackamas County, Oregon.	\$293,500	\$146,750
				<b>Totals for projects not awarded:</b>	<b>\$14,288,515</b>	<b>\$8,035,553</b>

<b>Totals for all Large projects submitted, awarded and not awarded:</b>	<b>\$26,427,816</b>	<b>\$12,071,642</b>
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Rank	Project Name	Applicant	County	Brief Project Description	Total Project Cost	Grant Funds Requested
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\* **NOTE:** The City of St. Helens project fell on the funding cut-off line. Their full grant request was for \$500,000. Once project #7 was reached in the ranking, the remaining grant funds available was \$338,507. This amount will be offered to the City of St. Helens. If more Lottery funds become available through an increase in the Lottery forecast, the St. Helens grant may be increased to meet their original request of \$500,000.

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2020 LGGP Large Grant Awards - \$4,036,089

Exhibit B: Large Grants Map

4. Astoria – Riverwalk Improvements - \$408,428

7. St. Helens – Riverwalk - \$338,507

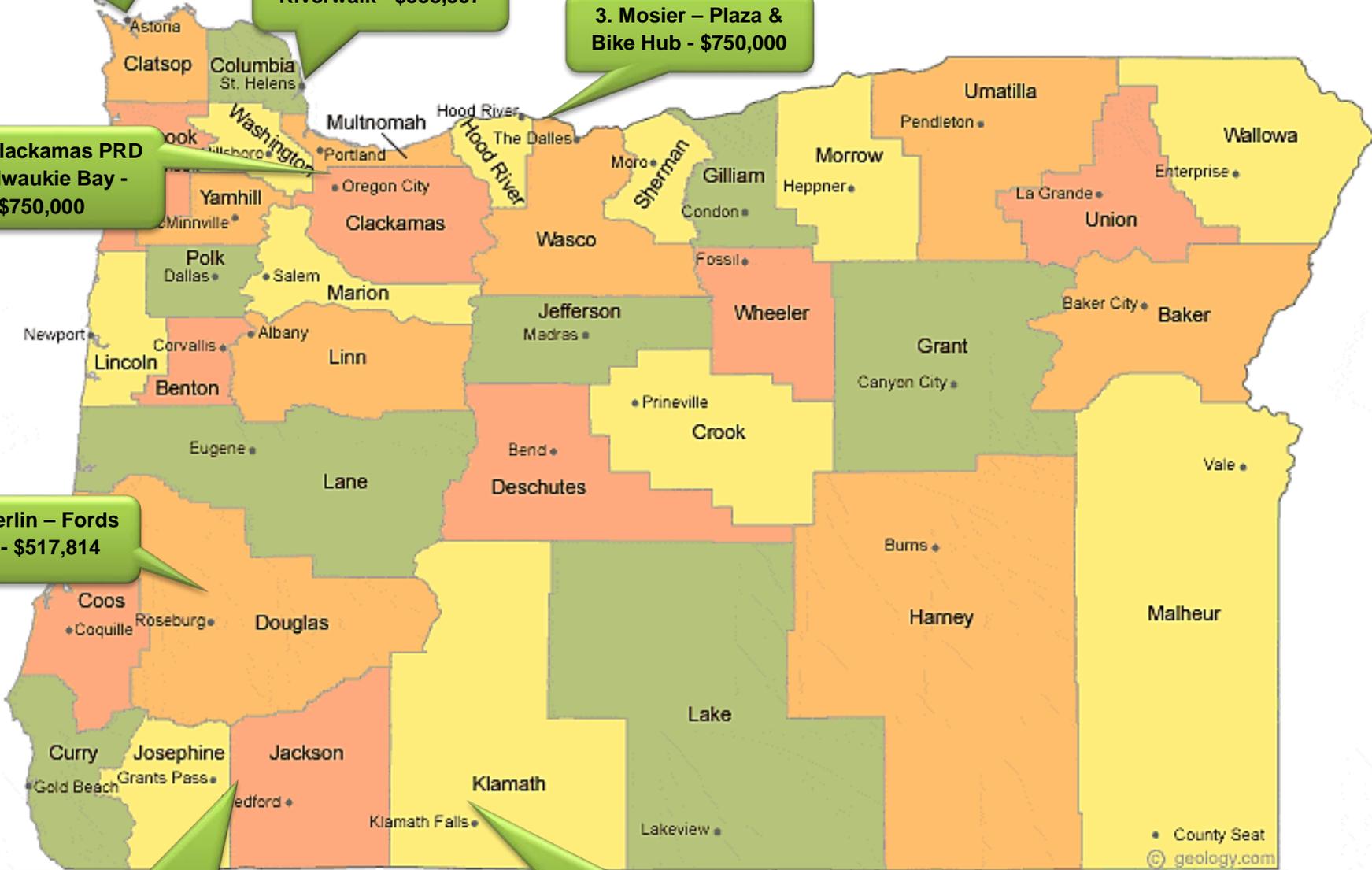
3. Mosier – Plaza & Bike Hub - \$750,000

5. N Clackamas PRD – Milwaukie Bay - \$750,000

1. Sutherlin – Fords Pond - \$517,814

6. Rogue River – Rooster Park - \$251,360

2. Klamath Co. – Spence Mt. \$1,000,000



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**Local Government Grant Program (LGGP) Project Ranking**  
**Small Grant Requests (Up to \$75,000)**  
\$740,247 Available for Grant Awards (Projected)

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Brief Project Description</b>	<b>Total Project Cost</b>	<b>Grant Funds Requested</b>
1	Porter Park	City of Corvallis	Benton	The project will replace and expand the playground equipment and surfacing to accommodate growth and inclusion at Porter Park in Corvallis, Oregon.	\$147,400	\$73,700
2	McDonald City Park Kiddie Pool Rehabilitation	Town of Lakeview	Lake	The project will rehabilitate the existing kiddie pool to an interactive splash pad, add benches, and replace aging storage shed and aging shade structure at McDonald Park in Lakeview, Oregon.	\$94,000	\$75,000
3	Westholm Park Playground Rehabilitation	City of Grants Pass	Josephine	The project will remove existing substandard and condemned playground equipment and replace it with new play equipment and accessible fall surfacing at Westholm Park in Grants Pass, Oregon.	\$230,569	\$75,000
4	Port of Bandon Public Fishing Pier	Port of Bandon	Coos	The project will construct an accessible public fishing pier adjacent to the Bandon Boardwalk on the Coquille River in Bandon, Oregon.	\$442,620	\$71,820
5	City Park Restroom	City of Veneta	Lane	The project will install pre-cast concrete accessible restroom to replace existing portable restroom at Veneta City Park in Veneta, Oregon.	\$300,000	\$75,000
6	Park Walking Path Light Replacement	City of Union	Union	The project will replace the walking path lighting at Union City Park in Union, Oregon.	\$16,260	\$13,008
7	Bellfountain Playground Replacement	Benton County	Benton	The project will remove outdated playground equipment and replace it with new playground equipment that meets current safety and accessibility standards, at Bellfountain Park in Benton County, Oregon.	\$130,198	\$34,063
8	Happy Valley Shelter Rehabilitation Project	City of Happy Valley	Clackamas	The project will reconstruct two ADA-inaccessible picnic shelters and replace the tables. Rehabilitated shelters/tables will prioritize ADA elements to accommodate recreation at new adjacent All Abilities Park in Happy Valley, Oregon.	\$108,235	\$57,412

**Exhibit A) 2020  
LGGP Small Grant Applications**

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Brief Project Description</b>	<b>Total Project Cost</b>	<b>Grant Funds Requested</b>
9	Kloutchy Creek Restroom	Clatsop County	Clatsop	The project will install a pre-cast concrete vault restroom, construct an ADA accessible walkaway to the restroom, and connect a water supply line to facilitate cleaning at Kloutchy Creek Park in Clatsop County, Oregon.	\$60,000	\$36,000
10	Tom Pearce Park Restroom Restoration	Josephine County Parks	Josephine	The project will repair and update existing restrooms to modern and accessible restrooms at Tom Pearce Park in Josephine County, Oregon.	\$41,088	\$20,544
11	Wheelchair Accessible Playground Project	City of Cave Junction	Josephine	The project will replace playground wood chip surfacing with accessible recycled rubber mats, and increase the size of the playground to allow for more accessible play features at Jubile Park in Cave Junction, Oregon.	\$205,177	\$62,033
12	Haines Park Restroom Construction	City of Haines	Baker	The project will add a new accessible restroom to Haines City Park in Haines, Oregon.	\$43,000	\$34,000
13	Bastendorff Beach Co. Park Playground Replace...	Coos County Parks	Coos	The project will remove an existing wooden playground set and replace it with new ADA compatible playground set at Bastendorff Beach Co. Park in Coos County, Oregon.	\$108,982	\$54,491
14	City Park Playground Equipment Phase 2	City of Glendale	Douglas	The project will add playground equipment for the 5-12 age group and will expand the appropriate playground surface and accessibility at Glendale City Park in Glendale, Oregon.	\$72,720	\$58,176
				<b>Totals for Funded Projects:</b>	<b>\$2,000,250</b>	<b>\$740,247</b>
<b>Funding for projects below this line will likely not be available.</b>						
15	Toledo Tennis Court Improvement Project	City of Toledo	Lincoln	The project will replace the fence, resurface the tennis court and add solar powered lights at Arcadia Park in Toledo, Oregon.	\$58,800	\$47,040
16	Pine Hollow Reservoir North Park Restrooms	South Wasco Park & Recreation District	Wasco	The project will install an accessible vault toilet at a lakeside park that will be further developed in the future, at Pine Hollow Reservoir in Wasco County, Oregon.	\$46,621	\$37,297
17	Third Street Path & View Park	City of Dundee	Yamhill	The project will construct a hard surface path throughout the length of the undeveloped Third Street right of way from Dogwood Drive to Hawthorne Court, and a hard surface side path to a viewpoint with a covered seating area in Dundee, Oregon.	\$92,000	\$73,600

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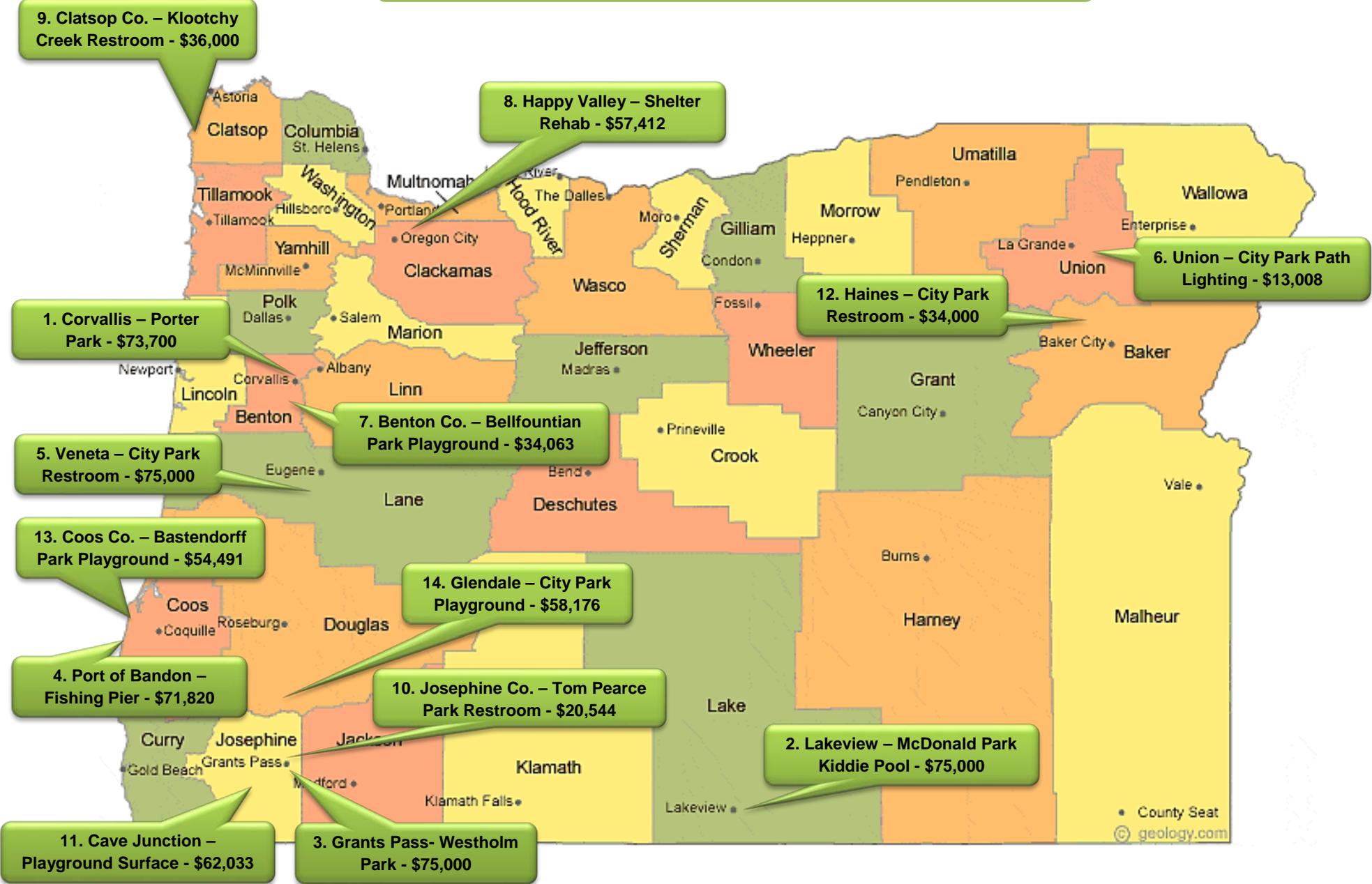
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<b>18</b>	Ladd Park Gazebo	City of Carlton	Yamhill	The project will construct a multi-purpose Gazebo type structure for daily park users and events at Ladd Park in Carlton, Oregon.	\$100,000	\$75,000
<b>19</b>	Tower Park	City of Aumsville	Marion	The project will install a gazebo covering picnic tables and benches, install new pathways and landscaping, at Tower Park in Aumsville, Oregon.	\$62,300	\$49,800
<b>20</b>	Thompson Park Pumptrack	Northern Wasco County Parks and Recreation District	Wasco	The project will expand the existing skatepark to include an asphalt pumptrack at Thompson Park in The Dalles, Oregon.	\$225,000	\$75,000
<b>21</b>	Barendse Park Walking Path Lighting Project	City of Hubbard	Marion	The project will install 30 decorative lights along the existing walking path at Barendse Park in Hubbard, Oregon.	\$169,000	\$75,000
<b>22</b>	Irrigation Upgrade	Christmas Valley Park and Recreation District	Lake	The proeject will upgrade and rehabilitate a 60 year old irrigation system at Christmas Valley Park and Golf Course in Christmas Valley, Oregon.	\$68,000	\$54,400
				<b>Totals for Un-Funded Projects:</b>	<b>\$821,721</b>	<b>\$487,137</b>

<b>Totals for Funded and Un-Funded Projects:</b>	<b>\$2,821,971</b>	<b>\$1,227,384</b>
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**2020 LGGP Small Grant Awards - \$740,247**

Exhibit B: Small Grants Map





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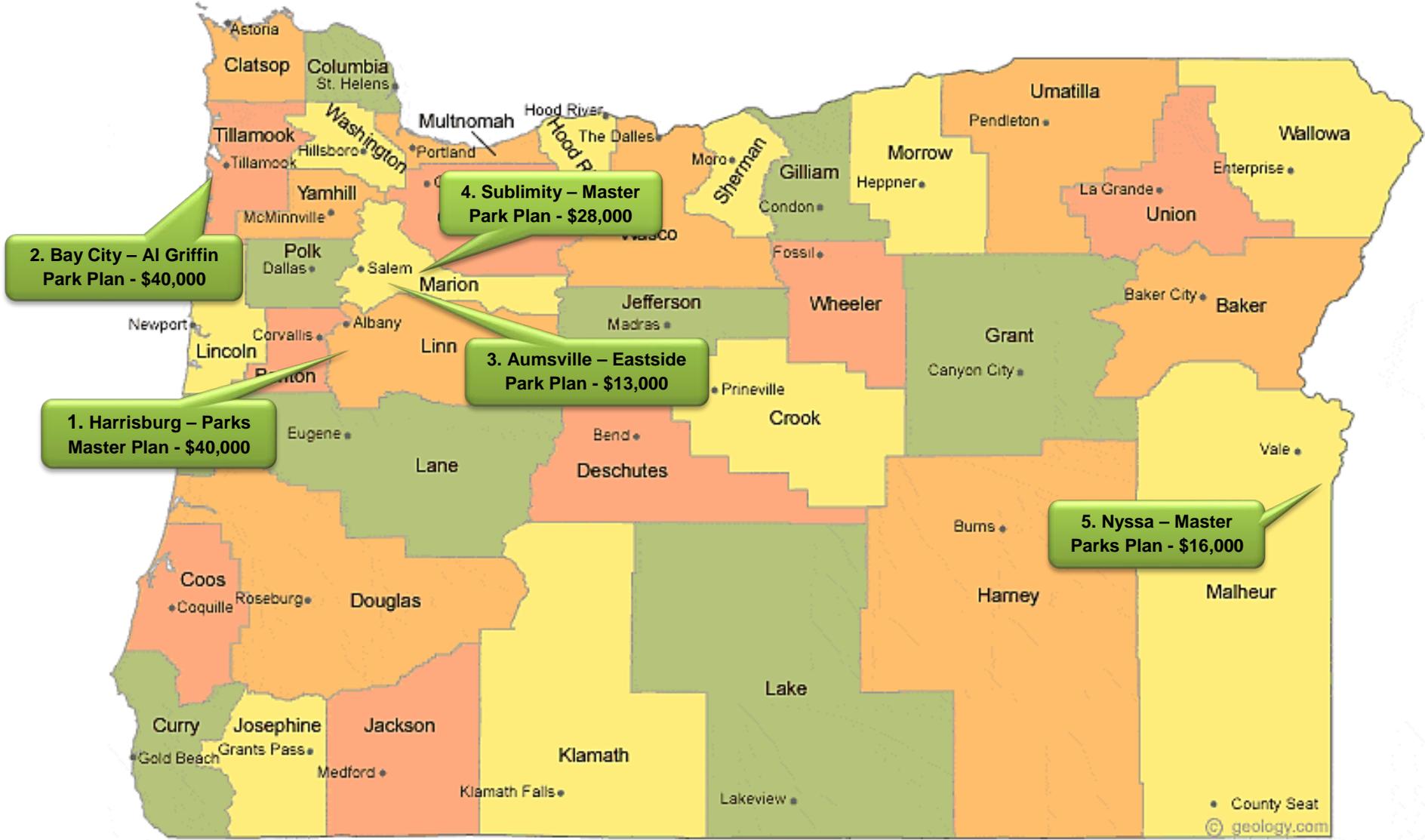
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**Local Government Grant Program (LGGP) Project Ranking**  
**Small Community Planning Grant Requests (Up to \$40,000)**  
 \$137,000 Available for Grant Awards

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Brief Project Description</b>	<b>Total Project Cost</b>	<b>Grant Funds Requested</b>
1	Harrisburg Parks Master Plan Update	City of Harrisburg	Linn	The project will create a system wide parks master plan that will include the acquisition of 132 acres of Willamette river front in Harrisburg, Oregon.	\$65,000	\$40,000
2	Al Griffin Memorial Park Master Plan	City of Bay City	Tillamook	The project will create a new master plan for Al Griffin Memorial Park in Bay City, Oregon.	\$50,000	\$40,000
3	Eastside Park Plan	City of Aumsville	Marion	The project will create a park master plan for newly purchased 20+ acre Eastside Park in Aumsville, Oregon.	\$20,000	\$13,000
4	Sublimity Parks Master Plan	City of Sublimity	Marion	The project will create a system wide parks master plan that will include current and future parks, open space and recreational facilities, in Sublimity, Oregon.	\$35,000	\$28,000
5	City of Nyssa Parks Master Plan	City of Nyssa	Malheur	The project will create a system wide parks master plan for the City of Nyssa, Oregon.	\$20,000	\$16,000
				<b>Totals:</b>	\$190,000	<b>\$137,000</b>

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**2020 LGGP Planning Grant Awards - \$137,000**

Exhibit B: Planning Grants Map



## Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission

February 25, 2021

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Agenda Item:	6d	Action
Topic:	Vietnam War Memorial proposal at State Capitol State Park	
Presented by:	Chris Havel	

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In September 2019, the nonprofit Vietnam War Memorial Fund applied for permission to construct its project on the grounds of the State Capitol State Park. Following administrative rules for the park, staff and an ad hoc, internal/external committee reviewed the proposal in 2020. This brief presents their recommendation for Commission deliberation and action.

The privately funded, \$2.7 million proposal includes sculptures, displays, new walkways and benches, and plantings and plans to complete construction by November 2022. Part of the project budget includes depositing a maintenance fund equal to 15% of the replacement value, since the finished memorial becomes state property. The Oregon State Capitol was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1988. The grounds are a significantly contributing feature.

The attached report explains conditions on the ground, elements of the applicant's proposal, responses by the public and other jurisdictions, then offers a review of the proposal's major elements and a final recommendation.

The proposal includes 11 main elements including pillars bearing the names of Oregonians who died in the war, a sculpture honoring nurses who served, and plaques related to purple heart recipients, POW/MIAs, and the Persian Gulf War. One additional element, the Gold Star Family Memorial Monument to honor families who have lost an immediate family member in the line of duty of military service, is presented with three location options. Most trees are incorporated into the design, but three minor trees are slated for removal.

As part of its review, the committee asked for public feedback and requested the applicant address the Capitol Planning Commission (a statutory advisory group), the local neighborhoods association, and apply for permission from the Salem Historic Landmarks Commission since certain changes to the grounds fall under their purview. While most feedback was positive and the project received approval from City of Salem commission, the applicant did make changes to the design to reflect input from these groups. Public comment directly to OPRD was mixed, with some supporting the concepts and others either questioning design details or recommending against use of the park for this construction. The project has legislative support and is the subject of Senate Bill 319.

Interpretive display content and online products intended to support the memorial have not yet been developed and were not reviewed. Public feedback, including comments from the Vietnamese community of Oregon, reinforce the fact *the State of Oregon is responsible for ensuring the park continues to serve every member of the community* even though the project is privately funded. The experience of U.S. service members and their families tell one side of the event and are understandably the current focus of the memorial. The people of Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia, and civilians in the United States are among the other communities affected by the war and the memorial. All these people are invited to use the park. Vietnamese Oregonians—estimated at 30,000 call the state home—should be involved in development of messages that demonstrate the role South Vietnamese allies played in the war.

The committee and applicant had a dialog on the design that led to several changes. Two elements concern the committee: first, the Gold Star Family Memorial, which is relatively imposing at several feet tall and up to 16' wide. The Gold Star Family Memorial uses a nationally-standard design and is not specific to the Vietnam War. Other elements, such as the Purple Heart, POW/MIA, and Persian Gulf War plaques, are also not specific to the Vietnam War, but are relatively small.

Second, a path crosses the historic fuchsia bed on the park's south edge. The path is designed to eliminate damage from foot traffic that enters the park at this point. While the project designer helpfully tried to minimize the impact of crossing the bed by changing the surface material, the committee feels this section of path can safely be deferred unless off-path foot traffic becomes a problem.

**As a result, the committee recommends the Commission:**

Accept all elements of the design with two exceptions: eliminate the section of path crossing the fuchsia beds, and deny permission for installation of the Gold Star Family Memorial here, instead advising the applicant to pursue alternatives outside the State Capitol State Park.

If the commission chooses to accept the applicant's request to include the Gold Star Family Memorial, the review committee has identified a location that it finds acceptable, though it would partially block view of another memorial element and is much less desirable.

**The committee also recommends a list of conditions be attached to its decision should the commission vote to approve the project.** The applicant:

1. Is responsible obtaining and funding all building and construction-related permits.
2. Shall work as required with the State Historic Preservation Office on reviews and permits, including archaeological permits, as required by state and federal law.
3. Consult during design and construction with federally-recognized tribes that have an association with the property now known as Willson Park.
4. Shall comply with all city, state, and federal requirements during design and construction.
5. Shall review final design specifications with the Salem Historic Landmarks Commission to either affirm its previously issued decision still applies, or to seek a new decision on the final design.
6. Shall continuously consult with the Capitol Planning Commission, no less than quarterly, during the process to revise and adopt a final design, and during permitting and construction.
7. Shall collaborate with the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, or its successor, to develop final site plans, including a construction calendar to minimize disruptions to public use of the park, and a planting plan that identifies exact species and locations that convey the mood intended by the designer while adhering to best horticultural practices for park management.
8. Shall convene an oversight group representative of veterans, local and national historians, interpreters, local and state public officials, and people representing Oregon's Vietnamese and Southeast Asia communities to review and recommend written and audio messages for on-site and online features associated with the memorial. The work of this group shall be incorporated into an interpretive plan for the site, with approval from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department or its successor.
9. Is asked to consider adding sculpture, plaque, or other forms of art that include both U.S. and South Vietnamese service members side-by-side to reflect their relationship during this historical period.

**Attachment 1:** Illustration showing committee recommendation.

**Attachment 2:** Review committee full report.

**Action Requested:** Approval of option recommended by review committee with the specified conditions.

**Prior Action by Commission:** None.

**Prepared by:** Chris Havel.



# State Capitol State Park Vietnam War Memorial Proposal

Oregon Parks and Recreation Department Review Committee

Final report

January 28, 2021



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## 1. Introduction

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This report contains the work of an ad hoc committee convened in April to review a proposal from the [Vietnam War Memorial Fund](#), a private nonprofit, to construct a memorial related to the war and other elements of military service in the [State Capitol State Park](#). The proposal includes sculptures, displays, new walkways and benches, and plantings and has a goal to complete construction by November 2022.

An initial analysis by staff determined the proposal to be a “significant project,” and as directed by Oregon Administrative Rule 736-010-0066, the committee was assigned the responsibility for a conceptual review leading to a recommendation to Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) Director Lisa Sumption, who then must decide whether to bring the issue to the Oregon State Parks and Recreation Commission for deliberation.

This report will summarize conditions on the ground, elements of the applicant’s proposal, responses by the public and other jurisdictions, then offer a review of the proposal’s major elements and make recommendations for OPRD and Commission consideration.

The Oregon State Capitol was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1988. The grounds are a significantly contributing feature.

## 2. Park background and current uses

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The State Capitol State Park (SCSP) surrounds three sides of the capitol building in Salem. The grounds are typical of a major downtown city park. The property became a state park in 2008 through a bill passed by the legislature and signed by the Governor. It comprises three smaller, related park areas -- Willson Park on the west, Capitol Park to the east and the Capitol Park Mall to the north of the Capitol building. The proposal affects the Willson Park portion of the SCSP.

The park fulfills several roles, per the [2010 Comprehensive Park Plan](#):

*Seat of state government.* State Capitol State Park is the home of Oregon’s state government. The park’s buildings, layout, features, setting and activities have been provided in a way that highlights and connects the central functions of state government with each other and with the citizens of Oregon.

*An urban park.* State Capitol State Park is located in the core of the City of Salem and will contribute to the network of parks and open spaces in central Salem. This park will invite visitors to play and relax outside and to enjoy the city.

*A place to welcome diverse visitors.* A broad set of visitors use the park now, including neighborhood residents, college students and staff from the neighboring Willamette University, nursery school groups, vacationing travelers to the capital and the city of Salem, cyclists and pedestrians who are passing through, people coming to events, nearby office workers, the legislature, the Governor and their staffs.

*A place for special events.* The large open space in the center of the mall area of the park, along with the pavement in Court Street, offers space for large events, staging areas for news coverage and public gatherings related to political decisions and processes. This space also serves other support functions related to state government or city services.

The grounds contain dozens of plantings, benches, sculptures, fountains, and markers commemorating people, events, places, and elements of public service. The most recent significant change to Willson Park was a World War 2 memorial dedicated in 2014. The Vietnam War Memorial proposes to use the southwest corner of Willson Park, and the World War 2 Memorial is adjacent, in the northwest corner. Beyond the state park boundary elsewhere on the capitol mall—an area that stretches north from the capitol building and is home to many state agency headquarters—the Oregon Medal of Honor Roll and Afghan-Iraqi Freedom Memorial are found near the Oregon Department of Veterans’ Affairs.

The Walk of Flags memorial lies just east, between the proposed memorial and the capitol building.

### 3. Project background.

From the applicant’s website:

*“The era of the Vietnam War was a tumultuous period. Almost 3 million United States Military personnel served in Vietnam over time. 58,318 died there. 710 Oregonians were among the Killed In Action. Four Oregon families lost two sons in Vietnam. There were military personnel Missing in Action. There were Prisoners of War. Most of the Vietnam Warriors who came back to the U.S. were never welcomed home. Many were spit upon, ridiculed and attacked for honoring the call of their nation. For these reasons and many more, we wish to honor all who served during the Vietnam Era. Especially, those who served in Vietnam. In addition, we wish to memorialize those who gave their life, forfeiting their American Dream so that we can live ours. It is appropriate that this memorial be placed on the grounds of the Oregon State Capitol. This will enable our state residents to understand the struggles of the Vietnam Veterans and perpetuate the history and the memory of the Vietnam War for generations to come.” ~ vietnamwarmemorialfund.org*

The applicant applied to OPRD for permission to construct the memorial in September 2019 (see Appendix 2). The staff review was interrupted in 2020 due to the COVID-19 health emergency and resulting economic turmoil.

The project fundraising goal is \$2.7 million. If approved, the applicant intends to break ground in October 2021 and dedicate the finished memorial on November 11, 2022.

### 4. Project description

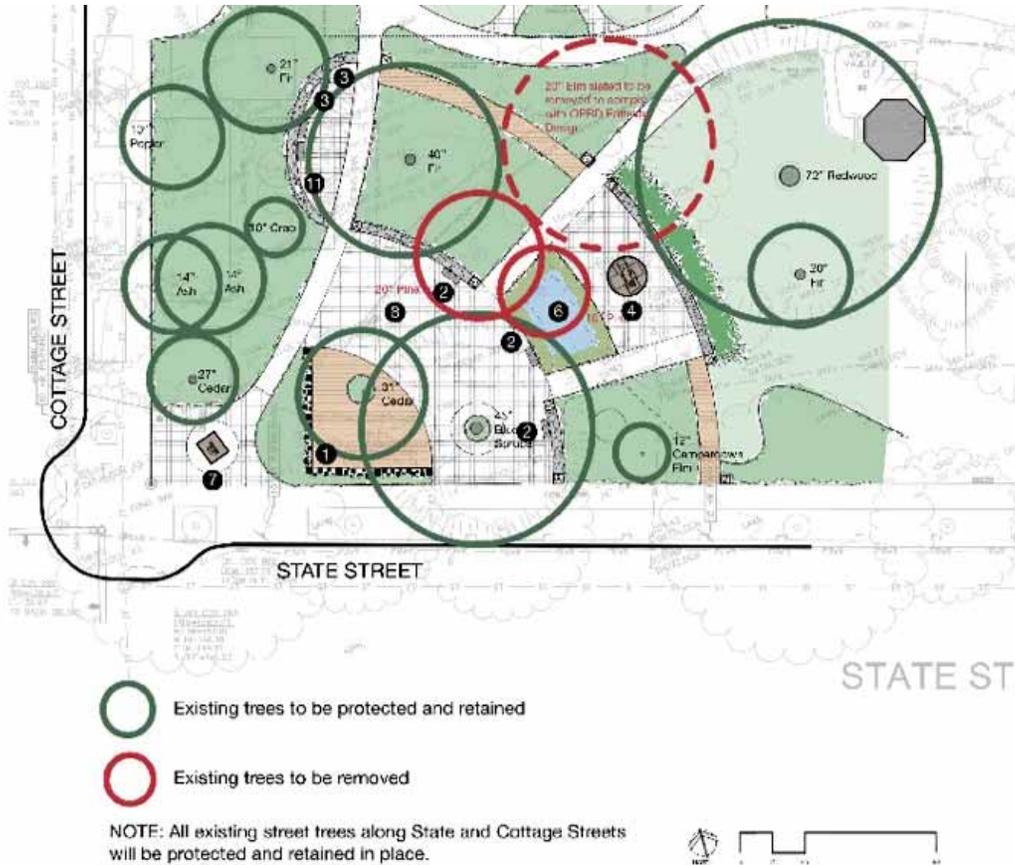
The project occupies the southwest corner of Willson park:



The proposal includes 11 main elements and a host of supporting features. Sculpture, display, and surface materials are resilient and vandalism-resistant. One element, 10 Gold Star Family Memorial Monument to honor families who have lost an immediate family member in the line of duty of military service, is presented with three options (marked 10A, 10B, and 10C):



Most trees are incorporated into the design. Three trees, marked in red, are slated for removal. These trees do not memorialize any person or event and are not deemed “major” trees.



Select features:



A sculpture, "Soldier's Return" is positioned at the southwest entrance.



The main area incorporates the distinctive existing western redcedar, wood decking (a durable tropical hardwood), and pillars bearing names.



A large courtyard accommodates events.



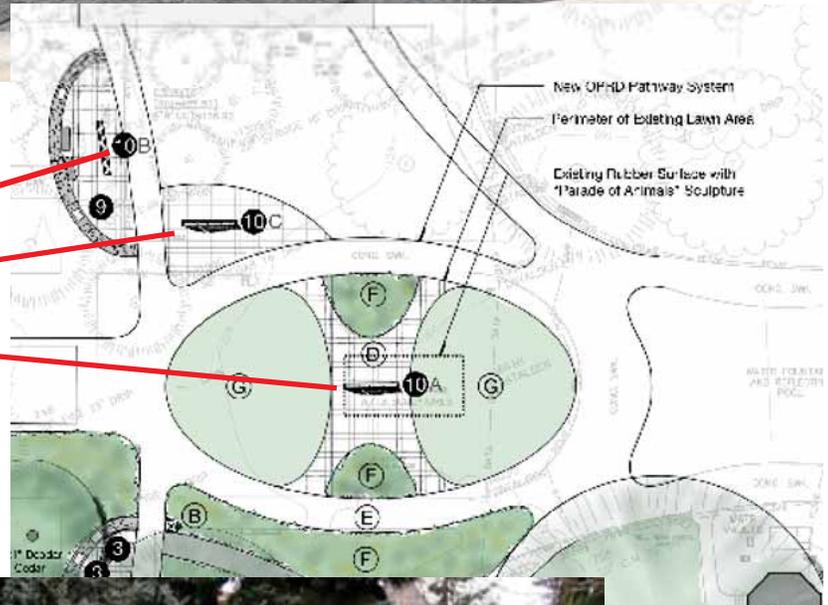
Two alcoves accommodate subsidiary memorials. The one pictured has a Purple Heart plaque and display on POW/MIAs. Another similar alcove to the north contains a Persian Gulf War element and is one option for the Gold Star Family memorial.





The Gold Star Family Memorial, a nationally standard design, is presented with three location options. One is in a central space currently occupied by the "Parade of Animals" sculpture, one in the north alcove, and one between these two locations.

Sample image of standard design.



Option B: north alcove.

Option C: adjacent to path.

Option A: Displace Parade of Animals sculpture, moving it to another area of grounds identified in park plan. This location is preferred by applicant.



Parade of Animals sculpture. Concerns will be discussed in Section 7 below.

A sculpture memorializes the service of nurses in the Vietnam War.



Plantings evoke a tropical feeling. The application specifies planting locations, but not species, and is addressed in Section 8 below.



## 5. Rules and review process

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Oregon Administrative Rule 736-010-0066 distinguishes between minor and significant installations in the State Capitol State Park. This is a judgment call, based on staff review of the design, size, scope, location, construction process, and infrastructure implied by the proposal. While the OPRD Director can review and approve minor installations, significant projects require Commission deliberation.

Staff verified the proposal satisfied the general criteria listed in the rule:

1. *The subject of the recognition shall be widely known and appreciated for great ... significance to the state of Oregon, the history of the nation, or both.* The Vietnam War event satisfies this criterion.
2. *The proposed feature shall enhance the aesthetics of the park and shall be consistent with the adopted State Capitol State Park Comprehensive Plan.* The proposal adds seating and usable group areas and incorporates mature trees found in this corner of the park.
3. *Demonstrate statewide public support for the recognition or honorary feature.* While not necessarily representative of Oregon as a whole, the application lists a wide range of endorsements from different areas of the state.
4. *Specify why other venues were not a suitable alternative location.* The current site was selected after another corner of the State Capitol State Park was proposed. OPRD and the review committee agree that due to the high profile, statewide impact of the Vietnam War, other venues are less appropriate for the memorial.

Proposals are not permitted to:

1. Occupy the open, grassy areas of the Central Mall and Willson Park ovals.
2. Disturb major trees and plantings. Note three trees are specified for removal, but they are not deemed “major.”
3. Interfere with traffic flows or sightlines.
4. Disturb other installations and structures.
5. Create unmitigated or significant additional liability; repair and maintenance cost; or safety and security concern, for the state. All expenses for design, fabrication, and installation shall be borne by the applicant.

After staff completed their review, the review committee was convened to review the proposal concepts and make recommendations to the OPRD Director, who then chooses whether to advance them to the Oregon State Parks and Recreation Commission. If the project is approved by the Commission, the applicant will also be required to deposit a maintenance fund with OPRD equivalent to 15% of the project’s replacement cost, from which the agency pays for repairs and upkeep. The memorial becomes state property when construction is completed, and when the applicant-provided fund is depleted, maintenance would be drawn from the state budget. This project is the first significant proposal to be reviewed under these requirements.

The initial reviews were completed by staff to determine the project met the general criteria listed above, and was significant. A review of the conceptual design was then completed by an ad hoc committee with support from OPRD staff (members listed in Appendix 1). The committee’s process involved gathering feedback from the public and other jurisdictions.

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## 6. Community response.

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After two news releases to solicit public feedback, eight comments were received (see Appendix 3). The reaction was mixed, with some expressing opposition to using space in the park for the memorial at all for a variety of reasons, some due to limited natural space in the park, and others questioning whether the war should be memorialized given its turbulent social history. Comments also called for accuracy in depiction of the people who served, such as the fact nurses were both male and female, and for equal treatment of the people of southeast Asia who suffered through the conflict in their homeland. One commenter specifically opposed moving the Parade of Animals sculpture to accommodate the Gold Star Families Memorial, and another supported it.

A representative of the Vietnamese Community of Oregon, a nonprofit organization, commented there are more than 30,000 people who are Vietnamese living in the state. Anecdotally, the vast majority were directly or indirectly affected by the war, many through loss of family. More than 58,000 American military died in the war along with in excess of 300,000 South Vietnamese troops who fought alongside them. The physical elements of the proposal focus on the U.S. military.

Because the grounds contribute to the National Register of Historic Places listing of the capitol and are a Salem Historic Landmark, the applicant applied for and received approval from the Salem Historic Landmarks Commission (see Appendix 4). The approval was conditional: if the final memorial plan involves moving the Parade of Animals sculpture, the applicant will work with OPRD to find a new site on the grounds and return to the Landmarks Commission for further review and approval. While not required, the applicant responded to comments from the Landmarks Commission concerning trip and fall hazards, especially posed by a planting bed below the walkway grade, and the applicant has noted the need for lighting or barriers to make the edge more apparent.

The Capitol Planning Commission (CPC), a statutory state advisory group, was also consulted and supported the project as it was configured in November 2020 (Appendix 5). The CPC's approval was conditioned on the applicant continuing to work with the group if it proceeds with design and construction, OPRD agreement to conduct public input, and use of resilient, vandal-resistant materials. The group also noted the specified wood decking—apé, a durable tropical wood—could raise concerns about unsustainable harvest practices.

The Salem neighborhood association, CAN-DO, expressed support during a formal meeting in November, but several members later submitted messages opposing the project as individuals. Those are summarized at the top of this section.

Legislative support for locating the memorial in the park was drafted in 2020, but didn't pass because action on all legislation ended prematurely that year. A similar bill directing installation of a memorial be allowed in the park, and instructing agencies to support the effort as permitted by law, has been introduced ([Senate Bill 319](#)).

## Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission

February 25, 2021

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Agenda Item:	7a	<b>Information</b>
Topic:	Heritage Division Update	
Presented by:	Christine Curran, Deputy Director, Heritage Programs	

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### A Year of Accomplishments

Every year the Heritage Division takes stock of our accomplishments under our Heritage Commission Plan and Oregon State Historic Preservation Plan. In 2020 the COVID-19 health crisis and wildfire natural disaster challenged both the Heritage Division and our partners. These obstacles made the value of our state's heritage resources clear, and staff learned much about responding to emergencies, the importance of preparation, and how to continue serving our partners during trying circumstances in virtual formats. The Division's work this year includes:

- Created and hosted regular online forums with local and state government agencies, Main Street Communities, museums, archives, and cemetery groups to discuss challenges created by the COVID-19 and the wildfire crises and share support and resources for addressing organizational and community needs.
- Developed a COVID-19 resource web page and a wildfire response and recovery page that combined have been accessed over 1700 times.
- Created a guidebook and videos for community disaster resilience planning for heritage resources based on a pilot project in Cottage Grove.
- Completed a statewide volunteer survey in cooperation with Portland State University's Nonprofit Institute. The study revealed things such as primary drivers for those volunteering and the amount of personal giving that volunteers gave to organizations.
- Honored the award winners of the 2020 Heritage Excellence awards and Oregon Main Street Awards by creating videos of the winner's important contributions.
- Released a statement affirming Oregon Heritage's commitment to dismantling racism and inequality, acknowledging the heritage organizations working towards collecting diverse stories and perspective, and providing ways to continue or start these efforts in response to civil unrest across the country and here in Oregon.
- Completed a series of webinars to train staff, board members, and volunteers participating in the Oregon Main Street Program.
- Partnered with other statewide coordinating programs to develop a recovery action plan template for local Main Street organizations and a sustainable funding webinar series.
- Released the Oregon Heritage Commission's 2020-2025 Oregon Heritage Plan as a call to action. The plan outlines four goals and asks organizations the Commission in working towards them.

- The Oregon SHPO added 3,163 properties to the inventory of archeological and historic resources, and submitted 14 nominations to the National Parks Service for listing in the National Register of Historic of Historic Places, including the Portland African American Multiple Properties Document, a tool that will help list more properties within that context.
- Reviewed 44 preservation projects, added 12 properties to the state tax program, and reviewed 19 submissions for the federal tax program.
- Improved tracking for our covenant and Special Assessment programs, and monitored 14 agreements.
- Worked with partners and the public to address the state National Register rules and the state law for the Special Assessment tax program.
- Issued 206 archaeological permits for conducting archaeological investigations in the state.
- Received and processes 2,636 project submittals by individuals, and federal, state, and local agencies for review under state and federal cultural resource laws.

### **John Pouley Selected as New Oregon State Archaeologist**

The hiring committee selected John Pouley as the next Oregon State Archaeologist after an intensive competition among three outstanding candidates. John assumed his new post on January 4<sup>th</sup>, replacing Dennis Griffin who retired in August 2019. The State Archaeologist is the primary state contact for archaeological laws and issues and leads the compliance work group. John is from Seattle, Washington, and received undergraduate degrees from Washington State University (History) and Central Washington University (Archaeology). He completed his graduate studies at Washington State University (Archaeology), where he focused on the precontact Columbia Plateau. John has archaeological experience in the Arctic, Great Basin, and Northwestern Plains. In the past 25 years, John worked for private contractors, a federal agency, a federally recognized tribe, and for the Oregon SHPO as the Assistant State Archaeologist since 2011.



**State Archaeologist John Pouley**

Throughout his career, he has authored numerous reports on his archaeological investigations, nominated archaeological sites and districts to the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) and published articles on his research in peer reviewed archaeology journals. John enjoys presenting his research at regional and national archaeological conferences, archaeological societies, for tribes, federal and state agencies, SHPOs, universities, primary and secondary schools, and for the general public. John’s breadth of scholarly and practical knowledge and experience working with the diverse stakeholders in the cultural resource community are important strengths as he brings his energy and enthusiasm to tackle the opportunities and challenges of his new position.

## **Darcelle XV Among Four Portland Properties Listed in the National Register of Historic Places**

Located in downtown Portland, the drag venue Darcelle XV is nationally significant for its role it played in creating acceptance for drag and gay rights and as a safe place that anchored the LGBTQ community far beyond the reach of any LGBTQ bar. Darcelle XV was well-known on the west coast starting as early as 1968 and consistently drew a mixed gay and straight audience starting in about 1970. The nightclub held drag pageants and competitions which drew participants from all over the United States. By the early 1970s, Darcelle XV was a well-known powerhouse of drag support and sponsorship on the west coast. The impact of this institution continues through today as Darcelle, the establishment's headlining proprietor, continues to perform.



**Darcelle XV Club, Portland**

Listing Darcelle XV supports the goal of Oregon's Statewide Preservation Plan to diversify the list of Oregon resources recognized in the National Register of Historic Places and tell the stories of marginalized communities to create a more complete historical narrative. Oregon's State Advisory Committee on Historic Preservation (SACHP) recommended the property for listing at their June 2020 meeting. The National Park Service maintains the National Register of Historic Places, and listed the property in November 2020.

**Prior Action by Commission:** none

**Action Requested:** none

**Attachments:** none

**Prepared by:** Ian P. Johnson, Associate Deputy SHPO and Chrissy Curran, Deputy SHPO

## 7. Review

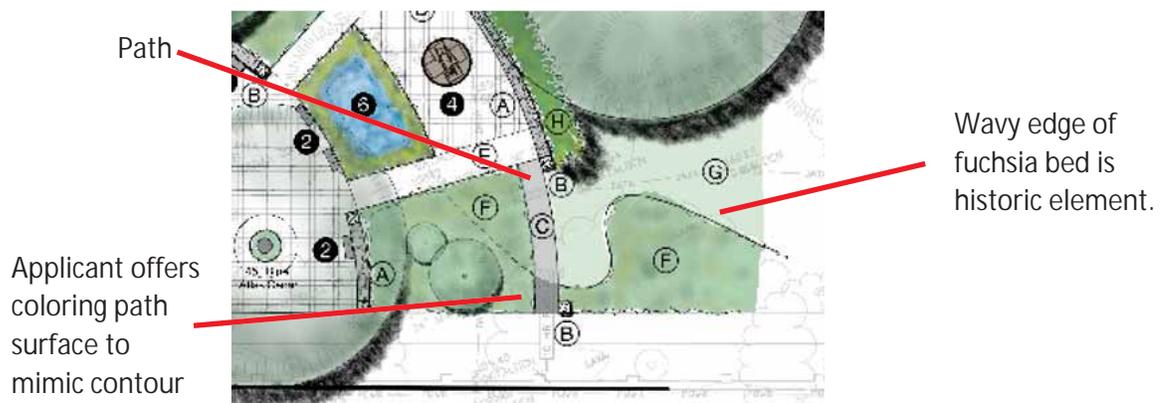
Committee members reviewed the conceptual layout, materials, and messages provided by the applicant and have engaged in several rounds of back-and-forth dialog on design and materials. The committee appreciates the applicant's responsiveness and willingness to adjust plans based on feedback from its members and the other jurisdictions, and on the overall attention to details and using landscape architecture principles to communicate meaning through design choices.

As currently configured (see Page 5), the committee *has no significant issues* with:

- The layout of the main memorial wall, nurses memorial, purple heart/POW/MIA alcove, or Persian Gulf War alcove.
- The layout of most of the walkways linking elements of the memorial.
- Materials specified for displays, sculptures, and surfaces.

The committee *does have concerns* with:

- Siting the Gold Star Families Memorial in the State Capitol State Park.** While laudable and consistent with memorials in other states, it is both a major installation in its own right and not solely related to the Vietnam War. Other elements – the purple heart recipients' plaque, POW/MIA plaque, and Persian Gulf memorial, are likewise not solely related to the Vietnam War, but they are relatively minor installations that do not impose a significant presence on the landscape.
- Modification of the historic fuchsia bed** on the south edge of the memorial. The bed has a distinctive wavy edge that is a contributing feature to the historic grounds. The applicant has offered to change the color of the surface material so it mimics the contour of the bed.



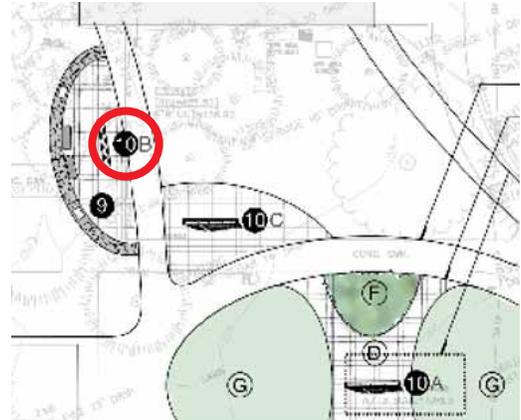
- Inclusive messages.** Interpretive display content and online products intended to support the memorial are not part of this review, and even though the project is privately funded, OPRD and the State of Oregon are responsible for ensuring the park serves every member of the community. The experience of U.S. service members and their families tell one side of the event and are the current focus of the memorial. The people of Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia, and civilians in the United States, are among the other communities affected by the memorial. All these people are invited to use the park. Oregonians with ties to Vietnam are especially interested in supporting development of messages that demonstrate the role South Vietnamese

allies played in the war, especially since Vietnamese veterans and their families call Oregon home and are now part of its story.

## 8. Recommendations.

a. *Options* (a list of recommended conditions in 8.c. apply in every case).

1. ***As proposed.*** Accept everything in the proposal as it currently stands: the pathways, even through the fuchsia bed. Site the Gold Star Family Memorial in the location preferred by the applicant, displacing the Parade of Animals at the applicant's expense to a nearby location identified in the park plan.
2. ***Slight modifications.*** Accept all elements of the design and layout with these exceptions: eliminate the section of path that begins on the south edge of the fuchsia beds and continues north to intersect with the main walkway. Site the Gold Star Family Memorial in Location B.
3. ***Redirect Gold Star Family Memorial.*** Accept all elements of the design and layout with these exceptions: eliminate the section of path that begins on the south edge of the fuchsia beds and continues north to intersect with the main walkway. Deny permission for installation of the Gold Star Family Memorial here, instead advising the applicant to pursue alternatives outside the State Capitol State Park. OPRD can assist with this discussion.



b. *Discussion.*

1. Concerns that the park risks being saturated with war memorials appear justified. While this memorial is well-designed and the elements that deal directly with the Vietnam War communicate deep issues in meaningful ways, the proposal begs questions about the long-term future of the park as a multi-faceted public space. Without adequate long-range planning, memorials could turn a multi-use space into one that focuses just on this purpose, to the detriment of the park and the community it serves.
2. While titled as a Vietnam War Memorial, the proposal contains several elements either indirectly or unrelated to the war itself. The POW/MIA plaques and Persian Gulf War plaque are small-impact elements and their location in low-profile alcoves to the side of the main memorial creates an opportunity to direct future memorial requests on these topics to a rep-designed space. The Gold Star Family Memorial is a much more imposing installation and could be justifiably required to go through a separate application and review process.
3. The path crossing the historic fuchsia bed is an attempt by the project's experienced landscape designer to get ahead of the natural public inclination to walk in direct lines from established thoroughfares, like the sidewalk, to attractive or interesting features, like benches and sculptures. The path proactively mitigates the damage this foot traffic would cause. Even so, because the edge of the bed is itself a historic feature and maintaining new walkways is a burden in an area replete with tree roots, park staff opine this is a problem that can be addressed if it arises, rather than

- proactively. The committee appreciates the designer has done the work to show how this feature could work if it's needed.
4. Ensuring the memorial messages are accurate and inclusive is a challenge. Nearly all the content is intended to be designed by the private nonprofit, but since the memorial is on public land, issues such as the morality of the war, implications of racism, perceptions of socially-sanctioned violence, and the political turmoil associated with the event will require candid, sensitive treatment. In particular, cooperation with the Vietnamese community in Oregon could include a broader perspective, since tens of thousands of families call Oregon home and were affected by the war. The gender question related to the nurse sculpture is another example of the need for thoughtfulness during final design. The need for balanced messages is an opportunity, not a barrier.
- c. *Recommended option*: to preserve the integrity of the fuchsia beds, and to reduce the effect of a major memorial element not directly related to the Vietnam War, the review committee recommends Option 8.a.3. (***Redirect Gold Star Family Memorial***). Option 8.a.2 (***Slight Modifications***) is an acceptable alternative, but is much less desirable since it would block view of the Persian Gulf Memorial.
- d. *Suggested conditions* if project is approved by the Oregon State Parks and Recreation Commission. The applicant:
1. Is responsible for obtaining and funding all building and construction-related permits.
  2. Shall work as required with the State Historic Preservation Office on built environment and archaeological reviews and permits, as required by state and federal law.
  3. Consult with federally-recognized tribes that have an association with the property now known as Willson Park.
  4. Shall comply with all city, state, and federal requirements during design and construction.
  5. Shall review final design specifications with the Salem Historic Landmarks Commission to either affirm its previously issued decision still applies, or to seek a new decision on the final design.
  6. Shall continuously consult with the Capitol Planning Commission, no less than quarterly, during the process to revise and adopt a final design, and during permitting and construction.
  7. Shall collaborate with the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, or its successor, to develop final site plans, including a construction calendar to minimize disruptions to public use of the park, and a planting plan that identifies exact species and locations that convey the mood intended by the designer while adhering to best horticultural practices for park management.
  8. Shall convene an oversight group representative of veterans, local and national historians, interpreters, local and state public officials, and people representing Oregon's Vietnamese and Southeast Asia communities to review and recommend written and audio messages for on-site and online features associated with the memorial. The work of this group shall be incorporated into an interpretive plan for

the site, with approval from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department or its successor.

9. Beyond cooperating on messages across a wide range of perspectives, the applicant should consider sculpture, plaque, or other forms of art that include both U.S. and South Vietnamese service members side-by-side to reflect their relationship during this historical period.
- e. Next steps.
1. If approved by the Oregon State Parks and Recreation Commission, the applicant will collaborate with the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (or its successor) on a “Construction and Design Memorandum of Understanding” that enacts the conditions above.
  2. The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, or its successor, shall coordinate with relevant state agencies to produce an infrastructure and landscape report detailing above- and below-ground resources, including power, water, and sewer networks, and an assessment of the current condition of trees and other plantings affected by the memorial.

**A1. Committee members** (*\*denotes member who participated for only part of the review*):

Jamie French, City of Salem Historic Landmarks Commission

Chris Havel, OPRD Office of the Director

Rachel Hill\*, OPRD Park and Recreation Planner

David Price, Member at Large

Sarah Steele, OPRD District Manager for Valleys Region Willamette District

Kevin Strandberg, OPRD Park Manager Willamette Mission Management Unit

Christy Sweet\*, OPRD Park Historian

Robin Wilcox\*, OPRD Park and Recreation Planner

Gary Wilhelms, Oregon Capitol Foundation

The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department thanks staff and volunteers for their service.

**A2. Application to construct the memorial at State Capitol State Park by the Vietnam War Memorial Fund.**

Note: The original location was in the northeast corner of the park, close to the intersection of Waverly and Court. After discussing the issue with state park staff, the current proposed location in the southwest corner of Willson Park near the corner of Cottage and State was agreed upon for logistical and management reasons.



Oregon Parks and Recreation Department

**STATE CAPITOL STATE PARK**

**MEMORIAL INSTALLATION APPLICATION**



This application outlines the criteria for minor and major projects to determine whether a project is eligible for approval. The application meets the criteria set out in [Oregon Administrative Rule 736-010-0066](#).

**Criteria for Minor Projects : OPRD Procedure # PSP.000.010**

- Be additions to or minor expansions of an existing feature and should not introduce entirely new elements on the landscape.
- Blend in with their surroundings and not stand out or dominate.
  - a. Materials, forms, and colors should be compatible with adjacent features.
  - b. New features should not rise above the height of the adjacent features.
  - c. Projects should have a relatively small footprint.
- Have minimal or no impact on the established features and patterns, walkways, or structures, and they should not introduce a new pattern.
- Be comprised of, at most, a few components.
- Create minimal disruptions to the regular use of the portion of the park they affect, and they should be completed in a relatively short time (typically a few days).

**Criteria for Major Projects:**

- Any project that falls outside the scope of a minor project will be categorized as significant or major.
- Major projects require the department Historian to convene a review committee. The committee will evaluate the proposals compliance with criteria and objectives and make recommendations to departments Director for further actions that may include suggestions for changes. The committee will provide an opportunity to consider input from the public.
- Upon receiving a positive recommendation from the review committee, the Director will present the proposal to the State Parks and Recreation Commission for consideration and possible approval.

<b>Organization Applying:</b>	Vietnam War Memorial Fund
<b>Name of Main Contact:</b>	Steve Bates
<b>Address:</b>	P.O. Box 1448
<b>City / State / Zip Code:</b>	Boring, OR 97009
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<b>1</b>	<p>Is the memorial for a person, has the subject been deceased for at least 10 years, and if an event did it occur at least 10 years ago? Please provide dates. If no, please provide an explanation on why this memorial should be an exception to the rule.</p> <p>This memorial will commemorate an event or period in U.S. History that occurred at least 10 years ago. It will honor Oregonians that served and died in the Vietnam War Era: 1955-1975</p>
<b>2</b>	<p>Explain how your idea is consistent with the Capitol Park State Park Master Plan. For honorary vegetation, please refer to the Vegetation Plan section.</p> <p><a href="#">State Capitol State Park Master Plan</a></p> <p>OPRD has been involved in selecting the preferred site for the Memorial on the Capitol Grounds and was instrumental in moving the Memorial from an earlier site on the east side of the Capitol to the current site in the SW corner of Willson Park, at the corner of State Street N.E. and Cottage Street N.E. The only Honorary Vegetation in the project area is the Historic Fuschia Bed. The Fuschia Bed is protected in the Vietnam War Memorial Design.</p> <p>The proposed Vietnam War Memorial is consistent with all of the 10 Goals for Park Management in Chapter 06 of the <a href="#">State Capitol State Park General Park Plan</a> of 2010, especially:</p> <p>1. Manage the park to recognize, respect, and reinforce the existing design elements of the three park areas, except</p>

at the far west end where changes are appropriate.

The proposed design was created incorporating information provided by OPRD on a new walkway system OPRD is implementing in the west end of Willson Park. This will now mirror the new walkway system that was implemented in Summer 2019 on the north side of the east-west axis in Willson Park.

In addition, the placement of the new Vietnam War Memorial will mirror the World War II Memorial currently on the intersection of Court Street N.E. and Cottage Street N.E. This is entirely consistent with the axial design of Willson Park.

**2. Manage the park to support all four park roles: 1) seat of state government, 2) an urban park, 3) A place for a diversity of visitors, 4) a place for special events**

The creation of a new Vietnam War memorial creates a new urban park space which will attract a diversity of new users to the Capitol Grounds. In addition, the Vietnam War Memorial is designed to facilitate special events honoring Veterans and current military members.

**3. Retain and enhance a “park-like” setting that is relaxing and beautiful.**

In contrast to the design of the World War II Memorial constructed in the NW corner of Willson Park, the proposed Vietnam War Memorial embraces the existing trees and park setting of the SW corner of the park. Most existing trees are retained and, in fact, the entire memorial is designed to incorporate and protect “The Embracing Tree”, a sculptural 31” Western Red Cedar. This becomes a key focal point of the Vietnam War Memorial. Other significant trees in the Memorial area are also protected, including a 72” Coast Redwood, 45” Blue Atlas Cedar, 40” Deodar cedar, 27” Port Orford Cedar, 21” Deodar Cedar, and 12” Camperdown Elm.

**6. Recognize and include elements from overlapping and adjacent plans that fit within the goals for this park**

OPRD expressed an intention to significantly redesign the area west of the Waite Fountain reflecting pool, including converting the rectangular central lawn area with the “Parade of Animals” sculpture to an oval, and rework the walkway systems on the west end of Willson Park. The proposed Vietnam War memorial has incorporated this new preferred geometry into its design, and has proposed the replacement of the existing sculpture with a “Gold Star Families Memorial Monument” on the axis through the center of the park.

In addition, the proposed design creates opportunities for linking the two War memorials with a connecting path, along which are acknowledgements of other veteran-based sacrifices that transcend any one particular war, including Oregon Purple Heart recipients, Prisoners of War and service members declared Missing in Action.

**7. Manage the Park to be safe, yet enjoyable and visually open.**

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**3 Describe how the memorial design enhances the aesthetics of the State Capitol State Park.**

The new Vietnam Memorial will enhance the aesthetics of the State Capitol State park by:

1. Weaving together the new memorial with existing trees and the park setting of the SW corner of the park. Most existing trees are retained, and, in fact, the entire memorial is designed to incorporate and protect “The Embracing Tree”, a sculptural 31” Western Red Cedar. This becomes a key focal point of the Vietnam War Memorial. Other significant trees in the Memorial area are also protected, including a 72” Coast Redwood, 45” Blue Atlas Cedar, 40” Deodar cedar, 27” Port Orford Cedar, 21” Deodar Cedar, and 12” Camperdown Elm.
2. Reflecting the axial symmetry of Willson Park.
3. Expanding the OPRD realignment of pathways and spaces on the west end of Willson Park
4. Creating a new attraction and enlivening a currently underutilized and under-appreciated portion of Willson Park.

<p>4</p>	<p>Is your subject widely known and appreciated for great contributions and significances to the state of Oregon, the history of the nation, or both? Please include written justifications to back up your claim and cite the sources you reference.</p> <p>Yes, the Vietnam War was a significant event and period of time for both Oregonians and the entire nation.</p> <p>How do you properly thank and honor Oregonians who put their lives on the line when our country called? How can we honor them while they are still with us? We have honored veterans of previous wars like World War II; now it is time to honor those who served and died in the Vietnam War.</p> <p>For Oregon veterans of previous wars, they were always welcomed home from battle with open arms; celebrated as heroes and given support to resume their civilian lives.</p> <p>The era of the Vietnam War was different.</p> <p>Oregonians who answered the call to serve in Vietnam were similar to those brave servicemen and women of previous generations: fighting an enemy, facing their own fears, undergoing tremendous hardship, exercising courage, laying down their lives for their friends.</p> <p>Yet, there were huge differences. Vietnam veterans did not enjoy the steadfast support of previous generations. In fact, public opinion was fractured, not solid. Veterans did not return home to open arms; rather, they were advised not to wear their uniforms in public. Most did not receive a hero's welcome; but rather frowns, scorn and criticism. They unwittingly became the personification of an unpopular war.</p> <p>They deserve our respect and appreciation for their personal sacrifices; not the public humiliation many experienced. The tally is overwhelming:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 710 Oregonians were among the Killed In Action.</li> <li>• 4 Oregon families lost two sons in Vietnam.</li> <li>• Many Oregonians were held in captivity as Prisoners of War</li> <li>• Many Oregonians are still Missing in Action</li> </ul> <p>The greatest place of honor in the State of Oregon is the Capitol Grounds in Salem. There, World War II Veterans have a beautiful Memorial for their service, with all Oregonians who gave their lives identified and remembered for generations to come.</p> <p>It is time to make amends and honor those brave men and women who served in Vietnam.</p> <p>The Vietnam War Memorial at the State Capitol will be a place that recognizes the fractured public opinion of the day; it will be a place distinctly Oregonian: celebrating nature, utilizing indigenous materials, incorporating evocative art by Oregonians, teaching future generations.</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>All expenses for design, fabrication, and installation shall be borne by the applicant. Please indicate the approximate cost for the project.</p> <p>Total: \$2.7 million, broken down as follows:</p> <p><b>Part A: Memorial Construction</b> <span style="float: right;">\$1,165,013</span></p>

Part B: Memorial Art Elements	\$735,683
Part C: Additional Cost Factors	\$306,052
Part D: Administrative Costs	\$498,564
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,705,312</b>

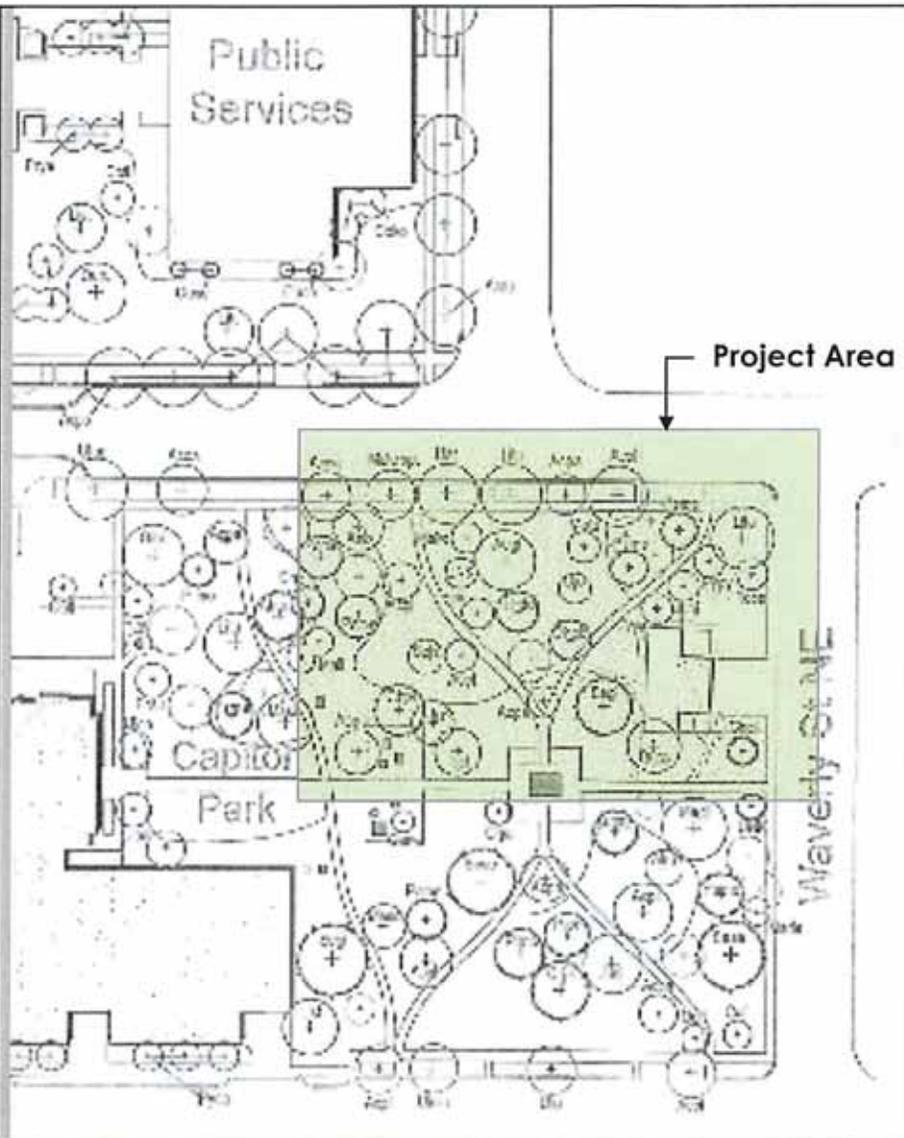
**6 When do you anticipate having this project completed and how long will it take to complete?**

By Veterans Day 2022. Here is a breakdown of phases:

NO.	TASK DESCRIPTION	START	END
1	Memorial Schematic Design	1/30/19	3/1/19
2	Cost Estimating & Scheduling	3/1/19	3/31/19
3	Fundraising & Support	4/4/19	6/1/21
4	OPRD Memorial Design Approval Process	8/1/19	1/1/20
5	Memorial Construction Documents	2/1/20	8/1/20
6	Permitting	7/1/21	9/1/21
7	Fabrication of Art Elements	9/1/21	5/30/22
8	Construction & Art Installation	10/1/21	9/1/22
9	Final Punchlist	9/1/22	11/16/22
10	Dedication Ceremony	11/11/22	11/11/22

**7 Attach proof that other venues were considered for the memorial and document the reasons why these venues are not suitable.**

The first site considered was on the east side of the Capitol Building, near the OPRD maintenance building; north of the Circuit Rider statue. At OPRD's suggestion, the Vietnam War memorial team shifted to the current site. Below is a diagram of the first site considered:



**This is old information. The project has moved to the southwest corner of Willson Park.**

8 Attach documentation that demonstrates, statewide, public support for the memorial.

### Endorsements

We have been honored with the following endorsements:

### Organizations

- [Vietnam Veterans of America, Oregon State Council](#)
- [Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 392 - Portland](#)
- [Hershel "Woody" Williams Medal of Honor Foundation](#)
- Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 411 - Newport
- Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 732 - Siletz
- [Bend Heroes Foundation](#)
- Disabled American Veterans Chapter 6 - Salem
- [Boring, Oregon Foundation](#)
- [National League of POW/MIA Families](#)

- [Boring Community Planning Organization](#)
- [Board of County Commissioners, Clackamas County](#)
- [Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States-Department of Oregon](#)
- American Legion Post #7 - Silverton
- [Board of County Commissioners, Deschutes County](#)
- [Harney County Court](#)
- [Lincoln County Board of Commissioners](#)
- [Jackson County Board of Commissioners](#)
- [Curry County Board of Commissioners](#)
- [Columbia County Board of Commissioners](#)
- [Yamhill County Board of Commissioners](#)
- [Coos County Board of Commissioners](#)
- [Oregon Coast Military Museum](#)
- [Jefferson County Board of Commissioners](#)
- [Military Officers Association of America, Willamette Chapter](#)
- [Polk County Board of Commissioners](#)
- [Benton County Board of Commissioners](#)
- [Marion County Board of Commissioners](#)
- [Gilliam County Court](#)
- [Wasco County Board of Commissioners](#)
- [Lane County Board of Commissioners](#)
- [Grant County Court](#)
- [Disabled American Veterans, Department of Oregon](#)
- [Gold Star Wives of America, Inc., Willamette Valley Chapter](#)
- [Veterans of Foreign Wars, Three Rivers Post 1324 - Oregon City](#)
- [Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter #72 - Portland](#)
- [Military Order of the Purple Heart, Chapter 551 - Redmond](#)
- [Tillamook County Board of Commissioners](#)
- [Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter 147 - Rogue Valley](#)

### Individuals & Municipalities

- Senator James I. Manning, Oregon Senate District 7
- Former Representative Bill Kennemer and Cherie Kennemer
- Medal of Honor Recipient, Hershel "Woody" Williams
- Tony Molina, Tribal Veterans Representative for Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians of Oregon
- The late Robert D. "Bob" Maxwell, Medal of Honor Recipient
- Former Representative Jeffrey A. Helfrich, Oregon House District 52
- Representative E. Werner Reschke, Oregon House District 56
- Former Mayor Lori Chavez-DeRemer, City of Happy Valley
- Former Representative Deborah Boone, Oregon House District 32
- Senator Lee Beyer, Oregon Senate District 6
- Former Representative Julie Parrish, Oregon House District 37
- Commissioner Paul Savas, Clackamas County
- Representative Brad Witt, Oregon House District 31
- Representative Mike Nearman, Oregon House District 23
- Former Mayor Bill King, City of Sandy
- Senator Chuck Riley, Oregon Senate District 15
- Representative Jeff Barker, Oregon House District 28
- Representative David Gomberg, Oregon House District 10
- Senator Alan Olsen, Oregon Senate District 20
- Representative Gary Leif, Oregon House District 2
- Representative Carla Piluso, Oregon House District 50
- Representative Karin Power, Oregon House District 41
- Representative Shari Malstrom, Oregon House District 27
- Mayor Tom Ellis, City of Happy Valley

- Senator Brian Boquist, Oregon Senate District 12
- Mayor Dan Holladay, City of Oregon City
- Former Representative Sal Esquivel, Oregon House District 6
- Senator Chuck Thomsen, Oregon Senate District 26
- Representative Anna Williams, Oregon House District 52
- Representative Jeff Reardon, Oregon House District 48
- Representative Christine Drazen, Oregon House District 39
- Mayor Stan Pulliam, City of Sandy
- Mayor Casey Ryan, City of Troutdale
- The late Oregon Secretary of State Dennis Richardson
- Mayor Chuck Bennett, City of Salem
- Mayor Joe Henry, City of Florence
- Mayor T. Scott Harden, City of Wood Village
- Mayor Brian Cooper, City of Fairview
- Mayor George Endicott, City of Redmond
- Mayor Shane Bemis, City of Gresham
- Mayor Ted Wheeler, City of Portland
- Mayor Russ Axelrod, City of West Linn

9 Attach the Proposed Design for the Memorial. Please include approximate dimensions. The design must:

- Be located outside of the open, grassy areas of the Capital Mall and Willson Park ovals
- Not disturb major trees and plantings
- Not interfere with traffic flows or sightlines.
- Not disturb other installations and structures.
- Not create unmitigated or significant additional safety and security concerns.

**PLEASE SEE OPRD APPLICATION ATTACHMENT DOCUMENT**

10 Attach a map indicating the approximate location desired for project.

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By submitting this application, the applicant acknowledges that they are responsible for all expenses for the design, fabrication, and installation of proposed memorial.

Prior to installation, the applicant shall provide for deposit in the Recognition Honorary Feature Maintenance Trust Fund an amount equal to fifteen percent (15%) of the project replacement value to be expended for maintenance and repair of recognitions and honorary features in the State Capitol State Park.

Recognitions and honorary features shall become the sole property of the department.

The department may relocate or remove existing recognitions or honorary features, if determined necessary.

If living recognitions or honorary features such as trees or plantings die, are damaged, or present a hazard to the public or adjacent buildings or structures, the department may remove or replace them at its discretion. If plaques or recognition items are associated with the removed trees or plantings, they will be offered first if possible to the family of the individual recognized, or secondarily, to the State Capitol Foundation for archiving.

STEVEN L. BATES

Print Name  
Steve Bates

*Signature*  
Signature

PRESIDENT VVMP

9/6/19

Date

For official use only:			
Park Manager	<i>Kevin Gittler</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Approved	10/9/19
District Manager	<i>[Signature]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Approved	10/19/19
Regional Manager	<i>Russell Kihap</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Approved	

<b>Deputy Director</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> Not Approved	
<b>Historian</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> Not Approved	
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# Oregon Parks & Recreation Department

## Oregon Vietnam War Memorial

### Memorial Installation Application Attachments



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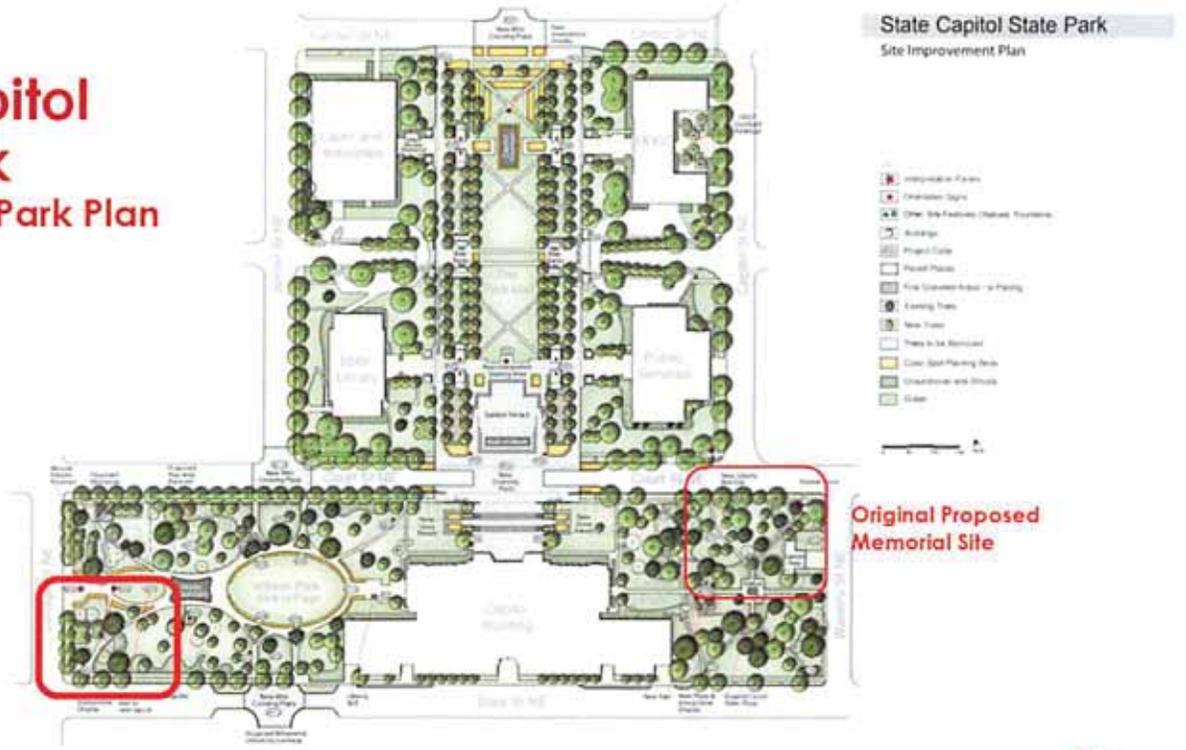


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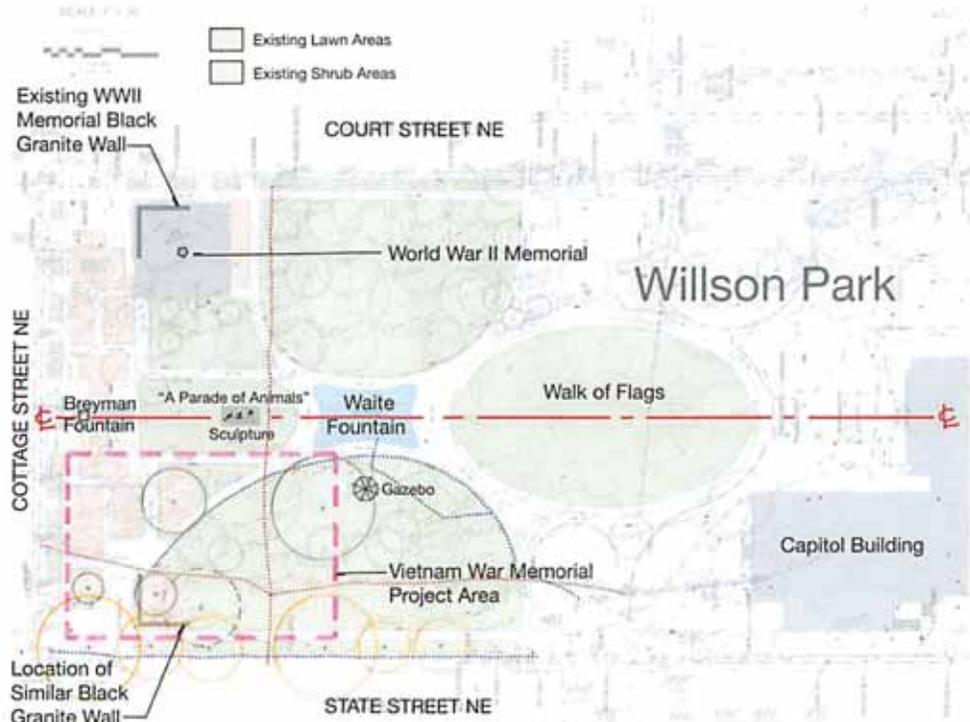
# State Capitol State Park 2010 General Park Plan



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# Site Context



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## Site Photos



Looking SE at WWII Memorial Site



Looking NE at Vietnam War Memorial Site



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# Site Photos



Looking NW at along Cottage Street NESdewalk



Looking East Embracing Tree (Western Red Cedar)



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# Site Photos 1.10.19



Looking N from VWM Ste toward WWII Memorial



Looking Sat VWM Ste from WWII Memorial



Looking Sat VWM Ste



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# Site Photos 1.10.19



Looking SW at  
"Embracing Tree" Cedar



Looking NE at Entry/Arrival to Vietnam War Memorial and  
60' London Plane Tree at corner of Cottage and Sate Streets



Looking Sat Blue Atlas Cedar



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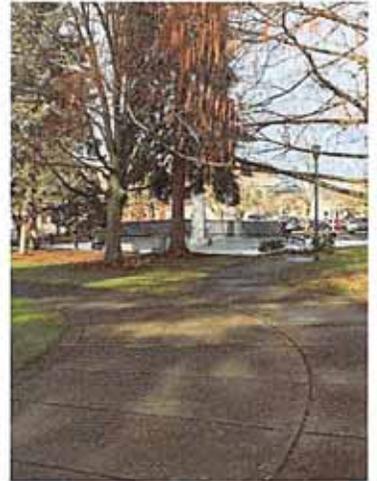
Looking SW from Waite Fountain toward VVM Site



Looking W from Waite Fountain



Looking W across Waite Fountain



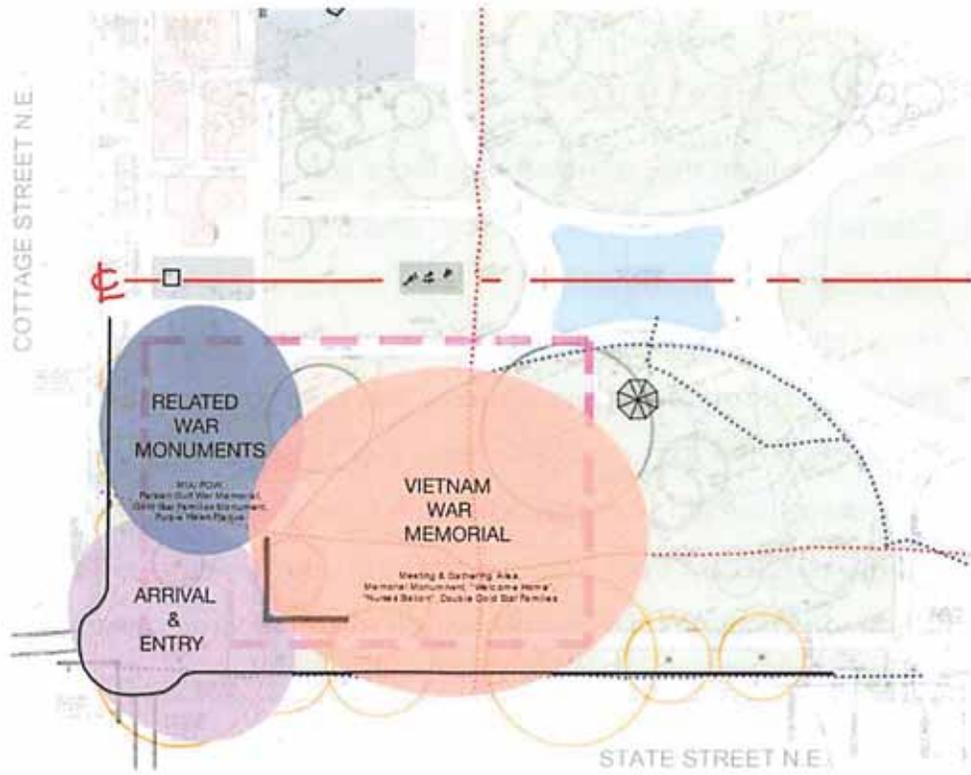
Looking NW from Waite Fountain toward WWI Memorial



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# Site Zoning Diagram



Vietnam War Memorial at the Oregon State Capitol

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## Design Objectives

1. Create a place that is greater than the sum of its parts
2. Create a place of beauty, peace, and truth about the experiences of Veterans
3. Unify the various elements
4. Provide inspiration and reflection through evocative art
5. Provide educational information in ways that complement, rather than overwhelm, the art (providing both Inspiration and Education)
6. Encourage personal interactions with individual elements
7. Create places for both public gatherings and private reflections
8. Utilize long-lasting, low-maintenance materials and systems
9. Provide complete barrier-free access for all



# Memorial Plan:

**Outdated.  
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page.**



LEGEND	
Memorial Elements	
1	Memorial Monument - Black Granite Columns
2	Brothers Benches
3	MA - POW Stations
4	Nurses Station
5	Honor Station - Wetland Water Feature
6	A Soldier's Return
7	Meeting & Gathering Station
8	Persian Gulf War Memorial
9	Gold Star Families Memorial Monument
10	Purple Heart State Plaque
Other Features	
A	Oregon Basalt Walls - 30" tall x 35" wide
B	8' Tall Lanterns
C	1/4" Wood Boardwalk
D	Stone Accent Paving
E	Concrete Walks
F	Shrubs & Groundcovers
G	Lawn
H	Bamboo Screen



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Gold Star Family location options

COTTAGE STREET

STATE STREET

New OPRD Pathway System  
Perimeter of Existing Lawn Area  
Existing Rubber Surface with "Parade of Animals" Sculpture

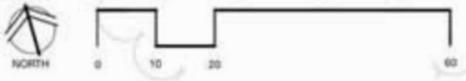
### LEGEND

#### Memorial Elements

- 1 Memorial Monument - Black Granite Columns
- 2 Brothers Benches
- 3 MIA - POW Stations
- 4 Nurses Station
- 6 Honor Station - Wetland Water Feature
- 7 A Soldier's Return
- 8 Meeting & Gathering Station
- 9 Persian Gulf War Memorial
- 10A-C Gold Star Families Memorial Monument Options
- 11 Purple Heart State Plaque

#### Other Features

- A Oregon Basalt Walls - 30" tall x 36" wide
- B 8' Tall Lanterns
- C 6' wide Concrete Walkway (color/texture change @ Fuschia Bed)
- D Stone Accent Paving
- E Concrete Walks
- F Shrubs & Groundcovers
- G Lawn
- H Bamboo Screen



# Design Concept: Comparing the Wars & the Oregon Capitol's Memorials

	WWI	Vietnam
WAR	Solid Public Support	Fractured Public Support
	Vets Welcomed Home	Vets Ignored or Insulted
	Moms & Dads	Sons & Daughters

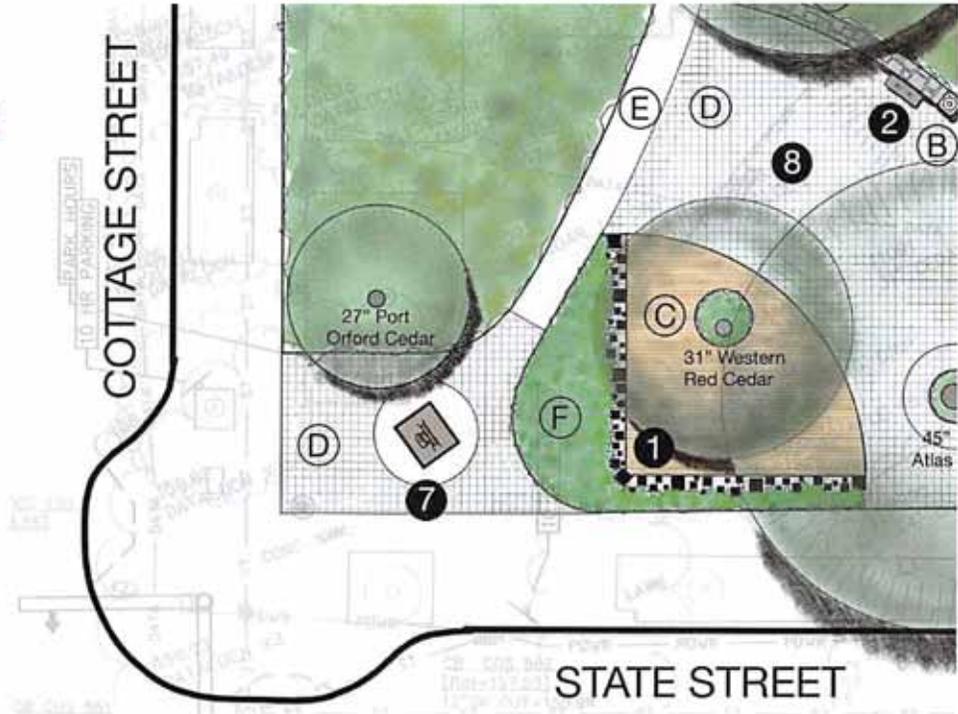
	WWI	Vietnam
MEMORIAL	Square Corners	Arcs & Curves
	No Nature	Embrace Nature
	Made of the World	Made of Oregon



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# Schematic Design Plan: SW Corner



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# Schematic Design Materials:



© Oregon Basalt Walls

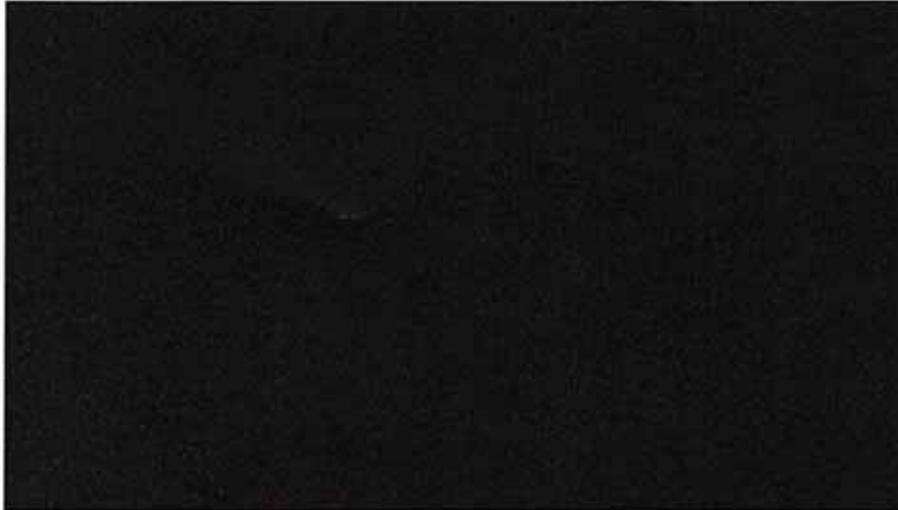


© Ipé Wood Boardwalk

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## Design Walkthrough Video:



Video performance may be improved by watching directly from the internet at:

<https://youtu.be/pWkHHUxORY>

Make sure sound is turned on



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# Design Images: Overview looking SW



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## Design Images: View SW with Nurses Sculpture and "Rain Paddy"



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## Design Images: View of Inscribed Column Wall with "Embracing Tree"



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## Design Images: View SE across Meeting & Gathering Plaza



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## Design Images: View at Memorial Entry @Cottage & State Streets



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### A3. Public comment.

Comments were solicited through a web page (<https://stateparks.oregon.gov/index.cfm?do=v.page&id=105>), via news releases (<https://www.oregon.gov/oprd/AO/Documents/NEWS-2020-12-Vietnam-Memorial.pdf>), and through targeted emails to groups associated with veterans, City of Salem arts and neighborhood groups, and Oregonians with cultural and familial connections to Vietnam, among others. An online open house was held, but no one attended. The applicant met with the CANDO Salem Neighborhood Association to solicit their feedback.

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#### Written comments

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**From:** Greg Byrne

**Sent:** Wednesday, December 23, 2020 12:06 PM

In a recent news report here in Bend, the article reported that you are seeking feedback on the proposed Vietnam War Memorial. I'm glad.

My military service (Captain, USAF) included tours in Vietnam and the Pentagon during the war years. My father was a career AF officer, and also served during those years.

While I understand the motivations of Vietnam vets and their families to memorialize our service, my deeper reaction is one of concern, skepticism, and even revulsion. We must remember that it has taken us a century and a half to begin to wrestle appropriately with the statues and memorials erected after the Civil War, and to take a fuller accounting of the harm done to others by our actions.

In my experience, and in the judgement of most historians, our decisions leading up to Vietnam involvement, our actions during the war, and our largely dishonorable withdrawal hardly merit memorializing in the conventional sense. We can't ignore the facts of our having been there and having done the things we did. For the most part, they were not praiseworthy.

If we must memorialize the men and women who lost their lives, or had their lives disrupted, by military service, it must rightly be put in the context of the Vietnamese, Laotians, and Cambodians who suffered far worse fates than we.

To the degree that this memorial lacks that balance, it must be reimagined.

Greg Byrne, Bend

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December 24, 2020

Dear Vietnam War Memorial Committee:

To introduce myself ... [name withheld at commenter's request], retired, served with the 9th Marines in Vietnam from September, 1967 to October 1968. I spent time at Dong Ha, Con Thien, Cam Lo, the beach head on the Qua Viet, Ca Lu and Hue City. I was an infantry Ground-to-Air Radio Operator, calling in helicopter assault, med-evacs, resupply, fighter air strikes and altitude bombing (B52's).

I also had the privilege to bore-sight the USS New Jersey when it first arrived in Vietnam. For my tour I was awarded a Navy Achievement Medal with Combat V; two Combat Action ribbons and a meritorious promotion to Corporal. Hearing the KTVZ news report that the the Parks and Recreation Department and The Vietnam War Memorial Committee was seeking input, I felt a need to contribute. The Memorial video was vague with assumptive finished look but left me with two points to make.

1. Tribute to Nurses-Male or Female? Thirteen months in Vietnam I never saw a female nurse. Navy Corpsmen served with the Marine Corps in combat action. Their work was gallant, fearless and much appreciated in the highest regard. Can't speak for the US Army operating in the southern part of Vietnam but also doubt there were any women nurses in field operations. I sent many Marines out to hospital ships parked off shore and there may have been some female nurses on board. Again I doubt they had any major part of the war to warrant sole tribute. I am not being sexist as my mom was a surgical nurse and my sister was a Doctor of Nursing and [withheld]. I do feel like we have taken today's outstanding, nursing virus work and found a need for it to be added to this Memorial. If anything is finalized toward recognition of the care of the sick, wounded, maimed, vaccine shots, blisters, heat, malaria, dysentery and death it's the Corpsmen; the "Hey Doc" guys; the "sick bay" staff, the **Medics!** Without a doubt, the care of the Vietnam combat soldier is vital to your Memorial thinking, but if a statue is designed with aid being given to a fallen, it had better be a real combat medic ... pack, helmet and all!
2. Veteran look-The video (rendition) showed a supposed soldier, very vague, what looked like his shirt open and cloth hat. My recommendation is to view war film, videos and photos; looking at them as to what they are wearing and what are they carrying. When I "saddled up" to "the bush" I was carrying a 35 pound radio, a bed roll, 3 days worth of C-rations, 150 rounds of ammo, 2-3 canteens, a first aid kit, my M-16 rifle, a .45 pistol, a K-bar knife and maybe a grenade or claymore mine. All in green jungle utilities (no Garmol then), Vietnam jungle boots, helmet, flak jacket and poncho. I was a 19 year old kid, one year out of high school, weighed 165 pounds and tipped a traveling weight around 230 pounds. That's the Vietnam veteran who needs to be Memorialized. The one who came home to Norton Air Force Base outside of Los Angeles and was greeted only by a senior lady with cookies and cool-aid. The Vietnam Memorial needs to tell the story how it's veterans were not welcomed home, weren't appreciated, spit on and called names well after their time in service ended. It needs to tell how lifelong friendships were abandoned because acquaintances didn't want to associate with a Vietnam soldier. It's a veteran who came home to his parents house he grew up in and found nothing that he had when there, all removed, everything gone and parents unsure that he WAS coming home at all. It's the veteran today that is getting old and forgotten, that still gets questions of why did we even have that war. It's a war remembered for John Kerry and Jane Fonda protests but not the men who endured the years and years of their own normalcy and silence to say "I was there and served." That is what a Vietnam war soldier looks like ...

I've read this thru no less than ten times ... looking for my own errors, factuality checking, questioning myself if I even want to send this letter ... and crying! If you are going to put a Memorial to the

Vietnam War up in my state of 38 years, my wish is that you make it LOOK real, what you WRITE is real and what is REPRESENTED is real.

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**From:** Galen Brownson

**Sent:** Saturday, January 2, 2021 8:18 PM

Please, please, please do not let this war memorial move forward here.

The trees in Wilson Park are an important part of Salem's downtown heritage, and the Marching Band statue is irreplaceable.

We have plenty of reminders of and memorials to wars. We even have several in that three-block area.

Put the memorial somewhere else.

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**From:** SARAH OWENS

**Sent:** Saturday, January 2, 2021 6:47 AM

Chris, please accept this as public comment on the location of the Gold Star Families element, which CANDO was not asked about. My preference would be for design 10B so as to keep the footprint of this entire memorial as small as possible, and certainly NOT to move the Parade of Animals to another area of the park. The Parade needs to remain in that sunny area close to the preschools at the YMCA and First Presbyterian Church, and near the fountains, in case the Governor ever decides to turn them on again.

Fountains should make anyone who has a clever idea for a park think twice.

Sincerely and reserving my objection to *any* Vietnam police action memorial installation in Willson Park,

Sarah Owens, CANDO [*OPRD note: CANDO is the Central Area Neighborhood Development Organization, the City of Salem neighborhood association surrounding the Capitol*]

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**From:** J.E.Seibert

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 12, 2021 11:23 AM

Dear Mr. Havel,

I am concerned about how Willson Park has been transformed through growing numbers of hard-surface memorials with no aesthetic unity. My memories of Willson Park are lovely trees and plants,

but it is chopped up now. I believe the Vietnam Memorial will further this visual jarring. I, therefore, oppose, the construction of the memorial in Willson Park.

JoAnn Elizabeth Seibert, Salem OR

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**From:** Curtis & Susan Wright

**Sent:** Monday, January 18, 2021 9:58 AM

Hello, my names Curtis Wright, a Vietnam Veteran, an Oregon State permanent resident, and supporter of our states Vietnam War Memorial.

My recommendation/preference for our states Vietnam War Memorial Park: Remove the existing Parade of Animals, and place the Gold Star Families displays in that spot. This would continue the continuity of the memorial, and place the Gold Star Families in the center of the natural traffic flow.

A very sincere Thank You,

Curtis

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**From:** Zachery Cardoso

**Date:** Thursday, January 21, 2021 7:06:24 PM

Hello Chris,

I am a Salem resident and I wanted to write to provide comment on the proposed Vietnam war memorial. As a matter of transparency I work for the city of Salem and do not in any way represent the city or any of its boards or commissions in my personal views listed below.

I oppose this development on the capitol grounds. The state does not need to provide any public grounds to immortalize war, especially such a highly unapproved war. The proposal claims to mirror the WWII memorial already at the site, however with the bridging items to bring the two memorials together, it takes up additional public space making up roughly two thirds of the total area that would be dedicated to war under this proposal.

Although I appreciate the attempt to mitigate the impact on the natural area of the park, there are still a number of trees and other vegetation that would be removed and this park already has limited vegetation due to the large walkways. Removing any more increasingly limits the natural value of the park.

The proposal also suggests moving a beloved and historic statue currently in this portion of the park. The Parade of Animals is infinitely more valuable than any war memorial in my opinion. In summary I am opposed to the proposed memorial on this or any other publicly owned resource.

Thank you for your time,

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Zachery Cardoso, President - Salem's Capital Pride

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**From:** Teresa Pearson

**Date:** Friday, January 22, 2021 12:06:46 PM

To whom it concerns,

While I understand the value of a memorial to the Vietnam War, I can't see that as being a priority at this time. Wouldn't it make more sense to put that money into programs that will help people at a time when it's needed most. I think that investment should be put toward a program/programs that can benefit Oregonians now. Rather than a Vietnam memorial, perhaps a memorial highlighting civil rights, or a memorial to the Oregonians that will have died from the Corona Virus. I just can't support the current proposal.

Thank you,

Teresa Pearson

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#### **A4. City of Salem Historic Landmarks Decision**

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503-588-6173*

**DECISION OF THE HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION**

**MAJOR HISTORIC DESIGN REVIEW CASE NO.: HIS20-27**

**APPLICATION NO.: 20-115809-DR**

**NOTICE OF DECISION DATE:** November 20, 2020

**SUMMARY:** A proposal to construct a Vietnam War Memorial on the Oregon State Capitol grounds.

**REQUEST:** Major Historic Design Review of a proposal to construct a Vietnam War Memorial on the Oregon State Capitol grounds, individually listed on the National Register, located at 900 Court Street NE (Marion County tax lot 073W27AA00200).

**APPLICANT:** Mike Abbate on behalf of Stephen Bates, Vietnam War Memorial Fund, and Chris Havel, Oregon Parks and Recreation Department

**LOCATION:** 900 Court St NE, Salem OR 97301

**CRITERIA:** Salem Revised Code (SRC) Chapter(s) 230.057 – Oregon State Capitol; 230.065 – General Guidelines for Historic Contributing Resources

**FINDINGS:** The findings are in the attached Decision dated November 19, 2020

**DECISION:** The **Historic Landmarks Commission APPROVED** Historic Design Review HIS20-27 based upon the application materials deemed complete on January 28, 2019 and the findings as presented in this report subject to the following conditions of approval:

**Condition 1:** Should the applicant proceed with siting the Gold Star Family Memorial within the location of the existing Parade of Animals sculptures, the applicant shall ensure that the Parade of Animals sculptures are relocated to another location on the Capitol Grounds. The applicant shall submit a site plan showing the proposed new location of the sculptures for historic design review approval prior to issuance of building permits for the Vietnam War Memorial.

**VOTE:**

Yes 7      No 2      Absent 0



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Jamie French, Chair  
Historic Landmarks Commission

**NOTICE OF DECISION**

PLANNING DIVISION  
555 LIBERTY ST. SE, RM 305  
SALEM, OREGON 97301  
PHONE: 503-588-6173  
FAX: 503-588-6005



HIS20-27 Notice of Decision  
 November 20, 2020  
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This Decision becomes effective on December 8, 2020. No work associated with this Decision shall start prior to this date unless expressly authorized by a separate permit, land use decision, or provision of the Salem Revised Code (SRC).

The rights granted by the attached decision must be exercised, or an extension granted, by December 8, 2022 or this approval shall be null and void.

Application Deemed Complete:	<u>October 30, 2020</u>
Public Hearing Date:	<u>November 3, 2020</u>
Notice of Decision Mailing Date:	<u>November 20, 2020</u>
Decision Effective Date:	<u>December 8, 2020</u>
State Mandate Date:	<u>February 27, 2021</u>

Case Manager: Kimberli Fitzgerald, [kfitzgerald@cityofsalem.net](mailto:kfitzgerald@cityofsalem.net), 503-540-2397

This decision is final unless written appeal and associated fee (if applicable) from an aggrieved party is filed with the City of Salem Planning Division, Room 320, 555 Liberty Street SE, Salem OR 97301, or by email at [planning@cityofsalem.net](mailto:planning@cityofsalem.net), no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, December 7, 2020. Any person who presented evidence or testimony at the hearing may appeal the decision. The notice of appeal must contain the information required by SRC 300.1020 and must state where the decision failed to conform to the provisions of the applicable code section, SRC Chapter(s) 230. The appeal fee must be paid at the time of filing. If the appeal is untimely and/or lacks the proper fee, the appeal will be rejected. The Hearings Officer will review the appeal at a public hearing. After the hearing, the Hearings Officer may amend, rescind, or affirm the action, or refer the matter to staff for additional information.

The complete case file, including findings, conclusions and conditions of approval, if any, is available for review by contacting the case manager, or at the Planning Desk in the Permit Application Center, Room 305, City Hall, 555 Liberty Street SE, during regular business hours.

<http://www.cityofsalem.net/planning>

***Si necesita ayuda para comprender esta informacion, por favor llame 503-588-6173***

## **DECISION OF THE SALEM HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION**

**CASE NO.:** Historic Design Review Case No. HIS20-27

**FINDINGS:** Based upon the application materials, the facts and findings in the Staff Report incorporated herein by reference, and testimony provided at the Public Hearing of November 19, 2020 the Historic Landmarks Commission (HLC) finds that the applicant adequately demonstrated that their proposal complies with the applicable provisions of the Salem Revised Code (SRC) 230.065 as follows:

### **FINDINGS**

#### **Criteria 230.065 General Guidelines for Historic Contributing Resources**

***(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Chapter, the property shall be used for its historic purpose, or for a similar purpose that will not alter street access, landscape design, entrance(s), height, footprint, fenestration, or massing.***

**Finding:** The HLC finds that the applicant is proposing to retain the original use of this property as a public park. While the proposal will result in an alteration of the landscape features surrounding the Oregon State Capitol Building, the street access, height, footprint and massing of the primary resource on the site will not be altered as a result of this proposal. The HLC find that this guideline has been met.

***(b) Historic materials, finishes and distinctive features shall, when possible, be preserved and repaired according to historic preservation methods, rather than restored.***

**Finding:** The HLC finds that there are no historic materials or distinctive features original to the Oregon State Capitol or site proposed for removal, reconstruction, or repair and that Guideline 230.065 (b) is not applicable to the evaluation of this proposal.

***(c) Distinctive stylistic features or examples of skilled craftsmanship significance shall be treated with sensitivity.***

**Finding:** The HLC finds that there are no distinctive stylistic features proposed for removal, reconstruction, or repair and Guideline 230.065 (c) does not apply to the evaluation of this proposal.

***(d) Historic features shall be restored or reconstructed only when supported by physical or photographic evidence.***

**Finding:** The HLC finds that the applicant is not proposing to restore or reconstruct any features based upon physical or photographic evidence and that Guideline 230.065 (d) is not applicable to the evaluation of this proposal.

***(e) Changes that have taken place to a historic resource over the course of time are evidence of the history and development of a historic resource and its environment, and should be recognized and respected. These changes may have acquired significance in their own right, and this significance should be recognized and respected.***

**Finding:** The HLC finds that the second alternative proposed location for the Gold Star Families Memorial (10B), along the north-south path that links the WWI Memorial and the proposed Vietnam War Memorial, will not adversely impact any significant or character defining features within Willson Park and therefore SRC 230.065(e) has been met if the applicant chooses this location for the installation of this component of the Vietnam War Memorial. The HLC finds that the first alternative (10A) of the applicant's proposal includes installation of the Gold Star Families Memorial (GSFM) at the current location of the Parade of Animals. While not a historic feature of Willson Park, this outdoor bronze sculpture, designed by Peter Helzer, was installed in 1991 and is comprised of three groups of animals playing musical instruments. Their preferred installation alternative for the GSFM component (10A) would result in the removal of these sculptures that are evidence of the history and development of Willson Park over time and their integrity should be respected. Therefore the the HLC adopts the following CONDITION in order to ensure that SRC 230.065 (e) has been met should the applicant determine to install the GSFM in location their preferred location:

**Condition 1:** Should the applicant proceed with siting the Gold Star Family Memorial within the location of the existing Parade of Animals sculptures, the applicant shall ensure that the Parade of Animals sculptures are relocated to another location on the Capitol Grounds. The applicant shall submit a site plan showing the proposed new location of the sculptures for historic design review approval prior to issuance of building permits for the Vietnam War Memorial.

***(f) Additions and alterations to a historic resource shall be designed and constructed to minimize changes to the historic resource.***

**Finding:** The HLC finds that the applicant is proposing to remove trees, existing concrete paving and several existing benches in order to construct the new Vietnam War Memorial. However, a majority of the existing trees will be retained, along with open lawns and associated landscaping. The HLC finds that no significant historic features within Willson Park have been proposed for removal or alteration and finds that the proposal has been designed to minimize changes to significant historic features within Willson Park, thereby meeting SRC 230.065(f).

***(g) Additions and alterations shall be constructed with the least possible loss of historic materials and so that significant features are not obscured, damaged, or destroyed.***

**Finding:** The HLC finds that the applicant's proposed design is intended to complement the WWII Memorial on the northwestern corner of Willson Park. The HLC finds that the proposed multi-component Vietnam War Memorial utilize materials already existing within the park, including black granite, bronze and basalt stone and that the scale of the Memorial is compatible with the existing significant features within Willson Park, with the height of the

primary Memorial Monument columns and sculptures not exceeding eight feet in height. The HLC finds that no significant historic features of the Willson Park or the Capitol Building will be obscured, damaged or destroyed by the proposal and that SRC 230.065(g) has been met.

***(h) Structural deficiencies in a historic resource shall be corrected without visually changing the composition, design, texture or other visual qualities.***

**Finding:** The HLC finds that the applicant's proposal is not intended to correct the structural deficiencies. The HLC finds that Guideline 230.065 (h) is not applicable to the evaluation of this proposal.

***(i) Excavation or re-grading shall not be allowed adjacent to or within the site of a historic resource which could cause the foundation to settle, shift, or fail, or have a similar effect on adjacent historic resources.***

**Finding:** The HLC finds that while the proposal will include a minimal amount of excavation and grading as part of the demolition of the existing concrete walkways and preparation for the installation of the new plaza and walkways, this work is a significant distance away from the Capitol Building's foundation and therefore does not have the potential to adversely affect the integrity of its foundation. The HLC finds that Guideline 230.065 (i) has been met.

The Historic Landmarks Commission **APPROVES** the proposal with the following CONDITION of APPROVAL:

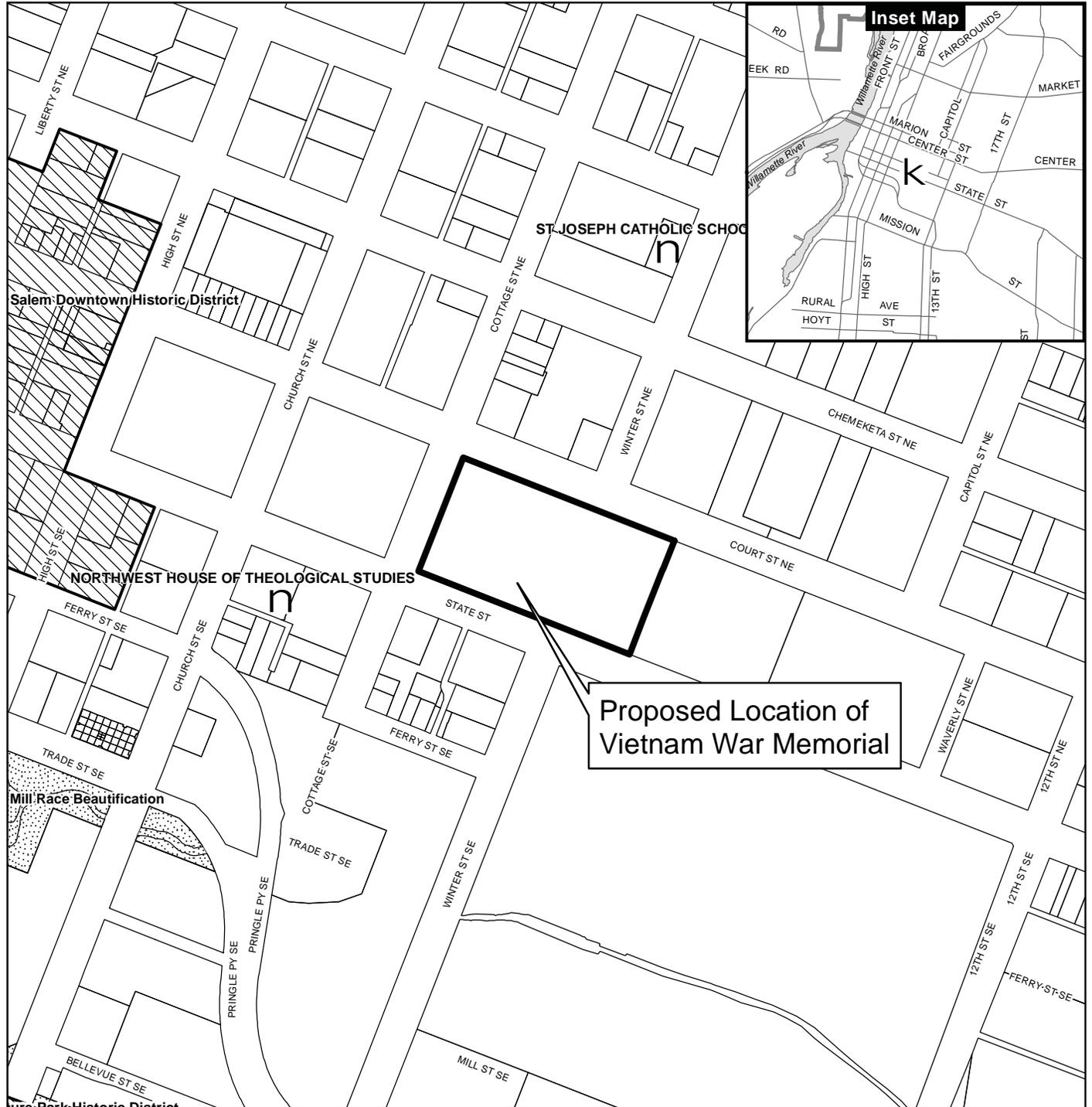
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**VOTE: Yes 7    No 2    Absent 0    Abstain 0**

Attachments: A. Vicinity Map  
                  B. Excerpt from Applicant's Submittal Materials

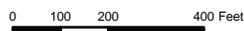
Prepared by Kimberli Fitzgerald, Historic Preservation Officer

# Vicinity Map Wilson Park 900 Court Street NE (073W27AA00300)



**Legend**

-  Taxlots
-  Urban Growth Boundary
-  City Limits
-  Outside Salem City Limits
-  Historic District
-  Schools
-  Parks



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# Memorial Plan:



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## **A5. Capitol Planning Commission Feedback**

**Department of Administrative Services**

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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Chris Havel, Associate Director, Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD)  
**From:** Chuck Bennett, Chair, Capitol Planning Commission (CPC)  
**Date:** November 20, 2020  
**Subject:** Vietnam War Memorial, Project Recommendation

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Chris,

The Capitol Planning Commission (CPC/Commission) thanks Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD), the Vietnam War Memorial Fund (VWMF), and Abbate Designs for their November 5, 2020 presentation regarding the proposed Vietnam War Memorial to be located at State Capitol State Park/Willson Park on the Capitol Mall.

CPC is unanimous in its enthusiastic support for this proposed addition to the Capitol Mall. Based on preliminary project information, CPC concludes the project complies with the Capitol Mall Master Plan, and defers to City of Salem (City), Department of Administrative Services (DAS), and Oregon State Legislature (Legislature) regarding pertinent land use ordinance and statutory requirements related to further project development.

Accordingly, CPC recommends project approval with the following comments/conditions:

- CPC expects OPRD to comply will all required due diligence with DAS, Legislature and City as the project develops.
- CPC expects OPRD to provide quarterly Commission updates summarizing the project's regulatory compliance, substantive design updates, and overall development progress.
- CPC recommends that OPRD seek broad public input to ensure the memorial's long-term political sustainability, cultural sensitivity, and artistic integrity.
- CPC recommends OPRD consult the Salem Public Arts Commission for additional city-level guidance on public art installations.
- CPC suggests the memorial be designed with the most resilient materials feasible to protect it from long-term use and potential vandalism.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chuck Bennett". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Chuck Bennett, Chair

Capitol Planning Commission (CPC)

CC:

Jerry Ambris, Jim Bauer, Chane Griggs, Nolan Lienhart—Capitol Planning Commission (CPC)

Steve Bates—Vietnam War Memorial Fund (VWMF)

Mike Abbate—Abbate Designs

Darrin Brightman, Daniel Christensen—Department of Administrative Services (DAS)

### A6. Supplemental images and video walk-through provided by applicant















**A7. Links to [State Capitol State Park Comprehensive Plan](#) and [Oregon Administrative Rule](#)**

## Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission

February 25, 2021

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Agenda Item: 7b **Action**

Topic: 2020 Veterans and War Memorials Grant Award Proposal

Presented by: Christine Curran, Deputy Director, Heritage Programs

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### Background

The 2020 Veterans and War Memorials (VWM) grant process was nearly complete when COVID-19 hit and the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) lottery funding drastically altered. As a result, the four projects that were recommended for funding on the Commission's April 2020 agenda were removed with no decision made.

Just a reminder that the VWM grants are part of the Local Government grant program. As such, OPRD is required to pass through a portion of its remaining lottery funds through that program. The original amount for VWM was \$150,000. Through consultation with Michele Scalise, whose division administers OPRD's other similarly funded grant programs, we developed a recommendation to spend 75% of the original amount to fund the four 2020 projects, which amounts to \$112,500.

All four of the applicants would like to accept 75% of the original proposed award.

Applicant	Original Proposed Award	Current proposed award 75%
City of Albany	\$15,000	\$11,250
Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde	\$44,900	\$33,675
City of Oregon City	\$63,190	\$47,393
City of Sherwood	\$26,910	\$20,183
Total	\$150,000	\$112,501

**Prior Action by Commission:** Approval of previous grant requests

**Action Requested:** Staff requests Commission approval of the advisory committee's recommendations to fund four Veterans and War Memorials projects at the adjusted rate described in this proposal.

**Attachments:** 2020 Veterans and War Memorials Grants Report

**Prepared by:** Kuri Gill, Heritage Division Outreach Manager

## 2020 Veterans & War Memorials Grants

### Heritage and Community Programs, Oregon Parks and Recreation Department

#### Funded

Applicant	Project Description	Grant Request	Grant Award	Match	Overmatch	
Albany	Expand the existing Linn County Veterans Memorial in Albany.	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$9,500	\$0	
Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde	Add features to the existing veterans memorial in Grand Ronde.	\$44,900	\$44,900	\$44,900	\$0	
Oregon City	Restore the Veterans Memorial area in Mountain View Cemetery to meet ADA accessibility standards, improve walking paths, improve seating and stairs, relocate bronze memorial plaques and add memorial plaza signage.	\$63,190	\$63,190	\$32,731	\$0	
Sherwood	Expand the area of the World War II veterans memorial in Sherwood to include additional conflicts.	\$29,800	\$26,910	\$15,000	\$0	
<b>Funded Totals</b>		<b>Number of Applications: 4</b>	<b>\$152,890</b>	<b>\$150,000</b>	<b>\$102,131</b>	<b>\$0</b>

#### Not Funded

Applicant	Project Description	Grant Request	Grant Award	Match	Overmatch
Drain	Replace wood benches at the existing memorial in the East Drain Cemetery with marble memorial benches with the serves insignia and a memorial saying.	\$13,651		\$3,413	\$0
Florence	Install a veterans memorial at the Florence airport.	\$75,000		\$170,168	\$0
John Day	Install veterans memorial at Davis Creek Park in John Day.	\$51,000		\$13,000	\$0
Lyons	Install a veterans memorial at Lyons City Hall.	\$5,200		\$1,300	\$0
North Plains	Install a veterans memorial in North Plains.	\$71,808		\$286,088	\$0
Philomath	Install a veterans memorial in Philomath.	\$80,000		\$168,100	\$0
Willamalane Park and Recreation District	Install a World War II memorial at the Veteran's Memorial Plaza in Willamalane Park in Springfield.	\$21,968		\$22,000	\$0

**Not Funded**

Applicant	Project Description		Grant Request	Grant Award	Match	Overmatch
<b>Not Funded Totals</b>		Number of Applications: 7	\$318,627		\$664,069	\$0
<b>Grand Totals</b> (all applications)		Number of Applications: 11	\$471,517	\$150,000	\$766,200	\$0



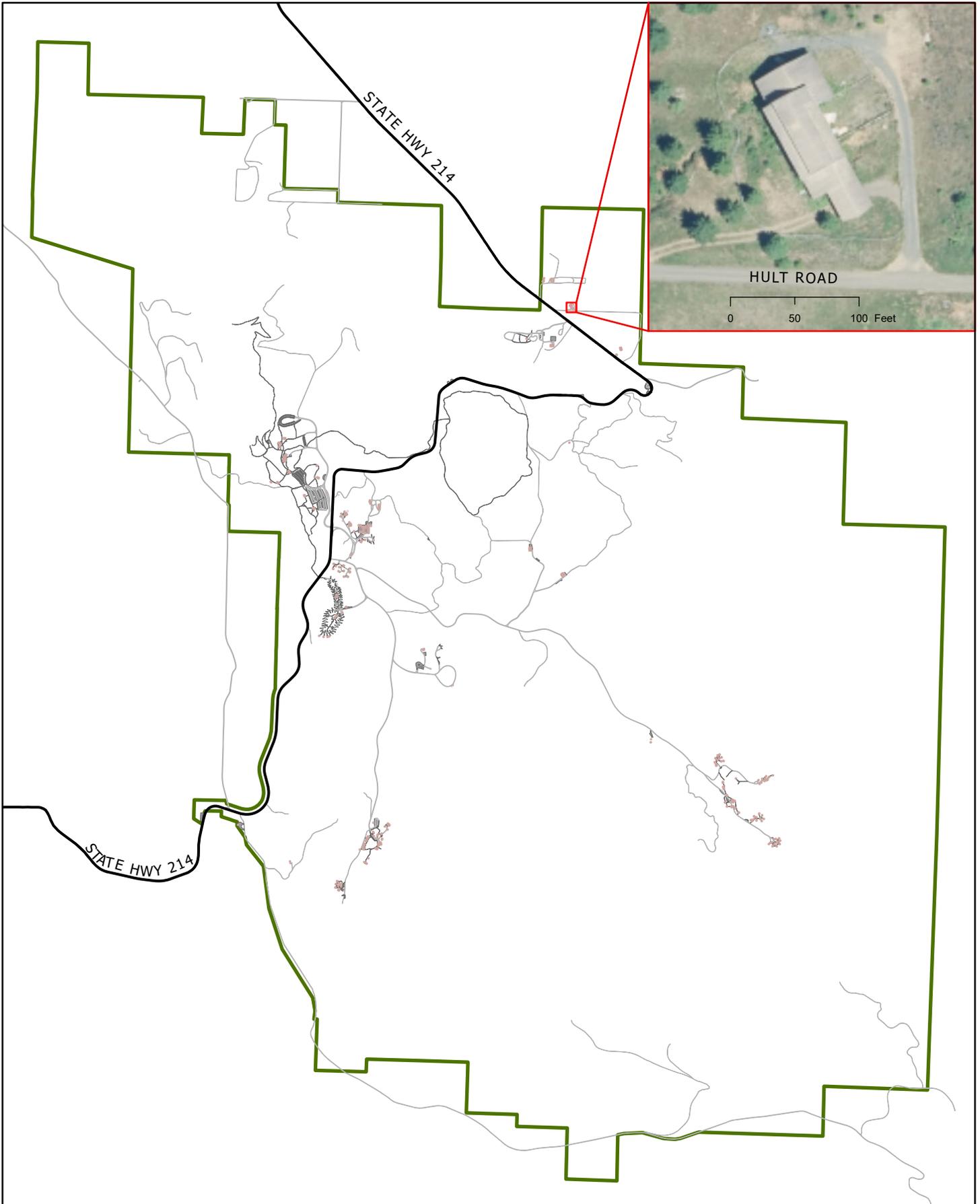
1. Contractor meets all OPRD criteria for determining the lowest responsive, responsible bidder including, but not limited to having capacity to perform the stated work; ability to meet all contract insurance and bonding requirements; and is in good standing with the Construction Contractors Board.
2. In the event of a bid protest, OPRD staff will work with the Department of Justice (DOJ) to resolve the protest issue and can provide a recommendation for award.
3. Sufficient OPRD funds are available to complete the work.

**Attachments:** Map

**Prepared by:** Ross Kihs, Valley Region Manager

# North Falls Visitor Complex

Oregon Parks and Recreation Dept.  
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**Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission**

**February 25, 2021**

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Agenda Item: 8b Action  
Topic: Ben & Kay Dorris State Recreation Area (Fire Salvage Award Approval)  
Presented by: Craig Leech, OPRD Forester

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**Title:** Fire Salvage & Hazard Tree Removal  
**Location:** Ben & Kay Dorris State Recreation Area

**Description:** Ben and Kay Dorris State Recreation, a day-use park on the McKenzie River east of Eugene owned by OPRD but managed by Lane County through agreement, was completely burned in the Holiday/Farm Fire 2020. The 70-acre parcel contains ~3.3 million board feet of timber. All timber needs to be removed due to the property being sandwiched between steep slopes above the highway and the river location to the south of the highway. The appraised value of timber \$2.78 million with a conservative profit estimate to OPRD of \$500K. The project is proposed to be a combination of helicopter/ground-based logging. Because tree removal may be aided or completed by the Oregon Department of Transportation, this project may involve procuring services related to transportation and direct sale to a mill rather than hiring standard salvage, potentially increasing OPRD revenue.

*Project Manager:* Craig Leech OPRD Forester  
*Project Number:* 35827 *Project Budget (Revenue):* >\$500,000.00

*Draft schedule:*

Advertise	Bid Close	Contract Award	Contract Completion
March, 2021	April, 2021	4/01/21 (est.)	June, 2021

**Prior Action by Commission:** None

**Action Requested:** Staff seeks Commission conditional approval of award to the apparent successful bidder following standard procurement practices. Approval would be conditioned on the following criteria:

1. Contractor meets all OPRD criteria for determining the highest responsive, responsible bidder including, but not limited to having capacity to perform the stated work; ability to meet all contract insurance and bonding requirements;
2. In the event of a bid protest, OPRD staff will work with the Department of Justice (DOJ) to resolve the protest issue and can provide a recommendation for award.
3. Sufficient OPRD funds are available to complete the work, if needed.

**Attachments:** Map  
**Prepared by:** Craig Leech

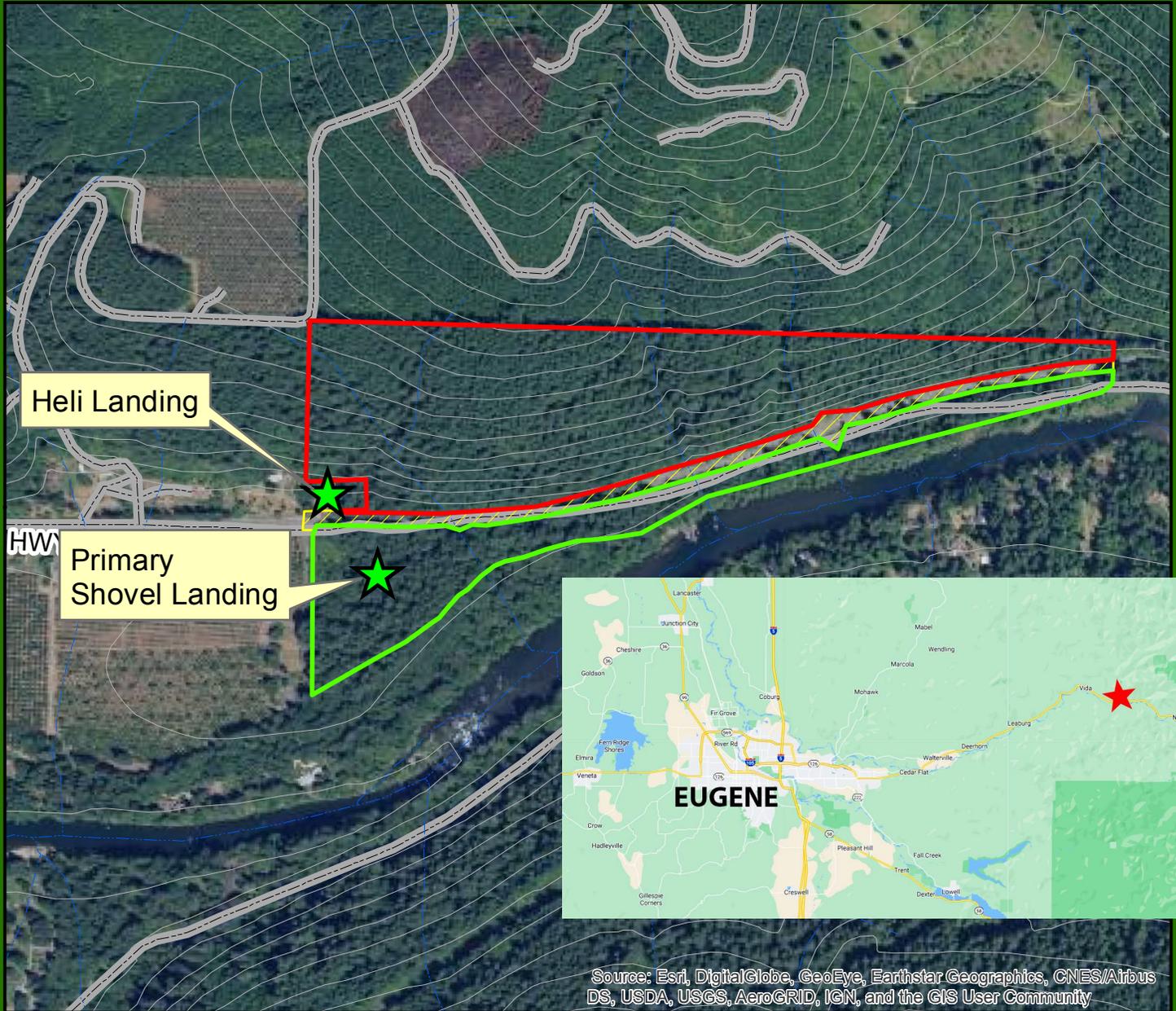
# Timber Valuation: Ben & Kay Dorris

HELI LOG: North of Highway

SHOVEL LOG: South of Highway

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**METHOD 1**



## Legend

40' Contours

Streams

Roads

**Ben Kay Dorris Property**

**Type**

HELI

SHOVEL

Non Forested

*NAIP 2018 Orthographic Imagery*

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1 inch = 750 feet

**Alpenglow**  
FORESTRY CONSULTING

**Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission**

**February 25, 2021**

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Agenda Item: 8c Action  
Topic: Collier Memorial State Park (Fire Salvage Award Approval)  
Presented by: Craig Leech, OPRD Forester

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**Title:** Fire Salvage  
**Location:** Collier Memorial State Park

**Description:** Collier Memorial State Park, a campground, day-use area, and outdoor logging museum 30 miles north of Klamath Falls, had over 300 acres of forestland burned in the TwoFourTwo Fire in 2020. 198 acres of fire salvage is proposed to harvest this coming Spring. The proposed area has approximately 2.4 million board feet of timber within three units of OPRD property. Most timber needs to be removed due to the wildfire intensity and extensive tree damage. The appraised value of timber is \$800K with a conservative profit estimate to OPRD of \$300K. The project is proposed to be a ground-based logging operation.

*Project Manager:* Craig Leech, OPRD Forester  
*Project Budget (Revenue):* \$300,000.00

*Schedule:*

Advertise	Bid Close	Contract Award	Contract Completion
March, 2021	April, 2021	4/01/21 (est.)	June, 2021

**Prior Action by Commission:** None

**Action Requested:** Staff seeks Commission conditional approval of award to the apparent successful bidder. Approval would be conditioned on the following criteria:

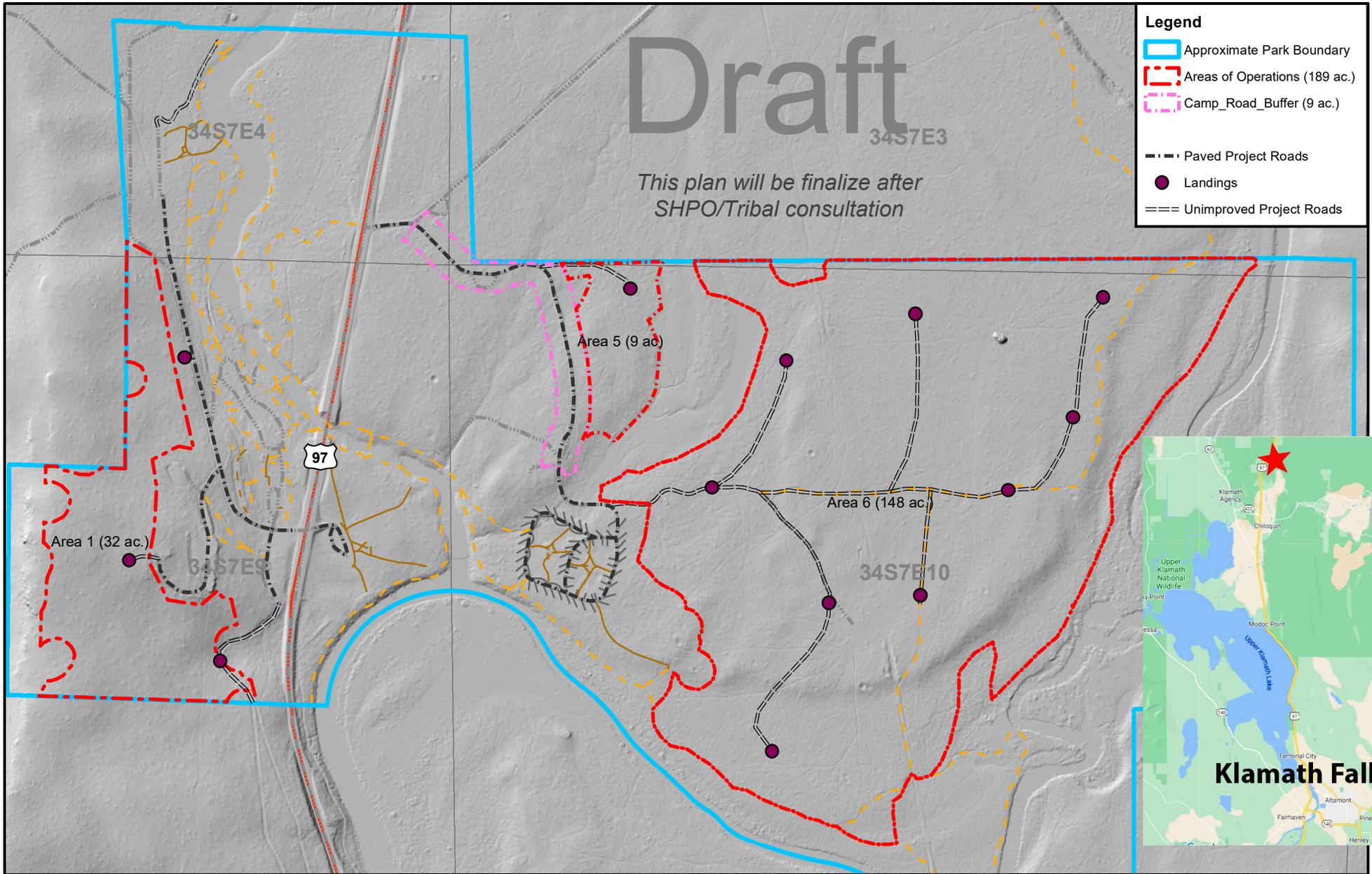
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2. In the event of a bid protest, OPRD staff will work with the Department of Justice (DOJ) to resolve the protest issue and can provide a recommendation for award.
3. Sufficient OPRD funds are available to complete the work, if needed.

**Attachments:** Map  
**Prepared by:** Craig Leech

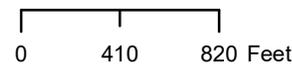
Collier Salvage  
(TwoFourTwo Fire)

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**Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission**  
February 25, 2021

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Agenda Item: 9a

Action

Topic: Request to adopt rule amendments – Reservations (736-015-0015)

Presented by: Katie Gauthier, Government Relations and Policy Manager

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The experience closing parks and cancelling reservations in March 2020 exposed a need for increased flexibility in reservation rules to enable the agency to more nimbly respond to changing conditions. The specificity in the current rules do not allow for flexibility to adapt to changing market conditions or utilize improvements in processes available in the online reservation system. The proposed amendments to the reservation rule implement a flexible fee range for transaction fees to make, change or cancel a reservation; change the reservation windows to allow for same day reservations through 18 months, with some, but not all sites would be open the entire window and making changes to group camping notification requirements.

The proposed rules were open for public comment from December 1, 2020 through January 15, 2021. Nearly 200 written comments were received during that time and 19 people attended a virtual public hearing. A summary of the comments is included as Attachment C. The full comments are available on our website, <https://www.oregon.gov/oprd/PRP/Pages/PRP-rulemaking.aspx>.

The reservation window was the most frequently mentioned topic with 120 people citing it in their comments. Many of the commenters expressed frustration with the 30-day reservation window that was in place until January 14, 2021. The agency expansion to a six-month reservation window addresses the concerns raised in those comments. Commenters also expressed concern over expanding the reservation window to eighteen months, noting it would be difficult to plan, pay for and remember reservations that far in advance for most trips. Although, some commenters did support the longer window for groups or special events. Some comments expressed concern about different parks having varying reservation windows. They like the consistency of the current window and knowing what to expect. On the other hand, comments were received from individuals who did embrace the concept of having a variety of reservation windows within a park, providing options for those who did not plan six or more months in advance.

Transaction fees were the second most frequently mentioned issue in comments. The agency received 53 comments on fees. Comments were mixed with many in support of an increase in fees if necessary. Many commenters expressed that fifteen dollars was too expensive for making reservations. As part of the comments on fees, many commenters also expressed frustration with lack of incentive to cancel reservations early. Commenters noted seeing empty campsites even as they struggled to get a reservation. Many different ideas to incentivize earlier cancellations or ensure only booking sites individuals intend to utilize were shared in the comments.

Out-of-state camper fees or preference in reservations for Oregon residents were mentioned by 25 commenters. These comments also mentioned support for the 30% increase in rates OPRD has been charging out-of-state residents during COVID.

Staff have reviewed and considered the comments received. Individual responses to comments are included on the spreadsheet on Attachment C. The flexibility included in the proposed rule will address some of the ideas shared by the public during the comment period. While the agency may not make every customer satisfied; if adopted, we will need to be mindful of customer needs for predictability and consistency across the system, as we move forward with implementation of the proposed rules. In response to the comments received, staff are recommending adoption of the amended rule with the following changes and reviews for future rulemaking:

- In 2(b) add: “reservations over one year prior to the arrival date will be for group or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee.” The agency does not intend to utilize the full 18 months for the general reservation window. The intent in drafting the amendment was to provide flexibility for larger group or special events. Adding this clarification of the 18-month reservation window is responsive to comments received and better informs the public regarding when longer reservations may be considered.
- Develop an internal workgroup to review data on cancellations, research other agency cancellation policies and develop recommendations for potential changes to OPRD’s cancellation policy that could lead to future rulemaking. Comments highlighting anecdotal concerns about cancellations can be fully reviewed to determine the extent to which they may be reducing available campsite inventory or revenue.
- Initiate a public review of options for an out-of-state campsite surcharge or Oregon resident reservation preference. The 30% increase on out-of-state resident camping rates will end March 1, 2021. In response to comments received, staff suggest development of options for a permanent surcharge that can be publicly examined.

**Prior Action by Commission:** In November 2020, the Commission approved opening the reservation rule for public comment.

**Action Requested:**

Staff requests approval to adopt amendments to OAR 736-015-0015. A copy of the proposed rules is included in Attachment A.

**Attachments:**

Attachment A – proposed rule amendments- marked copy

Attachment B- proposed rule amendments- clean copy

Attachment C- summary of comments

**Prepared by:** Katie Gauthier

9a: Attachment A  
Reservation rule- Marked Copy

## **736-015-0015** **Reservations**

(1) Purpose: Based on the department's goal to promote outdoor recreation in Oregon, the department established a reservation program to increase use of park areas and facilities. The director may designate specific park facilities to offer for reservation, ~~through a centralized call center and through the Internet.~~

(2) General Regulations:

(a) Reservations will be accepted and processed for designated park facilities through the Oregon State Parks Reservation Center and the Internet.

(b) A person may make a reservation a ~~minimum of one day and a~~ maximum of ~~nine eighteen~~ months prior to the arrival date. Reservations over one--year prior to arrival date are limited to groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee.

(c) A person must be 18 years of age or older to make a reservation for an overnight stay.

(d) A person who qualifies under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) may reserve accessible campsites.

(e) A person may not make reservations for multiple park areas for the same date range.

(f) A person reserving a boat slip (where available) must also reserve another facility at the same park area.

(g) Reservations and registrations for horse camping sites shall be made only for people camping with their horses or similar large animals unless otherwise specified by the park manager.

(h) Only the person whose name appears on the original reservation, their designee (as documented in the reservation records) or the primary occupant may change or cancel an existing reservation or access information associated with a reservation.

(A) A person reserving a site for another individual or group must provide the contact information of an individual occupying the site to the park manager or designee at least 72 hours prior to the start of the reservation or the department may cancel the reservation.

(B) Individuals reserving the site are responsible for all activities of users of the site under OAR 736-010-0050(11).

(i) Customer information may be made available upon written request in compliance with ORS chapter 192 and department policy.

(j) Specific information regarding a confirmed reservation will not be released to the public as provided in ORS ~~192.501-345~~ and ~~192.502355~~.

### (3) Transaction Fees and Deposits:

(a) The department will charge an ~~\$8-0-15~~ non-refundable transaction fee for each reservation, ~~made through the centralized call center or the Internet. Exact fee amounts will be detailed on the Oregon State Parks website which is available seven days a week, 24 hours a day. Fees will vary based on costs incurred by the department for reservation services. The department will post~~ Changes in fees authorized by the director on the Oregon State Parks website a minimum of 30 days prior to the effective date.

(b) Reservations require a facility deposit equal to the full amount charged for use of the facility during the reservation period.

(c) All fees are due at the time the person makes the reservation.

### (4) Payment Methods:

(a) A person may use an acceptable payment method. The department will post acceptable payment methods on the Oregon State Parks website. ~~valid credit card (VISA or MasterCard) or bank debit card with a VISA or MasterCard logo.~~

(b) A person may pay for reservations made through the Oregon State Parks Reservation Center by department issued gift certificates if the person's arrival date is ten or more days from the time the reservation is made. ~~This form of payment is not accepted for reservations made on the Internet.~~

(c) The department must receive payment within five calendar days of the date the person makes the reservation. If payment is not received within this time frame, the department will cancel the reservation. The person remains responsible for the ~~\$8~~ transaction fee for each reservation request.

(d) If a banking institution returns a check to the department for any reason or if a credit or debit card is declined, the department will attempt to contact the person. Inability to resolve the payment dispute will result in a reservation cancellation. The person will remain responsible for the ~~\$8~~ transaction fee for each reservation.

(e) Government agencies and non-profit entities may request to be invoiced for services. Reservations should be made at least 30 days prior to arrival. The department must receive payment within 25 days of the date the reservation is made. If payment is not received within this time frame, the department will cancel the reservation. The government agency or non-profit entity remains responsible for the ~~\$8~~ transaction fee for each reservation request.

(f) A person must pay all outstanding account balances prior to making future reservations or camping overnight in a park area.

(g) A person excluded from a park area may have reservations cancelled and may not make additional reservations during their exclusion period.

(5) Reservation Cancellations:

(a) A person may cancel their reservation prior to the day of arrival. ~~by using the internet or by calling the Oregon State Parks Reservation Center.~~

(b) The department will post detailed instructions for cancelling a reservation on the Oregon State Parks department's web-site which is available seven days a week, 24 hours a day.

(c) To cancel a reservation on the day of arrival a person may contact the specific park where their reservation is held.

(d) In order to receive a refund of all use fees, a person must cancel the reservation for individual campsites, deluxe and rustic cabins, deluxe and rustic yurts, horse camps, tepees, and boat moorages three or more days prior to the arrival date. If the cancellation is received less than three days in advance of the arrival date, a fee equal to one overnight rental fee for the facility will be forfeited.

(e) In order to receive a refund of all use fees for group camps, day use areas, meeting halls, lodges, Silver Falls Youth Camp, Shore Acres Garden House, Pavilions, RV Group Areas and other facilities as designated by the department, a person must cancel the reservation at least one month prior to arrival. If the cancellation request is received less than 30 days in advance of the arrival date, a fee equal to one night's or one day's rental for the facility will be forfeited.

(f) A person may not cancel reservations more than eight months in advance of the arrival date.

(6) Reservation Changes:

(a) The department will charge an ~~\$8-0-15~~ non-refundable transaction fee for each reservation change. Exact fee amounts will be detailed on the Oregon State Parks department's website which is available seven days a week, 24 hours a day. Fees will vary based on costs incurred by the department for reservation services. The department will post ~~c~~Changes in fees authorized by the director will be posted on the Oregon State Parks website a minimum of 30 days prior to the effective date.

(b) A person may request to change a confirmed reservation by calling the Oregon State Parks Reservation Center.

(c) A person may not make any date changes to reservations more than eight months in advance of the arrival date.

(d) Reservations made for six or more consecutive nights that are later shortened will be charged the nightly rate for each night removed in addition to an ~~\$8~~ transaction fee for the change. This rule applies to shortening nights at the beginning of a reservation, not at the end of a reservation.

(e) A person must request a reservation change for campsites, deluxe and rustic cabins, deluxe and rustic yurts, tepees, and boat moorages three or more days in advance of the arrival date. Changes are not permitted within three days of the arrival date.

(f) A person requesting a reservation change for group camps, day use areas, meeting halls, lodges, Silver Falls Youth Camp, Shore Acres Garden House, Pavilions, RV Group Areas, and other facilities as designated by the department must request the change at least 30 days prior to arrival date. Changes are not permitted within 30 days of the arrival date.

#### (7) Claiming Reservations

(a) Customers with confirmed reservations must arrive before 1:00 p.m. the day following the first scheduled day of their reservation.

(b) The reserved site must remain occupied each night during the entire length of stay.

(c) In emergency situations, customers may request park manager approval for late arrivals not to exceed 6:00 p.m. of the second day of the reservation. Site fees for the first night will be charged regardless of the arrival time.

(d) Customers, including those that have pre-registered, who do not check in at the park or notify park staff that they will be delayed prior to 1:00 p.m. of the second day of the reservation will be considered a “no show” and the entire reservation will be cancelled. The first night fee and any transaction fees previously collected for the reservation will be retained. Any remaining nightly fees paid to confirm the reservation will be refunded.

#### ~~(8) Reservations to Accommodate Organized Groups:~~

~~(a) General: To accommodate group use when 20 or more sites are booked by the same group in campgrounds designed primarily for individual camping, the following rules apply.~~

~~(b) The department will require full payment for all sites at the time the reservation is made and charge a non-refundable reservation fee of \$8 for each site. An \$8 non-refundable transaction fee will be charged for any date or site change made to a reservation included in the group.~~

~~(c) A group is considered any reservation of at least 20 individual overnight campsites made in one person's name through the Oregon State Parks Reservation Center or on the Internet.~~

~~(d) Group reservations may reserve a meeting hall (where available) for one day's free use when the minimum number of sites are reserved and used. The person may reserve the meeting hall for additional days at the normal rental rate.~~

~~(e) Facilities such as lodges, Silver Falls Youth Camp and other special facilities as designated by the department are not included in the group camping program benefit.~~

~~(f) To promote the safety and enjoyment of all park users, the department may contact the reservation holder of any group reservation and ask for individual camper information prior to arrival. In such cases, the department will provide ample notice and request that information be received no sooner than two months and no later than one week before the group's arrival.~~

~~(9) When only a portion of a specific type of facility in a park is designated as ADA compliant, the department will hold the facility designated as ADA compliant for use by individuals with disabilities until all other facilities of that type have been reserved and the accessible facility is the only remaining facility of that type available in the park.~~

9a: Attachment B  
Reservation rule- Clean Copy

**736-015-0015**  
**Reservations**

(1) Purpose: Based on the department's goal to promote outdoor recreation in Oregon, the department established a reservation program to increase use of park areas and facilities. The director may designate specific park facilities to offer for reservation.

(2) General Regulations:

(a) Reservations will be accepted and processed for designated park facilities through the Oregon State Parks Reservation Center and the Internet.

(b) A person may make a reservation a maximum of eighteen months prior to the arrival date. Reservations over one-year prior to arrival date are limited to groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee.

(c) A person must be 18 years of age or older to make a reservation for an overnight stay.

(d) A person who qualifies under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) may reserve accessible campsites.

(e) A person may not make reservations for multiple park areas for the same date range.

(f) A person reserving a boat slip (where available) must also reserve another facility at the same park area.

(g) Reservations and registrations for horse camping sites shall be made only for people camping with their horses or similar large animals unless otherwise specified by the park manager.

(h) Only the person whose name appears on the original reservation, their designee (as documented in the reservation records) or the primary occupant may change or cancel an existing reservation or access information associated with a reservation.

(A) A person reserving a site for another individual or group must provide the contact information of an individual occupying the site to the park manager or designee at least 72 hours prior to the start of the reservation or the department may cancel the reservation.

(B) Individuals reserving the site are responsible for all activities of users of the site under OAR 736-010-0050(11).

(i) Customer information may be made available upon written request in compliance with ORS chapter 192 and department policy.

(j) Specific information regarding a confirmed reservation will not be released to the public as provided in ORS 192.345 and 192.355.

(3) Transaction Fees and Deposits:

(a) The department will charge an \$0-15 non-refundable transaction fee for each reservation. Exact fee amounts will be detailed on the Oregon State Parks website which is available seven days a week, 24 hours a day. Fees will vary based on costs incurred by the department for reservation services. The department will post changes in fees authorized by the director on the Oregon State Parks website a minimum of 30 days prior to the effective date.

(b) Reservations require a facility deposit equal to the full amount charged for use of the facility during the reservation period.

(c) All fees are due at the time the person makes the reservation.

(4) Payment Methods:

(a) A person may use an acceptable payment method. The department will post acceptable payment methods on the Oregon State Parks website.

(b) A person may pay for reservations made through the Oregon State Parks Reservation Center by department issued gift certificates if the person's arrival date is ten or more days from the time the reservation is made.

(c) The department must receive payment within five calendar days of the date the person makes the reservation. If payment is not received within this time frame, the department will cancel the reservation. The person remains responsible for the transaction fee for each reservation request.

(d) If a banking institution returns a check to the department for any reason or if a credit or debit card is declined, the department will attempt to contact the person. Inability to resolve the payment dispute will result in a reservation cancellation. The person will remain responsible for the transaction fee for each reservation.

(e) Government agencies and non-profit entities may request to be invoiced for services. Reservations should be made at least 30 days prior to arrival. The department must receive payment within 25 days of the date the reservation is made. If payment is not received within this time frame, the department will cancel the reservation. The government agency or non-profit entity remains responsible for the transaction fee for each reservation request.

(f) A person must pay all outstanding account balances prior to making future reservations or camping overnight in a park area.

(g) A person excluded from a park area may have reservations cancelled and may not make additional reservations during their exclusion period.

(5) Reservation Cancellations:

(a) A person may cancel their reservation prior to the day of arrival.

(b) The department will post detailed instructions for cancelling a reservation on the Oregon State Parks website which is available seven days a week, 24 hours a day.

(c) To cancel a reservation on the day of arrival a person may contact the specific park where their reservation is held.

(d) In order to receive a refund of all use fees, a person must cancel the reservation for individual campsites, deluxe and rustic cabins, deluxe and rustic yurts, horse camps, tepees, and boat moorages three or more days prior to the arrival date. If the cancellation is received less than three days in advance of the arrival date, a fee equal to one overnight rental fee for the facility will be forfeited.

(e) In order to receive a refund of all use fees for group camps, day use areas, meeting halls, lodges, Silver Falls Youth Camp, Shore Acres Garden House, Pavilions, RV Group Areas and other facilities as designated by the department, a person must cancel the reservation at least one month prior to arrival. If the cancellation request is received less than 30 days in advance of the arrival date, a fee equal to one night's or one day's rental for the facility will be forfeited.

(f) A person may not cancel reservations more than eight months in advance of the arrival date.

(6) Reservation Changes:

(a) The department will charge an \$0-15 non-refundable transaction fee for each reservation change. Exact fee amounts will be detailed on the Oregon State Parks website which is available seven days a week, 24 hours a day. Fees will vary based on costs incurred by the department for reservation services. The department will post changes in fees authorized by the director on the Oregon State Parks website a minimum of 30 days prior to the effective date.

(b) A person may request to change a confirmed reservation by calling the Oregon State Parks Reservation Center.

(c) A person may not make any date changes to reservations more than eight months in advance of the arrival date.

(d) Reservations made for six or more consecutive nights that are later shortened will be charged the nightly rate for each night removed in addition to a transaction fee for the change. This rule applies to shortening nights at the beginning of a reservation, not at the end of a reservation.

(e) A person must request a reservation change for campsites, deluxe and rustic cabins, deluxe and rustic yurts, tepees, and boat moorages three or more days in advance of the arrival date. Changes are not permitted within three days of the arrival date.

(f) A person requesting a reservation change for group camps, day use areas, meeting halls, lodges, Silver Falls Youth Camp, Shore Acres Garden House, Pavilions, RV Group Areas, and other facilities as designated by the department must request the change at least 30 days prior to arrival date. Changes are not permitted within 30 days of the arrival date.

(7) Claiming Reservations

(a) Customers with confirmed reservations must arrive before 1:00 p.m. the day following the first scheduled day of their reservation.

(b) The reserved site must remain occupied each night during the entire length of stay.

(c) In emergency situations, customers may request park manager approval for late arrivals not to exceed 6:00 p.m. of the second day of the reservation. Site fees for the first night will be charged regardless of the arrival time.

(d) Customers, including those that have pre-registered, who do not check in at the park or notify park staff that they will be delayed prior to 1:00 p.m. of the second day of the reservation will be considered a “no show” and the entire reservation will be cancelled. The first night fee and any transaction fees previously collected for the reservation will be retained. Any remaining nightly fees paid to confirm the reservation will be refunded.

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1	Randy and Cherry Wilson		Reservation Window	"The proposal to change the OR state park reservation rules sounds like it would make the reservation process more complicated and confusing for those making reservations and for those managing the reservations. The 9-month window that has been in place for many years may not be perfect, but it's a good standard and one that everyone is accustomed to. Please don't make it more difficult than it needs to be. If it ain't broke, don't fix it!"	Thank you for your comment. OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system.
2	Deb and Chuck Stillman	Oregon Gathering - Bullards Beach	Disabled Senior Discount, Reservation Window	"I would propose a possible small discount for out of state seniors with a valid handicapped access pass." "The most important thing to us is the ability to make reservations 9 months in advance like it was with no varying reservation windows.. I think an 18 month reservation window is ridiculous... I ask that the committee strongly considers going back to the uniform 9 month reservations window on ALL campsites. I don't like the out of state fees but understand since many other states do the same thing. "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. The agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.
3	Cynthia Schultz		Reservation Window	"18 months is too far in advance to make reservations. It would require campers to make their plans over a year in advance. 9 months to 12 months would be a better window for reservations."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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4	Penny Bartels		Reservation Window	"Please do not extend the reservation window for campsites further out than they already are. It's already been very difficult to find a spot to reserve even 6 months in advance. It's very competitive to get a reservation in all but the least busy campgrounds. If you could have a rolling window where you release a set of sites every few weeks or so, maybe it would be easier for people to get a site closer to their travel dates."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
5	Maureen Soar		Reservation Window, Out of State Campers	"I really do not want to see the reservation window extended to 18 months for general reservations. It is hard enough as it was, with the 9 month window, to get reservations in advance. With the 9 month window there is no such thing as a last-minute get-away - not with a 20' trailer."  "I'd also like to see the higher fee for out-of-state reservations kept."	
6	Benjamin Ward		Reservation Window	"I am in favor of more flexibility. I am concerned about allowing reservations up to 18 months out. I envision people making reservations as a precaution then not using them and either not cancelling or forgetting as the fine is not much of a distraction. This then books that camp spot and other people can't use it. It's already hard enough to book camp spots and I think allowing that long of a reservation window will make it even harder. "	
7	David Cary		Empty Reserved Sites	"Your proposals do make some sense, but in my view a much bigger issue is the reservations that are made and never used...Are cancellations not being relayed to the camp hosts? Are the camp hosts not removing the reserved signs? I have seen sites reserved for a Thursday-Sunday and no one was there when we got there on Friday and still no one there when we left on Sunday! Is there a policy in place for camp hosts to remove a reservation if someone doesn't show up?"	

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8	Joshua Ahmann		Reservation Window	"I think the reservation system should be revised so that not all sites within a park can be reserved so far in advance... A better system might include having various reservations dates for different sites within a campground so some sites can be reserved months in advance while others can only be reserved a week or a couple days in advance.	Thank you for your comment. The flexible reservation window, proposed in the rule, would allow for flexibility in the length of the reservation window for different sites within a campground.
9	Angela Pyle		Transaction Fee, Reservation Window, Yurt Closures	"So a 15 fee please explain how that is going to make things more flexible with your reservation system? Maybe you are trying to recoup some money, please ask for help from somewhere else. A 15 feel is too much for the poor people" "We also could barely make a reservation 9 months in advance, and now you want money 18 months in advance? In the long run you will see more wealthier and out of state campers and will force the impoverished locals to stay at home!" "I never understood your closing the yurts with the volunteers doing the work and I am sure tons of applications on file for seniors needing a place to park willing to pitch in." "Anyways just keep thing the same since this is the only pandemic thus far and the only abnormality is your overreaction and mismanagement."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. The agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible. Yurt and cabins have reopened in most of our parks as of early 2021.
10	Karen Fletcher		Reservation Window, Large Camp Groups	"My biggest concern is that if you decrease the reservation window significantly, we will lose the chance (as we have had at nine months out) to hopefully get our (five) campsites close to each other (or to even get us all in on the same dates)."	Thank you for your comment. As of January 14, 2021, the reservation window has been extended to six-months. The agency understands the need for advanced planning for many campers.

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11	Jonathan Lockwood		Reservation Fee, Equity	"[Busy parks in the summer with many out of state campers and newly increased transaction fees] of course sets up a question of equity for in state residents being pushed to the curb...Now, Parks is looking to increase that inequity in increasing the range of fees and when they can be increased to an amount (15 dollars) that quite a few Oregonians would find absurd on top of the amount already paid for the actual per night rate for the site." Shares that out of state campers will pay whatever price they want. "I ask Parks to truly look at themselves in the mirror and not approve a fleecing of your neighbors to make a buck and in the process kick locals out of beloved state parks."	Thank you for your comments. Staff are recommending the agency begin a public evaluation of out-of-state camping rates and reservation system rules for Oregonians.
12	Jim Carpenter		Out of State Campers, Empty Reserved Sites	"Unfortunately the Oregon parks department is once again catering to the out of state campers with its reservation policies. The only way local residents get a fair chance at camp sites is if you allocate some of the campsites as walk up. We have witnessed over and over again sites being reserved and not occupied! I know you say that is against the rules! yet it continues to happen and if there is no walk up traffic there will be no one to take advantage of the unused sites. Thanks for the consideration."	Thank you for your comments. Staff are recommending the agency begin a public evaluation of out-of-state camping rates and reservation system rules for Oregonians.
13	William Taft		Reservation Window, Open Parks	"Yes the reservation window needs to be extended. Parks that were closed also need to reopen. Camping is one of the safest activities and demand is at record levels right now."	Thank you for your comment. As of January 14, 2021, the reservation window has been extended to six-months. The agency understands the need for advanced planning for many campers.

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14	Carrie Carpenter		Reservation Window, Empty Reserved Sites	<p>"Now you are going to allow reservations up to 18 months in advance. Who does this benefit? Please provide data pertaining to the use of campgrounds before you make these changes. Who is paying for Oregon campgrounds, your taxpayers or out-of-state visitors who use our resources while paying no taxes at all? If out-of-state visitors are funding our campgrounds, there is something innately wrong with the system."</p> <p>""No show" or cancelled sites sit unused for days while "walk up" campers or travelers drive in looking for a site that could generate funds to support the campground. Please make sure that there are an abundance of "walk up" available. If campers don't show up on the first day the campsite is reserved, their entire reservation needs to be cancelled so there is no confusion. That information needs to be accurately communicated with and through the camp hosts. Waiting to see if someone shows up four days later is simply unfair to the majority of people who can't plan their vacations months in advance."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events be longer than 12 months. Staff are recommending the agency begin a review of potential changes to cancellation policyes and out-of-state camping rates; however, it is important to note, Oregon State Park operations are funded with campsite fees and lottery funding and do not receive any state tax dollars.</p>
15	Debbie King		Reservation Window	<p>"Being able to make reservations 18 months out would be wonderful!"</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups, special events, or facilities designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.</p>

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16	Dick Sacco		Reservation Window	"Most campers want consistency so they can plan their vacation, while OPRD needs flexibility. Start with a 3 month rolling window and move to a 6 month rolling window as soon as feasible. Modify inventory at each location as necessary. Why 6 months? Follow the Feds. CA did several years ago and it's working fine. To recap, keep the window constant and the inventory flexible."	Beginning January 14, OPRD extended the reservation window from 30-days to six months.
17	Douglas Hinman		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee	"I am against allowing reservations out to 18 months. that is to far out to try and make camping plans. 9 months seems to work the best but still can be a challenge when trying to make plans for some of the more popular coast campgrounds. I would be for a shorter reservation window for the most popular State Parks. I cannot see why you would need to charge a \$15 fee to make a reservation. seems kinda excess to me. I am against having a \$15 reservation fee and if you need to raise it raise it to \$10 from the current \$8."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. The agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.
18	Harold Triplett		Transaction Fee	"I was once told that there will be a day that you wouldn't be able to get camping in OREGON State Parks . . . it looks like this is the beginning . . . space rent to highest bidder?"	Thank you for your comment, the agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.
19	Len Otto		Transaction Fee, Equity	" I am concerned that the range of amounts is too high for many low income people. Capping the amount at, for instance \$10, would put more of the premium parks within the range of low income people. Camping is, and has been, one form of recreation I have witnessed more and more people of color and of lower income regardless of color participating in over my lifetime. Everyone, regardless of income, needs to have an equal shot at reserving campsites within our park system. No one should be excluded because of lack of income. A cap of \$10 is reasonable, a cap of \$15 represents an increase of 87.5% over the current \$8 fee. That is too much."	Thank you for your comment, the agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.

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20	Brad Wilson		Reservation Window	"...please bring back the uniform 9 month system that has worked well for a long time and provides continuity throughout and clarity for all. And allow the parks to adapt during a pandemic or crisis situation. Having a random system will be endlessly confusing for the customers."	Thank you for your comment, beginning January 14, OPRD extended the reservation window from 30-days to six months. The intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance.
21	Steve Stewart		Out of State Campers	"Would like the Oregon State Park Dept. to consider (if legal) a reservation rulemaking proposal for campgrounds that allows Oregon full-time residents some sort of preferential treatment. Or increase out-of-state reservations at a substantial amount in fees which would increase Park operating revenue when Oregonians are displaced from their Parks from out-of-staters. Sort of selfish, but if Oregon Sate Parks can be supported by Oregonians first, it would be preferred by most Oregonians in my opinion"	Thank you for your comment. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.
22	Terri Jeske		Transaction Fee	Terri Jeske is stating that the recent refunded transaction fees were appreciated and suggests that this practice should continue since many things are out of personal control at this time during a pandemic.	Thank you for your comment, the agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.
23	Robert Smith		Out of State Campers	"I would like to see a change in fee schedule to have out of state campers pay a higher fee than residents. Other states have this system and I think it makes sense for out of state to pay more for the right to camp in Oregon , they pay no sales tax , give no support other than support local business . The park system is under funded and could use the increased revenue."	Thank you for your comment. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.

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24	Marilyn Blair		Reservation Window	"Eighteen months is a very long reservation window and could result in more cancellation and change requests as plans are more likely to change when looking that far ahead. For popular sites that fill up quickly as the reservation window opens, Nehalem Bay State Park for example, I think this change would hamper the ability of campers to make plans because the available campsites would be constantly changing. In other words, people will book 18 months out and the sites will be booked immediately...but then become available again in an unpredictable manner as people's plans change. I think 12 months is more reasonable."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups, special events, or facilities designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
25	Megan McAlister		Reservation Window	"I think 18 months is too long. I would recommend a 12 month (one year) maximum window."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups, special events, or facilities designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
26	Martin Sherin		Reservation Window	"Find it strange that I have played by your rules and have been on the reservation site at 12:00 am and am notified that not one site but multiple sites are already taken for months. As far as the future at least a 12 month sign up."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups, special events, or facilities designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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27	Terri Walker		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee, Senior Discount	<p>"Leave reservation times as they are, 0-9months. 18 months is much too long, things can change drastically in that length of time."</p> <p>"\$8.00 seems adequate for making, changing or canceling reservations. Or perhaps a minor increase to say 9.00 or 10.00, but not 15.00 - that is almost double."</p> <p>"Also might considerate a senior discount as many campers are seniors."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups, special events, or facilities designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. The agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.</p>
28	Sonia Benedict		Transaction Fee, Site Occupancy Limits	<p>"An increase in the transaction fee is understandable BUT being charged another transaction fee equal to the first transaction fee for changes really hurts the wallet...If changes are needed due to the camper getting sick or due to another lockdown, I feel that the transaction fee should be waived. A person may not cancel reservations more than 8 months in advance of the arrival date seems rather crazy. If I reserved a spot a year in advance and situations have changed, I would like to be able to cancel my reservation and get a full refund... Money is tight for everyone in this state and constantly paying a transaction fee to cancel or change a reservation is just wrong - especially if it was due to a health issue, family emergency or even the loss of a job. If you NEED to charge a transaction fee for changes and cancellations then make it REASONABLE"</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment. OPRD will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations. The agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.</p>
29	Michelle Van Fleet		Transaction Fee	<p>"The proposed transaction fee increase is simply too high. \$15???? To make your own reservation? ...California's fees are through the roof. PLEASE do not go down that path! Oregonians are struggling enough as it is. Campers love being out in our incredible forests. Don't make camping less and less accessible to us."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment. The agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.</p>

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30	Paul Litwinczuk		Reservation System Capability	"I would like to see parameters set to keep a small number of " rule sets" (based on less demand to most demand) versus rules for each park/site. I would argue that better technology capabilities via your reservation website could reduce complexity/cost as well as ensure notification to people with reservations. Other states have website capabilities beyond that of Oregon and certainly normal mainstream tourism sites for hotel/home rental are well beyond Oregon's capabilities by many years. In summary, I get the need for some flexibility but am very concerned that you are not solving the real problem and will reduce customer experience/satisfaction."	Thank you for your comments. OPRD will consider that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system.
31	Diane O'Dell		Reservation Window	"Please make a state wide reservation window of 9-12 months....standard to all parks."	Thank you for your comments. OPRD will consider that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system.
32	Robert Magill		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee	"Allowing up to 18 months for reservations promotes people block up favored campsites and deny to others. Reservations should only be allowed up to 12 months. The \$8 charge to make a reservation should be kept, but there should be no additional charges to cancel or modify a reservation."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events be longer than 12 months. The agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.
33	Susan Nelson		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee	"While I understand the 30 day reservation window it has been frustrating as I usually make reservations for next summer about this time of year. I would support the increased fees if the reservation window was reopened and we are able to start our planning soon."	Thank you for your comments. The reservation window has been expanded to six months as of January 14, 2021.

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34	Mike Charlo		Reservation System	"I am very discouraged by the current reservation system for Oregon State Parks, most notably, Wallowa Lake State Park. I grew up in the area, have camped in the Park many, many times. For the last several years, I have found that is is very difficult to get an online reservation. I start trying, through Reserve Oregon, in January. Each year, there are no open RV camp spots on a weekend, for the entire summer. Oregon residents should be able to obtain reservations, at least once in a while. I hope that whatever new system that you settle on, yields a bit more equity. Large blocks of the park should not reserved all at once and Oregon residents should be given a bit of a priority."	Thank you for your comment. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.
35	Irene Tarango		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee, Out of Sate Campers	"I am not in favor of reservation windows being 18 months. 9 -or 12 months is reasonable. If I am reading the rule change correctly each park could pick a different reservation window which will be very confusing and frustrating. I also don't think that a variable charge for fees at different parks is a good idea. There will be many who will be upset because they got charged a different amount at different parks. Could there be a different rate for in state and out of state reservations instead? I want access to the state parks and through state taxes pay for the parks."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. The agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible. OPRD will consider that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system. Staff are recommending the agency begin a review of potential changes to out-of-state camping rates; however, it is important to note, Oregon State Park operations are funded with campsite fees and lottery funding and do not receive any state tax dollars.

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36	Cate Minor		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee	"I don't understand how changing the reservation window would make the agency more nimble in responding to active situations. I think an 18 month reservation window is way too long and would be very confusing and frustrating, who plans a camping trip a year and a half in advance? We camp more in federal Forest Service campgrounds with a 6 month window. Please don't extend the window beyond 12 months at the longest. Nine months works for me, six months would be better. Also, if you need to raise the transaction fee fine, raise it to \$10, no sliding scale."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events be longer than 12 months. The agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.
37	Nancy Giammona		Reservation Window, Two Week Reservation Loophole	"Hello we wondering if anything can be done about people that reserve two weeks just to get good sites, Harris Beach is a good example. Then cancel a week right before the arrival date. That causes a problem with others that would like to camp in those special sites. We think that the 18 month window is way too long. People won't even remember that they made that reservation. However the one month time frame is difficult because of the problem mentioned above."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. OPRD will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.
38	Jack Halsey		Flexibility	"I strongly support this rule change. Park admin and staff need to have flexibility in order to do their jobs safely. And the public also deserves a more functional and adaptive system."	Thank you for your comment.

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39	Peter Woodworth		Deluxe Cabins and Yurts Transaction Fee	<p>"Thank you for the attention to keeping our great State Parks functioning. I support this proposal."</p> <p>"...people will at the time of their reservation, to their credit were in line and waited their turn, but instead of only booking the exact dates they know they will be at the park, they will book a large window of dates so at their convenience they can schedule a time later, and due to the charge of only, well now \$25, they can then just cancel the dates knowing they will pay that minimal fee...guess what I am getting at is if you book a yurt or cabin, the fee to cancel and only pay \$25 escalates as you approach the current window in the policy, e.g. \$25 applies to 60 to 9/18 months , \$50 applies 30 to 60 days, \$75 0 to 30 days."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment. OPRD will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.</p>
40	Gene Layton		Reservation Window, Out of State Campers	<p>"The Oregon Parks 9 month reservation window has worked well for many years and I for one request that it remain the same. For visitors (myself) that come long distances to visit Oregon it is near impossible to do so on short reservation windows as there are other considerations involved when traveling such as other parks to stop at on the way there."</p> <p>"I also think Oregon needs to re-think charging out of state visitors as they contribute a lot to Oregon's economy and the money they spend while visiting the state."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment. The reservation window has been extended to six months, as of January 14, 2021. The temporarily fee for out-of-state campsite reservations will end March 1, 2021, but staff are recommending researching options and a public conversation about the potential for a permanent fee for out-of-state camping.</p>

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41	Krik Barnes		Reservation Window, Equity	"the idea that people can reserve spots in Oregon State Parks "18 months" in advance is beyond ridiculous and trying to use a worldwide pandemic as some kind of justification is also ridiculous. There is only one user group that this makes sense for, rich, affluent, retired persons who travel for a lifestyle simply leaving the rest of society behind simply to cater to a group who chooses to reserve a weekend getaway a year and a half ahead of time... Leaving 2 to 3 maybe 5 spots available for the rest of the people who do things spontaneously or plan trips in a reasonable time frame (not a year and a half) is simply not adequate. This plan has nothing to do with flexibility for the State Parks and everything to do with making extra money from people changing their plans, seriously, no one plans camping trips a year and a half ahead of time."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
42	Mariette Bonaventure		Empty Reserved Sites	"I camp a lot and have noticed an increase in reserved spots at my favorite camp grounds. This has not decreased drive-by site searches, but has increased conflicts between campers, when they show up and find their reserved spots taken. I also feel that reservations disenfranchise lower income folks who may not be able to plan nine months ahead. Camping should be a truly democratic activity, but some our best spot are reserved - and a lot of times - and stand empty when people don't show up."	Thank you for your comment. Staff are recommending, OPRD examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.

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43	Mark Norby		Reservation Window	"I would like to see the 9 month reservation window reinstated. The current 30 day window makes it very difficult to utilize the parks for camping vacations, as one cannot plan a vacation ( and schedule time off from work) which has out be done many months in advance, and then be sure that you will actually be able to camp at the park you intended. With the former 9 month window, you could reserve a campsite, and then make your vacation plans ( and schedule time off from work) knowing that you will have a site available for the vacation time"	Beginning January 14, OPRD extended the reservation window from 30-days to six months.
44	Bill Norris		Out of State Campers, Transaction Fee	"The current Governor of Oregon had imposed additional fees on out of state campers using Oregon parks. Have you heard of diminishing returns? Well the problem is not covid, ( 30% fees to out of state visitors slapped us in the face). We have, and will continue to camp elsewhere as it has been made clear to us we are not necessary or welcome."	Thank you for your comment. The temporarily fee for out-of-state campsite reservations will end March 1, 2021, but staff are recommending researching options and a public conversation about the potential for a permanant fee for out-of-state camping.
45	Donna Ainslie		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee, Out of Sate Campers	"Reservation window should not exceed 9 months. If the increased reservation fee goes only to the department, and not the vendor, I would not object. All fees (daily and reservation) should be higher for out-of-state residents."	Thank you for your comment. Staff are recommending the agency begin a review of potential changes to out-of-state camping rates.
46	Doug Watson		Reservation Window	"If you change a reservation window to 18 months I think you'll have a lot more cancellations that may complicate the process."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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47	Michael Waller		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee, Out of Sate Campers	<p>". Allowing an 18 month window for reservation purposes for an individual is a bit too far in the future, I believe. Too many variables are allowable during an 18 month window that can compromise the reservation system and process... Realistically, a 6 to 12 month reservation window would be more appropriate. "</p> <p>"I also think that the \$10 non-resident fee should be carried forward on reservations but the flex amount being discussed should be a fixed amount, rather than vacillating at the "need" of the department. If \$8 is too low and \$15 is the high end, resolve at a fixed number of \$10 for reservations, changes, tweaks, etc."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.</p>
48	Karen Klokkevold		Reservation Window	<p>"When will these changes be implemented, and how will they be made clear on your OR State Parks Website and reservation system."</p> <p>"With only having 30 days or less to make a reservation, that puts an undue burden on employees AND employers."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment, beginning January 14, OPRD extended the reservation window from 30-days to six months. The intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.</p>
49	Stu Spence		Flexibility	<p>"I am writing in support of the OAR proposed revision found by number below. As an avid park user, I fully support OPRD's ability to pivot and be flexible now more than ever. I respect their staff's ability to determine different rules for different parks to ensure their funding and operational sustainability. "</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment.</p>

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50	Mark Evers		Reservation Window	<p>Mark Evers suggests the following, noting that the current 30 day window is too short.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Allow reservations up to nine months ahead of the arrival date with a non-refundable deposit plus a non-refundable administration fee (ReserveAmerica's fee).</li> <li>•Require full payment 30 days before arrival.</li> <li>•If the park closes for any reason, only refund that portion paid 30 days prior to arrival. In other words, campers who reserve ahead of time take a financial risk.</li> <li>•I am sure that there are other details to consider, but this change would allow families (like ours) to make our plans for next summer. "</li> </ul>	Beginning January 14, OPRD extended the reservation window from 30-days to six months.
51	Bree Mitchell		Reservation Window, Cancellations	"As a planner I'd be ok with [18 months] but the problem I have with even the current 9 month system is that there is no incentive for people to cancel their reservations... If people can book even further ahead I fear that the availability of camping will be limited even further to those who book ahead of time and leave many sites empty if plans change."	OPRD will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.

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52	Cindy Van Drimmelen		Reservation Window, Cancellations, Transaction Fee	<p>"the proposed change of a flexible window with some sites being added or held during that window sounds like a nightmare for most people who just want to know when they can start planning their vacation... , I think a set window anywhere from six months (such as National Forest) to one year (as Oregon state parks was at one time) makes a great deal of sense with all sites up for grabs at the same time."</p> <p>"One area that does need more consideration is the fee/cancellation structure that allows for reservations to be made with almost no penalty for cancelling out...[empty reserved] sites could be used by the many others who would like to be out camping at that time. One solution would be to charge more of a forfeit for those cancelling within 30 days (or maybe two weeks) of their arrival date. That way the sites could go back to the reservation system for those wanting to camp."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment. OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system. Additionally, OPRD will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.</p>
53	Bill Hull		Out of State Campers, Reservation Window	<p>"It would seem that Oregon residents should have priority in camp reservations, perhaps as much as a month earlier than out of state visitors. I think the best reservation systems are those that have a six month window or less. Longer preregistration times are very hard to make plans."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.</p>

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54	Kurt Rymer		Reservation Window, Out of State Campers	<p>"To be blunt. Proposing an eighteen month advance reservation window is crazy. One can get pregnant twice and have two kids before their reservation day comes! Maybe a slight exaggeration but you get my point. I book a number of sites on the federal website and six months "feels" right.</p> <p>Finally, two comments. I believe out-of-staters should pay more. They don't pay Oregon taxes. Second, I believe Oregon residents should get first dibs on site reservations - our parks. Some states, Montana and Michigan, for example, issue a sort-of resident card with an ID #. An Oregon driver's license could serve the same purpose. You submit that ID number when you book online or register at the campground. In-staters get a cheaper rate."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future. It is important to note, Oregon State Park operations are funded with campsite fees and lottery funding and do not receive any state tax dollars.</p>
55	Stephanie Crowell		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee	<p>"please please PLEASE do not have the reservation windows and fees etc vary across parks !!! Whatever system is decided should be customer/user friendly by being predictable for wherever a person wants to camp/reserve."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment. OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system.</p>
56	Linda Martin		Reservation Window	<p>"With not allowing same day reservation, what about the people that need a spot for one night when they are traveling? I also don't think a person should be able to reserve 18 months ahead of time. You hold on to our money long enough as it is now."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment, the proposed amendment would allow for same day reservation, so that someone could make a reservation on the night they wished to camp. The intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.</p>

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57	Ronald Jee		Reservation Window, Stay Length	<p>"I favor a increase of allowing advance reservations for SP campgrounds of more than the 30-days to at least 9 months to greatly increase the availability for campers to make a reservation of their preference (location and dates)"</p> <p>"I also, favor a max length of reservation duration of 1 week. if Covid requires a reduction of the resevation or shutdown then fine, but also, give those who had reservations cancelled a priority to reschedule of the general public."</p>	Thank you for your comment, as of January 14, 2021 the reservation window has been expanded to six-months. Staff will consider your suggestions around stay limits as there is capacity for rulemaking.
58	Kirsten Holstein		Reservation Window	"Who wouldn't agree that you need flexibility in scheduling, but to extend the date to 18 months prior to a reservation would serve what purpose? I imagine people just gobbling up sites only to cancel at the last minute. 18 months is too long, yes you have a rush at 9 months to reserve sites but that is because Oregon campsites are extremely popular. I fear being frozen out if when I look all sets are taken a year and a half away."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
59	Mark Evers		Reservation Window	<p>Resubmits the same statement: Mark Evers suggests the following, noting that the current 30 day window is too short.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Allow reservations up to nine months ahead of the arrival date with a non-refundable deposit plus a non-refundable administration fee (ReserveAmerica's fee).</li> <li>•Require full payment 30 days before arrival.</li> <li>•If the park closes for any reason, only refund that portion paid 30 days prior to arrival. In other words, campers who reserve ahead of time take a financial risk.</li> <li>•I am sure that there are other details to consider, but this change would allow families (like ours) to make our plans for next summer. "</li> </ul>	Beginning January 14, OPRD extended the reservation window from 30-days to six months.

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60	Ginger Clausen		Limit Amount of Reservations	"I think there should be limits placed on reservations such as no more than 1 reservation per person at one time or within 90 days. Some people can afford to reserve week after week, weekend after weekend, way in advance. They just cancel a week ahead if it doesn't work with their other plans, and can afford to lose the reservation fee...The current system favors those with money to spare."	Thank you for your comment. OPRD will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.
61	Tona Brewer		Flexibility	"These changes are very needed. I would like to see groups of sites available at different times. Currently, you need to register 6-9 months in advance for popular sites. However, it's challenging to know what you will be doing that far in advance. It would be great to have some sites at a single campground available 9 months in advance, additional sites available 3 months in advance, and additional sites available 2 to 4 weeks in advance."	Thank you for your comments. The flexibility in reservation window proposed in this rule, will provide park staff options to vary lengths of reservation windows for sites within a park.
62	Chuck Barnes		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee, Out of State Campers	"18 months advance registration is way too long. In line with neighboring states and Federal parks (i.e. Corp parks), 8 or 9 month lead times are plenty generous. The 15 dollar fee is way out of line with other systems. If the current 8 dollar fee does not cover costs, 10 dollar would be reasonable. All of our neighboring states discriminate against Oregon residents with fees. ABOVE ALL FOR CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE A \$20 FEE PER RESERVATION FOR ALL NON-RESIDENTS. Oregon parks should be more available to Oregon residents. Out of stateres should be limited to a 3 month reservation lead as well. Oregon daily fees already outstrip other parks.....don't make it worse for Oregonians."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events be longer than 12 months. The agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible. OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system. Staff are recommending the agency begin a review of potential changes to out-of-state camping rates.

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63	Bruce Mowrey		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee, Out of Sate Campers	"1. Changing the reservations to specific RV Sites out to 18 months is is too far out, and will only cause more cancelations that you currently have. Most people can easily deal with 9 months out. If you feel the need to make a change, they go to 12 months out. 2. W have no issues with the additional reservation fees of cancelation fees. 3. However, our biggest complaint comes from out of state reservations. I believe the parks in question are Oregon State Parks. Residents of the state of Oregon should have at least a 3 month period to make reservation in our state parks prior to opening up to anyone."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events be longer than 12 months. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.
64	Steve Heldt		Reservation Window, Out of Sate Campers	"I believe 18 months is an excessive period of time for advance reservations. Nine months has been a good timeframe but 12 months would be reasonable. Most people aren't able to realistically plan out 18 months so this seems like it would allow people to randomly block out days and times so others who are actually putting together a realistic plan will be blocked out. Additionally, the out of state fee should absolutely remain in place."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events be longer than 12 months. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.
65	Sharon Colburn		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee	"I strongly recommend the nine-month reservation period. It is way too hard to make your plans 18 months ahead. Too many unforeseeable plans can change in 18 months. Being charged \$15 for cancellation fees can end up being a hardship on the budget."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events be longer than 12 months. The agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.

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66	Pamela Williams		Reservation Window, Reservation System	"I support the proposed changes. It would be helpful if the website for reservations makes it easy to sort or filter by the reservation window. For example, if I'm looking at making a reservation 6 month out, and I want to know which campgrounds are just now opening that window. Also, have you considered having several reservation windows for the busier campgrounds? For example, instead of all spots being 18 months out, have some percentage (or an entire loop) at 18 months, some at 9 months, and some at 6 months ... or some variation of that. It might make the proposal more popular. The percentages and the windows could always be adjusted."	Thank you for your comments. The flexibility in reservation window proposed in this rule, will provide park staff options to vary lengths of reservation windows for sites within a park.
67	Leroy Mueller		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee, Out of State Campers	"I think that this proposal is a great idea, it would make it much easier to schedule farther in advance vacations to state parks. I also believe that the added reservation fees are acceptable and necessary to maintain the great state parks that we all enjoy, also I am happy to see that out of state reservations are paying more for the use of our resources."	Thank you for your comment. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.
68	Dodi Davies		Out of State Campers	"I would like the 30% extra daily camping fee for out of state residents to be permanent."	Thank you for your comment. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.
69	Kitrina Kennedy		Reservation Window	"Please DO NOT extend the open reservation on tent camp sites to 18 months. PLEASE KEEP IT ALL AT THE NEW 1 MONTH!! The 1 month window from this summer was so much better than the previous 9 month window."	Thank you for your comments. Beginning January 14, 2021, the reservation window was extended to six months.
70	Rod Hevland		Transaction Fee	"Please try to keep the reservation fee as low as possible in order to allow camping fees to be reasonable and still maintain the campgrounds in good shape."	Thank you for your comment, the agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.

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71	Byron Rendar		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee	"I am opposed to these changes. I use state parks for camping and currently 2-year day park pass. There is no real reason given as to how the pandemic makes it necessary for flexibility, especially the 18-month change which seems an arbitrary doubling of the current period. Obviously people with reservations should have their money fully refunded when parks close for a reason beyond their control. But the change in fees from \$0 to \$15 and the doubling of the period is a transparent attempt to funnel more money into state parks. I don't see any analysis of the impact of these changes and its impact on users and the park system itself. Don't sneak these changes in."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events be longer than 12 months. The agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.
72	Ron Young		Transaction Fee	"I think the reservation? cancellation fee should not exceed \$10, because you need to make a res. so far out for popular campgrounds."	Thank you for your comment, the agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.
73	Mark Long		Transaction Fee	"I would strongly suggest that most of not all of the campground fees be refunded if a cancellation is timely made. Because there are no or only modest refunds for cancellations, people are not motivated to cancel, and simply don't show up, leaving empty spaces when the campgrounds are in very high demand."	Thank you for your comment. OPRD will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.

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74	Charles Sypher		Reservation Window	". All oregon state campgrounds under the online reservation system should be handled the same. To change some campgrounds so the reservation can be made later or some campgrounds would charge more makes no sense. It works just fine now. everyone knows when they can make a reservation and how much it will be. to use the excuse that this is needed for covid-19 is a excuse. Covid has been with us for almost a year and some changes that were necessary were made. It worked. Leave it alone. The public will be pissed if this change takes place as they will be used to knowing when to make a reservation for one campground. Then they make a reservation for another campground only to find out its already full because those early reservation dates are different and were earlier. No Change."	Thank you for your comment. OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexiblity must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system.
75	Dave Klegg		Reservation Window	"I feel the 9 month reservation window is fair to campers, and a proposed 18 month reservation window is too long. If a 18 month window is implemented, it would allow campers to make reservations that they may never use, thus tying-up any sites that could be reserved by others."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events be longer than 12 months.

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76	James Whitney		Reservation Window	"The 9 month window has worked reasonably well for this. If the reservation window remains at the current 30 days, having our Family Camp for 2021 is all but impossible...A short reservation window is very inconvenient to all campers who are trying to plan their summer schedule, but it is particularly impactful to groups. The Oregon Parks should offer an extended reservation window for groups that need 5 or more sites for their planned activity. A minimum of 2 weeks sooner than campers who only need a single site and are able to settle for any open site would help a lot. The longer the reservation window can be, the better. 9 months worked okay. 1 year might be even better."	Beginning January 14, OPRD extended the reservation window from 30-days to six months.
77	Susan Long		Transaction Fee, No Reservations	"if we stay at one location for a night and travel to another the next night we are charged \$16 in fees for 2 nights camping. When added to the site fee it brings the cost close to what a private RV company charges. I would not mind paying a little more, perhaps \$10 to make up to 3 location reservations, but feel just raising the fee for each reservation is greedy and discourages people from using the state system. Maybe possible to use in house system or go back to first come, first serve and eliminate reservations."	Thank you for your comment, the agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.
78	Randy Page		Out of State Campers, Reservation System Timing	"When booking windows are established Oregonians should have at least a 24 hour earlier booking window then non residents, I could go on and on why this is the fair and correct thing to do but i won't. It's laughable to think that the State of Oregon would loose any revenue do to this. Also can't you start the booking window time frame from midnight to say 7:00 AM like the state of Washington has done. Gee just think no more up at midnight trying to compete and make a reservation."	Thank you for your comment. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.

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79	Linda Irons		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee	"In favor of 18 month reservation window – 30 days has made it basically impossible to get a reservation. (every day is a race) Standard \$8 fee per transaction is acceptable. \$15 is ridiculous, and \$0 would be preferred. It is already expensive to get out and enjoy the Oregon State Parks without increases in \$\$ and limited reservation times."	Thank you for your comment, the agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.
80	Jared Considine		Veterans, Showers	"Do not charge disabled veterans any money to make a reservation. If they cancel charge them \$8. Allow every campground to have a permanent disabled veteran campsite along w the same day sites you already have. Allow all veterans in Oregon to reserve on the same day if there is a no show or if there is an unreserved site. Please also keep the showers and bathrooms open for campers."	Thank you for your comment, OPRD is proud of our Veterans Special Access pass program that currently has over 40,000 service-connected disabled veterans enrolled. Most years we provide over one million dollars in free camping to veterans as part of the program. While we want to preserve access to the program, we are cautious of changes that would increase the costs.
81	Randy Page		Out of State Campers	Shared additional comment via Interested Party email reply: "Hopefully close consideration is given to not just me but a lot of Oregonians I have spoken with by allowing Oregonians a 24 hour earlier booking window then non Oregonians for campground reservations. This would sure be a nice gesture and a gift to all Oregonians after a troubling year like 2020. "	Thank you for your comment. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.

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82	Joan Carey and John Scoon		Transaction Fee, Reservation Window, Open All Park (COVID), Same Day Reservations, Out of State Campers	<p>"1. \$15, please do NOT do that. \$8 is already excessive for a single night reservation. \$8 is fine if you are making a two week reservation, but not for a day or two. How about a sliding scale, less \$\$ for fewer nights? Topping out at \$8-10 if you stay the full 14 days? Cancelling reservations in a timely manner should not be punished.</p> <p>2. 18 month ahead? Again, that is only going to punish Oregon residents. We would like more consideration given to keeping some space for OR taxpayers.</p> <p>3. Please open the non-reservation parks. We now know that “touching” envelopes is not the primary mode of transmission.</p> <p>4. Even though there were often empty spaces, we were not allowed to stay and had to go home to unsafe air. Please return to a system where same day “reservations” are allowed..or better yet, with no reservation, have a mechanism for people to stay extra days in a campground when there is space. And, of course, the fact that you’d closed the non-reservation parks only exacerbated the problem.</p> <p>5. We’ve heard that parks would be charging out of state users extra fees. I don’t know if that happened, but yes, please do."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment, the agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.</p>

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83	Don Stelma		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee	"The proposed permanent changes appear to be the result of a temporary problem. Covid will eventually end. It's uncommon to reserve camp sites 1-1/2 years in advance, campers with unlimited time and resources could tie up the best sites way into the future. Plus, a \$15 transaction fee, that's nearly half the cost of a nightly fee. I say leave the reservation system as is."	Thank you for your comment, beginning January 14, OPRD extended the reservation window from 30-days to six months. The intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. The agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.
84	Tara Zomerdyk		Reservation Window	"- Variations between booking windows depending on which Oregon State Park you want to book will lead to frustration. There should be consistency throughout the park system. - I fail to see or understand the benefits of opening the booking window to 18 months or the benefit to having variability within the park system. - I don't know anyone that plans a camping trip 18 months in advance (this will inevitable lead to more cancelations & prevent groups that want to camp together from being able to do so within a reasonable booking timeframe i.e. 9 months in advance)."	Thank you for your comment. OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system. The intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events be longer than 12 months.
85	Larry Jacobs		Reservation Window	". This year was unique in making reservations. However it should be one window, nothing wrong with the 9 months now. The reason it should be one window is many people plan on a multi-park vacation. One window for all parks lets you plan your whole trip and make reservations for various parks. "	Thank you for your comment. OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system.

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86	Linda Hill		Transaction Fee, Reservation Window	<p>" I feel strongly that the \$8 fee to make, change or cancel a reservation is adequate and should not be increased. Increasing this fee will only serve to shut out those people with lower or fixed incomes. I also strongly oppose increasing the reservation window to more than 9 months. The type of flexibility that could improve the reservation system would be the use of short-term and long-term reservation windows. This system could have a 30-day reservation window for 50% of the sites (both tent and trailer) and a 9-month window for the remaining 50%. For popular parks, a two-tier system such as this would serve Oregonians the best, including local communities. The system that has been in place is especially favorable to the segment of users that are "glamping""</p> <p>"I would also like to point out that I have a modest tent trailer, but pay the same fee as large RVs that gobble up far more electricity "</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment. OPRD will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.</p>

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87	Shelly Lomax		Reservation Window, 736-015- 0015: 2(b) Change	<p>"It is desirable from a citizen perspective to have parks that accept reservations use the same reservation period to the greatest extent possible. "</p> <p>": The existing (Pre-Covid-19) reservation window of nine (9) months provides adequate time for users to reliably make plans and reservations; an 18 month window is too large. If parks have an 18 month booking window it is highly likely that campers, not knowing specifically what their plans may or may not be a year and a half in advance, will reserve campsites "just in case". "</p> <p>"Section 736-015-0015: 5 (f) "A person may not cancel their reservation more than eight month in advance of the arrival date" .</p> <p>Comment: Currently no change is proposed to this section, however, change should be considered. If an individual makes a reservation by mistake or realizes they are not going to be able to use a reservation then they should be able to cancel immediately so that the site becomes available to others. This is an issue under the current nine (9) month booking window and it certainly would be of concern for parks that had up to an 18 month window."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment. OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system. The intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events be longer than 12 months.</p>

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88	Ric Albeck		Reservation Window, 736-015-0015: 2(b) Change	<p>"It is desirable from a citizen perspective to have parks that accept reservations use the same reservation period to the greatest extent possible. "</p> <p>": The existing (Pre-Covid-19) reservation window of nine (9) months provides adequate time for users to reliably make plans and reservations; an 18 month window is too large. If parks have an 18 month booking window it is highly likely that campers, not knowing specifically what their plans may or may not be a year and a half in advance, will reserve campsites "just in case". "</p> <p>"Section 736-015-0015: 5 (f) "A person may not cancel their reservation more than eight month in advance of the arrival date" .</p> <p>Comment: Currently no change is proposed to this section, however, change should be considered. If an individual makes a reservation by mistake or realizes they are not going to be able to use a reservation then they should be able to cancel immediately so that the site becomes available to others. This is an issue under the current nine (9) month booking window and it certainly would be of concern for parks that had up to an 18 month window."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment. OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system. The intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events be longer than 12 months.</p>

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89	Mary Webster		Reservation Fee, Reservation Window, Out of state campers, open parks	<p>"\$8 is already excessive for a single night reservation. \$15 is just way too much"</p> <p>"18 months ahead? Ridiculous! Keep some space for OR taxpayers. What does a lengthy reservation lead time have to do with Covid? "</p> <p>"Please open the non-reservation parks"</p> <p>"Please return to a system where same day "reservations" are allowed - or better yet, let people to stay extra days in a campground when there is space"</p> <p><del>"We've heard that parks would be charging out of state</del></p>	<p>Thank you for your comment. The intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.</p>
90	Cathy Crandall		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee, More Detail Needed	<p>"I am against extending the reservation window to 18 months, and also against the proposed fee changes on the basis of lack of transparency about how the changes will work and where the money is going."</p> <p>"It would be wonderful if, when suggesting changes such as those proposed here, more information were given so that more informed comments could be made. Simply stating that the fee structure will be provided on the state parks' website is really not helpful. It is impossible to understand how these fees will really work based on the information I have seen. "</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment, the agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible. Staff will strive to provide more information about proposed fees in the future.</p>
91	Travis Wilhoite		Transaction Fee, Reservation Window	<p>"I agree with a flexible fee range to make, change or cancel a reservation that makes sense. Forest service does it. However, I would argue that 18 months is way too far in advance for a reservation window to open up. Even 9 months is quite long when you consider the type of planning and coordination with work and holiday schedules that it requires...In my opinion six months is more than enough of a reservation window, definitely no longer than nine months. "</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment. OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system. The intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events be longer than 12 months.</p>

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92	Chris Pierce		no pets	"I have a suggestion: there should be a whole section of the campground where pets are not allowed. It doesn't seem fair that those of us without dogs, especially, should have to camp next to people who bring one, two, three...dogs to the campground. Give those of us without dogs an area where we don't have to be around them."	Thank you, we will consider changes in pet policies as staffing capacity allow.
93	Brian Zmolek		Reservation window	"This proposal means that campers will have less time to plan vacations with less time to adjust plans if you don't get what you want. Additionally, some employers require several weeks / months notice for paid-time off requests and this proposal doesn't lineup with that. This proposal will make trip planning less predictable for OPRD campers and I don't think is in the best interest of campers."	Thank you for your comment. OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system. The intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events be longer than 12 months.
94	Craig Foster		Reservation window	"Personally, I prefer the 30 day or perhaps a 60 day advance reservation window. It gives me a chance to compete for a site . I understand the desire to be able to plan for vacation far in advance or those full time RVers that travel the country needing an itinerary, but I believe most camping is done by week-enders so to speak. That being said, it seems a bit unfair to be booking even 9 months in advance which can effectively lock-out others just trying to get away. I know there is no perfect solution to everyone's satisfaction but, just wanted to give my 2 cents worth."	Thank you for your comment. The flexible reservation window, proposed in the rule, would allow for flexibility in the length of the reservation window for different sites within a campground.

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95	Kim Carey		Too much variety, wants consistent rule	"I strongly disagree with the idea of letting each individual park determine its own reservation window and set their own reservation fees. These parks are all run by the same organization, and having different rules for each will get very confusing and problematic... I can understand shortening the reservation window from 9 months, but I think it's imperative that it be consistent across all of the parks. Same with the reservation fee. It's understandable that nightly fees may be different for different parks, as they each may have different amenities - but the fee to make it change a reservation (and all the rules associated with making, changing, and canceling them) should be the same across the board. "	Thank you for your comment. OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system.
96	Bruce Hall		Reservation Window	"I strongly disagree with your proposal to change the nine-month window for making campground reservations. The flexibility you are requesting is already creating chaos for Oregon individuals and families. Your arbitrary decision this past summer to only accept reservations from one to thirty days in advance does not allow for any future planning. Most citizens must plan ahead to schedule time off and coordinate plans with families. Policies should not be established to accommodate people who cannot plan ahead... Oregon State parks should be managed for the maximum enjoyment of citizens, not managed for the convenience of the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department and its employees."	Thank you for your comments, as of January 14, 2021 the reservation window has been extended to six months.

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97	Dave Klark		Reservation Window	"I am opposed to the 18-month window for new reservations. Allowing a 18-month window, will tie-up reservations to the popular parks, and not allow other users to make reservations. If a reservation is made, and circumstances change for the reservation maker, and the reservation is not cancelled, that EIGHTEEN MONTHS that plans for other users are on hold to make a reservation at the site. When 18 months is allowed for all sites, that's a year and a half that all the preferred sites are taken, thus forcing others to make other plans for other parks.....and starts a 18 month ripple effect. Please leave the reservation window at 9 months, or at the most, a year."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
98	Cathy Lambeth	Cascades Presbyterian Family Camp	Reservation Window	"We ask that you consider making accommodations for larger groups in the reservation procedures. Please allow groups reserving multiple campsites to use the existing reservation nine-month time frame, or at the very least some extended window to complete our reservations and coordinate with the Park"	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
99	Glen Chapman		Reservation Window	"The system right now only benefits those that are retired and can go at anytime.. Please bring back the 9 month advanced reservation system."	Beginning January 14, OPRD extended the reservation window from 30-days to six months.
100	Mark Leonard		Reservation Window, Empty Reserved Sites	"You might want to add more first come first serve sites at more campgrounds whether or not you extend the 9 month period to 18 months. As for reservations going unused, I have seen that as well as people who simply arrive late...Final word, I understand it; but, this 30 day window and no showers is a pain!"	Beginning January 14, OPRD extended the reservation window from 30-days to six months. The agency will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.

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101	Cathy Lambeth	Cascades Presbyterian Family Camp	Reservation Window	"We ask that you consider making accommodations for larger groups in the reservation procedures. Please allow groups reserving multiple campsites to use the existing reservation nine-month time frame, or at the very least some extended window to complete our reservations and coordinate with the Park"	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
102	Daryl Hubler		Reservation Window	"Based on the information and explanations presented, the objective and benefits of moving the reservation window to 18 months from 9 months is extremely unclear. I am against such a change... Will simply move the rush to reserve a spot so far into the future i.e. from 9 months to 18 months... Will push campers to reserve spots just to reserve spots with unclear intent to use...Cancellation fees will increase in volume as people come to realize its easier to reserve that favorite spot just in case and then pay a small cancellation fee to get out of it...Let the dust settle then make a decision to improve, but only if it improves the process for the camping public. Because right now, this proposal does nothing to improve the camper experience."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
103	Jill Calamar		Reservation Window	"Please do not extend the reservation window beyond 9 mos. It is hard enough to get a campsite with that window. 18 mos would be impossible. Wealthy people just book lots and lots just in case and then cancel later, making it hard for regular people to get a site. A shorter window 1-3 mos seems more fair to everyone. "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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104	Rod Evers		Cancellations, Reservation Window	<p>" I get it if you have to cancel due to the current health situation but to just come out and cancel everything for the year was rather harsh. I believe the situation should be reviewed and updated on a daily or weekly basis.</p> <p>I believe that we should go back to the nine(9) month in advance reservation system. This allows for advance planning...Having a thirty(30) day window is not a desirable option. First of all, you have a massive amount of people trying to make reservation for a number of limited spots(mostly weekends)in a short period of time. Secondly, you do not have a "harsh" enough system in place to capture those people that habitually make reservations and then cancel or shorten their reservation(i.e. make a reservation for two weeks then shorten it to the week or days they really want). And thirdly, once the restrictions are lifted, you get that large surge of people who want to go camping and crowd the parks.</p>	<p>Beginning January 14, OPRD extended the reservation window from 30-days to six months. The agency will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.</p>

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105	Julie Stacy		Empty Reserved Sites, Reservation Window	"there is a huge problem with people reserving spots and doing a no show.... we were not able to take their spots and they did not come for over 2 - 5 nights but had reserved ahead of time.... there needs to be some sort of rule that says if the person that made the reservation does not show within 24 hours of the designated reservation.....they forfeit their spot. Also the campgrounds need to keep at least 20% of the sites that are available first come first serve... Please review this as if you were wanting to go camping on a last minute trip. There is no opportunities for people that have a very limited schedule. This should not be about money, but making camping available for everyone and not just people whom get on the web to book multiple sites that they possibly may or may not show up to throughout the year. There needs to be a penalty of sorts so they stop over reserving sites they never show up to.	Thank you for your comment, the agency will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.
106	David Newlyn		Transaction Fee, Reservation Window	"We support any increased fees that you need but not the flexible reservation windows. Please don't make it too confusing. Some sites would be open but not all sites, it already sounds confusing, especially for families and friends trying to reserve and camp together. We support keeping a standard reservation window."	Thank you for your comment. OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system.
107	Maureen Nelson		Reservation Window	"please extend the window for reservations up to a year in advance! As it is now, it is difficult to arrange work/vacation time in order to be able to go. And as I look for available camp sites, most everything is already reserved by those who can book on a moment's notice! I think 18 months is too far out as many sites could be reserved but not actually occupied but then also not available to other campers. A 9-12 month window allows for flexibility in planning. In addition, for planning purposes, I think all the parks should be opened at the same time and have the same reservation fees."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. Beginning January 14, OPRD extended the reservation window from 30-days to six months.

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108	Sally Peterson		Transaction Fees, Out of state campers, Reservation Window	"A slight adjustment in reservation fees may be warranted and a set reservation fee should be added to all non-resident reservations. In addition, the sooner normalized reservations timeframes can be reinstated the more quickly the park system will be able to normal revenue flows. The 18 month reservation window is way too far out both for the parks and for the campers – please leave that at 9 months in advance."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future
109	Kenneth Kudrna		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee, Out of State Campers, Cancellations	"I am guessing that such long lead time would cause considerable change and cancellation activity as well. Until creditable reason for such a change is presented I can only hope you leave it at nine months. It works!"  "Please don't make [transaction fees] confusing. If a price increase is justified, so be it, but make all parks the same."  "Either institute higher out of state rates or delay the start of their reservation window or both."  "It is however a given that people (number not known) reserve an earlier start date then they plan on using just to get into the system earlier and cancel front end days."	Thank you for your comment OPRD will begin researching options around our cancellation policy and for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.
110	James Rickards		Reservation Window,	"As a working husband and father, it's very difficult for me to plan our family camping trip this summer. Most employers need/desire more than 30 days advance notice when their employees would like to take vacation."	Beginning January 14, OPRD extended the reservation window from 30-days to six months.

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111	Barb Smith		Reservation Window	"I expected a change to the time frame, but thought it would probably be shortened since it was stated by OPRD that having nine months of reservations to deal with when the closures happened was very difficult. My thought is a 4 or 6 month advance reservation time would be much easier for campers to plan for. The previous 9 month rule was a stretch for many to plan that far ahead and to go beyond that seems would make for more cancellations and changes overall."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. Beginning January 14, OPRD extended the reservation window from 30-days to six months.
112	David Tooze		Reservation Window	"Don't forget who your customers are. Too much of what you have been doing had been for your convenience, not to accommodate your customer base! With regard to reservations, customers need certainty. We need to be able to make reservations in advance with st least 6 months to plan. Your present 30 day system is a joke."	Beginning January 14, OPRD extended the reservation window from 30-days to six months.
113	Penny Close		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee	"Even with a 9 month reservation window, it is still sometimes difficult to secure a reservation in advance. Because of this, I am opposed to opening the reservation window to 18 months in advance. I believe this would make it more difficult to secure a reservation as reservations would be tied up for an extended period only to, possibly, be cancelled at the last minute. This leaves families scrambling at the last minute to make plans etc. I am not opposed to increasing fees to run Oregon State Parks but I do implore you to leave the reservation window to no more than 9 months in advance. "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. Beginning January 14, OPRD extended the reservation window from 30-days to six months.
114	Kati Tomlinson		Oregon Residents, Reservation Window	"I think that Oregon residents should have a longer. Of time to make reservations. 30 days is virtually impossible for most people to plan. It might work better to have the shorter time apply to out-of-state visitors as they do take a lot of the spots at the Oregon campgrounds. "	Thank you for your comment, OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.

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115	Roger Gibson		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee	<p>"I cannot see how making these changes, will increase flexibility. To me, in order to nimbly respond, blanket rules allows for uniformity, and then everyone will have the same experience/expectation. If there are different rules for different parks/facilities, that will only cause confusion, in any changing conditions. Also, OSP will have to do many more website updates, to keep people informed of all the variants. This seems to be unneeded extra work by OSP, and if one does not take the extra time to research, they may be turned away and angry when they arrive at their destination and it's not open for whatever reason. Also, this will likely increase phone calls and inquiries to OSP."</p> <p>"Since there are really two statement regarding the 18 months, may I ask, which verbiage is correct? More importantly, an 18-month reservation window is extremely hard to plan for. This will cause untold hardship on all Oregonian campers, as well as out of state visitors. It is currently hard enough to plan camping trips 9 months in advance, so,18 months is nearly impossible. I see a lot more cancelations for campers, if an 18 month reservation window is adopted. "</p> <p>". How can fees &amp; costs vary, when the same reservation</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. The fees the agency pays for reservations vary based on the method of the reservation, for example our vendor charges the agency more for reservations made over the telephone than those made through the internet. The flexibility included in this proposal will allow for the agency to work with our vendor on options to incentivize customers to utilize lower cost options.</p>
116	Wendy Schlichting		Reservation Window, Transaction Fees	<p>"As a consumer I need to have consistency with a booking period across all parks. I also think the indie should greater than 90 days as most people have to request time off of work far in advance. I am ok with the fees varying by parks and cancellation process. I think the longer you have a reservation the more it should cost you to cancel."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment, OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system. The agency will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.</p>

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117	Beth Faulhaber		Reservation Window	"I am concerned about your proposed window reservation time. 18 months seems way too far in advance, and I am particularly concerned with your statements that not all sites would be open during reservation windows and that neither the maximum or minimum ends of the range will necessarily be made available at any given time. I understand that you had serious budget issues when you had refund camping reservations during the closures last spring, but having inconsistent reservation windows is not the path to budget stability... Having a confusing and complicated and inconsistent reservation window will frustrate your campers and have them exploring private campgrounds that are more user friendly. I don't see any advantage to the random flexibility you are proposing, only disadvantages. 9 months seemed a doable window for reservations, if you are wanting it to be longer my suggesting would be 11 or 13 months..."	Thank you for your comment,OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system. The intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
118	Lori Jay- Linstrom		Reservation Window	"Make a reservation up to one year in advance. I think 18 months is a long stretch. I feel as if would prevent people from getting/making reservations as people really aren't always sure they will be able to get off work or whatever in an 18 month time period"	The intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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119	Malia Gibbons		Reservation Window, Out of State Campers, Maximum Days, Larger tent sites	<p>"1) People can not hoard sites when making reservations. ONE WEEL MAX limit to reserve.</p> <p>2) Oregon residents have a two week grace period to reserve BEFORE out of state guests!!!!!!!!!!!!</p> <p>3) One year ahead reservations, not a year and one half!</p> <p>4) reinstate bigger TENT areas!! All those darn noisy RV's are disruptive to campers who are out to enjoy nature, vs people pulling in to a beautiful area and have radios, tv, and more blasting!!!"</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.</p>
120	Rod Evers		Cancellations	<p>"Have you considered using a cancellation policy similar to Washington State Parks /Tacoma Power whereas the longer you have the reservation the more it costs you to cancel as you get closer to your camping dates based on your total cost of the reservation?"</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment, the agency will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.</p>
121	Andy Crump	Cascades Presbyterian Family Camp	Reservation Window, Cancellations	<p>"Changing to a 30 day lead time is nearly unworkable for any group camping since groups will typically want to have sites together"</p> <p>"Groups should be given lead times longer than individuals for planning and site grouping reasons."</p> <p>Makes suggestions around how to implement cancellations.</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. The agency will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.</p>

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122	Mernita Cheek		Reservation Window	"I know for myself as well as my family and our church family, that its hard enough to schedule vacations 9 months out. With your proposal of registration for 18 months in advance would make it impossible for us to plan our camping vacation that far in advance...So I am hoping and praying that you will stick to your original 9 month in advance for registration and that ALL the state camp grounds follow the same. "	Thank you for your comment,OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexiblity must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system. The intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
123	Randi Gonzales		Reservation Window, Out of State Campers, empty reserved sites	"Many of is can not even get in on the normal 9 month window. Many of us liked the 30 but 6 months is good enough and is inline with federal recreation.gov. The problem with your system is abuse by so many out of state campers as well as locals reserving several sites for at different campgrounds the same week then when time comes up they figure which ine they want and cancel all the others or just never show up, and leaves so many families struggling to have quality time camping cause there are not any open spots and also the hosts DO NOT remove those reserved signs for the whole weekend."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
124	Sue Jensen		Reservation Window	"I understand the need for flexibility in fees. My only concern is extending the window beyond 9 months. Please do not do that. Planning for vacations out 18 months out seems crazy."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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125	Terry and Patsy Kimzey		Transaction Fee, Out of state campers	"Whatever you need to do to make them viable and keep them operating is fine. Even up to a \$15 charge for reservations is reasonable. One thing we feel very strongly about is keeping the out of state fee intact for people coming from other states. We discovered last year that a huge percentage of people in Oregon's parks were from out of state (mainly California and Washington) and those state sure charge the heck out of out of state people. Fair is fair. Give true Oregonians first chance at OUR parks, and if other state people want to use them, fine, but charge for the privilege."	Thank you for your comment, OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.
126	Janice Patterson		Reservation Window	"I urge the state to keep the same reservation window for all state parks. It seems like a nightmare for the user to determine each parks reservation window and causes a disadvantage when trying to make reservations during busy times."	Thank you for your comment,OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexiblity must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system.
127	Chris Sharp		Reservation Window	"I am not in agreement to extend reservations out for 18 months. It is hard enough to get reservations, and people making them out that far would only make it harder. They would have a site or cabin tied up for 18 months, then can cancel at last minute. Hard to make plans out 18 months. I really like the idea of keeping it at 6 months."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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128	Rob and Debbie Kissler		Reservation Window	<p>"We feel that either 6 or 9 months in advance is fair to everyone.</p> <p>With that you should have less cancelations versus someone that can book up to 18 months there fore the parks will be more accessible to those who book and plan on keeping their reservation. Also we feel every camp site should be consistent in rule and fees to keep it simple."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment,OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexiblity must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system. The intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.</p>
129	Keith Euhus		Reservation Window	<p>"Many people, including me, cannot plan that far in advance. So by the time we would be able to try to book, open sites would be largely gone.</p> <p>The current 9 months is on the edge of when I know enough about my personal plans and schedule to make a reservation.</p> <p>Something else I would like to see is some first come - first serve campsites like the Forest Service does."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.</p>

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130	Jennifer Hulford Odell		Reservation Window	<p>", the idea of being able to book out campsites 18 months in advance greatly concerns me and my family. I have been camping my whole life, and being able to plan this far out really shuts people out.</p> <p>And sadly, the last piece is that there are people who will swallow up campsites just because they want to make sure they have them, and then not show up. I think having a further away booking window will foster this because people won't know and will just grab as much as they can.</p> <p>I honestly think a six month booking window is perfect. It is very realistic to plan our summer starting in January. Yes, problems can come up in life that may cancel the plans, but for the most part we, and I believe most people, have a pretty good idea of what's going to happen six months down the road.</p> <p>I also love the idea of leaving some campsites open until the last minute, for many folks who might realize they could take a Thursday or Friday off a week before, and then can maybe get a campsite.</p> <p>I would also propose different penalties for people who just don't show up without canceling."</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. The agency will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.</p>
131	Amy Nokes		Reservation Window	<p>"I am adamantly against this long of a time frame. 9 months seems to work well"</p>	<p>Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.</p>

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132	Paul Davis		Reservation Window	"In my opinion, a near-term only booking window, (such as 30 days), results in missed revenue opportunity for OSP; the majority of campers prefer to book campsites where longer term booking windows exist, because they cannot afford to wait until the last minute to make vacation plans."	Beginning January 14, OPRD extended the reservation window from 30-days to six months.
133	Catherine Fetters		Reservation Window	", I implore you to not extend the reservation period from 6 to 9 to 18 months. Planning for a trip 18 months in advance takes an inordinate amount of mental stamina and will cause people to book 1,000,000 trips and then down the line go and cancel them, leaving the parks to appear booked when those reservations will just be cancelled prior to the arrival date. "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
134	Ruth		Reservation Window	"I feel opening the reservation window to 18 months advance reservations, gives the customers reserving that far in advance an unfair advantage to someone who is not able to make reservation so far. Especially when their financial situation does not allow them to book in advance. "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
135	Denise Damman		Reservation Window	"Many plans in life are set 6-12 months ahead (weddings, graduations, conferences, other life events). I've found that this makes it much easier to predict when I can make a campground reservation. However, even still changes sometimes need to be made. 18 months is too far ahead. It is unfeasible for most to know what they will be doing in 1.5 years to make a campground reservation... . I feel that users of Oregon state parks will be compromised in their ability to plan for campsites with a change to an 18 month reservation window. This will result in either a lot of cancellations or folks being frustrated that they can't make reservations. "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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136	Daniel Dammann		Reservation Window	"I feel that the 9 month reservation window works fine, and changing to 18 months is much too long and will only cause other problems. Most people will not be able to foresee what they will be doing that far ahead and the likelihood of needing to cancel or change plans only increases as you go farther into the future. This will only make your reservation system unpredictable and harder for people to make reservations. "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
137	Quinn Richards		Reservation Window	"I think it would be terrible for folks like myself who don't know their schedules so far in advance. I think 6 or 9 months makes way more sense because it is enough time to think about it but not so far away that I couldn't plan it. The idea of 18 months makes me feel like I won't be able to get a spot at my favorite camping grounds because people far in advance beat me to it. "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
138	Sarah Koeman		Reservation Window	"Please keep the window to 1 day to 6 months. 18 months is too long"	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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139	Denise Damman		Reservation Window	"Many plans in life are set 6-12 months ahead (weddings, graduations, conferences, other life events). I've found that this makes it much easier to predict when I can make a campground reservation. However, even still changes sometimes need to be made. 18 months is too far ahead. It is unfeasible for most to know what they will be doing in 1.5 years to make a campground reservation... . I feel that users of Oregon state parks will be compromised in their ability to plan for campsites with a change to an 18 month reservation window. This will result in either a lot of cancellations or folks being frustrated that they can't make reservations."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
140	Phillip Pasteris		Reservation Window	"...extending the reservation time to 18 months appears to only add to the uncertainty. Non-refundable reservations 18 months in advance actually constrain participation because people don't know what will happen. Your justification for this change doesn't prove the system is dysfunctional based on what we know about Covid and the Oregon budget."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
141	Stephen Brownfield		Reservation Window, Transaction Fees, Empty Reserved Sites	"Reservations allowed a maximum of 18 months prior to arrival is too far in advance: - Prefer a small portion of campsites (say 20%) be reserved 12 months in advance. Prefer 6 months for most campsites. - Group sites, cabins, yurts, lodges etc. should be 12 months... It is sad to see campsites not being made available because they are reserved but there is no one there for days... Transaction Fees and Deposits (a) \$0 to \$15 registration fee is OK. " Shares additional suggestions.	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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142	David Goeke		Reservation Window	"I believe extending the reservation window to 18 months will result in fewer Oregonians receiving camping access to their parks. It will reward a select few for planning far in advance. But the vast majority of people are not able to plan that far ahead. I understand that people need the ability plan ahead, but 18 months is excessive. 6-12 months is plenty. "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
143	Michele Walters		Reservation Window, Deposits, Biking Rule Enforcement	"All State of Oregon Parks and recreations should remain on a (9) month reservation window - Better time frame and less chance for loss of monies It would be nice if reservations were at a 50% deposit for reservations...All cabins and yurts should go back to off season with fees less during off seasons to help families that could use that price break to still get out and enjoy the parks \$15.00 for a change in reservations is too much - It is a couple of clicks"  "Please enforce helmet rules in parks..."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. The agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.
144	Eric Werner		Reservation Window	"It is hard for individuals to remain flexible and able to adapt to changes if we are planning for trips 18 months in advance. This feels like it would lead to more cancellations and no shows. If you are unable to plan that far in advance, then you are at a disadvantage. I support the 9 month window (I'm actually fine with 6 months) and would love to see same day reservations added."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
145	Melissa Fairbanks		Reservation Window	"have a serious concern about the possibility of opening the reservation window to 18 months DON'T it will destroy the working man's ability to enjoy Oregon camping.... 9 months is hard enough most employers will not allow vacation plans to be made that far out..."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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146	John Fimmano		Reservation Window	"Changing the window for reservations to 18months is a terrible idea. To have to plan a camping trip 18months in advance is next to impossible for most people with any type of job or family. "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
147	Josh Weissert		Reservation Window, Transaction Fees, First come first Served	"Please make the reservation window the same for all parks...Please limit reservations to 9 months in advance... Please have a flat transaction fee for all camping reservations. A "flexible fee" is too complicated and unnecessary... Proposed rule 6.c is unnecessary and has a negative affect on someone that made a mistake while processing their reservation...Please consider holding a limited number of sites at the most popular campgrounds (ie, fort stevens, beverly beach, milo mciver, cape lookout) for first come first serve...Proposed rule 5.f "A person may not cancel reservations more than eight months in advance of the arrival date" seems unnecessary and again negatively affects people that need to get out of a reservation...Proposed rules for claiming a reservation are excellent. this is a much needed improvement to put sites back into the pool for first come first served. However, rule 7.b does not indicate what will happen if a site is vacated early. I recommend adding this to the rule "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. The agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.
148	Seema Bharwano		Reservation Window, Reservation System	"An 18-month window is too long. Who know what one will be doing a year and a half in the future? The current 6-month window seems appropriate, especially given that it aligns with federal campgrounds. Also, please return to the midnight reserve time. 6am is so inconvenient. "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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149	Courtney Humbar		Reservation Window, Transaction Fees	"I do not oppose the new fees for booking. The fee still seems affordable, and I'm sure your costs have increased over time. I do strongly oppose opening the camping reservation window up to 18 months. That is just too far out to plan anything."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
150	Brittany Magana		Reservation Window, Out of state campers	"I don't agree with the proposed 18 month timeline. This is way too far out. I think a 6-9 month window is ideal."  "...give Oregon residents preference over out of staters"	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.

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151	Carolee Barrus		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee, Out of state Campers	"I think that same-day reservations is a great idea. However, I think the suggestion of a reservation window of up to 18 months is far too long, and the reservation should be no more than 9 months out, and preferably 6... The idea of flexible fees for reservations is quite vague. What would this mean? I could support different fees for booking, cancelling, and changing, particularly if these could be used to address the following: too many campsites are reserved and seem to not be used. Can there be penalties, or can multiple day visits that have no-shows be forfeited after a certain grace period such as 24-36 hours with no communication with the park? Lastly, Oregon is extremely popular with tourists, and given that we have no sales tax, I applaud the recent measure to charge out of state reservations a higher fee and think it should continue across all sites. I also think that a discount should be given to those who hold valid, current Oregon state parks and Oregon state recreation passes."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.
152	Ann Henson		Reservation Window	"12 months is already too far out for most working class (and under) folks to make plans. Following through with this rule proves that the state only plays lip service to equity, and prefers its pocketbook instead. What rules can you put in place instead to ensure the access of all Oregonians? How can you better serve the recreators rather than your bottom line? This rule is certainly the opposite of the answer."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. The agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.

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153	Daneil Anderson		Reservation Window	"The 9 month future reservation window should not be extended more than 12 months. 12 months is the typical reservation window for many campgrounds and lodges in National and State Parks. Extending to 18 months will be wasteful. Some reservations will be lost or forgotten and new and out-of-state visitors will be less likely to experience Oregon State Park campgrounds."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.
154	Linda Lee		Transaction Fee, Reservation Window	"I think campers should be charged a penalty of one night's fee for canceling on the front of a reservation. This would deter people from cheating the system and making an early reservation for days that they do not intend to use. If they cancel the whole reservation, this one night's fee should not be charged. In addition, I think changing the reservation time line to 18 months is fine. "	OPRD will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.
155	Melissa Aukerman		Reservation Window, Transaction Fees	"I feel that the increases in reservations fees are reasonable. The change in reservation window to 18 months seems unreasonable though. It is too far in advance to ask people to plan and pay for sites. Nine months felt on the edge of reasonable but it was manageable."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
156	Dora Repp		Reservations	"Leave things as they are, its working "	Thank you for your comment.
157	Brett Suydam		Reservation Window	"18 months seems quite excessive to me. I think at most 12 months should be considered. The current 6 months as of today is fine, and the old 9 months would be good too. 18 months to me feels like many people will book and cancel closer to the event."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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158	Rosemary Pasteris		Reservation Window	"To pay 18 months in advance would stress any family's budget, but especially in these times of job uncertainty. As for planning vacations, that's way too far in the future to know what might come up and change plans... I am definitely opposed to this policy change and would ask that you leave the current time schedule (6 months out) in place. "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
159	Kama Siegel		Reservation Window	"I don't know about any of you, but I don't know what I'm doing 1 month from today, let alone 18 months. I don't think that people who want to get out and enjoy Oregon's wonderful parks should be penalized for this fact, just because a very small fraction of the public have the luxury of making plans a year and a half in advance. It's kind of ridiculous if you think about it. Not to mention extremely privileged."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
160	Alicia Palmer		Reservation Window	"It would be a bad idea to allow people to make reservations 18 months out. People cannot possibly plan that far out and it just makes people make a ton of reservations that they end up canceling later on. I noticed that since the reservation window opened up to 6 months this week, most weekends in June have already filled up!"	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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161	Karri Garaventa		Reservation Window	"I respectfully request that you reconsider the Oregon State Parks reservation period proposal of 18 months. An extension of this amount would have negative impact on working persons and families, or anyone who has to work with the schedules of others. The majority of us are not able to request time off from our jobs so far in advance, nor can a lot of working families budget for 18 months out... . A major extension would shift the balance away from EVERYONE and only into the hands of those who live without the confinement of jobs and school and budgets. That means access would mostly go to the wealthy, and that is not equitable. That should not be the direction that Oregon takes. Please prioritize fairness of access. You might even consider a lottery system for high-demand areas if you're looking for some measure of change. An answer exists, but the 18 month reservation period isn't it."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
162	Chris Knox		Reservation Window	"The 18 month reservation window is FAR too long. How is anyone supposed to know 18 months in the future what their availability and circumstances will be. I think this would be a huge mistake, and would make it less likely and available to many people, especially low income folks with even less stability in their lives "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by
163	Sara Peterson		Reservation Window	"A lottery should be instituted for these similar to the Enchantments back country permits. But beyond all of that, computer programmers have built bots that auto book popular sites as soon as they become available. Extending the booking period is only going to make it harder for those of us who don't use these electronic means to actually be able to book a site. Also, the way most people's PTO from work works, they don't know 18 months in advance if they'll be able to take time off work to use the site they booked. This gives undue advantage to people with more privilege who can make plans so far in advance."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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164	Julia Clay		Reservation Window	"The proposed rule to extend the camping reservation window to 18 months is unrealistic and unfair. It will create inequity in the camping reservation system that favors people with disposable income and flexible schedules but will hurt working families. Camping reservations require pre-payment which will be difficult to budget for 18 months in advance, when current expenses are more pressing"	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
165	John Van Camp		Reservation Window	"I personally am against this proposal; I foresee it will leave even more campsites left unoccupied due to not cancelling. 6mos is consistent with FS. I recommend 50% first come, first serve and 50% 6mos reservation. "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
166	Randy DeBortoli		Flexible Range	"I'm concerned About the proposal which is being promoted as "more flexible" and will vary by location. This will lead to confusion about when to book campsites for particular parks, and ultimately the fee will increase. We shouldn't need a college degree in campground reservations to be able to figure out when and how to book campsites! It is starting to feel a bit like ad hoc rule changes to fishing and hunting regulations. Please do not change the 9 month reservation window everyone is used to."	Thank you for your comment,OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system. The intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
167	Candi Burck		Reservation Window, Out of State Campers	"I like the idea and look forward to hearing how it goes. However I do need to state I'm NOT happy with the "new" out of state registrants fee of 30%. I understand the need for revenue but it makes us stop and wonder if we should stay in our own state and not venture to Oregon. Sad. 15% I wouldn't hesitate, but 30% is just to high. "	Thank you for your comment. The current out-of-state surcharge will be ending March 1, 2021; however, OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.

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168	Kathy Langeliers		Empty Reserved Sites	"Sadly we noticed many sites sat empty because you stopped allowing people to make same day reservations or first come first serve, that couldn't have been because of the spacing for the virus because there was no spacing. I tried to make reservations at Fort Stevens for 3 nights but in doing so I was required to move every night and then no one showed up for those sites that I moved from, plus the staff wanted me to come up to the checkin point everyday to turn in my paperwork not all at once, and I was required to pay 3 reservation fees because I was using 3 different sites. And Why aren't all campgrounds connected to an internet site that keeps them up on all the spaces in the campground ?"	OPRD will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.
169	Patsy McGaughy		Empty Reserved Sites, Reservation System, Transaction Fee	"I encourage you to design the rules so that people who no longer need their reservation - for any reason - are not unduly penalized financially for canceling that reservation in advance. There is nothing more frustrating than being in a campground with several unoccupied sites that were previously reserved, no longer needed, but not cancelled because it was perceived to be too hard or too costly or otherwise "not worth it." This penalizes campers who are seeking last minute campsites. If you are going to open the reservation window 18 months in advance, please only do so for a limited number of sites...Finally, please ensure camp managers and hosts have "back door" access to reservation sites allowing them to delete reservations that are considered "no shows" so new campers can book the sites as they become available."	Thank you for your comment. OPRD will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.

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170	Eileen Forster		Reservation Window	"Please do not offer a window of 18 months to make a reservation. The open window of nine months appears to be fair for all. If you open up to 18 months I fear that a few people/groups will just make so many reservations and only those few that are well prepared with get desired reservations. It's already a well prepared situation, knowing 9 months ahead to make a reservations. I vote for keeping the current rules of 9 months ahead. "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
171	Craig Blakely		Reservation Window, Out of state campers	"Sorry but I fail to see the logic in expanding the window for reservations all the way out to 18 months in advance, unless you are counting on people making those reservations that far in advance and then having to cancel or amend their reservations and the state collects the extra money in the booking fees. Your six month window you just announced would seem to fit a lot better. I also like that you are charging out of state campers more and hope you keep this since we in Oregon do not have a sales tax this is one way to help	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors.
172	Greg McCarty		Transaction Fee	"Allowing individual campgrounds to set their own reservation/cancel fee between \$0-15 probably means the fee will most often be \$15. (Do you think some parks will decrease their fee? I kind of doubt it.) As most Oregon state park campgrounds (especially on the coast) fill to capacity in the warmer months, a higher fee will only impact those on a tighter budget -- which includes a heck of a lot of people. Perhaps a higher fee will dissuade some people from using the parks. Lastly, should we expect to see all camping fees increase as well? I vote for keeping the fee at \$8. "	Thank you for your comment,OPRD will be mindful that any increase in flexibility must be balanced with customer needs for predictability and consistency across the park system. The agency considers the impact of fees and will attempt to have lower cost options when possible.

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173	Lorelei Jossart		Reservation Window, Added Rule Enforcement	"The 30 day rule is better. It gives a person a chance. I would think if you allow reservations 9 months out or 18 or whatever, it just makes people have to cancel more. Having said that, I wish you would have camp hosts that would enforce rules. Like telling people to keep their kids on leashes if necessary. They should not be running through others' campsites. Screaming for hours on end, riding bicycles and skateboards and scooters against the traffic, riding bicycles on trails where signs say not to, bouncing balls off of vehicles, when they could play in a playground (or not). Dogs running loose, off leash, dogs tied out all day to bark and yip while the owner goes elsewhere." Shares additional campground irritations.	Thank you for your comments, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. Our camp hosts are volunteers and do not enforce rules. If you have concerns about rule violations while in a park, please see one of our park rangers.
174	C. Kent Fellows		Reservation Window	"I would like to say the current (well former at this time) 9-month window works well. That allows us to look ahead 3 seasons, and plan for the next season after the last one has concluded...I think planning 2 summers ahead is a little too much. Certainly all sites would book the way the modern world is, and someone who wants to plan something a year ahead would likely have little option. So please, do not go to an 18 month window..."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
175	Leslie Hall		Reservation Window	"the length of the reservation window. 18 months is too long. --limits people without extra funds to plan for two summers --limits people who do not have flexibility in work/vacation schedules --potentially causes greater cancellations and puts unnecessary strain on already limited camping capacity at some parks"	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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176	Angie Hiebenthal		Reservation Window	"I believe that extending the reservation window to 18 months would further complicate the process for Oregonians to use our parks due to bookings from out of state residents. It is currently almost impossible to obtain a "last minute" reservation (ie: within 1-3 weeks) during the late spring and summer and early fall months which is basically the whole season for some parks. This proposed change in my opinion is an awful idea that would further limit the access and availability of our beautiful parks to tax-paying residents of this state. "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
177	Michelle Murphy		Reservation Window	". I feel that by extending the nine month window this will just increase the mass booking. I am making an assumption that this mass booking is made primarily by retirees just by the evidence of arriving at the campground, and the spots I was wanting to book are booked by those patrons that appear to be retired... I also wonder, as an outsider, what the advantages of this extended booking system are for the staff? In regards to the fee, I rather pay more for my camping spot than increase the booking fee, unless it is clarified who is receiving the fee. I rather the park department receive the money than Reserve America."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
178	Georgi Douglas		Reservation Window, Empty Reserved Sites	"18 month reservation system would leave even more precious camp sites unoccupied; this is a problem now. These are our public lands and should be convenient for campers to camp, not for convenience of management for administration; you'll have your money from un-cancelled Reservations, while campers get frustrated seeing sites unoccupied due to not being cancelled. People are spontaneous. It's a rare individual who can plan to go camping 18 months out. I recommend at least half state park sites be available first come first serve and the other 6mos out-to be consistent with Forest Service Campgrounds"	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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179	Barbara Borgeson		Additional Suggestion	" I understand the need for making reservations months in advance for people planning a trip, however, it would be great if there were a small percentage of camping spots and Yurts made available with perhaps only a 2 week reservation period for those of us who can't plan a trip 9 months in advance. I have tried to make reservations many times over the years and have never been able to schedule due to the 9 month window. "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
180	Janice Roderick		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee	"Although I live in Washington, our family has had a reunion at LaPine for 30+ years with over 100 in attendance. It has been very tough to get the reservations needed. By extending it for 18 months, I am able to let the family know well ahead of time for the next year's planning. I am concerned about the additional increase in fees and not sure how the increase will work being varied. Would have preferred a specific increase to the reservation fee - say an additional \$2 making it \$10 and then another increase in a certain period of time (2 years or so). Camping is a way for low income families to have a vacation - many of my family tents. By increasing the fee to \$15 that could make camping an unaffordable trip for some "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. The agency considers the impact of fees and will attempt to have lower cost options when possible.
181	Renee Stilson		Reservation Window	"I would not want the 18 month reservation window. It's very difficult to plan that far ahead and would lead to many more cancellations and changes. I prefer a 6-9 month window."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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182	Michael Clowdus		Reservation Window	"I would be opposed to the 18 month window. 9 months is plenty of time to reserve something for spring or summer. With the growth of the population if you don't reserve 18 months out I'm concerned everything will be already reserved with less chance for people to get the park off their choice"	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
183	Luiz Silva		Flexible Range, Out of state campers	"how I oppose the flexible scheduling. But seems like every comment I read already said that in unison. So: listen to your costumers! And don't make camping for Oregonians less accessible by overcomplicating things. Also, I support higher fees for out of state visitors. We already pay lot in state tax, and I know the taxes don't fund the parks, but they do maintain the roads to get you there, and other important things."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.
184	Grant Kimball		Reservation Window	"I'd second the motion to keep the reservation window at 9-months. It is hard for most families to plan 18 months in advance for anything, let alone camping. I'm trying to imagine the reasoning behind that long of a timeframe."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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185	Joseph Hundley		Reservation Window	"The reservation window should not be expanded to 18 months, many people do not have the flexibility to plan their work schedules 18 months out, especially service workers/lower income workers."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
186	Michael Siebert		Reservation Window	"I object to extending the reservation window beyond 9 months."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
187	David Boles		Reservation Window	"I do not see how the 18 month window would help me book a coast trip with 3 or 4 stops at State Campgrounds easier. It appears fewer sites would be available for any advanced reservation. If sites are released for reservation at different times that would just complicate and frustrate the process. If all site were released for 18 month reservations that would give a smaller group of campers a big advantage. "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.
188	Amy Jordens		Reservation Window	"As a working person with a family, I think that an 18-month window is too long. It is difficult to make plans that far in advance, and I worry that retired people, who have more flexibility, will fill up all the slots right away. I was fine with the 9-month window, and the current 30-day window is also working fine for us...In addition, while I understand some variation between parks may be necessary, in general I hope for a standard reservation window so that it is easy to keep track of when the window opens and not worry that it is different depending on where you are going."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months.

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189			Reservation Window, Transaction Fee, Reservation Name	"Please return the reservation policies to the perfectly functional and user-friendly policies that previously existed -- \$8 to reserve and cancel, with booking allowed up to 9 months in advance.... Any increase in the reservation window (10-18 months in advance) would only increase the work that OPRD must do if having to initiate cancellations in the case of a crisis..., in the case of a no-call / no-show, I believe 100% of the reservation costs should be retained. Current policy allows for all but the first night fee to be refunded, but since that no-call / no-show has monopolized a campsite with minimal...please maintain the requirement the name appearing on the original reservation is the only person who can make changes and/or access information about the reservation, and likewise, that the same person must be present at check in and must be onsite. If you allow the name on the reservation to be changed, it will create a secondary scalping market for resale of popular dates and desirable sites."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. OPRD will examine data on cancellations, review cancellation policies and consider additional options, including possible rulemaking, to address concerns regarding reservation cancellations.
190	Cyndi Smidt		Reservation Window, Transaction Fee,	"I am strongly opposed to anything more than the existing 9 months currently set for the reservation. In addition, I am concerned about the reservation fee scale of \$0-\$15. Please do not make it too confusing."	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. The agency will be mindful of fees and attempt to have lower cost options when possible.

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191	Charles Johnson		Reservation Window, Out of state campers	"I do object to the proposal for an 18 month reservation window for state parks. It is not clear to me why this would be advantageous to anyone. It's difficult enough to plan camping trips 9 months in advance... Please continue the 9 month reservation window. It's much easier to book and plan for. If you need more revenue, charge out of state tourists an extra tax. "	Thank you for your comment, the intent behind a flexible reservation window would not be to have all parks with reservations available 18 months in advance. Staff are recommending proposed rules be amended to clarify only reservations for groups or special events or special facilities as designated by the director or designee be longer than 12 months. OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.
192	Malia Gibbons		Reservation Window, Out of state campers	"I would like to see Oregon residents have a two week time when only they can make reservation ahead of those from other places. I think a week is max that one party can reserve a spot for. I think one year is the most people can reserve ahead of time"	OPRD will begin researching options for fee or reservation policy changes that differentiate between Oregon residents and out-of-state visitors. We plan to have a public conversation on options in the future.

## Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission

February 25, 2021

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Agenda Item: 9b

Information

Topic: Update on progress with rulemaking –Tillamook County ocean shore vehicle restrictions (736-024-0015)

Presented by: Katie Gauthier

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**Background:** In November 2020, the Commission approved opening rulemaking to consider additional restrictions for driving on beaches in South Tillamook County. At that time, the Commission requested an update on progress of the rulemaking at your next regular meeting.

At your request, a Rule Advisory Committee, was convened to discuss potential effects of the closures and how proposed rules may affect equitable beach access and financial impacts. The Rule Advisory Committee included representatives from Tillamook County, Surfrider Foundation, the Pacific City Nestucca and Tillamook Chambers of Commerce, Doryman’s Association, Paragliding Club and Tillamook County residents. Based on discussions with the RAC, staff modified the proposed rules to allow boat launching and landing south of the Cape Kiwanda boat ramp, if the area north of the ramp were unsafe.

The proposed rules were opened for public comment beginning December 7 and will remain open until February 12. Over 500 comments have been received by the end of January. OPRD staff are conducting multilingual outreach to solicit input from socially and economically diverse groups that may be affected by the proposed rule. Information about the proposed rules and how to submit comments was included in the Nestucca School District newsletter and provided to all social service agency directors in Tillamook County. An online survey has been created for members of the Pacific City-Nestucca Chamber of Commerce to share opinions on the potential impact for businesses.

Twenty people attended a virtual public hearing that provided an opportunity to ask questions and provide oral comments. A recording of the hearing is available on the rulemaking website.

Written comments received have been posted weekly on the rulemaking website. Issues mentioned in the comments include:

- Safety for beach users;
- Access for people with disabilities;
- Parking availability;
- Government overreach;
- Impact on wildlife;
- Impact on businesses;
- Impact on environment;
- Dory boat access;
- Enforcement concerns;
- Access for recreational users
- Cost of parking
- Data on extent of safety concerns

Staff will continue to collect comments through February 12. When the comment period closes, staff will review comments and develop a recommendation. Staff anticipate bringing a report to the Commission for action at your April meeting.

**Prior Action by Commission:** In November 2020, the Commission approved opening rulemaking with the condition the agency convene a Rule Advisory Committee.

**Action Requested:**

Information only

**Prepared by:** Katie Gauthier

**Attachments:**

Attachment A – proposed rule amendments- marked copy

Attachment B- maps of proposed rule change

**736-024-0015**

**Tillamook County: Restrictions**

(1) There shall be no landing of any aircraft on the ocean shore in Tillamook County, except for an emergency.

(2) Except for an emergency or as provided in section (3) of this rule, there shall be no travel by motor vehicles on the ocean shore in Tillamook County in the areas and during the periods of time hereinafter designated by the Oregon coordinate latitude survey lines, north zone, consisting of “Y” numbers as shown on “Exhibit 2” attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof. The areas where motor vehicle travel is allowed, the periods of time for such use, and the areas on the ocean shore where travel by motor vehicles is prohibited, are further described as follows:

(a) Motor vehicle travel is prohibited from the Clatsop County-Tillamook County line, Y 790, 613, southerly to the south line of Oswald West State Park, Y 774, 737;

(b) Motor vehicle travel is prohibited from the south line of Oswald West State Park, Y 774, 737, southerly to the north boundary of Nehalem Bay State Park, Y 761, 335, except as follows:

(A) Between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, October 1 through April 30;

(B) Motor vehicles essential to and engaged in boat launchings will be allowed any time during the year.

(c) Motor vehicle travel is prohibited from the north boundary of Nehalem Bay State Park, Y 761, 335, southerly to the south boundary of the Boy Scout property north of Sand Lake, Y 618, 468, except as follows: Motor vehicles essential to and engaged in boat launchings will be allowed any time during the year for a distance of 300 feet northwest from point Y 665, 466; XI, 113, 850, near Happy Camp;

(d) Motor vehicle travel is allowed at any time from the south boundary of Boy Scout property north of Sand Lake, Y 618, 468 southerly to the Galloway Road beach access Y 610, 120;

(e) Motor vehicle travel is prohibited from the Galloway Road beach access Y 610, 120 southerly to ~~the mouth of Sand Lake Y 606, 590;~~

~~(f) Motor vehicle travel is allowed at any time from the mouth of Sand Lake Y 606, 590 southerly to the north boundary of Cape Kiwanda State Park property, Y 595, 111.~~

(f) Motor vehicle travel is allowed from the north boundary of Cape Kiwanda State Park property, Y 595, 111 to the base of headland north of Cape Kiwanda, Y 584, 097

~~the base of the headland north of Cape Kiwanda, Y 586, 275, except as follows: From the mouth of Sand Lake, Y 606, 590, southerly to the approximate north boundary of Cape Kiwanda State Park property, Y 595, 111, motor vehicle travel is prohibited May 1 through September 30 and from sunrise to sunset on legal holidays (as defined in ORS Chapter 187) and on Saturdays and Sundays between October 1 and April 30;~~

(g) Motor vehicle travel is prohibited from the base of the headland north of Cape Kiwanda, Y 586, 275, southerly to a point north of the beach ramp near Cape Kiwanda, Y 584, 097, except as follows:

(A) From the base of the headland south of Cape Kiwanda, Y 584, 879, southerly approximately 400 feet to Y 584, 688, motor vehicles essential to and engaged in boat launchings, boat recoveries, transferring equipment or supplies onto boats, unloading equipment or catches from boats, or emergency repairs of other vehicles or boats will be allowed at any time during the year;

(B) From Y 584, 688, southerly approximately 700 feet to a line located north of and parallel to the beach ramp near Cape Kiwanda, the point of intersection of said line and the line of vegetation being at Y 584, 097, operation or parking of motor vehicles used for towing boat trailers or essential to boat launchings will be allowed.

(h) Motor vehicle travel and parking is ~~prohibited~~allowed at any time from the line described in subsection (2)(g) of this rule, north of the beach ramp near Cape Kiwanda, southerly approximately 1,300 feet to Y 582, 843, ~~except that in a corridor 100 feet in width, southerly of and contiguous to the line described in subsection (2)(e) of this rule, all parking is prohibited;~~ except for boat launching or boat recoveries when access north of the ramp is unsafe due to ocean or beach conditions.

(i) Motor vehicle travel is prohibited from Y 582, 843 southerly to near Pacific Avenue at Pacific City, Y 579, 329;

(j) Motor vehicle travel is allowed at any time from near Pacific Avenue at Pacific City, Y 579, 329, southerly to Porter Point, Y 563, 121;

(k) Motor vehicle travel is prohibited from Porter Point, Y 563, 121, southerly to the Tillamook County/Lincoln County line, Y 521, 960.

(3) The State Parks Director or the authorized representative may issue special permits for motor vehicles to travel on the ocean shore within the areas or at times where such travel is otherwise prohibited by this resolution. No charge for such permits will be made. Any special permit or permit identification card shall be in the immediate possession of the operator of the vehicle at all times when driving on that portion of the ocean shore otherwise closed to travel by motor vehicles. The operator shall display the same upon the demand of any peace officer.

(4) The State Parks and Recreation Department is directed to erect conspicuous signs and markers designating the above areas on the ocean shore of Tillamook County, with reference to

the Oregon coordinate survey system, as areas where travel by motor vehicles is prohibited, areas where travel by motor vehicles is partially restricted, and areas where travel by motor vehicles is allowed, as herein provided.

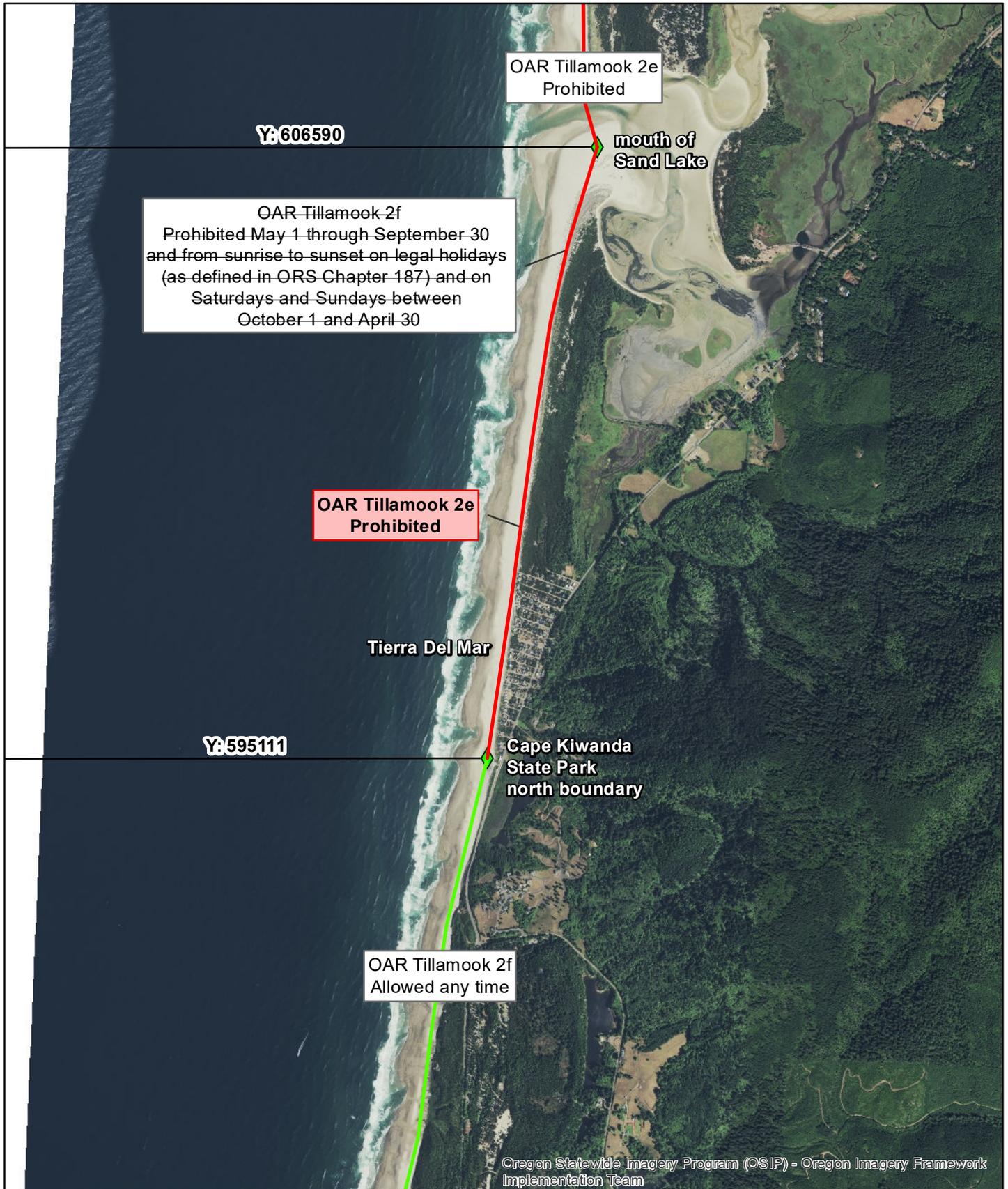
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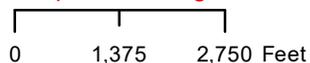


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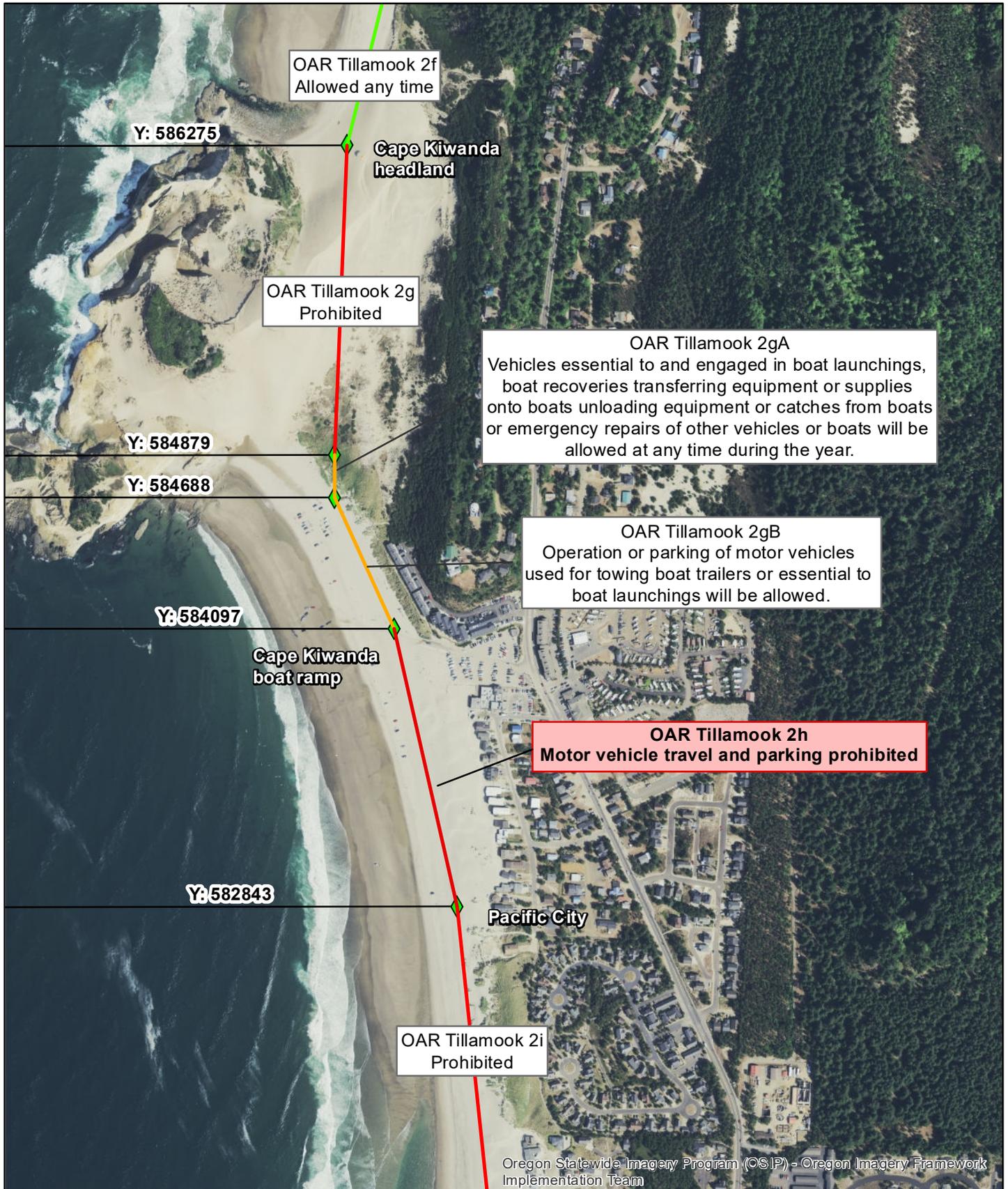
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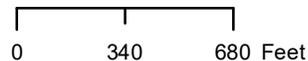
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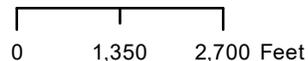
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**Vehicle Restrictions**

- Allowed
- Restricted
- Prohibited



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**Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission**  
**February 24, 2021**

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Agenda Item: 10a(i)

Information

Topic: Procurement Report

Presented by: Daniel Killam, Deputy Director of Administrations

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The attached report includes:

- 3 New agreement for a total of \$70,002
- 13 New contracts for total of \$537,147
- 8 Amendments for a total of \$47,000

**Action Requested:** None.

**Attachments:** Procurement Report

**Prepared by:** Jayme Jones

**OREGON PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

**Procurement Report  
October, November, and December 2020**

Executed	Contractor	Location	Project	FIP	Original Contract \$	Current Amendment	Amendments To Date	Current Contract Value	Comments
<b>GOODS AND/OR SERVICES CONTRACTS</b>									
10/05/20	Oregon Made Creative Foundation	Wallowa Lake State Park in Wallowa County	Sign installation		\$0			\$0	New Contract
10/12/20	Interpretive Graphics Signs and Systems	Statewide	Interpretive panels		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	Amendment 2 extends term of price agreement until 10/31/2022.
10/28/20	Topper Industries Inc.	Nehalem Bay State Park in Tillamook County	Fabrication and delivery of seven aluminum docks	X	\$107,800			\$107,800	New Contract
11/16/20	Interpretive Graphics Signs and Systems	Statewide	Interpretive panels		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	Amendment 2 extends term of price agreement until 10/31/2022.
11/24/20	Central Coast Disposal, Inc.	Carl G. Washburne Memorial State Park in Lane County	Garbage and recycling services		\$15,000	\$17,000	\$37,000	\$52,000	Amendment 2 extends contract term, increases compensation and increase price of services.
11/25/20	Ricoh USA Inc.	Thompson's Mill Heritage Site in Linn County	Copier lease		\$6,697			\$6,697	New Contract
12/01/20	Ventek International	Statewide	Park fee machines		\$158,580			\$158,580	New Contract
12/02/20	Kenwood USA Corp.	Statewide	Wireless radios		\$94,463			\$94,463	New Contract
12/17/20	Power Auto Group	Statewide	Grants / ATV Program ATVs purchase		\$14,480			\$14,480	New Contract
12/18/20	Bill's Motorcycle Plus	Statewide	Grants / ATV Program motorcycles purchase		\$20,700			\$20,700	New Contract
12/21/20	Ricoh USA Inc.	Milo McIver State Park in Clackmas County	Copier lease		\$7,515			\$7,515	New Contract
<b>PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS</b>									
11/12/20	Urban Park Concessionaires doing business as Silver Falls Recreation Company	Silver Falls State Park in Marion County	Operate and manage conference center and concessions		\$1,400,000	\$0	\$400,000	\$1,800,000	Amendment 4 adds mutual termination provision.
<b>ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACTS</b>									
10/06/20	Corvallis CADD Services LLC	Statewide	Various drafting services	X	\$24,000			\$24,000	New Contract
11/16/20	Miller Consulting Engineers, Inc.	Oregon Coast Trail, along Amanda Creek in Lincoln County	Pedestrian bridge replacement design	X	\$25,600	\$0	\$0	\$25,600	Amendment 2 reinstates contract to extend term, adds funding and services to revise design drawing, tech specifications and construction cost estimate.
12/29/20	Parametrix	Prineville Reservoir State Park in Crook County	Prineville Reservoir ADA boardwalk design contract		\$29,000			\$29,000	New Contract
<b>ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACTS (RELATED SERVICES)</b>									
11/10/20	Willamette Cultural Resources Associates, LTD.	Bullards Beach State Park in Coos County	Archaeological monitoring for deflection boom installation	X	\$10,131			\$10,131	New Contract
12/4/2020	Branch Engineering Inc	Detroit Lake State Recreation Area and Silver Falls State Park in Marion County	Water reservoir replacement design.		\$24,500			\$24,500	New Contract
12/15/20	Ptarmigan P Trails, LLC	Nehalem Bay State Park and Cape Lookout State Park in Tillamook County	Trail damage assessment		\$39,281			\$39,281	New Contract
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS</b>									
11/03/20	Midcoast Watersheds Council	Brian Booth State Park in Lincoln County	Management of Native Plant Nursery		\$1			\$1	New agreement where contractor will provide in-kind services valued at \$60,000.
11/09/20	Oregon State University	Statewide	ATV training subsidy		\$50,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$65,000	Amendment 1 increases funding and includes a reporting schedule.

**OREGON PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

Procurement Report  
October, November, and December 2020

Executed	Contractor	Location	Project	FIP	Original Contract \$	Current Amendment	Amendments To Date	Current Contract Value	Comments
11/20/20	Midcoast Watersheds Council	Carl G. Washburne Memorial State Park in Lane County	Floodplain, habitat, and vegetation restoration		\$33,936	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$48,936	Amendment 1 adds services and increases compensation.
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS (Continued)</b>									
12/04/20	Calapooia Watershed Council	Bowers Rock State Park in Linn County	Floodplain, habitat, and vegetation restoration		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	Amendment 1 adds task and insurance requirements for drone monitoring. Project value is \$1,060,313.
12/14/20	ODOT, Mountain Region 2433	Collier Memorial State Park in Klamath County	Wooden footbridge repair		\$70,000			\$70,000	New inter-agency agreement for the fire-damaged footbridge, referred to as the Spring Creek Bridge.
12/17/20	Bureau of Land Management	Cottonwood Canyon State Park in Sherman and Gilliam Counties	Boater-use fee management process		\$1			\$1	New revenue agreement where the anticipated revenue is \$165,528 over the term of the agreement.

## Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission

February 25, 2021

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Agenda Item: 10a (ii)(iii)

Informational

Topic: Report of Scenic Waterway Program Notification Actions, Ocean Shore Permits Issued, and Timber Harvest Revenue from October 15, 2020 through January 21, 2021.

Presented by: Trevor Taylor, Stewardship Manager

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Pursuant to a duly adopted delegation order, and acting in accordance therewith, the Director, or her designee, has approved the following actions on behalf of the Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission:

### **SCENIC WATERWAYS NOTIFICATION**

October 15, 2019, a Notification of Intent 21-3-20 was approved to Avison Lumber Co. to harvest 19.5 acres of timber within the Molalla River Scenic Waterway. Harvest activities proposed by Avison met all of the conditions of the Molalla River Scenic Waterway rules.

October 26, 2020, a Notification of Intent 21-4-20 was approved to Patricia Nightingale on the Molalla River Scenic Waterway to harvest 12 acres of timber within the scenic waterway. Harvest activities proposed by Nightingale met all of the conditions of the Molalla River Scenic Waterway rules.

November 2, 2020, a Notification of Intent 9-411-20 was approved to John Kuhn on the Clackamas River Scenic Waterway to harvest 1 acre of timber within the recreational area of the scenic waterway. The harvest activities proposed by Kuhn met all the conditions of the Clackamas River Scenic Waterway rules.

November 4, 2020, a Notification of Intent 2B-1069-20 was approved for Jeffrey Geels to conduct a substantial remodel of an existing residence, with a small addition to the existing footprint on the NE corner of the residence on the Middle Deschutes River Scenic Waterway. This project was approved because it met all the requirements of the scenic waterway as existing vegetation and distance combine to almost completely screen the home from view of the river.

November 4, 2020, a Notification of Intent 2A-263-20 was approved for the agents of the Elms Revocable Trust to construct a single family dwelling and shop on the Upper Deschutes River Scenic Waterway. This project was approved because it met all the requirements of this segment of the state scenic waterway.

November 5, 2020, a Notification of Intent 2B-1070-20 was approved for Clint Emerson to construct a single family dwelling on the Upper Deschutes River Scenic Waterway. This project was approved because it met all the requirements of this segment of the state scenic waterway and the home will not be visible from the main channel of the Deschutes River.

December 2, 2020, a Notification of Intent 2A-264-20 was approved for Brad Bradanini to construct a single family dwelling, remove four hazard trees and one tree in the project footprint on the Middle Deschutes River Scenic Waterway. This project was approved because it met all the requirements of this segment of the state scenic waterway and the homeowner will plant additional vegetation to improve screening.

December 4, 2020, a Notification of Intent 2B-1071-20 was approved for Tony Glocker to construct a single family residence, accessory dwelling unit, landscaping and patios on the Upper Deschutes River Scenic Waterway. This project was approved because it met all the requirements of this segment of the state scenic waterway. The homeowner will replace the ponderosa pines removed from the project footprint during home construction to improve screening while maintaining existing screening vegetation.

January 8, 2021, a Notification of Intent 2A-264-21 as approved for Scott and Carol Ann Smallwood to construct a single family residence, garage, driveway, landscaping and patios. Additional construction includes a pool and pickleball courts, however, these will be located behind the home and should not be visible from the river. Vegetation removal was necessary in the project footprint only. This project was approved because it met all the requirements of the scenic waterway and the home barely, if at all, be visible from the river due to topography.

January 12, 2021, a Notification of Intent 21-1-21 was approved to Weyerhaeuser Co. to salvage 12 acres of timber and reconstruct 4580' of existing road within the Molalla River Scenic Waterway. Salvage and road reconstruction activities proposed by Weyerhaeuser met all of the conditions of the Molalla Scenic River Waterway rules.

January 15, 2021, a Notification of Intent 15-25-21 was approved for the United States Forest Service (USFS) to conduct restoration work that involves large wood placement and removal of a condemned bridge on the Metolius River Scenic Waterway. Restoration work was approved because it is being conducted for protecting fish and wildlife, which are both considered "highest and best uses" of Scenic Waterways. Work is being done for resource protection and is designed to blend into the natural character of the landscape. Considerations have been made to retain river access for recreation users.

January 15, 2021, a Notification of Intent 14-27-21 was approved for the United States Forest Service (USFS) and the Eugene Water and Electric Board (EWEB) to conduct work necessary to maintain the Carmen Smith Fish Spawning Channel on the McKenzie River Scenic Waterway. Work was approved because it is being conducted for protecting fish passage, improving flow and habitat improvements. Work is being done for resource protection and is designed to blend into the natural character of the landscape to the extent practicable.

## **OCEAN SHORES ALTERATION DECISIONS**

On December 11, 2020, Ocean Shore Permit #2933-20 was approved for Arlith Howard and LC Anchor LLC, to construct a riprap shoreline protective structure on the ocean shore. The property is owned by the Olivia Beach Homeowner's Association who has granted an easement to the upland property owners for the project. The approved alteration involves the replacement of an existing, damaged riprap structure with a new riprap structure along 100 feet of shoreline. The structure will have a height of 22 feet, a width of 44 feet, a slope of 2H:1V (horizontal:vertical), including approximately 1,630 cubic yards of armor stone and backing materials. The approved project is located on the ocean shore below the homes at 2585 and 2627 SW Anchor Ave., Lincoln City, and the subject property is identified on Lincoln County Assessor's Map #7-11-22CA as Tax Lot 1399.

On January 22, 2021, Ocean Shore Permit #2934-20 was approved for James Zion to construct a riprap shoreline protective structure on the ocean shore. The project is designed to mitigate active erosion, bluff failures, and landsliding at the site. The new riprap structure will protect 70 feet of shoreline, with a height of approximately 26 feet, a width of approximately 50 feet, and have a slope of between 1.5H:1V (horizontal: vertical) to 2H:1V. The project will include approximately 1,168 cubic yards of armor stone and backing material and will be covered with 2 feet beach sand, then planted with beach grass for sand stabilization and to reduce visual impacts. The project is located at 14536 South Coast Highway, South Beach, and the subject property is identified on Lincoln County Assessor's map #12-11-18BB as tax lot 700.

## **TIMBER HARVEST REVENUE**

No timber revenue collected for the last three months.

**Prior Action by the Commission:** None

**Action Requested:** None

**Attachments:** None

**Prepared by:** Stewardship Section Staff

# 2021

## Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission

### DRAFT - Planning Dates

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#### 2021 Commission Meetings

February - TBD  
 April - TBD  
 June - TBD  
 September - TBD  
 November - TBD

Contact: Denise Warburton 503-986-0719

Revision Date: 12/14/2020

#### Huddle Meetings

Packet Materials DUE!

Agenda & Packet Posted to OPRD Site

Mail Out Packets

State Holidays

Presentation Material Due/Business Meeting

All Managers Meeting TBD

Leadership Group Meeting TBD

Legislative Days

Legislative Session Jan 19th - June 27th