# **Oregon State Parks and Recreation Commission**

### February 25, 2025

Agenda Item: 6a Action

Public Comment Allowed: Yes

Topic: 6a - County Opportunity Grant Program - 2025 Grant Award

Presented by: Michele Scalise, Grants and Community Programs Manager

#### **Background:**

The County Opportunity Grant Program (COGP) is funded by a portion of Recreational Vehicle Licensing Fees as prescribed in Oregon Administrative Rules – Division 7: 736-007-0000 through 736-007-0040. The program provides grant funding on a project basis for the **acquisition**, **development**, **rehabilitation**, and **planning** of county park and recreation sites that provide camping facilities. All Oregon Counties are eligible applicants. Counties must provide a 25% or 50% match depending on County population.

The County Parks Assistance Advisory Committee reviews applications and recommends funding priorities. For the FY2025 County Opportunity Grant cycle, \$1,235,783 is available for grants.

One County Opportunity Grant application was submitted to OPRD totaling \$25,397.50 in funding requests. After scoring the project application against established criteria, the project is recommended for funding. The total amount recommended for funding is \$25,397.50. The remaining available grant balance of \$1,210,383 will be carried forward to the FY2026 grant cycle.

The lower interest in this COGP cycle likely stems from the Local Government Grant Program (LGGP) receiving over twice its usual funding for 2024. Consequently, five Counties applied to LGGP for just over \$4 million and were all awarded. We expect renewed interest in the 2026 COGP cycle as LGGP funding normalizes and COGP retains a substantial balance to carry forward.

**Prior Action by Commission:** In the FY2024 cycle, the Commission approved four out of five COGP project applications submitted, totaling \$1,087,158.

**Action Requested:** Staff seeks Commission approval to award the County Opportunity Grant request as detailed on the attached spreadsheet in the amount of \$25,397.50.

**Attachments: 6a Attachment A** – COGP Ranking Results **6a Attachment B** – COGP Award Map

Prepared by: Julian Fedorchuk, Grant Program Coordinator

# **2025 County Opportunity Grant Program**

County Parks Assistance Advisory Committee

November 13, 2024 Meeting - Ranking Results

Funding Available: \$1,235,783

Rank	Applicant	Project Name	Brief Project Description	Grant Funds Requested	М	Local Matching Funds		Total Project Cost	
1	Josephine	Schroeder Park	This project will upgrade existing tent sites with hook						
	County Parks	Water and	ups for water and power.						
		Power							
		Expansion							
				\$ 25,398	\$	25,398	\$	50,795	
Totals Recommended for Funding:				\$ 25,398	\$	25,398	\$	50,795	

Not Selected for Funding: N/A

## **SUMMARY:**

Grant Funds to be carried forward to the 2026 COGP cycle:	\$ 1,210,386
Grant Funds Awarded in the 2025 COGP cycle:	\$ 25,398
Grant Funds Available in the 2025 COGP cycle:	\$ 1,235,783

