



Submit a public comment on a rule

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The Bend Park and Recreation District is grateful for the LCFW funding that we have received over the years. Those funds have been an important part of ensuring access to quality recreation in our community. It has also supported "close to home" recreation options for many who might not have the resources to travel (even to state parks).

Overall, we support the department's desire to run the competitive grant program more efficiently - once per biennium. However, we'd like the draft rules changed to say that no less than 50% of the apportionment (after administration) will be set aside for local agencies, tribes, and other state agencies. A set percentage provides greater certainty that there will be a competitive grant cycle. As currently proposed, the draft rules remove the percentage split and gives the department full discretion to retain 100% of the funds for state park projects.

Thank you for considering our comments.