



# Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program

2015-2017 Proposed Projects

## Recreation and Conservation Funding Board

The Recreation and Conservation Funding Board provides leadership and funding to help our partners protect and enhance Washington's natural and recreational resources for current and future generations.

### Our Values

Efficient, fair, and open programs conducted with integrity. The results foster healthy lifestyles and communities, stewardship, and economic prosperity in Washington.

### Goals

- We help our partners protect, restore, and develop habitat and recreation opportunities that benefit people, fish and wildlife, and ecosystems.
- We achieve a high level of accountability in managing the resources and responsibilities entrusted to us.
- We deliver successful projects by using broad public participation and feedback, monitoring, assessment, and adaptive management.

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# Introduction

## **The 2015-2017 Grant Competition**

The Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP) is the state's premier grant program to help state and local agencies, tribes, and nonprofit organizations conserve land for recreation, wildlife habitat, and farming.

The Recreation and Conservation Funding Board administers this 25-year-old grant program. In preparation for the 2015-2017 Budget, the board considered 202 applications requesting more than \$158 million in funding, a 15 percent increase in the number of applications and a 29 percent increase in the amount requested from the previous grant round. Grant applicants pledged more than \$120 million in match.

This popular grant program drew a wide variety of applicants – 53 cities, 15 counties, 13 land trusts and other non-profit organizations, 5 port districts, 4 state agencies, 3 park and recreation districts, 2 tribes, and 1 conservation district.

Citizen panels with expertise in recreation and conservation evaluated and ranked the applications and submitted prioritized lists to the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board for consideration. The board reviewed the prioritized lists and in October 2014 submitted them to the Governor and Legislature for funding consideration. The following are the ranked lists and descriptions of the projects.

## **Background**

The Legislature created WWRP in 1990 to respond to increasing public demand for land for outdoor recreation and growing concerns about loss of wildlife habitat. The Legislature expanded this program in 2005 to include farmland preservation and riparian protection. The primary goal of the program is:

"to acquire as soon as possible the most significant lands for wildlife conservation and outdoor recreation purposes before they are converted to other uses, and to develop existing public recreational land and facilities to meet the needs of present and future generations."

(Revised Code of Washington 79A.15.005)

Since 1990, the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board has awarded more than \$712 million in grants, resulting in thousands of acres of valuable wildlife habitat and

some of the state's best recreation lands being placed into public ownership. Many new recreational facilities have been developed, including neighborhood parks, ball fields, trails, and waterfront access. Grant recipients have provided more than \$475 million in matching resources, bringing the total investment in Washington's great outdoors from this program to just more than \$1.2 billion.

The managing board has eight members – five citizens appointed by the Governor, along with the Commissioner of Public Lands, the director of the Department of Fish and Wildlife, and the director representing the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission. The board, through its professional staff at the Recreation and Conservation Office, oversees 15 grant programs, including WWRP, and is responsible for statewide recreation and outdoor recreation planning.

## Program Funding

WWRP funding comes from the sale of state general obligation bonds. As required by statute, these funds are distributed to four accounts, which are divided further into a number of funding categories, each with its own statutory requirements. The funding levels for each account vary depending upon the overall appropriation for WWRP. For details on how the money is distributed, which organizations are eligible, and what the grants may be used for, see Appendix A.

### Outdoor Recreation Account

- Local Parks Category
- State Parks Category
- Trails Category
- Water Access Category
- State Lands Development and Renovation Category

### Habitat Conservation Account

- Critical Habitat Category
- Natural Areas Category
- Urban Wildlife Habitat Category
- State Lands Restoration and Enhancement Category

### Riparian Protection Account

### Farmland Preservation Account

As provided by law, the Legislature may remove projects from the list of projects forwarded by the Governor. For details on the previous legislative appropriations, see Appendix B: Funding History.

Once funding is distributed to the four accounts, grants are given to state and local agencies<sup>1</sup> and non-profit organizations for projects on the approved lists. A 50 percent match is required from local agencies and non-profit organizations.

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<sup>1</sup> Eligible state agencies are the Conservation Commission, Department of Fish and Wildlife, Department of Enterprise Services, Department of Natural Resources, and Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission. Local agencies include counties, cities, towns, port districts, tribes, park and recreation districts, school districts, and lead entities for salmon recovery projects. The state and local agencies eligible varies by category.

# Board Proposed Funding Lists

## Outdoor Recreation Account

Local Parks Category			Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program 2015-2017			
Rank	Project # and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
1	14-1135D	Saddle Rock Gateway and Outdoor Education Area	Wenatchee	\$480,648	\$480,648	\$961,296
2	14-1513C	Springbrook Park Acquisition and Development	Lakewood	\$193,950	\$193,950	\$387,900
3	14-1274D	Kasch Park Synthetic Turf Replacement	Everett	\$500,000	\$1,605,000	\$2,105,000
4	14-1143D	Volunteer Park Development	Selah	\$359,000	\$380,000	\$739,000
5	14-1111A	Candy Mountain Acquisition	Benton County	\$695,377	\$695,377	\$1,390,754
6	14-1331D	John Storvik Spray Park and New Restroom	Anacortes	\$335,000	\$347,500	\$682,500
7	14-1182D	Inspiration Playground Construction	Bellevue	\$500,000	\$1,865,000	\$2,365,000
8	14-1121D	Randall Park Renovation	Yakima	\$500,000	\$670,100	\$1,170,100
9	14-1465D	Spokane Adaptive Baseball Field at Mission Park	Spokane	\$238,055	\$238,056	\$476,111

Local Parks Category			Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program 2015-2017			
Rank	Project # and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
10	14-1471D	Columbia River Waterfront Park	Vancouver	\$500,000	\$1,615,590	\$2,115,590
11	14-1434D	Skate Darrington	Darrington	\$296,081	\$302,081	\$598,162
12	14-1542D	Waughop Lake Trail at Fort Steilacoom Park	Lakewood	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$500,000
12	14-1616D	Covington Community Park Phase 2	Covington	\$500,000	\$3,045,100	\$3,545,100
14	14-1701C	Prairie View Park Expansion	Spokane County	\$500,000	\$568,665	\$1,068,665
15	14-1357D	Beach Park Picnic Shelter and Restroom	Des Moines	\$293,243	\$293,244	\$586,487
15	14-1072D	Hartwood Park Red Barn Playground	Washougal	\$78,946	\$78,947	\$157,893
17	14-1415D	Prosser City Park Restrooms	Prosser	\$87,800	\$87,800	\$175,600
18	14-1631A	Esperance Park Acquisition	Snohomish County	\$508,600	\$670,000	\$1,178,600
19	14-1618D	Big Rock Sports Park Improvements	Duvall	\$500,000	\$839,093	\$1,339,093
19	14-1509D	Twisp Tennis Court Development	Twisp	\$34,025	\$34,765	\$68,790
21	14-1131C	Hale Park Acquisition and Development	Wenatchee	\$523,000	\$531,923	\$1,054,923
22	14-1449D	John Dam Plaza Amphitheater	Richland	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$600,000
23	14-1398A	North Creek Forest Acquisition Phase 3	Bothell	\$1,000,000	\$1,410,800	\$2,410,800

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Rank	Project # and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
24	14-1120D	Meadowdale Playfields Renovation	Lynnwood	\$500,000	\$2,545,336	\$3,045,336
25	14-1444A	Refuge Road Neighborhood Park Acquisition	Ridgefield	\$225,300	\$225,301	\$450,601
26	14-1484A	Port Gamble Ride Park-Kitsap Forest and Bay	Kitsap County	\$500,000	\$570,000	\$1,070,000
27	14-1199A	Civic Center Field Acquisition	Edmonds	\$1,000,000	\$1,965,500	\$2,965,500
28	14-1630D	Lake Stickney Park Phase 1	Snohomish County	\$295,000	\$295,000	\$590,000
29	14-1592D	Snoqualmie Skate Park	Snoqualmie	\$175,000	\$175,000	\$350,000
30	14-1606D	Pearl Street Veterans Memorial Pool	Centralia	\$500,000	\$1,125,150	\$1,625,150
31	14-1623A	SoCo Park	Covington	\$558,915	\$558,915	\$1,117,830
31	14-1543D	Mirror Pond Pathway	Spokane	\$91,500	\$91,500	\$183,000
33	14-1218D	Star Park Playground Development	Ferndale	\$230,666	\$230,685	\$461,351
34	14-1512A	Cougar-Squak Corridor Acquisition	King County	\$500,000	\$3,800,000	\$4,300,000
35	14-1499D	Island Crest Park Renovation	Mercer Island	\$500,000	\$650,000	\$1,150,000
36	14-1729D	Ilwaco City Park Rejuvenation	Ilwaco	\$320,000	\$323,118	\$643,118
37	14-1290D	Moorlands Neighborhood Park Renovation	Kenmore	\$500,000	\$951,325	\$1,451,325

Local Parks Category			Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program 2015-2017			
Rank	Project # and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
38	14-1265D	Central Park Multi-purpose Sport Field Improvements	Issaquah	\$500,000	\$2,636,228	\$3,136,228
39	14-1463D	Gene Goodwin Tot Lot Playground Renovation	Fircrest	\$36,500	\$36,500	\$73,000
40	14-1590D	Karl Grosch Field Replacement	Federal Way	\$150,000	\$430,000	\$580,000
41	14-1173D	Crow Butte Park Playground Development	Port of Benton	\$167,200	\$182,047	\$349,247
42	14-1280D	Cashmere's Riverside Park Revitalization	Cashmere	\$249,925	\$249,925	\$499,850
42	14-1696D	Russell Road Athletic Field Conversion	Kent	\$500,000	\$1,528,259	\$2,028,259
44	14-1873C	Snoqualmie Riverview Park Expansion	Snoqualmie	\$500,000	\$506,700	\$1,006,700
45	14-1695D	Point Defiance Off Leash Park	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	\$500,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,500,000
46	14-1361D	Hansen Park Completion	Kennewick	\$360,198	\$360,199	\$720,397
47	14-1467D	Sandhill Park Renovation	Mason County	\$225,000	\$225,000	\$450,000
48	14-1323D	Mukilteo Athletic Fields	Mukilteo	\$500,000	\$900,000	\$1,400,000
49	14-1367D	Civic Field Lighting Replacement	Port Angeles	\$226,500	\$226,500	\$453,000
50	14-1763D	Klickitat Prairie Park Phase 3	Mossyrock	\$71,450	\$72,550	\$144,000
51	14-1790D	Concrete Water Spray Park	Concrete	\$199,013	\$243,237	\$442,250

Local Parks Category			Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program 2015-2017			
Rank	Project # and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
51	14-1613A	Squire's Landing Park Expansion (Twedt Property)	Kenmore	\$340,485	\$340,485	\$680,970
53	14-1533D	Trillium Community Forest Trailheads	Island County	\$163,140	\$163,140	\$326,280
54	14-1428D	Hanford Legacy Park Multi-purpose Sports Fields	Richland	\$500,000	\$575,685	\$1,075,685
55	14-1144D	Meydenbauer Bay Park Upland Development	Bellevue	\$500,000	\$2,616,942	\$3,116,942
56	14-1524D	Yesler Neighborhood Park	Seattle	\$500,000	\$3,000,000	\$3,500,000
57	14-1408D	Lake Tye Park Skate Park Improvements	Monroe	\$120,000	\$122,000	\$242,000
58	14-1438D	McCormick Village Park Phase 2	Port Orchard	\$385,500	\$385,500	\$771,000
59	14-1399D	Conner Waterfront Park	La Conner	\$105,400	\$106,400	\$211,800
60	14-1503D	Gateway Park Development Phase 1	Key Peninsula Metropolitan Park District	\$500,000	\$537,500	\$1,037,500
61	14-1107D	Kiwanis Park Renovation	College Place	\$195,340	\$200,000	\$395,340
62	14-1213C	Washington Boulevard Park Phase 1	Port of Kingston	\$400,000	\$424,292	\$824,292
63	14-1581D	North Mason Soccer and Football Field Renovation	Mason County	\$485,280	\$485,280	\$970,560
64	14-1424D	SERA Campus Multi-use Field Development	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	\$500,000	\$1,250,000	\$1,750,000

Local Parks Category			Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program 2015-2017			
Rank	Project # and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
65	14-1469D	Eagle Harbor Waterfront Park Phase 1 Improvements	Bainbridge Island	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$1,000,000
66	14-1529D	Foss Waterway 21st Street Park Play Area	Tacoma	\$60,000	\$63,996	\$123,996
67	14-1516D	Swan Creek Park Gateway	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	\$500,000	\$1,434,040	\$1,934,040
68	14-1745A	Van Doren's Landing Park Expansion	Kent	\$746,025	\$746,025	\$1,492,050
69	14-1750D	Park at Bothell Landing Expansion and Renovation	Bothell	\$500,000	\$5,075,850	\$5,575,850
70	14-1679D	Foss Waterway Central Park Development	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	\$500,000	\$509,282	\$1,009,282
				<b>\$26,757,062</b>	<b>\$57,144,031</b>	<b>\$83,901,093</b>

Project Type: A = Acquisition; C = Combination; D = Development

State Lands Development and Renovation Category				Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program 2015-2017		
Rank	Project # and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
1	14-1453D	East Tiger Mountain Trail System Development Final Phase	Washington Department of Natural Resources	\$300,000	\$37,000	\$337,000
2	14-1751D	Heller Bar Access Site Improvements	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$324,500		\$324,500
3	14-1548D	Riverside Access Site Development	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$325,000		\$325,000
4	14-1520D	Mailbox Peak Trail Final Phase	Washington Department of Natural Resources	\$178,400	\$25,000	\$203,400
5	14-1172D	Oak Creek Tim's Pond Access Development	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$324,500		\$324,500
6	14-1589D	North Olympic Wildlife Area Public Access Facility	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$86,000		\$86,000
7	14-1279D	Samish River Unit Public Access Improvements	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$190,000		\$190,000
8	14-1425D	Lake Tahuya Public Access Development	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$285,000		\$285,000
9	14-1644D	Sprague Lake Fishing Platform Phase 5	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$154,000		\$154,000
10	14-1743D	Shumaker Road and Access Site Development	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$283,000		\$283,000
11	14-1664D	4-O Ranch McNeill Campground Development	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$325,000		\$325,000
				<b>\$2,775,400</b>	<b>\$62,000</b>	<b>\$2,837,400</b>

Project Type: D= Development

State Parks Category			Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program 2015-2017			
Rank	Project # and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
1	14-1681A	Inholdings and Adjacent Properties	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	\$1,000,000		\$1,000,000
2	14-1621D	Kukulali Preserve Day Use Development	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	\$360,210	\$93,750	\$453,960
3	14-1486A	Westport Park Connection	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	\$1,905,000		\$1,905,000
4	14-1555D	Larrabee Clayton Beach Railway Overpass	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	\$2,331,365		\$2,331,365
5	14-1622D	Willapa Hills Trail Development Pe Ell Area	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	\$962,400		\$962,400
6	14-1682D	Lake Sammamish Sunset Beach Picnic Area	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	\$3,168,979		\$3,168,979
7	14-1626D	Tolmie State Park Parking	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	\$553,420		\$553,420
8	14-1634D	Klickitat Trail	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	\$2,229,000		\$2,229,000
9	14-1603A	Fudge Point Additional Uplands	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	\$497,623		\$497,623
10	14-1454A	Saint Edward State Park Kenmore Acquisition	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	\$2,164,680		\$2,164,680
11	14-1680A	Nisqually State Park University of Washington Forest Lands	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	\$2,619,928		\$2,619,928
12	14-1645D	Sacajawea State Park Trail Connection	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	\$1,092,401		\$1,092,401
13	14-1723A	Manchester State Park Additional Uplands	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	\$508,380		\$508,380
14	14-1635D	John Wayne Pioneer Trail Malden and Rosalia Trailhead Development	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	\$700,352		\$700,352
Project Type: A=Acquisition, D= Development				<b>\$20,093,738</b>	<b>\$93,750</b>	<b>\$20,187,488</b>

Trails Category			Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program 2015-2017			
Rank	Project # and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
1	14-1124D	Spruce Railroad McFee Tunnel Restoration	Clallam County	\$460,000	\$460,000	\$920,000
2	14-1514D	East Lake Sammamish Trail Phase 4	King County	\$500,000	\$2,980,000	\$3,480,000
3	14-1137C	Twisp Community Trail	Twisp	\$199,504	\$201,650	\$401,154
4	14-1419D	Squalicum Creek Trail	Bellingham	\$500,000	\$1,215,914	\$1,715,914
5	14-1439A	Bay Street Pedestrian Path Mosquito Fleet Trail	Port Orchard	\$105,750	\$105,750	\$211,500
6	14-1461D	Naches Rail to Trail Final Phase	Yakima County	\$810,700	\$810,700	\$1,621,400
7	14-1677D	Ferry County Rail Trail Phase 3	Ferry County	\$98,000	\$99,000	\$197,000
8	14-1442D	Foothills National Recreation Trail Final Phase	Pierce County	\$2,755,063	\$2,755,063	\$5,510,126
9	14-1349D	Washougal Waterfront Trail	Port of Camas-Washougal	\$500,000	\$672,264	\$1,172,264
10	14-1694D	Point Defiance Loop Trail	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	\$3,250,000	\$3,250,000	\$6,500,000
11	14-1136D	Appleway Trail Phase 3	Spokane Valley	\$813,000	\$813,000	\$1,626,000
12	14-1353A	Sound to Olympics North Kitsap Gap	Kitsap County	\$740,500	\$949,500	\$1,690,000
13	14-1640D	Willapa Hills Trail	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	\$400,000	\$80,000	\$480,000

Trails Category			Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program 2015-2017			
Rank	Project # and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
14	14-1711D	Olympic Discovery Trail Discovery Bay	Jefferson County	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$500,000
15	14-1515D	Woodland Creek Community Park Trail	Lacey	\$53,172	\$53,172	\$106,344
15	14-1126D	Harris Creek Vosper Multi -use Trail	Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation	\$140,405	\$140,406	\$280,811
17	14-1796D	Whitehorse Trail Design and Development	Snohomish County	\$2,000,000	\$2,244,000	\$4,244,000
18	14-2031D	Port Angeles Waterfront Trail	Port Angeles	\$500,000	\$1,692,232	\$2,192,232
19	14-1266A	Whitehorse Trail Trailhead Acquisition Oso Mill	Snohomish County	\$236,250	\$236,250	\$472,500
20	14-1243A	Centennial Trail Bryant Trailhead Acquisition	Snohomish County	\$83,400	\$83,400	\$166,800
				<b>\$14,395,744</b>	<b>\$19,092,301</b>	<b>\$33,488,045</b>

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Water Access Category			Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program 2015-2017			
Rank	Project # and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
1	14-1347D	Washougal Waterfront Water Access Area	Port of Camas- Washougal	\$700,000	\$890,624	\$1,590,624
2	14-1534A	Glendale Shoreline Acquisition and Public Access	Island County	\$565,000	\$587,000	\$1,152,000
3	14-1965D	Meydenbauer Park Shoreline Access Development	Bellevue	\$500,000	\$3,582,700	\$4,082,700
4	14-1427D	Edmonds Pier Renovation	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$700,000	\$800,000	\$1,500,000
5	14-1643D	Battle Ground Lake State Park Americans with Disabilities Act Docks	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	\$516,500	\$100	\$516,600
6	14-1627D	Wenber County Park Water Access Improvements	Snohomish County	\$614,123	\$614,123	\$1,228,246
7	14-1546D	Waterman Fishing Pier Access and Seawall Renovation	Port of Waterman	\$575,000	\$753,000	\$1,328,000
8	14-1731D	Lake Meridian Dock Replacement	Kent	\$500,000	\$1,244,800	\$1,744,800
9	14-1687A	Coulter Creek Phase 2	Mason County	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000
10	14-1693D	Owen Beach	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$6,000,000
11	14-1170C	Sultan River Access	Sultan	\$374,663	\$374,663	\$749,326
12	14-1724D	Wapato Lake Dock Reconstruction	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	\$451,416	\$451,416	\$902,832
13	14-1100C	Kettle River Access	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$995,000		\$995,000
14	14-1617D	Ancich Water Access Park	Gig Harbor	\$500,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,600,000
15	14-1686D	Point Defiance Boardwalk	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	\$800,000	\$800,000	\$1,600,000
Project Type: A = Acquisition; C = Combination				<b>\$11,791,702</b>	<b>\$15,198,426</b>	<b>\$26,990,128</b>

## Habitat Conservation Category

Critical Habitat Category				Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program 2015-2017		
Rank	Project # and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
1	14-1085A	Mountain View	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$4,000,000		\$4,000,000
2	14-1096A	Simcoe	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$3,000,000		\$3,000,000
3	14-1087A	Mid Columbia-Grand Coulee	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$4,000,000		\$4,000,000
4	14-1090A	Heart of the Cascades	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$4,000,000		\$4,000,000
5	14-1091A	Cowiche Watershed	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$2,200,000		\$2,200,000
6	14-1089A	Tunk Valley	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$2,000,000		\$2,000,000
7	14-1099A	Kettle River Corridor	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$1,000,000		\$1,000,000
8	14-1609C	Sage Grouse Habitat Acquisition in Deep Creek	Foster Creek Conservation District	\$302,000	\$303,152	\$605,152
				<b>\$20,502,000</b>	<b>\$303,152</b>	<b>\$20,805,152</b>

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Natural Areas Category			Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program 2015-2017			
Rank	Project # and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
1	14-1249A	Dabob Bay Natural Area Shoreline	Washington Department of Natural Resources	\$3,240,955		\$3,240,955
2	14-1254A	Kennedy Creek Natural Area Preserve	Washington Department of Natural Resources	\$849,659		\$849,659
3	14-1252A	Ink Blot and Schumacher Creek Natural Area Preserves	Washington Department of Natural Resources	\$2,214,554		\$2,214,554
4	14-1722A	Queets River	Washington Department of Natural Resources	\$1,643,135	\$560,000	\$2,203,135
4	14-1247A	South Lake Ozette Natural Area Preserve	Washington Department of Natural Resources	\$1,588,360		\$1,588,360
6	14-1253A	Trombetta Canyon Natural Area Preserve	Washington Department of Natural Resources	\$648,164		\$648,164
7	14-1245A	Marcellus Shrub Steppe Natural Area Preserve	Washington Department of Natural Resources	\$215,118		\$215,118
8	14-1094A	Merrill Lake Natural Area	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$2,500,000		\$2,500,000
				<b>\$12,899,945</b>	<b>\$560,000</b>	<b>\$13,459,945</b>

Project Type: A = Acquisition

State Lands Restoration and Enhancement Category			Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program 2015-2017			
Rank	Project # and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
1	14-1697R	Grassland Restoration in South Puget Sound	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$387,700		\$387,700
2	14-1485R	Lacamas Prairie Oak and Wet Prairie Restoration	Washington Department of Natural Resources	\$120,000		\$120,000
3	14-1508R	Sinlahekin Ecosystem Restoration Phase 3	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$534,500		\$534,500
4	14-1525R	Trout Lake Meadow Restoration Phase 2	Washington Department of Natural Resources	\$72,000		\$72,000
5	14-1482R	Coastal Forest Restoration	Washington Department of Natural Resources	\$188,800		\$188,800
6	14-1355R	LT Murray Forest and Aquatic Habitat Enhancement	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$375,000		\$375,000
7	14-1518R	Klickitat Canyon Natural Resources Conservation Area Restoration Phase 2	Washington Department of Natural Resources	\$71,000		\$71,000
8	14-1670R	Phantom Butte Shrub-Steppe and Grassland Restoration	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$62,500		\$62,500
9	14-1535R	Admiralty Inlet Preserve Restoration Phase 3	Washington Department of Natural Resources	\$96,937		\$96,937
10	14-1507R	Selah Cliffs Restoration	Washington Department of Natural Resources	\$37,000		\$37,000
11	14-1610R	Colockum Wildlife Area Fire Rehabilitation	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$200,200	\$5,000	\$205,200
12	14-1447R	Pogue Mountain and Chesaw Habitat Restoration	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$235,000	\$35,000	\$270,000
Project Type: R = Restoration				<b>\$2,380,637</b>	<b>\$40,000</b>	<b>\$2,420,637</b>

Urban Wildlife Habitat Category			Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program 2015-2017			
Rank	Project # and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
1	14-1098A	West Rocky Prairie	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$3,000,000		\$3,000,000
2	14-1276A	Bass-Beaver Lake Acquisition	King County	\$748,000	\$748,000	\$1,496,000
3	14-1130A	Sage Hills Gateway Acquisition	Wenatchee	\$510,000	\$513,000	\$1,023,000
4	14-1251A	Stavis Natural Resources Conservation Area and Kitsap Forest Natural Area Preserve	Washington Department of Natural Resources	\$3,765,352		\$3,765,352
5	14-1250A	Mount Si and Middle Fork Snoqualmie Natural Resources Conservation Areas	Washington Department of Natural Resources	\$3,147,269		\$3,147,269
6	14-1093A	Ebey Island	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$1,000,000		\$1,000,000
7	14-1441A	Hooven Bog Conservation Area	Snohomish County	\$492,750	\$492,750	\$985,500
				<b>\$12,663,371</b>	<b>\$1,753,750</b>	<b>\$14,417,121</b>

Project Type: A = Acquisition

## Farmland Preservation Account

Farmland Preservation Account			Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program 2015-2017			
Rank	Project # and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
1	14-1510A	Vander Voet Farm	Whidbey Camano Land Trust	\$564,100	\$1,150,000	\$1,714,100
2	14-1526A	Olma South Farmland	Okanogan Land Trust	\$277,354	\$283,353	\$560,707
3	14-1527A	Strandberg Farm and Ranchland	Okanogan Land Trust	\$758,563	\$765,562	\$1,524,125
3	14-2178A	Skagit County Farmland	Skagit County	\$1,379,712	\$1,379,713	\$2,759,425
5	14-1629A	Nelson Ranch Easement Acquisition	Capitol Land Trust	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$1,500,000
6	14-1359A	Bishop Dairy Preservation	Jefferson Land Trust	\$481,225	\$481,225	\$962,450
7	14-1293A	Lust Family Farm and Ranch Preservation	Washington State Conservation Commission	\$1,704,153	\$8,333	\$1,712,486
8	14-1756A	Maple K Meyers Place	Palouse Land Trust	\$540,250	\$540,250	\$1,080,500
9	14-1443A	Dungeness Watershed Farmland Protection Phase 3	North Olympic Land Trust	\$343,875	\$343,875	\$687,750
10	14-1522A	Olma North Ranchland	Okanogan Land Trust	\$762,000	\$763,000	\$1,525,000
11	14-1652A	Soriano Ranch	Okanogan Land Trust	\$2,115,250	\$2,154,250	\$4,269,500
12	14-1400A	Smith Family Farms Protection Phase 1	North Olympic Land Trust	\$627,000	\$627,000	\$1,254,000
13	14-1295A	Stevenson Farm and Ranch Preservation	Washington State Conservation Commission	\$513,780	\$8,333	\$522,113

Farmland Preservation Account				Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program 2015-2017		
14	14-1719C	Schweickert Farm Easement Acquisition- Restoration	Capitol Land Trust	\$165,000	\$165,000	\$330,000
15	14-1476A	Bailey Farm	PCC Farmland Trust	\$591,275	\$591,275	\$1,182,550
16	14-1297A	Emerick Rangeland Agricultural Easement	Washington State Conservation Commission	\$1,300,114	\$8,333	\$1,308,447
17	14-1557A	Double R Bar Ranch Conservation Easement	San Juan County Land Bank	\$379,000	\$379,000	\$758,000
18	14-1235A	Quilcene Farm Center	Jefferson Land Trust	\$295,451	\$295,451	\$590,902
19	14-1478A	Harman Farm	PCC Farmland Trust	\$165,000	\$205,550	\$370,550
20	14-1477A	Olson Farm	PCC Farmland Trust	\$228,300	\$228,300	\$456,600
21	14-1541A	Sather Farm	PCC Farmland Trust	\$319,100	\$319,100	\$638,200
22	14-1456A	Upper Naneum Creek Farm	Kittitas County	\$187,500	\$187,500	\$375,000
23	14-1128A	Imrie Ranches Rock Creek Agricultural Easement	Washington State Conservation Commission	\$5,171,135		\$5,171,135
24	14-1140A	Kelley Ranches Agricultural Easement	Washington State Conservation Commission	\$2,437,826		\$2,437,826
25	14-1472A	Hofstra Farm	Forterra	\$305,000	\$305,000	\$610,000
				<b>\$22,361,963</b>	<b>\$11,939,403</b>	<b>\$34,301,366</b>

Project Type: A = Acquisition; C = Combination

## Riparian Protection Account

Riparian Protection Account			Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program 2015-2017			
Rank	Project # and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
1	14-1480A	Mashel Shoreline Protection Phase 4	Nisqually Land Trust	\$1,100,000	\$1,479,500	\$2,579,500
2	14-1150A	Willapa Bay-Seal Slough Conservation Acquisition	Columbia Land Trust	\$875,000	\$875,000	\$1,750,000
3	14-1092A	Taneum Creek Riparian	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$1,700,000		\$1,700,000
4	14-1097A	Reardan Audubon Lake	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$600,000		\$600,000
5	14-1095A	Merrill Lake Riparian Protection	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$3,000,000		\$3,000,000
6	14-1702A	Clearwater Riparian Protection Phase 3	The Nature Conservancy	\$986,565	\$990,518	\$1,977,083
7	14-1689A	Skookum Estuary Fletcher Acquisition Phase 2	Squaxin Island Tribe	\$140,000	\$145,000	\$285,000
8	14-2179A	Hoh River Riparian	The Nature Conservancy	\$1,199,400	\$1,425,000	\$2,624,400
9	14-1741C	Jacobs Point Addition	Anderson Island Park District	\$67,000	\$100,612	\$167,612
9	14-1587A	Grover's Creek Acquisition Phase 2	Great Peninsula Conservancy	\$398,000	\$439,250	\$837,250
11	14-1283A	Carbon River Valley Expansion	Pierce County	\$612,500	\$911,250	\$1,523,750
12	14-1350A	Little Skookum Inlet Riparian Habitat Protection	Squaxin Island Tribe	\$951,300	\$977,700	\$1,929,000
				<b>\$11,629,765</b>	<b>\$7,343,830</b>	<b>\$18,973,595</b>

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# Project Descriptions

Project descriptions are in rank order, by category. The acres to be acquired in some cases are estimates only and may change as projects near completion.

## Local Parks Category

<b>Number of Grant Requests</b>	<b>70</b>
<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>\$26,757,062</b>
<b>Applicant Match</b>	<b>\$57,144,031</b>

### Wenatchee

**Grant Requested: \$480,648**

#### Saddle Rock Gateway and Outdoor Education Area

The City of Wenatchee will use this grant to provide parking, restrooms, and an outdoor classroom at the Saddle Rock Gateway and Outdoor Education Area at Saddle Rock, in Chelan County. The City will expand the limited street-end parking that is often overflowing and causes neighborhood issues, as well as develop a trail accessible to people with disabilities and install educational stations and shade structures. Finally, the City will plant native and drought-tolerant landscaping. Saddle Rock is a year-round outdoor recreation and education destination in the Wenatchee Valley. From snowshoeing to horseback riding and hiking, the area is used by thousands of residents and visitors each year. Saddle Rock also is the site of the Wenatchee School District's award winning, Shrub Steppen' Up Program in which every fifth-grade student visits the site and learns about the natural environment. Parking and support facilities at the site are inadequate for the use it receives. The Wenatchee School District, Chelan-Douglas Land Trust, Dry Gulch Preserve, Alcoa Foundation, and community support this project. The community is donating more than \$450,000 as match for the project. Wenatchee will contribute \$480,648 in staff labor and donations of cash and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1135](#).

### Lakewood

**Grant Requested: \$193,950**

#### Springbrook Park Acquisition and Development

The City of Lakewood will use this grant to buy 1.2 acres next to Springbrook Park, allowing the City to connect the park to city land across Clover Creek. The City will remove a house and garage from the land, improve habitat near the creek, move the fence, add pathways around the property, and connect the land to Springbrook Park,

which offers trails, play equipment, a family picnic area, and a community garden. In the southeast corner of Lakewood, Springbrook Park is just outside the Joint Base Lewis McChord Field gate and isolated from Lakewood by a freeway and Clover Creek. Besides the current park, there are no other public open spaces, community centers, schools, churches, or similar facilities where the neighborhood can build a sense of community. Lakewood will contribute \$193,950 in cash and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1513](#).

**Everett**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

**Kasch Park Synthetic Turf Replacement**

The Everett Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to redevelop two aging soccer fields into multi-purpose athletic fields at Kasch Park. The synthetic turf, which was installed in 2001, is at the end of its playable life and restricts the hours of play when it rains. By replacing the turf, the fields will be able to host up to 16 hours of daily play. Kasch Park is in southwest Everett, and the Kasch Park athletic complex, with its two soccer fields, one multi-sport field, and six baseball and softball fields is positioned to be a prime location for local and regional sporting events in Western Washington. Everett will contribute \$1.6 million. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1274](#).

**Selah**

**Grant Requested: \$359,000**

**Volunteer Park Development**

The Selah Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to develop the first fully accessible park in Yakima County. The City will build the new park, called Volunteer Park, on 5.3 acres, which the City acquired for a park in 1967. The City will pave a 9-foot-wide walking path around the perimeter, install workout stations, plant grass, add an irrigation system, pave a parking lot, and build a gazebo, restroom, and playground. The entire park will be accessible to people with disabilities. This will be the first park of its kind in Yakima County. Selah will contribute \$380,000 in cash, materials, other grants, and donations of cash, equipment, labor, and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1143](#).

**Benton County**

**Grant Requested: \$695,377**

**Candy Mountain Acquisition**

Benton County will use this grant to buy nearly 195 acres on Candy Mountain, south of West Richland, for a regional park. Visitors will enjoy sagebrush landscape and commanding 360-degree views of the surrounding area. The park will be similar to Benton County's Badger Mountain Centennial Preserve, which had nearly 200,000 visits in 2013. The County plans to build a 20-mile trail on the ridge, linking Badger Mountain to Candy Mountain to Red Mountain. This long-distance trail connectivity is a key goal in the county's comprehensive park plan. The purchase also will allow the county to preserve native shrub-steppe habitat and provide the public with access to the summit of Candy Mountain. The land is home to sagebrush-dependent animals such as

Townsend's ground squirrels and black-tailed jackrabbits, which are listed as sensitive species. The project will protect the view by preserving the city-facing side of Candy Mountain. Benton County will contribute \$695,377 in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1111](#).

**Anacortes**

**Grant Requested: \$335,000**

**John Storvik Spray Park and New Restroom**

The City of Anacortes will use this grant to design, permit, and build a spray park and restroom at John Storvik Municipal Park. The 8.7-acre park was built in 1974 and has a baseball field, basketball courts, playgrounds, and a horseshoe pit. The spray park will be the first spray park in the city's park system and will provide a new outdoor recreation experience in one of the most populated, low income neighborhoods. Anacortes will contribute \$347,500 in cash, staff labor, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1331](#).

**Bellevue**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

**Inspiration Playground Construction in Downtown Park**

The City of Bellevue will use this grant to develop Inspiration Playground, a playground accessible to people with disabilities, in Bellevue's Downtown Park. This first phase of construction will add 25,000 square feet of additional playground and renovate existing support facilities such as the parking lot and restrooms, to better accommodate people with disabilities. The playground will feature sensory-rich play experiences and equipment, including a water spray and interactive walkway with music. The Bellevue Rotary Club will help pay for construction. Bellevue will contribute \$1.8 million in cash, a grant from the Land and Water Conservation Fund, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1182](#).

**Yakima**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

**Randall Park Renovation**

The Yakima Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to renovate Randall Park, a 40-acre, 60-year-old park in central Yakima. The improvements will make the park safer, more accessible, and more aesthetically pleasing. The City will renovate the natural area, duck pond, pathways, bridges, parking, and restroom. Additionally, the City will install a picnic shelter and playground. Randall Park was identified in the city's comprehensive parks plan as one of the most popular and most used parks in Yakima. Yakima will contribute \$670,100 in donations of cash, equipment, and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1121](#).

**Spokane**

**Grant Requested: \$238,055**

**Spokane-Adaptive Baseball Field at Mission Park**

The Spokane Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to build a multipurpose sports field that is fully accessible to people with disabilities at Mission

Park. The City also will expand the accessible pathways through the park and create six van-accessible parking spaces. Mission Park has been targeted by the City to provide universal access for multiple recreational opportunities including an aquatic center, sport court, and playground. Spokane will contribute \$238,056 from a Cal Ripken Sr. Foundation grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1465](#).

**Vancouver****Grant Requested: \$500,000****Columbia River Waterfront Park**

The Vancouver Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to build viewpoints, a fishing pier, pathways, festival lawn and gathering areas, informal play areas, and interpretive displays in a 7.3-acre park on the Columbia River in downtown Vancouver, west of the Interstate 5 bridge. The project will transform a former industrial site into the city's signature waterfront park, which will provide new public access to a half-mile of river shoreline. It will achieve the city's vision to reconnect downtown Vancouver to the Columbia River with an active, recreation-oriented waterfront and re-establish public access that has been blocked for more than 100 years. The future waterfront park is part of a larger redevelopment of the downtown waterfront. The city and development partners are investing more than \$5.5 million in first phase of improvements on shoreline restoration, pedestrian and bike access, and construction of a half-mile extension of the city's Columbia River Renaissance Trail, which extends through this site. The department will contribute \$1.3 million in cash and a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1471](#).

**Darrington****Grant Requested: \$296,081****Skate Darrington**

The Town of Darrington will use this grant to build a 6,500-square-foot, concrete skate park at Old School Park. The skate park will replace the basketball courts in the southeast portion of the park and a full-size basketball court will be built in the southwest corner connected by accessible pathways from a new parking lot. Skate Darrington has been working with Grindline Skateparks to design a park geared for beginner and intermediate users. Old School Park is centrally located in Darrington and provides restrooms, picnic areas, playground, dirt jumps, T-ball fields, and tennis courts, making it the obvious choice for the new skate park location. In a recent town survey, 95 percent of adults acknowledged a lack of recreational activities for youth; 85 percent of those same adults support the skate park. Through bake sales, Valentine dinners, auctions, and raffles \$10,000 has been raised for the skate park. Darrington will contribute \$302,081 in a local grant and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1434](#).

**Lakewood**

**Grant Requested: \$250,000**

**Waughop Lake Trail at Fort Steilacoom Park**

The City of Lakewood will use this grant to renovate the trail around Waughop Lake at Fort Steilacoom Park. The City will pave a mile-long path around the lake and install benches, a picnic shelter, interpretive signs, and parking for people with disabilities. Work also will include improving the habitat by removing dead and invasive plants, and planting grass and native plants. About 950,000 people annually visit the 350-acre Fort Steilacoom Park in northwest Lakewood. The lake trail was a road until it was closed in the 1970s and now is used for cross-country courses, races, and walk-a-thon events. Improving the lake trail and surrounding area is the highest priority development project in the city's 20-year strategic plan and improving the lake trail is the top project in its 6-year *Capital Improvement Plan*. Lakewood will contribute \$250,000 in cash, staff labor, another grant, and donations of cash and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1542](#).

**Covington**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

**Covington Community Park Phase 2**

The City of Covington will use this grant to build the second phase of a community park. Work will include developing an outdoor stage and grass seating area, trails, picnic shelters, a tennis court, parking, and restrooms, as well as installing outdoor fitness equipment. These improvements will provide a location for community events, which is one of the top-ranked recreation needs in the city, and expand the city's trail system. Covington does not have a suitable location to hold public events. The city's population has grown 40 percent since incorporation and needs more than the existing 8 miles of community trail to serve the recreation and transportation needs of its residents. The first phase of development included building a soccer field, spectator amenities, parking, and trails. Expanding Covington Community Park will address a dream of citizens who have been working on this project since 2003, when the property was donated to the city. Covington will contribute more than \$3 million in cash and a state appropriation. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1616](#).

**Spokane County**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

**Prairie View Park Expansion**

The Spokane County Parks, Recreation and Golf Department will use this grant to buy and develop 10 acres next to Prairie View Park, which is near rapidly growing south Spokane. The County will build one joint softball and Little League field, one multi-purpose field, four sand volleyball courts, and a half-mile walking trail. Expanding this park will eliminate a deficit of developed park acres in the area and will provide the community with outdoor recreation and athletic facilities. The department will contribute \$568,665. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1701](#).

**Des Moines**

**Grant Requested: \$293,243**

**Beach Park Picnic Shelter and Restroom**

The City of Des Moines will use this grant to renovate the historic picnic shelter and restrooms in the 19-acre Des Moines Beach Park. Also known as Covenant Beach Camp, the park is listed on both the Washington and National Historic Registers. The picnic shelter built in the 1920s served as the camp's auxiliary hall, and the restrooms, built in 1945, served as a woodshop and washroom. The buildings have been closed for many years because of extensive earthquake and flood damage and they cannot be moved or demolished because of the park's landmark status. New buildings also cannot be built because the park is within a floodplain with numerous overlapping critical areas. Surface water facilities and modifications to Des Moines Creek have stopped the flooding and laid the groundwork for the restoration of the park's historic structures. The city's *Parks Master Plan* identifies this project as a Number 1 priority. Des Moines will contribute \$293,244 from a voter-approved King County parks levy. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1357](#).

**Washougal**

**Grant Requested: \$78,946**

**Hartwood Park Red Barn Playground**

The City of Washougal will use this grant to develop a new playground in Hartwood Park. The City will install picnic tables and a barnyard-themed playground to complement existing farm animal pieces. The City also will install parking and pathways. With separate funding, the City will install retaining walls between the existing big red barn, used for park maintenance, and the playground to reduce erosion and to double as seating for park visitors. Nestled to the west of the red barn, the existing play elements provide just a tidbit of farm-themed play. Visitors have requested a more complex and challenging playground to capture youngsters' attention. Washougal will contribute \$78,947. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1072](#).

**Prosser**

**Grant Requested: \$87,800**

**Prosser City Park Restrooms**

The City of Prosser will use this grant to build new restrooms and demolish the old in Prosser's City Park. The City also will improve access routes from the picnic shelters, playground, 7th Street, and Sommers Avenue. A storm water infiltration trench will be installed, utility lines will be routed underground to the building, two security lights will be installed, and minor changes will be made to sewer and water lines to accommodate connections to the new building. One new parking place for people with disabilities will be designated on 7th Street with a smooth access route to the restroom. Prosser will contribute \$87,800 in cash, equipment, staff labor, and a federal grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1415](#).

**Snohomish County  
Esperance Park Acquisition**

**Grant Requested: \$508,600**

The Snohomish County Department of Parks and Recreation will use this grant to buy 3.4 acres next to Esperance County Park in Edmonds, three blocks west of State Route 99. Owned by the Edmonds School District, the land will be put up for sale if the County cannot buy it. Esperance Park is the only park in the Esperance community and loss of the school land would represent a major reduction to the quantity and quality of public open space in the neighborhood. Recent community input identified a number of recreational needs that cannot be met on the existing 6.2-acre county park. The County is working with community partners, including the Friends of Esperance Park, to secure additional money for redevelopment. Snohomish County will contribute \$670,000 in Conservation Futures<sup>2</sup> and staff labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1631](#).

**Duvall  
Big Rock Sports Park Improvements**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The City of Duvall will use this grant to install synthetic turf and improve drainage to 150,000 square feet of soccer and baseball fields at Big Rock Park in southeast Duvall. Most of the soccer and baseball fields have poorly draining grass and aren't used much as a result. The Snoqualmie Valley Little League and Snoqualmie Valley Youth Soccer Association are committed to long-term support of this site and have aided the development of a skate park, ball field, parking lot, and playground at the park. Duvall will contribute \$839,093 in cash and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1618](#).

**Twisp  
Twisp Tennis Court Development**

**Grant Requested: \$34,025**

The Town of Twisp will use this grant to develop a tennis court in its downtown riverfront park. There are no tennis courts in town. Twisp also will create a path from the court to an existing path leading to a parking lot, picnic shelter, and trailhead. Twisp Park includes a pool, basketball court, playground, picnic shelter, and access to the Twisp and Methow Rivers. Twisp will contribute \$34,765 in equipment, staff labor, materials, a private grant and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1509](#).

**Wenatchee  
Hale Park Acquisition and Development**

**Grant Requested: \$523,000**

The City of Wenatchee will use this grant to buy nearly 5 acres of riverfront property in south Wenatchee and develop the first public off-leash dog area in north central

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<sup>2</sup> Conservation Futures are a portion of property taxes used by local governments to buy land or development rights to protect natural areas, forests, wetlands, and farms.

Washington. The City also will develop the land with a large grassy area with shade trees for activities and picnicking. The land will provide the only park along the Columbia River in south Wenatchee. The acquisition helps satisfy more than a dozen goals, objectives, and needs contained in the City's parks and recreation comprehensive plan. A long-term maintenance agreement with a local dog park organization, FIDO, has been prepared for the off-leash area. Wenatchee will contribute \$531,923 in cash, equipment, staff labor, materials, a state grant, and donations of cash and land. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1131](#).

**Richland**

**Grant Requested: \$300,000**

**John Dam Plaza Amphitheater**

The Richland Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to build a covered stage and amphitheater at John Dam Plaza, which is in the city's downtown and has served as the town square for community gatherings since the 1940s. The City will replace the flat grassy area and small raised knoll that has served as a stage for events by building a 1,200-square-foot covered stage along with a bowl-shaped grassed seating area for 2,000 spectators. The City will install power to the stage and around the perimeter of the amphitheater for vendors participating in events there. The new stage with the increased power source will provide a greatly needed venue for hosting plays, concerts, fund-raising events, rallies, speeches, award ceremonies, recitals, movies, and many more special events. Richland will contribute \$300,000 in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1449](#).

**Bothell**

**Grant Requested: \$1,000,000**

**North Creek Forest Acquisition Phase 3**

The City of Bothell will use this grant to buy up to 22 acres to complete the acquisition of the 64-acre urban forest known as the North Creek Forest. The land is along Interstate 405, just south of the King-Snohomish County line and is divided into three parcels – 8.8 acres bounded on the north and south by city-owned land, 8.2 acres next to city-owned land, and another 4.8 acres. The City already owns 41.56 acres of the forest. The North Creek Forest is a mature forest that filters surface water above North Creek, which is used by Chinook salmon. The forest is home to at least two priority bird species – pileated woodpecker and band-tailed pigeon. People use the forest for hiking. Bothell will contribute \$1.4 million in Conservation Futures<sup>3</sup> and a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1398](#).

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**Lynnwood**  
**Meadowdale Playfields Renovation**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The City of Lynnwood will use this grant to convert the surfaces of two soccer fields from sand to synthetic turf at Meadowdale Playfields. The 27-acre sports field was developed as a joint project with the City of Edmonds, Edmonds School District, and Snohomish County, on school district land. Lynnwood maintains and operates the facility, and shares use with the school district and Edmonds. The goal is to provide competitive, multipurpose fields that are available for year-round youth soccer, lacrosse, rugby, and football. Lynnwood will contribute \$2.5 million in voter-approved bonds, and local grants. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1120](#).

**Ridgefield**  
**Refuge Road Neighborhood Park Acquisition**

**Grant Requested: \$225,300**

The City of Ridgefield will use this grant to buy 20.6 acres for a new neighborhood park, named Refuge Road Park. As the third fastest growing city in Washington, Ridgefield's population has increased 27 percent since 2010 and this purchase will provide a park in a rapidly developing area. The land will be Ridgefield's first neighborhood park large enough to support a range of recreational uses and eventually will include a picnic shelter, restroom, playground, community gardens, trails, and interpretive displays. About 11 acres of the park include steep slopes and will stay as natural habitat. The park offers a spectacular view of Mount Saint Helens – the only city land with such a view – and will serve as a gateway to the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge. Ridgefield will contribute \$225,301. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1444](#).

**Kitsap County**  
**Port Gamble Ride Park in-Kitsap Forest and Bay**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The Kitsap County Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to buy 200 acres for the future development of a mountain bike trail with riding loops and skill obstacle elements in Port Gamble Ride Park. The land is a tree farm, which the landowner has platted into 20-acre, single-family lots. The park is in the north part of the county, next to the 543-acre Port Gamble Shoreline Park and near Port Gamble. It links to the Sound to Olympics regional trail. Kitsap County's goal is to create a system of connected multi-use trails to promote healthy lifestyles. Private, non-profit trail and mountain bike partners are ready with labor and funds to complete the park trails. Kitsap County will contribute \$570,000 in cash and a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1484](#).

**Edmonds**  
**Civic Center Field Acquisition**

**Grant Requested: \$1,000,000**

The City of Edmonds will use the grant to buy the Civic Center, formerly the Edmonds Junior High School Athletic Field, in downtown Edmonds. The nearly 8 acres are the last, large piece of open area in the city's downtown. While owned by the Edmonds School District, the Civic Center is a highly visited site that many residents consider a city park. The land contains a playground, basketball and tennis courts, a football field, soccer fields, a track, a skate park, petanque courts, restrooms, and a stadium. The City has leased and operated the Civic Center since 1977, but the school district intends to sell the land and has received an offer. The City has a first right of refusal to purchase the land. Located a block from the downtown commercial area, the land is in a prime location for private development as the surrounding area is mainly condominiums and townhomes. Edmonds will contribute \$1.9 million in cash and a private grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1199](#).

**Snohomish County**  
**Lake Stickney Park Phase 1**

**Grant Requested: \$295,000**

The Snohomish County Department of Parks and Recreation will use this grant to begin development of Lake Stickney Park, near Lynnwood and Interstate 5. The County will build a nature-based playground, water and wetland viewing areas, and walking paths. The park will give the community an opportunity to interact with nature. Many young people in the community live in apartments and during a recent volunteer event, several kids enjoyed their first use of a shovel. In addition to the lake, the park contains wetlands and part of Swamp Creek. The County will develop the park in an environmentally friendly way by treating the storm water for the existing parking lot, reducing impervious surfaces, and restoring native plants. The Lake Stickney Community Club, the Lake Stickney Conservancy, and many local residents support this project. Snohomish County will contribute \$295,000 in cash, equipment, staff labor, and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1630](#).

**Snoqualmie**  
**Snoqualmie Skate Park**

**Grant Requested: \$175,000**

The City of Snoqualmie will use this grant to design and build the city's first skate park, planned as a 6,000- to 7,000-square-foot facility in Snoqualmie Community Park, next to the community center. Many youth will benefit from the skate park: 35 percent of the city's residents are under 18-years-old and the nearest skate park is 7 miles away. The skate park will accommodate beginner and intermediate skateboarders and likely will include an above-grade design with concrete mini ramps, stair sets, banks, ledges, and rails. Snoqualmie will contribute \$175,000 in cash, a local grant, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1592](#).

**Centralia**  
**Pearl Street Veterans Memorial Pool**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The City of Centralia will use this grant to repair the Pearl Street Veterans Pool and replace the bathhouse. Built in the 1950s, and updated in the 1980s, the pool is deteriorating and has inadequate and broken mechanical equipment and a crumbling barrier wall. The bathhouse is inadequate, in disrepair, and lacking modern amenities. In 2011, Centralia closed the pool and has performed only routine maintenance to slow deterioration and keep the pool viable if it is reopened. The non-profit organization, Save The Outdoor Pool and Swim (STOP and Swim), will repair the pool, replace the bathhouse, and install mechanical equipment and storage. Centralia will contribute \$1.1 million in a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1606](#).

**Covington**  
**SoCo Park**

**Grant Requested: \$558,915**

The City of Covington will use this grant to buy 3.4 acres for the future SoCo Park. Named after its location in south Covington, SoCo park will be between Jenkins Creek and Wax Road in the newly developing downtown. It will be the neighborhood park for new multi-family residences and an existing neighborhood. This project helps address a significant shortage of neighborhood parks for residents in the area. Covington will contribute \$558,915 in Conservation Futures<sup>4</sup> and a voter-approved levy. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1623](#).

**Spokane**  
**Mirror Pond Pathway**

**Grant Requested: \$91,500**

The Spokane Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to develop about 1 acre around Mirror Pond in Manito Park. Manito Park, with its five specialized gardens and conservatory, is visited by more than 500,000 people a year. The City will create a path around the pond for visitors. Aquatic and shoreline plants will have identifying signs in the same style as the gardens in the park. Pathways connecting to sidewalks through the neighborhood also will be built. Spokane will contribute \$91,500 in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1543](#).

**Ferndale**  
**STAR Park Playground Development**

**Grant Requested: \$230,666**

The City of Ferndale will use this grant to build STAR Park in the city's downtown Pioneer Park. All of the city's playgrounds are dated, have minimal accessibility for people with

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<sup>4</sup> Conservation Futures are a portion of property taxes used by local governments to buy land or development rights to protect natural areas, forests, wetlands, and farms.

disabilities, and serve only their immediate neighborhoods. STAR Park's playground will combine imagination, education, cooperation, fitness, and community spirit (the five points of the star) in one location through a connected series of play houses, jungle gyms, forts, and sitting areas. The overall design of the park is based on the imagination of local children, as interpreted by professional playground design professionals. Community volunteers, including local contractors donating their time, will build the playground. Ferndale will contribute \$230,685 in cash, staff labor, and donations of cash, equipment, and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1218](#).

**King County**  
**Cougar-Squak Corridor Acquisition**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks will use this grant to buy 224 acres of mature forest in the Issaquah Alps, the region's most heavily used hiking destination. Located 1.2 miles south of Issaquah on State Route 900, the land will become a year-round regional destination for hikers and families, providing a much-needed trailhead, parking lot, and miles of new trail connections through the land to the adjacent 5,300 acres of county and state parks. In 2012, a logging company purchased the land, which had been a private campground for decades, and proposed to cut almost all the trees to make room for building 43 homes, massive engineered walls, and roads. With an outpouring of public support, community members mobilized to prevent these actions and save the land. The Trust for Public Land bought the land this year. The site's 40- to more than 80-year-old forests are a major wildlife corridor supporting bears, bobcats, cougars, and deer. King County will contribute \$3.8 million from a local grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1512](#).

**Mercer Island**  
**Island Crest Park Renovation**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The City of Mercer Island will use this grant to replace the lighting and convert one baseball field to synthetic turf at Island Crest Park. The park has the only regulation baseball fields in the city, serving as the home field for the high school and for other regional groups, including Mercer Island Little League, National Adult Baseball Association, and the Puget Sound Senior Baseball League. These same fields are used by city camps, youth soccer teams, and Boys and Girls Club Football. The work will enhance playability, improve safety, and reduce closures and maintenance. The new lights will increase safety, reduce light spill to nearby homes, and improve energy efficiency. Mercer Island will contribute \$650,000 in cash and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1499](#).

**Ilwaco**  
**Ilwaco City Park Renovation**

**Grant Requested: \$320,000**

The City of Ilwaco will use this grant to develop a community park named City Park at the east end of Lake and Spruce Streets. The City will renovate the 3-acre community park by building new softball fields, installing playground equipment, adding park amenities, and adding a trail around the park perimeter. Given the park's proximity to the downtown and Baker Bay, it has the potential to revitalize the economically depressed city. The city's parks plan identified this as the top project. Community groups such as Ocean Beach School District, Ocean Beach Hospital, Port of Ilwaco, Peninsula Little League, Boys and Girls Club, and local grant foundations are in overwhelming support of this project. Ilwaco will contribute \$323,118 in staff labor, a local grant, and donations of cash, labor, and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1729](#).

**Kenmore**  
**Moorlands Neighborhood Park Renovation**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The City of Kenmore will use this grant to renovate Moorlands Neighborhood Park, a 3.6-acre, underdeveloped neighborhood park in the southeast corner of Kenmore next to Moorlands Elementary School. The City will redevelop a baseball field, renovate a T-ball practice field, install fencing and a children's playground, renovate a small shelter for protection from the weather, pave the parking lot and pathways, improve the park entry, build restrooms and a picnic shelter, install park furniture, landscape the park, and build a stage for community programs. The overall goal of the project is to improve the quality of the existing recreation facilities, improve access for people with disabilities, and increase the opportunities for outdoor recreation in the park. Moorlands Neighborhood Park is the only park in the southeast corner of Kenmore. Kenmore will contribute \$951,325. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1290](#).

**Issaquah**  
**Central Park Multipurpose Sport Field Improvements**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The City of Issaquah will use this grant to improve a multi-purpose sports field in Central Park. The park has a grass field with a baseball diamond that is under-used and often very wet. The City will convert the field into two, multi-purpose turf sports fields that could be used for a variety of activities, including baseball, soccer, lacrosse, and football, among others. The City will install lights and fencing as well. As Issaquah's population continues to grow quickly and the number of youth participating in sports programs climbs, the demand for year-round fields far exceeds the supply. Additional fields would enable more use of the park for tournaments. Issaquah Soccer Club, Issaquah Little League, Issaquah Youth Lacrosse, and Issaquah Youth Football support this project. Issaquah will contribute \$2.6 million in cash, voter-approved bonds, a local grant, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1265](#).

**Fircrest**  
**Gene Goodwin Tot Lot Playground Renovation**

**Grant Requested: \$36,500**

The City of Fircrest will use this grant to replace a playground structure and fence at the Gene Goodwin Tot Lot Neighborhood Park, one of the most popular family parks in the region. The .5-acre park is at Ramsdell Street and Contra Costa Avenue, next to Fircrest Park. The tot lot draws families from Fircrest, Tacoma, and University Place. But the 50-year-old park is showing its age. This project would give the City its best opportunity to replace two worn-out features and greatly enhance the experience families have at this beloved neighborhood park. The City's *Parks Recreation and Open Space Plan* identifies this project as a high priority. The Fircrest Kiwanis Club supports this project and has been raising money to help. Fircrest will contribute \$36,500 in cash and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1463](#).

**Federal Way**  
**Karl Grosch Field Replacement**

**Grant Requested: \$150,000**

The City of Federal Way will use this grant to replace the worn artificial playing surface at the Karl Grosch Soccer Park in Steel Lake Park, the most intensively used soccer field in the city. The original surface was installed in 2002 and is nearing the end of its usable life. The City will remove nearly 100,000 square feet of existing turf and replace it with a new surface. Without replacing the turf, the community will lose 2,900 hours of playing capacity and one of three such fields in the city. This will affect high school soccer programs, youth soccer teams at all levels, and adult recreational teams. Federal Way will contribute \$430,000 in cash, a local grant, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1590](#).

**Port of Benton**  
**Crow Butte Park Playground Development**

**Grant Requested: \$167,200**

The Port of Benton will use this grant to buy and install playground equipment in Crow Butte Park, a 275-acre destination park on the Columbia River in southwestern Benton County. The new playground will feature a nature-inspired, inclusive play area with individual and group swings, a spinner, two slides, a wiggly ladder, climbing panel, freestanding play panels, a zip line, and a large rock for climbing. In addition, the Port will designate three new parking spaces for people with disabilities and lay a concrete pathway complete with guardrails and solar lights from the new playground to the restrooms, swimming area, parking, and campground. A retaining wall will be built on one side of the play area, providing access for people with disabilities to the deck of the largest play feature. The park has no play equipment, although surveys show that more than two-thirds of park users bring children to the park. The combination of new pathway and playground will promote park connectivity and walking for all ages, along with active play for children. The Port of Benton will contribute \$182,047 in staff labor and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1173](#).

**Cashmere**  
**Cashmere's Riverside Park Revitalization**

**Grant Requested: \$249,925**

The City of Cashmere will use this grant to complete renovation of its downtown Riverside Park. The City has spent the past 5 years fixing the park and this grant will allow work on the last 2 acres of the 7.32-acre park. The City will install an in-ground, concrete skate park; restrooms; paved parking lot; educational and natural learning playground structure; picnic areas; open lawn; and pathways. Riverside Park is along the Wenatchee River. Once completed, the park will provide great walking, fishing, kayaking, rafting, picnicking, skateboarding, soccer, softball, and playground structures. Cashmere will contribute \$249,925 in cash and donations of cash, equipment, and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1280](#).

**Kent**  
**Russell Road Athletic Field Conversion**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The City of Kent will use this grant to convert the baseball field at Russell Road Park to a synthetic turf, multi-use field. The park is used for baseball and softball from April through September. By installing synthetic turf, this project will allow the field to be used year-round for baseball, softball, soccer, lacrosse, and flag football. It would make Russell Road only the second city park to have synthetic turf fields, and double the use of the sports field while reducing operating costs. This project was identified as a priority project by the Kent Parks Citizen's Advisory Board. Russell Road Park is host to a number of local, regional, state, and national baseball and softball tournaments. Kent will contribute \$1.5 million. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1696](#).

**Snoqualmie**  
**Snoqualmie Riverview Park Expansion**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The City of Snoqualmie will use this grant to buy one-third acre to expand its downtown Riverview Park, re-landscape the new area, add a scenic viewpoint, and install picnic tables, interpretive signs, and pathways. These enhancements will allow people to picnic near the river and learn about local ecology. The work also will improve habitat for elk, bald eagles, mountain whitefish, and rainbow and cutthroat trout. The park feels cramped, with play equipment close to structures, no developed scenic viewpoint to take in the surrounding mountains, little open space, and no educational components. The City wants to make Riverview Park a marquee downtown feature and develop a riverfront trail that will connect to the Snoqualmie Valley Regional Trail and the John Wayne Trail to Idaho. Snoqualmie will contribute \$506,700 in cash, two grants, and Conservation Futures.<sup>5</sup> For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1873](#).

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**Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma  
Point Defiance Off Leash**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma will use this grant to move the unfenced, 3-acre, off-leash dog area and create a 15-acre fenced area for dogs next to the second entrance to Point Defiance Park. The park district also will add parking, separate meadows for large and small dogs, shelters, an agility course, walking trails, and a pond specifically designed for dogs. The park district will contribute \$1 million in voter-approved bonds. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1695](#).

**Kennewick  
Hansen Park Completion-Pathway and Amenities**

**Grant Requested: \$360,198**

The Kennewick Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to complete Hansen Park, a 25-acre park in the west end of the city. The City will install two picnic shelters, a 1-mile pathway around the park, park furniture, more parking, a restroom, and two gardens – a heritage garden and a community garden. The *2013-18 Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Plan* selects Hansen Park development as a top priority because the area doesn't have enough parks. The heritage garden will be a teaching tool used by the school district. Kennewick will contribute \$360,199 in cash, equipment, staff labor, materials, and donations of labor and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1361](#).

**Mason County  
Sandhill Park Renovation**

**Grant Requested: \$225,000**

Mason County will use this grant to restore two fields in Sandhill Park in Belfair. Sandhill Park has seven baseball and softball fields and the County has renovated five of them. At the last two fields, the County will install new dugouts, fencing, infields, and outfields, and pave around the fields to improve access for people with disabilities. Sandhill Park is the only baseball-softball complex in the northern part of the county. It was built by volunteers and community organizations in 1980. Mason County will contribute \$225,000 in cash and donations of equipment, labor, and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1467](#).

**Mukilteo  
Mukilteo Athletic Fields**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The City of Mukilteo, in partnership with the Mukilteo Boys and Girls Club, will use this grant to build the first, city-owned athletic fields on 12 acres in the heart of Mukilteo. The City recently acquired the land from the Washington State Department of Natural Resources. The City will build two fields, which could be used for soccer, lacrosse, T-ball, baseball, rugby, and flag football. While the Mukilteo School District owns several fields in the community, there is high demand and not enough fields for youth sports.

Mukilteo will contribute \$900,000 in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1323](#).

**Port Angeles  
Civic Field Lighting Replacement**

**Grant Requested: \$226,500**

The City of Port Angeles will use grant to replace the 36-year-old field lighting at its multi-purpose stadium, Civic Field. The City's Light Division has done an outstanding job keeping the lights running for years but, because of age and lack of available parts, some part of the lights had to be removed or have fallen off on their own. Parts are no longer available for the floodlights. It is just a matter of time before the entire lighting system fails and games during bad weather will no longer be an option. The current lighting system also does not meet the minimum safety standard. This project is a high priority for the city and the Port Angeles School District, both of which have set aside money for it, and it's listed in both the parks comprehensive plan and the city's capital facilities plan. Port Angeles will contribute \$210,000, including money from the school district. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1367](#).

**Mossyrock  
Klickitat Prairie Park Phase 3**

**Grant Requested: \$71,450**

The City of Mossyrock will use this grant to further develop Klickitat Prairie Park. The City will install a large picnic shelter, a path leading to it, 1 mile of walking trails, informational and historical signs, and barbecues near the picnic shelter and throughout the park. Mossyrock will contribute \$72,550 in cash and a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1763](#).

**Concrete  
Concrete Water Spray Park**

**Grant Requested: \$199,013**

The Town of Concrete will use this grant to build a water spray park, restroom, and pathways in Silo Park. The Town also will install a drinking fountain and picnic tables, improve parking, and complete landscaping in the park. Silo Park is north of State Route 20, east of Superior Avenue and south of Main Street. With this development, the town hopes to increase the amount of outdoor recreational opportunities it offers, encourage its residents to participate in more outdoor activities, and increase tourism. Concrete will contribute \$243,237 in cash, a state grant and donations of equipment and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1790](#).

**Kenmore  
Squire's Landing Park Expansion (Twedt Property)**

**Grant Requested: \$340,485**

The City of Kenmore will use this grant to buy .65 acre at the confluence of Swamp Creek and the Sammamish River, including about 100 feet of waterfront, to expand Squire's

Landing Park. The land will allow the City to provide space for passive recreation such as picnicking as well as creek and river access for non-motorized boating, wildlife viewing, interpretive education, and fishing. Kenmore will contribute \$340,485. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1613](#).

**Island County**

**Grant Requested: \$163,140**

**Trillium Community Forest Trailheads**

Island County will use this grant to build a trailhead at Trillium Community Forest, a county park on south-central Whidbey Island. The park includes 700 acres of forest and miles of horse, bike, and walking trails. There is only one trailhead access to the northeast part of the park and it's limited to cars. The County will build a new trailhead off a county road at the west park boundary, where there is no public access. The trailhead will include a parking lot for horse trailers and buses and a half-mile of new trail connecting to the existing trail system. The County's park and recreation element of its comprehensive plan specifically identifies this trailhead project as a very high priority to meet the needs of equestrians and mountain bikers. Island County will contribute \$163,140 in donations of cash and a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1533](#).

**Richland**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

**Hanford Legacy Park Multipurpose Sports Fields**

The Richland Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to build five multi-purpose fields and parking for nearly 300 vehicles on 25 acres in Hanford Legacy Park. The sports fields will accommodate sports including soccer, lacrosse, and football. The new fields will be the second phase of construction at the nearly 118-acre Hanford Legacy Park. In 2009, the City developed four baseball fields. Richland will contribute \$575,685 in cash and donated materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1428](#).

**Bellevue**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

**Meydenbauer Bay Park Upland Development**

The City of Bellevue will use this grant to complete a park on the shore of Lake Washington's Meydenbauer Bay. The City will build a play area, informal outdoor classroom, grand viewing terrace, trails through natural areas and along a creek, pathways to the waterfront, and areas for sunbathing, picnicking, interpretation, and education. The development will occur at the same time that the shoreline part of the park is developed for swimming and non-motorized boating and fishing. Bellevue began at Meydenbauer Bay, and remnants of Bellevue's history remain there. The City has long desired to reconnect the downtown and nearby neighborhoods to the water, which up until recently, has been privately owned. Bellevue will contribute \$2.6 million. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1144](#).

**Seattle  
Yesler Neighborhood Park****Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The Seattle Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to help develop the 1.75-acre Yesler Park. The City will build a plaza with a water feature, gathering and play areas, a play structure, and pathways. The City also will install benches, picnic tables, barbecues, and table game spaces. The park is next to the Yesler Community Center and will serve residents and visitors to Harborview Hospital and nearby shops. A population density of 19,809 people per square mile makes Yesler Terrace more than twice as densely populated as the rest of Seattle, and the future density of the area compares to the west side of New York City. The area lacks open park space. Seattle will contribute \$3 million from a voter-approved levy. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1524](#).

**Monroe  
Lake Tye Park Skate Park Improvements****Grant Requested: \$120,000**

The City of Monroe will use this grant to renovate the skate park at Lake Tye Park. The City will build concrete ramp and ledge features that mimic the diversity of elements and materials found in some of the world's most beloved urban skate spots. Monroe's current skate park offers limited skating opportunities on well-worn, portable, modular ramps. The current park no longer meets the skating need for the community. The proposed street plaza-style skate park will function as a regional destination by offering a unique alternative to the ramp-oriented parks commonly found in Washington. Monroe will contribute \$122,000 in cash and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1408](#).

**Port Orchard  
McCormick Village Park Phase 3****Grant Requested: \$385,500**

The City of Port Orchard will use this grant to design and develop the second phase of McCormick Village Park, a partially developed, 30-acre park on Old Clifton Road. The City will complete a 1-mile loop trail with pedestrian bridge, build the entry plaza and a children's playground, construct a wetland boardwalk with interpretive signs and a viewing platform, and make other minor landscape and access improvements. The park is on a ridge between a wetland and open area to the east and Anderson Creek ravines to the west. It contains mostly 45- to 50-year-old Douglas fir forests and wetlands. The improvements would provide recreational, educational, and interpretive opportunities in a natural setting that are not available in the city. Port Orchard will contribute \$385,500. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1438](#).

**La Conner  
Conner Waterfront Park**

**Grant Requested: \$105,400**

The Town of La Conner will use this grant to begin developing a waterfront park on Conner Way. The Town will build a children's play area, kayak access, a shoreline walkway, and a raised crosswalk connected to Pioneer Park. The Town also will stabilize the shoreline bank and begin creating a picnic area and landscaping. The land was formerly a fish processing facility and marina. La Conner will contribute \$106,400 in donations of cash and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1399](#).

**Key Peninsula Metropolitan Park District  
Gateway Park Development Phase 1**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

Key Pen Parks will use this grant to build a playground, picnic shelter, restroom, and trailhead to the adjoining 360 Trails at Gateway Park, which is on the north end of the Key Peninsula along State Route 302. Gateway Park is fairly level, with rolling hills and Little Minter Creek meandering through it. There are no developed parks in the area that serves more than 10,000 people. The development of the park will allow for expanded use of the 360 Trails by providing a trailhead with amenities such as parking for horse trailers and a restroom. The Key Peninsula Metropolitan Park District will contribute \$537,500 in cash, equipment, staff labor, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1503](#).

**College Place  
Kiwanis Park Renovation**

**Grant Requested: \$195,340**

The City of College Place will use this grant to build new restrooms, a court for basketball and tennis, and a parking lot at Kiwanis Park. The park is in the heart of a multi-family residential neighborhood between Whitman Street, Date Street, and Third Street. College Place is lacking in active recreation opportunities and its residents identified basketball and tennis as desired activities in the city's park plan. College Place will contribute \$200,000 in cash and staff labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1107](#).

**Port of Kingston  
Washington Boulevard Park Phase 1**

**Grant Requested: \$400,000**

The Port of Kingston will use this grant to buy a third-acre on Washington Boulevard, next to State Highway 104 and Saltair Beach, and develop it into a park. The Port will replace the asphalt and concrete with permeable surfaces and build walkways with interpretive signs, a Puget Sound viewing platform, an entry plaza, play areas, interactive outdoor musical instruments, a picnic shelter, and rain gardens. The park is the only public park with a Puget Sound view in the area. This grant will allow the Port of Kingston to improve water quality, preserve the water corridor from commercial development, and preserve wildlife. Guests to the Port of Kingston Marina will have easy

access to the new park during their stay. The Port of Kingston will contribute \$424,292 in cash and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1213](#).

**Mason County**

**Grant Requested: \$485,280**

**North Mason Soccer and Football Field Renovation**

Mason County will use this grant to remove the grass and install synthetic turf in the North Mason High School football-soccer stadium. The existing field turns to mud in November when the rains begin. The County's parks plan discovered a large need for football and soccer fields for youth, a situation that will increase when a new middle school is built on two practice fields. This project is a partnership between the North Mason School District, Mason County, and the local youth football and soccer associations. Mason County will contribute \$485,280. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1581](#).

**Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

**SERA Campus Multi-Use Field Development**

Metro Parks Tacoma will use this grant to design and develop a multi-use, all-weather field on about 4 acres in the South End Recreation and Adventure Campus (SERA). The land is at 66th and Adams and is surrounded by the STAR Center, Gray Middle School, and the Boys and Girls Club. This project expands the adventure park concept and creates a link between the existing facilities. The new field will provide year-round play for sports such as soccer, cricket, rugby, lacrosse, track, and bocce ball. Metro Parks Tacoma will contribute \$1.2 million in a state appropriation, voter-approved bonds, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1424](#).

**Bainbridge Island**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

**Eagle Harbor Waterfront Park Phase 1 Improvements**

The City of Bainbridge Island will use this grant to renovate Eagle Harbor Waterfront Park to improve access between park amenities and provide views of the water and space for events. Work will involve improving drainage in the lawn; clearing invasive species and planting disturbed areas with native plants; improving the bollard lighting, kiosks, and park furnishings; building pathways; and improving the open areas for events and general use. The park is the only one on Bainbridge Island in the Winslow town center that is on a city-wide trail system connecting to the state ferry terminal, and it has the only public dock on Bainbridge Island. The resulting connected terraces and flat open areas will provide multiple views to the water and a place for events. Bainbridge Island will contribute \$500,000. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1469](#).

**Tacoma**  
**Foss Waterway 21<sup>st</sup> Street Park Play Area**

**Grant Requested: \$60,000**

The City of Tacoma and Foss Waterway Development Authority will use this grant to build a children's play structure at 21st Street Park on the Foss waterway in downtown Tacoma. Work will include leveling the play area and installing play equipment. There is no children's play area on the Foss Waterway. The area serves more than 13,000 people within 3 miles of the park. The Waterway visually and physically connects four surrounding downtown districts. The Waterway's historic past and working waterfront, combined with the new cultural, recreational, residential, office, and retail uses creates a lively, urban environment. Tacoma will contribute \$63,996. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1529](#).

**Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma**  
**Swan Creek Park Gateway**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

Metro Parks Tacoma will use this grant to continue development of Swan Creek Park by building an entry, a main parking lot, a restroom, a picnic shelter, and a dog park, and installing park furniture and signs. This phase will improve access to the mountain bike and hiking trails and community gardens. Swan Creek Park is a 383-acre natural area park on the east side of Tacoma. The work will be done in the Lister uplands area of the park. These improvements will continue the park district's efforts to convert the World War II housing road network into natural and planned recreation space that is accessible to pedestrians, bicyclists, and wheelchair users. Metro Parks Tacoma will contribute \$1.4 million in voter-approved bonds. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1516](#).

**Kent**  
**Van Doren's Landing Park Expansion**

**Grant Requested: \$746,025**

The City of Kent will use this grant to buy 2.47 acres next to Van Doren's Landing Park, the city's largest riverfront park. The park is part of a largely publicly-owned corridor along the Green River that includes the Green River Trail, the Puget Power Trail, Russell Road, and the Green River Natural Area. On nice days, cars fill the parking lot and spill onto Russell Road. This property will give Kent the space necessary to expand parking without shrinking the size of the park, add park space, give park users better views of the Green River, and preserve the Green River Trail's connection to Van Doren's Landing Park. Kent will contribute \$746,025 in cash and a local grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1745](#).

**Bothell**  
**Park at Bothell Landing Expansion and Renovation**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The City of Bothell will use this grant to expand and renovate the Park at Bothell Landing. Located between State Highway 522 and the Sammamish River in the city's downtown, the park serves as the heart of the city. The City will develop entrance points at the east

and west ends of the park and add two parking lots for nearly 150 cars. The City also will build a new plaza and lawn to serve as a gathering space and place to picnic. This work will develop 3 more acres in the 14-acre park. For the past 35 years, The Park at Bothell Landing has hosted community events including the summer concert series, the re-enactment of the Battle of Concord, and the Greater Bothell Arts Fair. In the past 3 years, these events have either been canceled or moved. The new parking lots will enable the events to return to the park. Bothell will contribute \$5 million in cash and a voter-approved levy. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1750](#).

**Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma  
Foss Waterway Central Park Development**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma, in partnership with the Foss Waterway Development Authority and the local artist in residence program, will use this grant to develop three-quarter acre into a pocket park that tells the story of the history, restoration, and rebirth of this urban waterfront. The park district will extend the waterfront esplanade and build a viewing platform, picnic and sitting areas, restroom, and educational displays using interpretive and interactive art installations. This project is a continuation of the redevelopment of the Foss Waterway at the base of downtown Tacoma. The project is part of the mile-long waterfront esplanade that links parks, housing developments, the Museum of Glass, and the Maritime Center. In a bigger context, this project is part of the 6-mile-long linkage connecting downtown Tacoma to Point Defiance Park along the Ruston Way waterfront. The Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma will contribute \$509,282 in voter-approved bonds. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1679](#).

**State Lands Development and Renovation Category**

<b>Number of Grant Requests</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>\$2,775,400</b>
<b>Applicant Match</b>	<b>\$62,000</b>

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**Washington Department of Natural Resources** **Grant Requested: \$300,000**  
**East Tiger Mountain Trail System Development Final Phase**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to develop 6 miles of trails in east Tiger Mountain State Forest, 25 miles east of Seattle, completing the trail system in the east side of the forest. The new trails will give visitors a safer alternative to using service roads and will connect to a regional trail and future access to the Raging River State Forest. The trails are used mostly by mountain bikers and hikers. This project has widespread support from user groups, recreation non-profit organizations, public advisory committees, local jurisdictions, and nearby communities. The department will contribute \$37,000 in staff labor, materials, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1453](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife** **Grant Requested: \$324,500**  
**Heller Bar Access Site Improvements**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to develop a new boat ramp and improve the boat launch site at Heller Bar, which is on the Snake River next to the mouth of the Grand Ronde River in southeast Asotin County. Heller Bar is a major launching site for powerboats destined for Hell's Canyon and a primary take-out site for river rafters floating down the Snake, Salmon, and Grande Ronde Rivers. In addition, Heller Bar is used for camping and fishing. During the summer and fall, congestion, conflicts, and safety issues are common. The department will build a second boat ramp to alleviate congestion, install new signs, and renovate a gravel parking lot. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1751](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife** **Grant Requested: \$325,000**  
**Riverside Access Site Development**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to develop the 1-acre Riverside Access Site on the Okanogan River, in the city of Riverside in Okanogan County. The department will build a boat launch, create a gravel parking lot for up to eight vehicles with boat trailers, pave the entrance drive and a parking lot for nine vehicles, install an outhouse and a picnic shelter, build pathways, plant shade trees, and install an informational kiosk, an entrance gate and sign, and rocks to guide vehicles. The Riverside Access Site is the only public access site with a boat launch between Tonasket and Omak, a distance of 25 river miles. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1548](#).

**Washington Department of Natural Resources  
Mailbox Peak Trail Final Phase**

**Grant Requested: \$178,400**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to finish the last 1.3 miles of a 5-mile, non-motorized trail to Mailbox Peak in the Middle Fork Snoqualmie Natural Resources Conservation Area in east King County. Work will include excavation, surfacing, and installing water drainage features and high-elevation alpine trail features such as rock steps and viewpoints. This project is identified in the *Snoqualmie Corridor Recreation Plan* as a high priority for implementation and has strong support from local recreation groups. The department will contribute \$25,000 in donated and staff labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1520](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Oak Creek Tim's Pond Access Development**

**Grant Requested: \$324,500**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to develop the Tim's Pond Access Site in the Oak Creek Wildlife Area, in Yakima County. The department will build fishing platforms and campsites, install toilets and picnic tables, and pave a parking lot and path around the lake with turnouts for fishing areas. The access site has only a gravel parking lot, user-built trails, and dispersed campsites. The site is visible from State Route 12 and is used for fishing, wildlife and nature viewing, picnics, camping, and rafting access. Previous surveys of users of Tim's Pond showed that most want to see the area improved and would use it more often if it had amenities like restrooms, picnic tables, and paved trails. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1172](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
North Olympic Wildlife Area Public Access Facility**

**Grant Requested: \$86,000**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to develop parking, a restroom, interpretive kiosk, and beach trail at the North Olympic Wildlife Area's Lower Dungeness Unit in northeast Clallam County. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1589](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Samish River Unit Public Access Improvements**

**Grant Requested: \$190,000**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to design and build a half-acre parking lot and install a portable toilet and fencing at a Samish River Access Site in the 103-acre Skagit Wildlife Area. The work will improve public access and safety for wildlife viewers and photographers, waterfowl hunters, and anglers on the Samish River, near the city of Bow. The department also will improve wetland habitat on adjacent department property. The Samish River site doesn't have any parking or restrooms. Visitors park on the road shoulder, creating unsafe conditions. Neighbors complain that facilities are

inadequate for the number of visitors. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1279](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Lake Tahuya Public Access Development**

**Grant Requested: \$285,000**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to make Lake Tahuya accessible to the public by building a small parking lot, a gravel trail to the lake, and a launch for non-motorized boats, and installing an outhouse, fencing, an entrance gate, and signs. Lake Tahuya is the third largest lake in Kitsap County and is inaccessible to the public even though the department first acquired the land in 1939. Development of this public access will create opportunities for year-round fishing and boating. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1425](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Sprague Lake Fishing Platform Phase 5**

**Grant Requested: \$154,000**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to improve shore-based fishing at Sprague Lake. The department will build a fishing platform accessible to people with disabilities on the lake shoreline and pave a path to the platform. These improvements will complement the previous four phases of development, which included building a boat ramp, trailer turnaround, parking, and wildlife viewing area and installing a toilet, kiosk, and interpretive signs. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1644](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Shumaker Road and Access Site Development**

**Grant Requested: \$283,000**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to improve an access site and 1.5 miles of road along the Grande Ronde River in the Shumaker Unit of the Chief Joseph Wildlife Area, 25 miles south of Asotin. The department will install an outhouse, signs, and an informational kiosk in a parking area, build pull-off areas for parking along the road, and place boulders to prevent vehicles from entering the Grande Ronde River and other sensitive areas. The department also will grade the road near the bottom of Shumaker County Road, install drainage features, and lay gravel. This project will protect shoreline habitat by keeping cars out of the river and reducing the sediment that erodes from the primitive road into the river. The river is used by steelhead and Chinook salmon. The access site is used by anglers, hunters, boaters, and recreational campers. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1743](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
4-O Ranch McNeill Campground Development**

**Grant Requested: \$325,000**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to build a campground and equestrian facilities in the 4-O Ranch Wildlife Area in Asotin County. The department will build a gravel parking lot, seven camping sites with fire pits, and equestrian facilities, as

well as install an outhouse, informational kiosk, gate, and fencing. The 4-O Ranch Wildlife Area is one of Washington State's newest land acquisitions and offers access to hunting, fishing, hiking, and horseback riding along with access to adjoining U.S. Forest Service lands. The area is known for its robust elk population, but also is used by whitetail and mule deer, bighorn sheep, black bears, and many bird species. Visitors enjoy hunting, wildflower viewing, photography, wildlife watching, hiking, horseback riding, and mountain biking. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1664](#).

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**State Parks Category**

<b>Number of Grant Requests</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>\$20,093,738</b>
<b>Applicant Match</b>	<b>\$93,750</b>

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**Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: \$1,000,000**  
**Inholdings and Adjacent Properties 2014**

State Parks will use this grant to buy up to 100 acres within or next to state parks. Some of these properties are small and would not score well in a competitive grant process and others require quick purchases. This grant will help State Parks respond more quickly to acquisition opportunities as they arise. In the past, State Parks has used these grants to buy land to resolve management conflicts in a park, obtain legal access to a park, get desirable property that is for sale, and buy land with high natural resource value. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1681](#).

**Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: \$360,210**  
**Kukutali Preserve Day-Use Development**

State Parks will use this grant to finish development of the Kukutali Preserve, located near Deception Pass State Park between Fidalgo and Whidbey Islands. State Parks will build trails, picnic areas, a picnic shelter, and viewing platforms and install vault toilets and interpretive signs. Currently, the preserve has only a parking lot, portable toilets, and two trails. State Parks co-owns and co-manages the preserve with the Swinomish Indian Tribal Community, an arrangement that is believed to be the first and only of its kind in the United States. The preserve protects diverse and rare natural resources, including lowland old growth forest, rocky balds, feeder bluffs, forage fish spawning areas, and a pocket estuary. State Parks will contribute \$93,750 in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1621](#).

**Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: \$1,905,000**  
**Westport Park Connection**

State Parks will use this grant to buy about 270 acres outside Westport to connect three state parks. The land is bordered on three sides by three different state parks – Westhaven State Park, Westport Light State Park, and the Seashore Conservation Area. The purchase will connect the parks and add a significant amount of new park land including more than a quarter-mile of ocean shoreline. The land is made up mostly of wetlands in a coastal dune landscape. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1486](#).

**Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission    Grant Requested: \$2,331,365**  
**Larrabee's Clayton Beach Railway Overpass**

State Parks will use this grant to design and develop safe and legal pedestrian access to Clayton Beach in Larrabee State Park. Larrabee is a 2,600-acre camping park 10 miles south of Bellingham. The park has 1.5 miles of shoreline but only a portion can be accessed legally via a railroad underpass in the park's day-use area. Tides and shoreline rocks prevent users from reaching the rest of the shoreline, including Clayton Beach. Currently, visitors park at the Lost Lake Trailhead, cross busy Chuckanut Drive (State Route 11), walk braided, user-built trails to the active railroad tracks, and cross the tracks to get to the beach. State Parks will develop a pedestrian overpass over the railroad tracks, improve the pedestrian crossing on Chuckanut Drive, create a single trail from the Lost Lake Trailhead to the beach, and improve a nearby restroom. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1555](#).

**Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission    Grant Requested: \$962,400**  
**Willapa Hills Trail Development in Pe Ell Area**

State Parks will use this grant to develop 9 miles of the Willapa Hills Trail, centered in the Pe Ell area. State Parks will deck bridges, install safety rails on three bridges, and add a hardened gravel surface. The trail will accommodate a multitude of users including hikers, bikers, and equestrians. With this work, about 26 miles of the 53-mile trail will have been developed. The trail runs from Chehalis to Raymond. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1622](#).

**Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission    Grant Requested: \$3,168,979**  
**Lake Sammamish-Sunset Beach Picnic Area**

State Parks will use this grant to redevelop the 40-year-old recreation area at Sunset Beach in Lake Sammamish State Park. State Parks will build three picnic shelters, replace the lawn and trees in the adjacent picnic area, add two sand volleyball courts, and install barbecues and picnic tables. This is one of several projects in progress to redevelop the area. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1682](#).

**Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission    Grant Requested: \$553,420**  
**Tolmie State Park Parking**

State Parks will use this grant to add parking and eliminate a traffic bottleneck in Tolmie State Park, a 105-acre day-use park with more than a half-mile of saltwater shoreline on Puget Sound near Olympia. State Parks will build a parking lot for 30 cars and a roundabout to keep vehicles moving. State Parks also will increase parking for people with disabilities, improve pedestrian pathways, and build a beach viewpoint at the end of a paved trail. The easily accessible beach is a year-round attraction with stunning views and diverse sea life visible at low tides. The beach is a major summer destination for swimmers, waders, sunbathers, kayakers, picnickers, and scuba divers. Summer visitors

often find themselves in a traffic jam trying to enter the park and frequently are turned away because the parking lot is full. Only one of two kitchen shelters can be rented at a time due to the lack of parking. The inadequate parking places a burden on staff who have to direct traffic, ticket illegally parked vehicles, and appease displeased customers. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1626](#).

**Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: \$2,229,000**  
**Klickitat Trail**

State Parks will use this grant to improve continuity of the Klickitat Trail between Lyle and Warwick. State Parks will build two trailheads, replace a bridge, resurface 13 miles of the trail, and do some work on trestles and bridges such as laying new decking, install railings, and re-grading a bridge approach. Improvement of the trail will increase accessibility to what has been voted the Number 1 trail in the Columbia River Gorge for the past 3 years. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1634](#).

**Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: \$497,623**  
**Fudge Point--Additional Uplands**

State Parks will use this grant to buy 48 acres at Fudge Point on Harstine Island in Mason County. The land will be used for roads, parking, and recreation amenities for a future park at the site. State Parks already has purchased 136 acres at Fudge Point, including nearly 1 mile of saltwater shoreline. Fudge Point has unique biological and recreational resources, including forests, wetlands, tidelands, bluffs, unarmored shoreline, pocket estuaries, and a flat, sandy beach. The park eventually will conserve some of the natural features and provide day use and camping or cabins in part of the park. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1603](#).

**Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: \$2,164,680**  
**Saint Edward State Park - Kenmore Acquisition**

State Parks will use this grant buy about 9.77 acres of undeveloped land with more than 450 feet of Lake Washington shoreline near Saint Edward State Park. The land is one of only two undeveloped forested shoreline properties on Lake Washington. This purchase will provide additional shoreline within the park for swimming, fishing, kayaking, and wildlife viewing, and will preserve habitat for freshwater clams and spawning salmon. The water along the shoreline of this property is shallower than in the park, making it warmer and better for swimming. Purchase of this land also will preserve two park trails; one which connects the neighborhood north of the property to the park along the beach and the other which provides a hiking loop within the park. Saint Edward State Park is a 316-acre, day-use park with a half-mile of Lake Washington shoreline, an oasis of green among the highly developed Kenmore and Kirkland area. Saint Edward State Park is one of the top ten most visited parks in the state park system and is extremely popular for

special events, weddings, family picnics, bicycling, and hiking. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1454](#).

**Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: \$2,619,928**  
**Nisqually State Park-University of Washington Forest Lands**

State Parks will use this grant to buy about 530 acres in the long-term park boundary of Nisqually State Park near Eatonville. The land is identified in the park's master plan as a site for a horse campground, a mountain bike skills park, trails, and access to the confluence of the Nisqually and Mashel Rivers. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1680](#).

**Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: \$1,092,401**  
**Sacajawea State Park Trail Connection**

State Parks will use this grant to develop nearly three-quarter mile of trail connecting the 284-acre Sacajawea State Park day-use facilities to the 23-mile Sacajawea Heritage Trail, which ends at the Sacajawea Park Road. Development of the trail will improve an unsafe site condition, enhance access to the trail for people with disabilities, and complete the east end of the trail within the park. The Sacajawea Heritage Trail continues along the Columbia River through Pasco, Richland, and Kennewick. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1645](#).

**Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: \$508,380**  
**Manchester State Park Additional Uplands**

State Parks will use this grant to buy 38 acres next to Manchester State Park in Kitsap County. The land is included in the park's long-term boundary and was identified as a location for expanded recreational vehicle camping. The land also would be a natural area buffer between the park and a residential neighborhood. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1723](#).

**Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: \$700,352**  
**John Wayne Pioneer Trail - Malden and Rosalia Trailhead Development**

State Parks will use this grant to develop trailheads at Malden and Rosalia on the John Wayne Pioneer Trail, in Iron Horse State Park, in north central Whitman County. The trailheads will include a gravel parking lot for up to 10 trailers and 15 cars, toilets, picnic shelters and tables, horse tie-downs, and signs. Development of the trailheads will formalize access to the trail and complete the first phase of development of the 9-mile trail between Malden and Rosalia. The trail is for hiking, bicycling, horseback riding, sightseeing, wildlife viewing, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, and dog sledding. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1635](#).

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**Trails Category**

<b>Number of Grant Requests</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>\$14,395,744</b>
<b>Applicant Match</b>	<b>\$19,092,301</b>

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**Clallam County****Grant Requested: \$460,000****Spruce Railroad McFee Tunnel Restoration**

The Clallam County Public Works Department will use this grant to reconstruct a half-mile of the historic Spruce Railroad Trail, restore the 96-year-old McFee Tunnel, and expand the trailhead on the north shore of Lake Crescent. In 1918, the U.S. Army's Spruce Production Division built 36 miles of railroad west of Port Angeles, including two railroad tunnels that were used to deliver spruce for World War I airplanes. The McFee Tunnel was closed by blasting in the 1960s. The blocked tunnel, steep trail, rocky and muddy trail surfaces, and poor drainage prevent touring bicyclists from using the trail, forcing them to take a dangerous route on U.S. Highway 101 on the south side of the lake. The County will restore the tunnel and trail so it can be used by people with disabilities as well as by hikers, bicyclists, and equestrians. The work will create a non-motorized trail separated from car traffic on the north shore of Lake Crescent that will connect to 60 miles of trail east of the project site and 20 miles west of the site. Clallam County will contribute \$460,000 in cash and donations of cash, equipment, labor, and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1124](#).

**King County****Grant Requested: \$500,000****East Lake Sammamish Trail Phase 4 Construction**

The King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks will use this grant to complete 1.3 miles of the 11-mile East Lake Sammamish Trail, which runs along an abandoned railroad corridor on the east side of Lake Sammamish. The trail segment runs from Southeast 43rd Street north to Southeast 33rd Street in the city of Sammamish. The paved trail will be 12 feet wide with 2-foot-wide gravel shoulders on each side. The County also will improve drainage and install retaining walls, landscaping, fences, and traffic controls. This is the fourth phase of a multi-phase plan to complete the entire East Lake Sammamish Trail and connect the cities of Redmond, Sammamish, and Issaquah. The East Lake Sammamish Trail is a vital part of a 44-mile trail system extending from Puget Sound in Seattle to the Cascade Mountain foothills. Project supporters include the cities of Issaquah, Redmond, and Sammamish; Cascade Bicycle Club; Bicycle Alliance of Washington; Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust; and Transportation Choices Coalition. King County will contribute \$2.9 million in a federal grant and a voter-approved levy. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1514](#).

**Twisp  
Twisp Community Trail Project****Grant Requested: \$199,504**

The Town of Twisp will use this grant to acquire about a half-mile of right-of-way to develop a non-motorized trail along the Methow River. Twisp also will develop viewpoints on the west side of the Methow River and south of Twisp Park and trail linkages between Twisp Park and nearby neighborhoods. By acquiring and developing these trail rights-of-way, Twisp will complete the first phase of a trail system connecting neighborhoods, parks, businesses, town facilities, the airport, and a sports complex while providing public access to the Methow River shoreline. Twisp will contribute \$201,650 in equipment, labor, and donations of labor, land, and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1137](#).

**Bellingham  
Squalicum Creek Trail****Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The Bellingham Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to develop more than 1.25 miles of trail along Squalicum Creek. The trail is part of the proposed 45-mile Nooksack Loop Trail, which will connect Bellingham to Ferndale, Everson, and Lynden, and part of the regional Bay-to-Baker trail. Work includes converting an abandoned railroad grade into a trail. The completed project will connect neighborhoods to two parks and a regional health care campus, and provide a safe crossing under Interstate 5. This is the first phase of a trail that will eventually connect Bellingham's waterfront to the city limits. Bellingham will contribute \$1.2 million. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1419](#).

**Port Orchard  
Bay Street Pedestrian Path-Mosquito Fleet Trail****Grant Requested: \$105,750**

The City of Port Orchard will use this grant to buy land and an easement next to city right-of-way for the Bay Street Pedestrian Path, which is a waterfront walkway that is part of the regional Mosquito Fleet Trail system. The purchase will allow the city to extend by 500 feet the .6-mile trail. Eventually, the trail will be 1.5 miles in length. Used by pedestrians and bicyclists, the path makes it easier for people to walk safely into downtown along the water. The trail also will connect historic travel and trade routes with other areas of Kitsap County outside the city. Port Orchard will contribute \$105,750. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1439](#).

**Yakima County  
Naches Rail to Trail Final Phase****Grant Requested: \$810,700**

Yakima County will use this grant to build the final 2.1 miles of the Naches "Rail to Trail," including two intersection crossing systems and bridge improvements over the Naches River and Cowiche Creek. This new segment will complete the 10-mile trail system between Naches and Yakima, which connects to the 10-mile Yakima Greenway Trail

System. The result will be a paved trail and parks system boasting more than 20 miles of non-motorized transportation routes connecting several communities and neighboring trail systems including the William O Douglas Trail, the Cowiche Canyon Trail, and Yakima's Powerhouse Trail. These trails are visited by more than 700,000 users annually. Yakima County will contribute \$810,700 in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1461](#).

**Ferry County****Grant Requested: \$98,000****Ferry County Rail Trail Phase 3**

Ferry County will use this grant to develop 5.4 miles of the 25-mile-long Ferry County Rail Trail, a former railroad grade that has been converted into a non-motorized trail. The County will develop 2.28 miles of trail along the west side of Curlew Lake and 3.14 miles through the town of Curlew. The County will place crushed rock on the trail to create an accessible surface for all non-motorized use. This project will expand Ferry County's trail system and allow for uses including biking, walking, and winter activities such as cross-country skiing. The trail offers a safe trail away from traffic and links the Golden Tiger Pathway and the city of Republic with Curlew Lake and the towns of Malo and Curlew to the north. Ferry County will contribute \$99,000 in a federal grant and donations of cash, equipment, and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1677](#).

**Pierce County****Grant Requested: \$2,755,063****Foothills National Recreation Trail Final Phase**

Pierce County Parks and Recreation Services will use this grant to build the last 2.3 miles of the Foothills National Recreation Trail, which begins in the town of South Prairie and extends east toward Buckley. The trail, which is a paved trail and equestrian path, is used for walking, hiking, biking, and horseback riding. The trail is on a railroad right-of-way that winds through scenic countryside and farmland offering views of Mount Rainier and the Cascade Mountain foothills. The foothills trail is the spine of the Pierce County trail network, linking urban and rural cities and providing recreation opportunities for thousands. Pierce County will contribute \$2.7 million in cash and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1442](#).

**Port of Camas-Washougal  
Washougal Waterfront Trail****Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The Port of Camas-Washougal will use this grant to build a half-mile of trail along the Columbia River on the south side of the Lewis and Clark Highway 14. The Port will build a 12-foot-wide, concrete trail; a viewpoint plaza; and three soft-surface trails to the shoreline. The Port also will install benches and historical interpretive signs and build a trailhead on the east end with parking, a small plaza, and a kiosk. The project will increase access to the Columbia River waterfront and address a core community value to preserve the remaining developable waterfront in Washougal for community use. The Port of Camas-Washougal will contribute \$672,264 in cash, a grant from the federal Land

and Water Conservation Fund, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1349](#).

**Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma  
Point Defiance Loop Trail**

**Grant Requested: \$3,250,000**

The Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma will use this grant to develop more than 5 miles of a loop trail around the 765-acre park to separate walkers, runners, and cyclists from cars. Work includes developing a trailhead with parking and a restroom, striping, installing barriers and pedestrian bridges, and improving the Pearl Street entrance. The Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma will contribute \$3.2 million in voter-approved bonds and a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1694](#).

**Spokane Valley  
Appleway Trail Phase 3 Development**

**Grant Requested: \$813,000**

The City of Spokane Valley will use this grant to design and build 1 mile of the Appleway Trail, from State Route 27 east to Evergreen Road. The Appleway Trail is used by pedestrians and bicyclists. When complete, the trail will extend 6 miles from University Avenue on the west through the entire city of Spokane Valley, to the eastern border at Liberty Lake. The work will help transform the underused former railroad corridor to a non-motorized trail enlivened by plazas, art, gardens, community and educational signs, play areas, and public spaces. Spokane Valley will contribute \$813,000 in cash and a federal grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1136](#).

**Kitsap County  
Sound to Olympics North Kitsap Gap**

**Grant Requested: \$740,500**

The Kitsap County Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to buy 24 miles of the Sound to Olympics Trail. The regional trail runs across the Kitsap Peninsula and connects to the Cross State Trail, linking the eastside of Puget Sound to the westerly Olympic Discovery Trail. This purchase will complete the east-west trail connection from the Kingston ferry terminal to the Hood Canal Bridge. The Sound to Olympics Trail, from Kingston and Bainbridge Island through Poulsbo to the Hood Canal Bridge, is a scenic trail corridor with water access and views of the Olympic and Cascade Mountains. The trail eventually will be paved and used by walkers, bicyclists, joggers, and equestrians. The North Kitsap Trails Association and West Sound Evergreen Mountain Bike Association support this project and will provide volunteer labor. Kitsap County will contribute \$949,500 through a state appropriation, cash, and a donation of land. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1353](#).

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**Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission**      **Grant Requested: \$400,000**  
**Willapa Hills Trail Deck Bridge 5**

State Parks will use this grant to install a new wood surface and safety railing on a 1,000-foot-long bridge and trestle on the Willapa Hills Trail. The 56-mile-long trail includes numerous bridges and trestles. The work on Bridge 5 will open 18 miles of the trail in Lewis County and establish a link between Chehalis and Rainbow Falls State Park. The bridge surface will be rough-hewn lumber and the railings likely metal. The State Parks and Recreation Commission will contribute \$80,000 in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1640](#).

**Jefferson County**      **Grant Requested: \$250,000**  
**Olympic Discovery Trail, Discovery Bay, Phase 2**

Jefferson County will use this grant to build a quarter-mile of the Olympic Discovery Trail along the shoreline of south Discovery Bay. The 126-mile Olympic Discovery Trail is a non-motorized trail that runs across the Olympic Peninsula. More than half of it is complete. The county also will install interpretive signs to educate trail users about the value of the surrounding environment and habitat restoration. Jefferson County will contribute \$250,000 in cash, a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1711](#).

**Lacey**      **Grant Requested: \$53,172**  
**Woodland Creek Community Park Trail Connection**

The City of Lacey Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to build a trail that will connect two other paved trails and a pedestrian and bicycle bridge in Woodland Creek Community Park. Connecting the pathways will create a non-motorized trail through the park to the heavily used Woodland Trail. The park is at the eastern end of the regional Woodland Trail and already serves as a trailhead. Lacey will contribute \$53,172 in cash, staff labor, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1515](#).

**Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation**      **Grant Requested: \$140,405**  
**Harris Creek-Vosper Multi-use Trail**

The Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation will use this grant to build a quarter-mile long, walking and bicycling trail from the Vosper neighborhood to Oakville. The trail will be built next to Southbank Road at the reservation boundary near Merritt Lane to south of the intersection of Slickman Loop and Balch Roads. The Harris Creek-Vosper Multi-Use Trail will provide Oakville residents with access to the Vosper Community Playground and support two reservation pedestrian and trail system goals: A connected, non-motorized, multi-use system and support for the promotion of good health. Currently, residents must walk on the road shoulder because there is no pedestrian or bike facilities at this location. A walking path was voted the highest priority

for families in the *Chehalis Tribal Park Plan*. The path will offer views of the fish-bearing Harris Creek, shoreline forest, and Capitol State Forest in the distance. A sign will mark the trail entrance and signs will be placed along the path to educate trail users about the lifecycle of fish and native plants. The Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation will contribute \$140,406. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1126](#).

**Snohomish County****Grant Requested: \$2,000,000****Whitehorse Trail Design and Development**

The Snohomish County Department of Parks and Recreation will use this grant to design and develop a 12-mile section of Whitehorse Trail between Oso and Darrington. The Whitehorse Trail extends 27 miles along a railroad corridor from Arlington to Darrington and connects to the Centennial Trail. This rural trail is used for biking, hiking, walking, and horseback riding. It connects the Blue Grass and Rodeo sites, campgrounds at Squire Creek Park, and White Horse Community Park in Darrington. In addition, the trail offers a scenic route with rich cultural history, including the Fortson Mill trailhead. Whitehorse Mountain and pastoral landscapes can be viewed at most points along the trail. The County will lay gravel, pave the trail, add bridge decking and railings, restore the embankment and bridge, install signs, and plant. Snohomish County will contribute \$2.2 million in cash and donations of cash and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1796](#).

**Port Angeles****Grant Requested: \$500,000****Port Angeles Waterfront Park and Trail**

The City of Port Angeles will use this grant to develop 1.04 acres of trail and 3.25 acres into a waterfront park. This project is part of a larger project that includes two large parks at each end of a quarter-mile long waterfront esplanade. In addition to developing the trail, the City will plant native plants, and provide access to Peabody Creek Estuary. Port Angeles will contribute \$1.6 million in cash and a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-2031](#).

**Snohomish County****Grant Requested: \$236,250****Whitehorse Trail Trailhead Acquisition Oso Mill**

The Snohomish County Department of Parks and Recreation will use this grant to buy the 3.2-acre Oso Mill site for a trailhead along the Whitehorse Trail, which stretches 27 miles from Arlington to Darrington. The purchase will fill a gap in trailhead spacing and provide equestrian access. The project is west of the Oso slide and is intended to support the Oso community. Residents have discussed developing the slide area as a memorial park. The proposed acquisition would serve this memorial opportunity and provide recreational and economic benefits to the area. The site is an ideal location for a trailhead because it is near the midpoint of the trail and because it is already paved with

asphalt and gravel. Snohomish County will contribute \$236,250. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1266](#).

**Snohomish County**

**Grant Requested: \$83,400**

**Centennial Trail – Bryant Trailhead Acquisition**

The Snohomish County Department of Parks and Recreation will use this grant to buy 1.32 acres for a Centennial Trail trailhead in the community of Bryant. The land is next to the Centennial Trail and across from the current, undersized parking area. The existing trailhead provides only 12 parking spaces, is regularly full, and does not provide equestrian access, which is a major use of the Centennial Trail. Recent development of the Centennial Trail has extended it from the Skagit County border to the city of Snohomish. Snohomish County will contribute \$83,400. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1243](#).

**Water Access Category**

<b>Number of Grant Requests</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>\$11,791,702</b>
<b>Applicant Match</b>	<b>\$15,198,426</b>

**Port of Camas-Washougal  
Washougal Waterfront Water Access Area**

**Grant Requested: \$700,000**

The Port of Camas-Washougal will use this grant to develop a 2.4-acre water access site on the last piece of publicly-owned waterfront in Washougal along the Columbia River. Located on the south side of Lewis and Clark Highway 14 and the 2nd Street intersection, the site will include a paved and rockered trail to the Columbia River shoreline for non-motorized boaters and pedestrians, a parking lot with a staging area for kayakers and canoeists, a large lawn and shelter for picnicking, a viewing plaza to enjoy the spectacular views, energy-efficient restrooms, and historical and educational kiosks and signs. It is a core community value to preserve the waterfront area in Washougal for the public and to increase access to the water. The Port of Camas-Washougal will contribute \$890,624 in cash, a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1347](#).

**Island County  
Glendale Shoreline Acquisition and Public Access**

**Grant Requested: \$565,000**

Island County will use this grant to create permanent public access to 420 feet of shoreline on an otherwise privately-owned stretch of Possession Sound in the southeast Whidbey Island community of Glendale. In an innovative partnership, Island County will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement<sup>6</sup> from the Whidbey Camano Land Trust that ensures the land will be open to the public. The land trust will own and manage the land. Public uses will include fishing, swimming, non-motorized boating, nature viewing, picnicking, and beachcombing. The county parks plan identifies securing public beach access to this underserved area of Whidbey Island as a top priority. Two buildings will be removed and replaced with a parking area paid for by the land trust. Island County will contribute \$587,000 in a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account and donated property interest. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1534](#).

<sup>6</sup> A land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, is a voluntary agreement between a landowner and private land conservation organization or a government agency. The landowner maintains ownership of the land, continues to manage it, and receives compensation, such as cash, reduced taxes, or other incentives, in exchange for limiting development on the land.

**Bellevue  
Meydenbauer Park Shoreline Access Development**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The City of Bellevue will use this grant to develop a waterfront park on the shore of Lake Washington's Meydenbauer Bay in Bellevue and improve the area for fish. The City will redevelop and expand a swim beach; add a curved pier to protect the swimming area and provide moorage for non-motorized boats and views of the city; build a shoreline promenade and a boat launch for canoes, kayaks, and other non-motorized boats; and build picnic and sunning areas. To make environmental improvements, the City will remove armoring on 660 feet of shoreline, restore the shoreline to a natural state, open about 500 feet of a piped stream, develop an estuary-like shallow pool at the outflow to cleanse storm water and improve fish habitat, remove invasive plants, and replant the area with native plants. The work will provide substantial recreational access to what has been largely privately owned. Bellevue will contribute \$3.5 million in cash and a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1965](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Edmonds Pier Renovation 2014-2015**

**Grant Requested: \$700,000**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to renovate Edmonds Pier, extending its life for 30 years. Work will include reinforcing the deck with new concrete and rebar, rebuilding the connections between the pilings and the deck, and replacing corroded hardware. Located 17 miles north of Seattle, in the heart of Puget Sound, the pier is integral to the Edmonds waterfront and receives up to 100,000 visitors a year. The pier provides a destination for a diverse array of saltwater fishing as well as crabbing and shrimping. The pier provides an opportunity to fish without chartering a fishing trip or owning a boat. The Department of Fish and Wildlife will contribute \$800,000 in a state appropriation, council bonds, and a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1427](#).

**Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission  
Battle Ground Lake State Park ADA Docks**

**Grant Requested: \$516,500**

State Parks will use this grant to build a new boat dock and fishing pier at Battle Ground Lake State Park. The park features a volcanic crater lake surrounded by 280 forested acres. The spring-fed lake is stocked to provide year-round trout fishing. The park has no shoreline fishing facilities so anglers use a 35-year-old boat dock, which is not stable and partially sinks when occupied. Visitors have been injured after being accidentally tossed off the dock. State Parks will build a boat dock closer to the park's boat launch, which will make it easier to launch and haul out boats. The bare embankment becomes extremely slick when wet. Several injuries have occurred to anglers as a result. On the other side of the swimming beach, State Parks will install a fishing pier that will better accommodate groups. State Parks also will pave a place for bank fishing just beyond the fishing pier. Finally, State Parks will add additional parking for people with disabilities and link the

shoreline facilities with pathways. This work will improve safety, reduce conflicts of use, better serve people with disabilities, and increase recreational use of the park. State Parks will contribute \$500 in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1643](#).

**Snohomish County****Grant Requested: \$614,123****Wenberg County Park Water Access Improvements**

The Snohomish County Department of Parks and Recreation will use this grant to improve travel routes to the waterfront and revise the waterfront area of the park. The County will build a dock for fishing and swimming, construct a picnic shelter, and develop a half-mile of pathways that connect park features. Located on Lake Goodwin near Stanwood, the 45-acre park offers camping, picnicking, swimming, and boating. There are about 70,000 visitors annually to this popular destination. The park doesn't have accessible routes to get park visitors with disabilities to the waterfront and there is no designated parking for people with disabilities in the waterfront area of the park. The County will add parking and install accessible pathways from the parking lot to the swimming beach, boat launch, and fishing dock. Complimenting this project, Snohomish County also has applied for grants to improve the boat launch, courtesy floats, and access drive to the boat launch area. Snohomish County will contribute \$614,123 in cash and staff labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1627](#).

**Port of Waterman****Grant Requested: \$575,000****Waterman Fishing Pier Access and Seawall Renovation**

The Port of Waterman will use this grant to replace a failing bulkhead, parking, signs, and its 90-year-old pier. The 230-foot-long pier is one of only two public piers on the west side of Puget Sound that doesn't serve boats. It is used by people for fishing, crabbing, squid jigging, scuba diving, beach access, and special events. The Port will use the grant to complete the design, construct a bulkhead, and rebuild the pier. The Port of Waterman will contribute \$753,000 in cash, a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1546](#).

**Kent****Grant Requested: \$500,000****Lake Meridian Dock Replacement**

The City of Kent will use this grant to replace a swimming and fishing dock at Lake Meridian Park. This community park serves the east hill of Kent and the surrounding cities of Covington, Maple Valley, and Auburn. The park has the only swimming beach with lifeguards in the city and typically attracts 100,000 visitors a summer. The dock, which was built in 1985, is the dominant feature of the park and provides 640 linear feet of water access used by park users for swimming, fishing, non-motorized boating access, and walking. The dock is in need of replacement. It is listing in several spots, the connections between floats are beginning to fail, and the concrete decking is crumbling.

This project was identified as a priority project in 2012 by the Kent Parks Citizen Advisory Board. Kent will contribute \$1.2 million in cash and a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1731](#).

**Mason County  
Coulter Creek Phase 2**

**Grant Requested: \$1,000,000**

Mason County will use this grant to buy 58.25 acres at the head of North Bay, between Allyn and Victor. Mason County, Capitol Land Trust, and partners are joining forces to buy this land, which includes about 36 acres of forest, 18 acres of shoreline forest, 3.25 acres of tidal wetlands, .75 mile of unnamed freshwater tributaries, and more than .5 mile of North Bay shoreline. The land purchase will conserve the property's extensive shorelines and tidelands for public purposes, allow passive recreation, and provide access to the water for the public and non-motorized activities. The majority of the property will be left undisturbed except for trails to the water and more than a half-mile of the planned North Bay Trail that will pass through the property. Future boardwalks or forested trails would connect to a small parking area with restrooms and water viewpoints on Mason County's adjacent Coulter Creek Park and community shellfish area. Project partners include Capitol Land Trust, Squaxin Island Tribe, and Taylor Shellfish. Mason County will contribute \$1 million in a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1687](#).

**Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma  
Owen Beach**

**Grant Requested: \$3,000,000**

The Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma will use this grant to renovate one of the oldest and most popular areas in Point Defiance Park – Owen Beach. For more than 126 years, Owen Beach has been one of the few, true water access areas in Tacoma. Swimming, beachcombing, boating, and renting kayaks are just a few of the water-related activities offered there. The park district will renovate the Works Progress Administration shelter, build two more shelters, construct restrooms, expand the lawn, and improve the playground, sand volleyball court, parking, and storm water facilities. The Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma will contribute \$3 million in voter-approved bonds and a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1693](#).

**Sultan  
Sultan River Access**

**Grant Requested: \$374,663**

The City of Sultan will use this grant to build a paved trail with five access points to the Sultan River, install a pedestrian bridge across the river's side channel, upgrade trailhead parking, and install interpretive signs. The trail will connect Osprey Park, Sultan River Park, downtown Sultan, and local schools providing recreational opportunities such as fishing, rafting, wading, nature watching, and gold panning. Osprey Park and Sultan River

Park both have limited access to the shoreline and neither have a fully accessible route to the river. The existing route from the Osprey Park parking lot also will be modified at key locations to allow use by people with disabilities. Sultan will contribute \$374,663 in Conservation Futures<sup>7</sup> and revenue from a Local Improvement District. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1170](#).

**Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma  
Wapato Lake Dock Reconstruction**

**Grant Requested: \$451,416**

The Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma will use this grant to rebuild two docks at Wapato Park, in south Tacoma east of Interstate 5. The docks are used by a youth fishing program and by model boat enthusiasts, paddleboats, canoes, kayaks, and other human-powered craft. Replacing the treated wood docks, the new docks will be a combination of fixed pier and floating docks using steel pilings and composite and grated decks. The Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma will contribute \$451,416 in voter-approved bonds. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1724](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Kettle River Access**

**Grant Requested: \$995,000**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy 115 acres, including 3.4 miles of undeveloped shoreline, along the Kettle River in northern Ferry County, and then build a primitive launch for non-motorized boats there. The land, located about 10 miles northwest of Curlew, will increase public access to the Kettle River for a variety of non-motorized, water-related recreational activities. The Kettle River is popular for trout fishing, tubing, kayaking, canoeing, and bird watching. There are only three public access points in the 29-mile reach of the river between Ferry and Danville and none with developed boat launches. The land purchase will conserve important habitat, critical to a variety of rare species such as Columbia spotted frog, western toad, California floater, interior redband trout, Lewis's woodpeckers, and two pairs of breeding bald eagles. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1100](#).

**Gig Harbor  
Ancich Water Access Park**

**Grant Requested: \$500,000**

The City of Gig Harbor will use this grant to design and develop a new 3-acre park along the waterfront, midway between Gig Harbor's downtown waterfront centers. Ancich Park will include access to the water, a lawn, viewing areas, kayak and canoe storage, public restrooms, a water fountain, and amenities such as benches, picnic tables, and space for public art. The City also will build a shoreline boardwalk and a street-level overlook with seating and spectacular views of the harbor. Gig Harbor will contribute \$1.1 million in

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<sup>7</sup> Conservation Futures are a portion of property taxes used by local governments to buy land or development rights to protect natural areas, forests, wetlands, and farms.

cash and a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1617](#).

**Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma  
Point Defiance Boardwalk**

**Grant Requested: \$800,000**

The Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma will use this grant to build a boardwalk at the front door to Point Defiance Park. The park district will remove a bulkhead and road and replace it with a boardwalk, storm water treatment, public access to the Puget Sound, and education signs. The park district also will add lighting, signs, parking, landscaping, and habitat enhancements. The beach habitat will be a learning laboratory for Tacoma School District's Science and Math Institute (SAMI), which will be involved in its design, development, maintenance, and monitoring. The Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma will contribute \$800,000 in voter-approved bonds. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1686](#).

**Critical Habitat Category**

<b>Number of Grant Requests</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>\$20,502,000</b>
<b>Applicant Match</b>	<b>\$303,152</b>

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife** **Grant Requested: \$4,000,000**  
**Mountain View Ranch**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy 1,900 acres of a 12,000-acre ranch that is home to many plants and animals in Asotin County. The project will conserve land that drains the lower Grand Ronde River and is next to a U.S. Forest Service roadless area to the north and Bureau of Land Management-owned canyon lands to the south. The department already has acquired 6,433 acres in the area. The land to be purchased includes portions of Wenatchee Creek, Cougar Creek, and the Grande Ronde River, as well as a diverse array of land types, such as grasslands; stands of ponderosa pine, aspens, and curleaf mahogany; wetlands; basalt cliffs; and talus slopes. The area is used by many animals, such as bull trout, Chinook salmon, Snake River steelhead, Rocky Mountain tailed frogs, golden eagles, Lewis’s woodpeckers, flammulated owls, bighorn sheep, gray wolves, and numerous game species. The purchase will conserve the land before it’s developed or damaged. This is the fourth of a six-phase project. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO’s Project Search [14-1085](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife** **Grant Requested: \$3,000,000**  
**Simcoe**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy 2,700 of 22,000 acres on the Simcoe Mountains in Klickitat County. The land includes forests, shrub steppe, grasslands, cliffs, and 10 miles of shoreline along upper Rock Creek and its tributaries. The purchase would conserve habitat for steelhead, which are listed under the federal Endangered Species Act, Chinook salmon, western gray squirrels, mule deer, burrowing owls, and western toads. The purchase will protect habitat connections from the Columbia River to the Cascade Mountains, and open the land for hiking, fishing, and hunting, which are unavailable in this area. Threats to this property include conversion into small recreational properties. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO’s Project Search [14-1096](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife** **Grant Requested: \$4,000,000**  
**Mid Columbia-Grand Coulee**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy 8,200 acres of a planned 20,500-acre purchase of shrub-steppe habitat used by Columbian sharp-tailed grouse in Douglas County. The Columbian sharp-tailed grouse are the rarest of six subspecies of

sharp-tailed grouse, a close relative of prairie chickens, and were the most abundant and important game bird in eastern Washington during the 1800s. Their numbers declined dramatically when the places they lived were turned into farms. The Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission declared sharp-tailed grouse as threatened with extinction in 1998. The land to be purchased contains one of the largest, active, leks (dancing grounds where males conduct courtship displays) in the state and connects grouse in Douglas, Okanogan, and Lincoln Counties. Located on the south shore of the Columbia River, the land boasts a diversity of habitats and is used by a variety of priority species including greater sage-grouse, sage thrasher, golden eagle, and mule deer. The size, location, quality, and diversity of habitats on the land enable the department to provide some of the things grouse need, such as winter and breeding habitat. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1087](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Heart of the Cascades**

**Grant Requested: \$4,000,000**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy 4,014 acres of wildlife habitat on the eastern slope of the central Cascade Mountains in Kittitas County. The land is about 20 miles southwest of Ellensburg, between the L.T. Murray Wildlife Area to the east and the Gifford Pinchot National Forest to the west. It is used as a breeding and foraging area by northern spotted owls, supports large herds, and contains streams used by steelhead and salmon. Conservation of this land will protect critical habitat in a biologically rich and high priority area, help the department coordinate management of its land, and protect public access. Longstanding and popular access through these lands to public lands is under threat. Previous land purchases in this area have totaled nearly 22 square miles, and this purchase will secure a critical remaining gap. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1090](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Cowiche Watershed**

**Grant Requested: \$2,200,000**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to conserve 3,292 acres of critical habitat northwest of Yakima, in Yakima County. The land, which is between two wildlife areas and next to other public lands, has valuable habitats including shrub steppe, stream, aspen, oak woodlands, and big game winter range. It is used by raptors, bats, woodpeckers, mid-Columbia River steelhead, mule deer, and elk. Development can break connections between habitats for many wildlife species and make it more difficult for the department to manage wildfires and invasive species. The land also supports recreation and is used for hunting, wildlife viewing, camping, hiking, and mountain biking. This project has strong support from the Cowiche Canyon Conservancy, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Bureau of Land Management, and U.S. Forest Service. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1091](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Tunk Valley****Grant Requested: \$2,000,000**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to conserve more than 2 miles of river shoreline and 3,100 acres of mostly shrub-steppe habitat for sharp-tailed grouse in Okanogan County. Sharp-tailed grouse are a close relative of prairie chickens and once were the most abundant and important game bird in eastern Washington. Their numbers declined dramatically when the places they lived were turned into farms. The Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission declared sharp-tailed grouse as threatened with extinction in 1998. The department will pay landowners not to develop their land using voluntary land preservation agreements.<sup>8</sup> The grant not only will protect important sharp-tail ground, but also will conserve habitat for at least 46 other priority species and habitats, including several considered at risk of extinction. The land will connect with department wildlife areas or other public land, allowing wildlife to cross between them. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1089](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Kettle River Corridor****Grant Requested: \$1,000,000**

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to conserve old-growth ponderosa pine forest, eastside steppe, and other diverse habitats on 614 acres in northern Ferry County. The department will pay the landowner not to develop the land using voluntary land preservation agreements.<sup>9</sup> The land is used by wildlife, such as golden eagles, pileated and Lewis's woodpeckers, western toads, mule deer, and elk, and plants such as narrowleaf skullcap. The land connects large, contiguous areas of public land, expanding protection of an important wildlife corridor between two federally-designated roadless areas. The property has unique ecological and biological characteristics making it worthy of long-term conservation. The property has never been logged and represents old-growth forest in its natural state and it has been maintained in a roadless, unfragmented condition. As a result, the site supports intact eastside steppe vegetation, including several high quality rare plant communities. The landowner wants to sell and the old-growth forest makes the property appealing to timber companies. Existing land use regulations will not protect the property from impacts associated with logging, road construction, or other development. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1099](#).

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**Foster Creek Conservation District  
Sage Grouse Habitat Acquisition in Deep Creek**

**Grant Requested: \$302,000**

The Foster Creek Conservation District will use this grant to conserve 860 acres in northeast Douglas County near Leahy Junction. The district will pay the landowner to not develop his property using a voluntary land preservation agreement.<sup>10</sup> The land has rolling hills with rocky buttes, three wet meadows, and the start of three branches of Deep Creek. The land is between two active leks (dancing grounds where sage grouse males conduct courtship displays) and provides a significant opportunity to protect critical sage-grouse nesting and rearing habitat. The district wants to protect and enhance the quality of the habitat and increase the quantity of nesting and brood rearing habitat in the region. The Foster Creek Conservation District will contribute \$303,152 in cash and donated property interest. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1609](#).

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**Natural Areas Category**

<b>Number of Grant Requests</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>\$12,899,945</b>
<b>Applicant Match</b>	<b>\$560,000</b>

**Washington Department of Natural Resources Grant Requested: \$3,240,955**  
**Dabob Bay Natural Area Shoreline**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy 100 acres of shoreline in Dabob Bay Natural Area along Hood Canal in Jefferson County. The land includes coastal bluffs and shorelines that provide sediment and fallen trees and other woody debris, which are important building blocks for coastal spits. Additionally, the land is home to high quality types of forest plants listed in the natural heritage plan, which are under-conserved. The land has multiple owners and purchase will allow the department to remove shoreline bulkheads and restore natural stream function. The land will provide access for education and research and possibly low-impact recreation. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO’s Project Search [14-1249](#).

**Washington Department of Natural Resources Grant Requested: \$849,659**  
**Kennedy Creek Natural Area Preserve**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy 80 acres off U.S. Highway 101, about 12 miles west of Olympia, to increase protection for one of the few remaining high-quality salt marsh communities in Puget Sound, including vital habitat for migrating shorebirds and salmon. The purchase also will protect a segment of Schneider Creek, which supports the health of the salt marsh ecosystems. The land will provide opportunities for education and research. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO’s Project Search [14-1254](#).

**Washington Department of Natural Resources Grant Requested: \$2,214,554**  
**Ink Blot and Schumacher Creek Natural Area Preserves**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy about 114 acres in two natural area preserves to protect imperiled wetlands. The department will buy 100 acres at Ink Blot Natural Area Preserve, north of Shelton and west of U.S. Highway 101 in Mason County, to conserve land that contains rare and important wetlands. The Douglas' spirea and sphagnum community found at Ink Blot is considered imperiled in Washington. Its occurrence in Ink Blot is the highest quality example remaining in the state. The land also is one of the largest blocks of this wetland habitat type left in the Puget Sound region. The department also will buy 14 acres at Schumacher Creek Natural Area Preserve, north of Shelton and west of U.S. Highway 101 in Mason County, to conserve wetlands that are extremely rare in the Puget trough eco-region; there are no other opportunities to protect such a feature. One of the plant communities found at

Schumacher Creek, the mountain alder-Sitka alder and skunk cabbage-water parsley community, is found only in the Puget trough eco-region and is critically imperiled. The wetland systems at both Ink Blot and Schumacher Creek remain intact with little evidence of human disturbance or exotic species invasion. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1252](#).

**Washington Department of Natural Resources**  
**Queets River**

**Grant Requested: \$1,643,135**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy about 585 acres along the Queets River, next to Olympic National Park, in Jefferson County. The Queets River is one of the most pristine coastal rivers in the western United States mostly because its headwaters and main stem are protected within the Olympic National Park. The river system has been recognized as one of the best opportunities to protect and restore native salmon and coastal rainforests in the nation. The river is used by five Pacific salmon stocks: Coho, winter steelhead, fall Chinook, chum, and spring Chinook. It also is used by summer steelhead salmon; bull trout, which are listed by the federal government under the Endangered Species Act; coastal cutthroat trout; Olympic mudminnow; western brook lamprey and river lamprey; and Pacific lamprey. The forested portions of the property are Sitka spruce forest habitat, which supports northern spotted owl, Pacific fisher, and marbled murrelet. The Department of Natural Resources will contribute \$560,000 in donated land. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1722](#).

**Washington Department of Natural Resources**  
**South Lake Ozette Natural Area Preserve**

**Grant Requested: \$1,588,360**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy about 465 acres of forest near the south end of Lake Ozette, 12 miles northwest of Forks, in Clallam County. The land boasts old-growth forests, natural second-growth forest, and forest plantations. There is little state or federal protection for such high quality Sitka spruce forest communities mixed with old-growth western red cedar-western hemlock forests. The land also is home to plants such as salal with Alaska huckleberry, deerfern, and swordfern. The land will provide opportunities for environmental education and research. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1247](#).

**Washington Department of Natural Resources**  
**Trombetta Canyon Natural Area Preserve**

**Grant Requested: \$648,164**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy 300 acres, creating the Trombetta Canyon Natural Area Preserve that was designated in 2012. The purchase will protect habitat for rare plant species (including hoary willow, yellow mountain-avens, and steller's rockbrake), stream habitat, scrub-shrub and emergent wetlands, and limestone cliffs (including limestone-dependant species). This site is mostly undisturbed and offers an uncommon opportunity for study of natural ecological processes. The land

is southeast of Northport, in Stevens County. The purchase will add under-represented natural heritage features to the statewide system of natural areas and provide opportunities for environmental education and research. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1253](#).

**Washington Department of Natural Resources  
Marcellus Shrub Steppe Natural Area Preserve**

**Grant Requested: \$215,118**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy about 271 acres of high quality, shrub-steppe habitat, 7 miles north of Ritzville, in Adams County. The land provides the most extensive and highest quality example of sagebrush habitat. Ponds on the land are excellent examples of the driest, shallowest ponds called vernal ponds, found in the Columbia River basin. The site helps complete the statewide system of natural areas and will provide opportunities for environmental education and research. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1245](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Merrill Lake Natural Area**

**Grant Requested: \$2,500,000**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy 882 acres in Cowlitz County between Merrill Lake and the Kalama River. The land has many unique features including lava beds, small old growth forests, and a 40-foot waterfall on the Kalama River. The purchase will allow the department to protect wildlife habitat and provide public access, particularly along the shorelines of the lake and river. Merrill Lake is a fishing lake and the land connects with a national forest to the north and a state-protected area to the south. Many types of wildlife will benefit from this project including steelhead, coho and Chinook salmon; elk; marten; western toads; spotted owls; and osprey. The land is threatened by development into a resort and logging. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1094](#).

**State Lands Restoration and Enhancement Category**

<b>Number of Grant Requests</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>\$2,380,637</b>
<b>Applicant Match</b>	<b>\$40,000</b>

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**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Grassland Restoration in South Puget Sound**

**Grant Requested: \$387,700**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to restore 446 acres that are remnants of south Puget Sound grasslands and oak woodlands in the Scatter Creek, Mima mounds, Bald Hill, Rocky Prairie, and West Rocky Prairie areas. The areas are homes to rare plants and animals and are being invaded by nonnative wildlife. The department will restore these rare habitats by acquiring native seeds and transplants, preparing the areas for seeding through controlled fires and herbicide use, replanting the area, and controlling exotic grasses, forbs, and Scot's broom. The department also will enhance Oregon spotted frog habitat in the West Rocky Prairie. The department has partnered with the Washington Department of Natural Resources, the Joint Base Lewis McChord, and the Center for Natural Land Management to provide native seeds in for the grassland and oak woodland restoration. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1697](#).

**Washington Department of Natural Resources  
Lacamas Prairie Oak and Wet Prairie Restoration**

**Grant Requested: \$120,000**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to restore 79 acres of imperiled wet prairie and Oregon white oak woodland habitat in Clark County, north of Lacamas Lake and Camas. The Lacamas Prairie Natural Area Preserve was created in 2012 to protect the last remaining example in the state of Willamette Valley wet prairie as well as habitat for five rare plants and one bird of conservation concern. These habitats are threatened by encroachment of invasive trees, shrubs, and grasses; alteration of the fire regime; and modifications of hydrology. This project will address these threats and improve conditions by controlling invasive weeds and encroaching woody vegetation, using site preparation techniques including fire, rehabilitating the hydrology, and restoring native wet prairie and oak woodland vegetation. Accomplishing these restoration objectives will protect and enhance habitat for rare species known to occur on the site, including Hall's aster, Oregon coyote thistle, slender-billed nuthatch, small-flowered trillium, and the endangered Bradshaw's lomatium. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1485](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Sinlahekin Ecosystem Restoration Phase 3**

**Grant Requested: \$534,500**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to restore habitat in the Sinlahekin Wildlife Area by logging and burning to thin out trees and brush in the area. The Sinlahekin Wildlife Area is in north central Washington, between Loomis and Conconully, in Okanogan County, Most of the site being restored hasn't been burned for nearly 100 years causing an uncharacteristic buildup of trees and brush, which choke out other plants that are more beneficial to wildlife. The department will log or burn about 1,820 acres, which will improve conditions for many wildlife species, particularly flammulated owls, pygmy nuthatches, and white-headed woodpeckers. The project will reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfire, rejuvenate mule deer winter range, improve forest health, increase ecosystem resiliency to climate change, and provide jobs benefiting the local economy. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1508](#).

**Washington Department of Natural Resources  
Trout Lake Meadow Restoration Phase 2**

**Grant Requested: \$72,000**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to kill or remove nonnative plants and replant 45 acres of the 1,800-acre Trout Lake Natural Area Preserve, 24 miles north of White Salmon in the northwest corner of Klickitat County. The preserve hosts breeding and nesting areas used by a large population of the Oregon spotted frog, a state endangered species and proposed federal threatened species, and the greater sandhill crane, a state endangered species. In addition, two rare plants, pale blue-eyed grass, a state threatened and federal species of concern, and rosy owl clover, a state endangered species, are found in the preserve's seasonally wet meadows. The department also will install three interpretive signs in the western portion of the preserve explaining the restoration work. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1525](#).

**Washington Department of Natural Resources  
Coastal Forest Restoration**

**Grant Requested: \$188,800**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to restore about 800 acres of Pacific Northwest coastal forest in the Bone River and Niawiakum River Natural Area Preserves and the Elk River and Ellsworth Creek Natural Resources Conservation Areas. These sites are in Grays Harbor and Pacific Counties and include rare salt marshes and forests, including significant pockets of mature and old-growth forest. These areas represent a large portion of a quickly disappearing mature and old-growth forest landscape in southwest Washington. Restoration will focus on thinning the densely planted commercial forest, which provides little habitat for diverse plant and animal communities and are not representative of a natural coastal forest ecosystem. Goals for the restoration include reducing stand density, increasing understory vegetation and plant diversity, increasing the amount of large woody materials on the forest floor, and creating wildlife snags. Doing so will dramatically improve the quality of habitat for a

variety of plant and animal species, including marbled murrelet, spotted owl, cavity dwelling birds, amphibians, and Roosevelt elk. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1482](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife** **Grant Requested: \$375,000**  
**L.T. Murray Forest and Aquatic Habitat Enhancement**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to thin trees and improve wildlife habitat in the L.T. Murray Wildlife Area Unit, 15 miles west of Ellensburg and south of Cle Elum in Kittitas County. The department will thin about 500 acres of forest to improve the lands' resilience to catastrophic fire and place large logs and tree root wads in the North Fork Manastash Creek to restore habitat diversity. The logs and root wads will slow the river and create places for fish to rest and hide from predators. The department is partnering with The Nature Conservancy, the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation, and the Mid-Columbia Fisheries Enhancement Group. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1355](#).

**Washington Department of Natural Resources** **Grant Requested: \$71,000**  
**Klickitat Canyon Natural Resources Conservation Area Restoration Phase 2**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to restore about 45 acres in Klickitat Canyon Natural Resources Conservation Area, 5 miles north of Glenwood in Klickitat and Yakima Counties. This work will include restoring about 5 miles of the logging roads back to natural conditions; removing or killing nonnative plants on 25 acres in the old landings, wet meadows, and roads; thinning 10 acres of small trees; and burning about 10 acres in the meadows. The work will continue the meadow and dry forest habitat restoration to benefit several sensitive plants and animals. This conservation area includes a 3-mile stretch of the free-flowing Klickitat River, talus habitats, a unique wet meadow and ponderosa pine complex, and mixed coniferous forest. The areas targeted for restoration include meadow communities and open ponderosa pine forest used by greater sandhill cranes, Mardon skipper butterfly, and several rare plants including rosy owl-clover, Pulsifer's monkey-flower, dwarf rush, Kellogg's rush, and long-bearded sego lily. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1518](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife** **Grant Requested: \$62,500**  
**Phantom Butte Shrub-Steppe and Grassland Restoration**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to restore about half of a 250-acre field on Phantom Butte, which is in the Swanson Lakes Wildlife Area in Lincoln County. This former wheat field was planted with grass in the mid-1980s. The department will remove the wheatgrass and weeds by light tilling and chemical fallowing and then replant the area with a native-like grassland and forb mix. The resulting grassland will resemble native meadows in the surrounding shrub-steppe habitat. This field is part of a larger area that supports Columbian sharp-tailed grouse and greater sage-grouse, both listed by the state as threatened with extinction. There is an extensive

recovery program being conducted in this general area for both species, with more than 30 birds wearing radio transmitters, which will allow an evaluation of the effectiveness and use of this restored field. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1670](#).

**Washington Department of Natural Resources  
Admiralty Inlet Preserve Restoration Phase 3**

**Grant Requested: \$96,937**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to restore 6 acres of rare, native habitat in the Admiralty Inlet Natural Area Preserve, 2.5 miles south of Coupeville on Whidbey Island. The department will remove invasive and nonnative species by a controlled burn, then plant up to 60,000 native prairie plants and use a local seed mixture to establish native plant cover. The department also will remove 3 acres of dense shrubs in the old-growth forest and replant with young conifer trees to help perpetuate the forest. The prairie restoration will increase habitat for birds, butterflies, and bees. The preserve has two populations of golden paintbrush, which is listed by the federal government as threatened with extinction and state government as endangered. The preserve also has a very rare moist prairie community and rare old-growth forest association; both have been nearly exterminated in the state. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1535](#).

**Washington Department of Natural Resources  
Selah Cliffs Restoration**

**Grant Requested: \$37,000**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to restore about 40 acres of shrub-steppe habitat in the 300-acre Selah Cliffs Natural Area Preserve in the Yakima River canyon, near Selah in Yakima County. The work will conserve the ecological integrity and biological diversity of the natural area. Portions of the valley bottom and riverbanks have been severely damaged by past grazing and invasive species. The preserve, established in 1993, protects the largest known population of *Erigeron basalticus* (basalt daisy), a state threatened and federal species of concern known to exist only in a 10-mile stretch of the Yakima River Canyon. The daisy makes its home on the basalt cliffs where few other plants grow, rooting into cracks and fissures on the rock faces. The cliffs, many covered by lichens, also provide nesting and roosting habitat for raptors including prairie falcons, red-tailed hawks, and kestrels. An interpretive trail in the preserve meanders through the area to be restored, and this project will include installation of two additional interpretive signs that discuss the restoration project. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1507](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Colockum Wildlife Area Fire Rehabilitation**

**Grant Requested: \$200,200**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to restore about 1,000 acres of forest burned by a 2013 wildfire in the Colockum Wildlife Area, 15 miles south of Wenatchee in Chelan and Kittitas Counties. The fire burned the trees and bushes, whose roots prevented sediment from entering the streams. The department will place large

logs in the streams and replant the burned forest with a combination of conifer and shrub species. The wildlife area is a mix of shrub-steppe, stream bank, and forest habitats and is used by mule deer, Rocky Mountain elk, bighorn sheep, cougars, black bears, bobcats, grey wolves, wild turkeys, forest grouse, woodpeckers, falcons, hawks, and eagles. The streams in the area provide habitat for rainbow trout; upper Columbia River steelhead trout, which are listed by the federal government as threatened with extinction; and Chinook salmon, which are endangered. The Colockum Wildlife Area is a popular destination for hunting, hiking, camping, horse-back riding, motorized recreation, and wildlife watching. The Department of Fish and Wildlife will contribute \$5,000. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1610](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Pogue Mountain and Chesaw Habitat Restoration**

**Grant Requested: \$235,000**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to burn 1,274 acres in the Pogue Mountain and Chesaw Wildlife Areas, 110 miles north of Wenatchee in Okanogan County, to stimulate fire-dependent vegetation and to restore function to priority habitats. The two areas conserve native shrub-steppe plant communities and are in the sharp-tail grouse recovery zone. The *Conservation Strategy* identifies upland aspen forest, shrub-steppe, eastside grasslands and ponderosa pine forest and woodlands as the highest priority for conservation, all of which are found within the project area. The goal of the project is to restore fire as a natural process. The department will contribute \$35,000 from a private grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1447](#).

**Urban Wildlife Habitat Category**

<b>Number of Grant Requests</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>\$12,663,371</b>
<b>Applicant Match</b>	<b>\$1,753,750</b>

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
West Rocky Prairie**

**Grant Requested: \$3,000,000**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy 220 acres in Maytown, 5 miles south of Tumwater, in Thurston County, as part of a larger project to protect one of the last native outwash prairies remaining in Washington. Rare and a local treasure, the West Rocky Prairie includes the Mima mounds, which are considered an ecological wonder and prized by the residents of south Puget Sound. This purchase would create a 3,632-acre conservation network between Millersylvania State Park, McIntosh Tree Farm, Rocky Prairie Natural Area Preserve, and West Rocky Prairie Wildlife Area. The land in this area is used by many wildlife species that the state has declared at risk of extinction or in need of watching. The expanded wildlife area (1,555 acres) will be open to the public for hiking, wildlife watching, and hunting. The local community values this land because of its size and availability in urbanizing south Puget Sound. Friends of West Rocky Prairie formed in 2007 to conserve this land and presented Thurston County with 2,000 signatures requesting the site be protected from industrial use. The local Black Hills Audubon also strongly supports site conservation. The Evergreen State College and the University of Washington will use the site for prairie research. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1098](#).

**King County  
Bass-Beaver Lake Acquisition**

**Grant Requested: \$748,000**

The King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks will use this grant to conserve 136 undeveloped acres in the Bass-Beaver Lake complex, next to state parks in the Green River Gorge. The lake complex provides the highest bird species diversity in the county. The land is used by state priority bird species including bald eagle, pileated woodpecker, wood duck, bufflehead, great blue heron, common loon, and band-tailed pigeon. Other bird species using the area include golden eagle, turkey vulture, osprey, green heron, kingfisher, ruffed grouse, least sandpiper, goldfinch, Bewick's/marsh/Pacific wren, Swainson's thrush, rufous hummingbird, and spotted towhee. The complex and gorge are an important part of the range of one the state's 10 registered elk herds. It also is used by cougars, bobcats, and minks. The Green River supports Chinook, steelhead, and four other salmon species. Two forested wetland plant communities also are on the land and are designated as state priority habitats. This acquisition would complement King County's and State Parks' efforts to protect land in the lake complex.

King County will contribute \$748,000 in Conservation Futures<sup>11</sup> and a voter-approved levy. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1276](#).

**Wenatchee  
Sage Hills Gateway Acquisition**

**Grant Requested: \$510,000**

The City of Wenatchee will use this grant to buy nearly 139 acres, protecting centrally located access to the Wenatchee foothills and a critical north-south connection to its trail system. The popular trail system is near cities and offers spectacular views of the Wenatchee Valley and Columbia River, abundant spring wildflowers, and easy access. Historically, the landowner has allowed hiking, mountain biking, and winter mule deer on the land but these uses are in jeopardy because the land is being considered for housing development. If developed, trail access from the south would be cut off and wildlife habitat would be destroyed. The land contains shrub-steppe habitat that supports a diverse community of wildlife including mule deer, migratory songbirds, and raptors. Through an extensive public outreach effort conducted over several years, the Sage Hills Gateway was identified as a priority for acquisition by the community. It is contained in the *Wenatchee Foothills Community Strategy*, *Wenatchee Foothills Trails Plan*, and parks and recreation comprehensive plan. The City is working with the Trust for Public Lands, Chelan-Douglas Land Trust, and the landowner, to buy the land. The City of Wenatchee will contribute \$513,000 in staff labor and donations of labor and land. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1130](#).

**Washington Department of Natural Resources  
Stavis Natural Resources Conservation Area and Kitsap Forest  
Natural Area Preserve**

**Grant Requested: \$3,765,352**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy more than 436 acres to expand the Stavis Natural Resources Conservation Area, which includes the Kitsap Forest Natural Area Preserve near Silverdale and Bremerton in Kitsap County. The purchase will fill important gaps in a large forested landscape that supports wildlife near cities; protect forests along Stavis and Harding Creeks, which provide spawning and rearing habitat for fall chum and coho salmon; protect a pocket estuary on the Hood Canal and an upland forest near Stavis Bay; and protect more than a quarter-mile of Hood Canal shoreline. The land will provide opportunities for low-impact public use, recreation, environmental education, and scientific research. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1251](#).

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<sup>11</sup> Conservation Futures are a portion of property taxes used by local governments to buy land or development rights to protect natural areas, forests, wetlands, and farms.

**Washington Department of Natural Resources  
Mount Si and Middle Fork Snoqualmie Natural Resources Conservation Areas**

**Grant Requested: \$3,147,269**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy about 1,181 acres in the Mount Si and Middle Fork Snoqualmie Natural Resources Conservation Areas in east King County. The department will focus on lands in the Mountains to Sound Greenway that are threatened by housing development and are crucial wildlife habitat. The greenway is a 100-mile landscape of forests, wildlife habitat, and open spaces along Interstate 90, a National Scenic Byway. Distinctive physical features of the lands include talus, lakes, streams and wetlands, old-growth forests, and cliffs. A variety of animals call this area home, such as cougars, bobcats, mountain goats, black bears, coyotes, and elk. Red-tailed hawks, osprey, barred owls, pygmy owls, and pileated woodpeckers have been seen there as well. The purchase will allow the department to protect significant urban wildlife habitat, natural resources, and wildlife habitat connections, and to provide low-impact public use. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1250](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Ebey Island**

**Grant Requested: \$1,000,000**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy 104 acres, expanding the 1,237-acre wildlife area unit on Ebey Island in Snohomish County. The department's long-term vision calls for the grassland to be restored to wetlands for waterfowl, song and shorebirds, beavers, and other wildlife. The land is in the Pacific Flyway and used by migrating and wintering waterfowl. By buying the land, the department will be able to offer permanent public access to 440 acres of the department's Ebey Island Unit for waterfowl hunting, wildlife viewing, and outdoor education. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1093](#).

**Snohomish County  
Hooven Bog Conservation Area**

**Grant Requested: \$492,750**

The Snohomish County Department of Parks and Recreation will use this grant to buy 29 acres of bog, fen, wetland, and forested habitats in Snohomish County. These habitats are threatened by a proposed housing development. They are important because they are rare: It is uncommon to find four distinct plant communities in such an area. Rare plants such as *Utricularia intermedia* (Bladderwort) and *Hippuri vulgaris* in such numbers are not commonly seen. Different pine species and a variety of trees thrive here. There is a rich herbaceous layer that provides food and shelter for many wildlife species. Animals sited include bobcats, red legged frogs, kingfishers, vireos, thrushes, garter snakes, and many more. The land will provide a research and educational tool. In addition, Hooven Bog is identified by the Washington Natural Heritage Program and the Department of Natural Resources as high quality, undisturbed wetlands that support state threatened, endangered, and sensitive plant species mentioned above. Snohomish County will contribute \$492,750. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1441](#).

**Farmland Preservation Account**

<b>Number of Grant Requests</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>\$22,361,963</b>
<b>Applicant Match</b>	<b>\$11,939,403</b>

**Whidbey Camano Land Trust  
Vander Voet Farm**

**Grant Requested: \$564,100**

The Whidbey Camano Land Trust will use this grant to conserve the historic 254-acre Vander Voet Farm. The farm is on Whidbey Island, near Ebey’s Landing National Historical Reserve and the National Scenic Byway (State Highway 20). It is just 2 miles south of the city of Oak Harbor. The land trust will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement<sup>12</sup> to ensure one of the largest working farms in Island County – more than six times larger than the average county farm – will remain available for farming forever. The farm has all prime farmland soils, an economically viable and productive operation, and provides local food, aquifer recharge, and wildlife habitat. Protecting the farm is a very high priority for residents, the National Park Service, and Ebey’s Trust board and is consistent with Island County’s mandate to protect important farmland. The farm is between two Audubon Important Bird Areas (Crescent Harbor to the north and Penn Cove to the south) and two Island County-owned conservation lands to the east and west making it a key wildlife corridor used by a variety of native animals that require large habitat areas. The farm is threatened by development because of its incredible views, zoning, and proximity to Oak Harbor. The Whidbey Camano Land Trust will contribute \$1.1 million in a federal appropriation and Conservation Futures.<sup>13</sup> For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO’s Project Search [14-1510](#).

**Okanogan Land Trust  
Olma South Farmland**

**Grant Requested: \$277,354**

The Okanogan Land Trust will use this grant to conserve 280 acres of farmland owned by the Olma family. The farm is east of Tonasket in Okanogan County. The land trust will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement<sup>14</sup> to ensure the working farm remains

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available for farming forever. The farm produces corn and hay, and is used for cattle ranching. The agreement will enable the Olmas to expand their farm by buying adjacent farmland and it will protect two unique wildlife habitats: A spring-fed grassland meadow and about 2 miles of Siwash Creek, a tributary to the Okanogan River that provides critical cold water for rainbow trout, steelhead, and spring Chinook. In addition, this project will protect the most important water rights on Siwash Creek. The farm is a prime target for a large residential development because of its closeness to Tonasket, and likely would be subdivided in the future without the agreement. The Okanogan Land Trust will contribute \$283,353 in cash, staff labor, a federal grant and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1526](#).

**Okanogan Land Trust  
Strandberg Farm and Ranchland**

**Grant Requested: \$758,563**

The Okanogan Land Trust will use this grant to buy a voluntary land preservation agreement<sup>15</sup> that will ensure 866 acres of the Strandberg family farm, which is near Highway 21 north of Malo in Ferry County, remains available for farming forever. The farm includes irrigated farmland, high quality grazing land, a forest, and a section of fish-bearing Saint Peters Creek. The farm supports one of the most successful hay farms and cattle ranching operations in Ferry County. The agreement will enable the Strandbergs to transition the farm to the next generation. In addition to protecting prime farmland, the purchase links large tracts of public land, expanding the area available for cattle ranching and wildlife travel. Due to the farm's closeness to Malo and its location along Highway 21, it is prime for industrial or residential development. The land trust's agreement will prevent the farm from being developed. The Okanogan Land Trust will contribute \$765,562 in cash, staff labor, a federal grant, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1527](#).

**Skagit County  
Skagit County Farmland**

**Grant Requested: \$1,379,712**

Skagit County will use this grant to buy voluntary land preservation agreements<sup>16</sup> that will ensure 1,069 acres across 11 farms in the Samish basin and Skagit River delta remain farmland forever. The farmers own multiple parcels of land that are not contiguous, leading to unique cooperation among the farmers for specific plantings and crop rotations. The farms mainly produce potatoes rotated with grains, cabbage, spinach, tulips, corn, beets, cucumbers, and other crops, in addition to supporting pasture land

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and a dairy. Farming is embedded in Skagit County's culture, is one of the top revenue producing industries, and has very strong community support. Protecting farmland also will benefit wildlife by providing land for nesting and roosting migratory fowl, shorebirds, and raptors, including endangered species. Skagit County will contribute \$1.3 million. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-2178](#).

**Capitol Land Trust  
Nelson Ranch Easement Acquisition**

**Grant Requested: \$750,000**

The Capitol Land Trust will use this grant to protect a strategically and historically important farm by buying a voluntary land preservation agreement.<sup>17</sup> The agreement will ensure the 550 acres of prime agricultural land bisected by the Deschutes River about 2 miles south of East Olympia remains available for farming forever. The majority of the farm lies in the Deschutes River floodplain and includes 3.5 miles of shoreline and river bank, a native oak prairie, more than 56 acres of Mima mounds, and a forest. The Nelson family has operated the farm for more than 150 years. The farm also plays a key role in providing wildlife habitat, supporting steelhead, which are listed as threatened with extinction under the federal Endangered Species Act, coho salmon, which are listed as species of concern under the federal act, and cutthroat trout. The Capitol Land Trust will contribute \$750,000 in cash and a local grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1629](#).

**Jefferson Land Trust  
Bishop Dairy Preservation**

**Grant Requested: \$481,225**

The Jefferson Land Trust will use this grant to buy a voluntary land preservation agreement<sup>18</sup> for the historic Bishop Dairy, located south of Chimacum in Jefferson County. The agreement will preserve the last operating dairy in the fertile Beaver Valley. With the agreement, the land trust will ensure that 264 acres of farmland will remain a farm forever. The land includes 198 acres of pasture and grazing land, 36 acres of working forest, and nearly a mile of shoreline habitat for coho salmon, cutthroat trout, and steelhead. Trumpeter swans, raptors, and other wildlife also use the farm. The highly visible, scenic vistas define the rural character of this area, and protection of this farm will greatly enhance the viability of the agricultural community. Bishop Dairy has been in the family for five generations, has a long history of dairy farming, and is one of the first farms to be certified organic by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. This project builds on the land trust's agricultural land preservation program, which already has conserved

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nearly 600 acres in the Chimacum area. If not preserved, the farm could be developed with seven additional houses. Farms nearby are being subdivided for residential use. The Jefferson Land Trust will contribute \$481,225 in Conservation Futures<sup>19</sup> and a federal grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1359](#).

**Washington State Conservation Commission  
Lust Family Farm and Ranch Preservation**

**Grant Requested: \$1,704,153**

The Conservation Commission will use this grant to buy a voluntary land preservation agreement<sup>20</sup> to ensure that 358 acres next to the main road linking Yakima with the communities of Cowiche and Tieton remains available to farming forever. New homes are being built in the area, and smaller farms are being converted to homes and hobby farms. The land is valued as farmland because of its water right, upgraded irrigation system, and proximity to roads and other pastures, orchards, and berry operations. Protection of this property will maintain the area's agricultural character and will build a buffer between houses and intensive agriculture. The farm contains more than a half-mile of Cowiche Creek, which is important to salmon recovery in the Yakima River basin. The Conservation Commission will contribute \$8,333 in a state grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1293](#).

**Palouse Land Trust  
Maple K. Meyers Place**

**Grant Requested: \$540,250**

The Palouse Land Trust will use this grant to buy a voluntary land preservation agreement<sup>21</sup> to conserve 520 acres of farmland near Colfax on Highway 195 in Whitman County. The land has been farmed for 120 years but its proximity to Colfax has meant pressure to develop. Houses have been built next to the farm and two public streets end at the farm, suggesting future development. Nearby hilltops are being developed as view lots. The agreement will ensure the farmland, which currently grows barley, wheat, peas, and lentils, remains available to farming forever. The Palouse Land Trust will contribute \$540,250 in a federal grant and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1756](#).

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**North Olympic Land Trust  
Protecting Farmland in the Dungeness Watershed****Grant Requested: \$343,875**

The North Olympic Land Trust will use this grant to preserve forever 60 acres of working farmland in the Dungeness watershed less than 2 miles from Sequim. The land trust will be by a voluntary land preservation agreement<sup>22</sup> on the land that will ensure the land remains available to farming forever. The farm contains prime farmland soils, is in the Agricultural Retention Zone, and is farmed by Nash's Organic Produce, which employs many people in the county. The Dungeness River watershed spans 215 square miles in the northeast corner of the Olympic Peninsula, and the land north of U.S. Highway 101 is almost all prime farmland soils with a year-round growing season. This is where the North Olympic Land Trust and other groups have focused farmland conservation efforts. In the lower Dungeness basin alone, more than 550 acres of prime farmland has been conserved. The North Olympic Land Trust will contribute \$343,875 in cash and a federal grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1443](#).

**Okanogan Land Trust  
Olma North Ranchland****Grant Requested: \$762,000**

The Okanogan Land Trust will use this grant to preserve forever 1,117 acres of ranchland east of Oroville in Okanogan County. The land trust will preserve the land by buying a voluntary land preservation agreement<sup>23</sup> on the ranchland, which is owned by the Olma family. The land is composed of high quality grasslands characteristic of the Okanogan Highlands region. This particular project is a key piece in a larger effort to protect contiguous ranchland in the Okanogan Highlands for future livestock ranching, which can be greatly inhibited when grazing areas become broken into housing subdivisions. This project begins to link the land trust's previous land preservation agreements in the Okanogan Highlands, protect habitat for a wide range of wildlife, and maintain scenic views along Molson Road, a frequently travelled byway in the Okanogan Highlands. Okanogan Land Trust will contribute \$763,000 in cash, staff labor, a federal grant, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1522](#).

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**Okanogan Land Trust  
Soriano Ranch**

**Grant Requested: \$2,115,250**

The Okanogan Land Trust will use this grant to preserve forever 5,500 acres of ranchland east of Riverside in Okanogan County. The land trust will conserve the land by buying a voluntary land preservation agreement<sup>24</sup> for the ranchland. The land is prime agricultural land and habitat for sharp-tailed grouse. This and adjoining land support some of the most robust active sharp-tail leks (dancing grounds where males conduct courtship displays) in Washington State, and are an integral part of one of the largest remaining blocks of contiguous shrub-steppe habitat in north central Washington. Connected habitats is imperative to the survival of diminishing species such as the sharp-tailed grouse. The land trust's goal is to keep this land as private working farms and ranches, with owners who will work toward species survival. Running through the ranchland is Tunk Valley Creek, which is being restored and protected by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. The Okanogan Land Trust will contribute \$2.1 million in cash, staff labor, a federal grant, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1652](#).

**North Olympic Land Trust  
Smith Family Farms Protection Phase 1**

**Grant Requested: \$627,000**

The North Olympic Land Trust will use this grant to preserve forever 132 acres of the Smith family farms in the Washington Harbor area of eastern Clallam County. The land trust will conserve the land by buying a voluntary land preservation agreement,<sup>25</sup> which will ensure the land remains farmland forever. The Washington Harbor area primarily has large tracts of farmland, wetlands, and important wildlife habitat. In other parts of eastern Clallam, much of the farmland has been developed into housing. This agreement will support the operation of one of the county's two remaining dairy farms. Smith family farms produces vegetable seed crops, barley, orchard grass and fescue, corn, and forage feed needed for the dairy cows. The North Olympic Land Trust will contribute \$627,000 in cash and a federal grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1400](#).

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**Washington State Conservation Commission  
Stevenson Farm and Ranch Preservation**

**Grant Requested: \$513,780**

The Conservation Commission will use this grant to conserve 102 acres of agricultural land along a busy road linking Yakima to farmland in Cowiche and Tieton, in Yakima County. The commission will conserve the land by buying a voluntary land preservation agreement,<sup>26</sup> which will ensure the land remains farmland forever. New homes are being built in the area, and smaller farms are being converted to homes and hobby farms. The farm includes a water right and an upgraded irrigation system, and is close to roads and other pastures, orchards, and berry operations. Fragmentation of land is the top threat to agriculture in the county and protection of this farm, along with the neighboring 358-acre Lust family farm, will ensure the agricultural characteristics are not diminished. Protection also will build an agricultural buffer between houses and intensive agriculture. The farm contains Cowiche Creek, which is important for salmon recovery in the Yakima River basin. The Conservation Commission will contribute \$8,333 in a state grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1295](#).

**Capitol Land Trust  
Schweickert Farm Easement Acquisition-Restoration**

**Grant Requested: \$165,000**

The Capitol Land Trust will use this grant to conserve 85 acres of prime farmland and important salmon and wildlife habitat near Rochester, in southern Thurston County. The land trust will conserve the land by buying a voluntary land preservation agreement,<sup>27</sup> which will ensure the land remains farmland forever. The Schweickert Farm includes a quarter-mile along both sides of Scatter Creek, which will be planted to improve salmon habitat. The land trust also will install a fence creating a 100-foot buffer on each bank of the creek. This stretch of Scatter Creek is used by fall Chinook, coho, and winter steelhead. The Capitol Land Trust will contribute \$165,000 in cash and a local grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1719](#).

**PCC Farmland Trust  
Bailey Farm**

**Grant Requested: \$591,275**

The PCC Farmland Trust will use this grant to conserve more than 300 acres of Snohomish County's best farmland. The trust will buy a voluntary land preservation

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agreement,<sup>28</sup> which will ensure the land remains farmland forever. The Bailey Farm is a fifth-generation family farm in the Snohomish River Valley, and was Snohomish County's 2013 Centennial Farm. The Bailey family has been farming in the Snohomish Valley since 1913 and their farm provides opportunities for the surrounding communities to experience a farm firsthand through school field trips, a large u-pick vegetable operation, and farm stand. In recognition of this farm's importance in the community, this project is supported by Snohomish County. The PCC Farmland Trust will contribute \$591,275 in Conservation Futures<sup>29</sup> and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1476](#).

**Washington State Conservation Commission  
Emerick Rangeland Agricultural Easement**

**Grant Requested: \$1,300,114**

The Conservation Commission will use this grant to conserve 2,576 acres of rangeland 5 miles west of Yakima. The commission will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement<sup>30</sup> to ensure the land remains farmland forever. The land provides high quality forage for spring and early summer grazing and can support 150 cow and calf pairs. New homes are being built in the area, and smaller farms are being converted to homes and hobby farms. Fragmentation of agricultural land has been identified as the largest threat to farmland in the county and restricting development has been identified as the one of the most effective ways to preserve farmland. This rangeland is part of a large shrub-steppe landscape west of Yakima and is within the larger sage-grouse recovery area of eastern Washington. In addition, recent research identified 58 species of butterflies, including many rare ones. The Conservation Commission will contribute \$8,333 in a state grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1297](#).

**San Juan County Land Bank  
Double R Bar Ranch for Conservation Easement**

**Grant Requested: \$379,000**

The San Juan County Land Bank will use this grant to conserve 145 acres of the Double R Bar Ranch on Lopez Island by buying a voluntary land preservation agreement<sup>31</sup> to

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ensure the land remains farmland forever. Double R Bar primarily raises cattle and lamb, which are sold in the Natural Foods store, to the school lunch program on Lopez Island, and at a farmer's co-op in Bow. The ranch is part of a wetland, which hosts a wide variety of waterfowl that migrate to or through the area including trumpeter swans, wood ducks, and mergansers. Bald eagles are common year-round. Conservation of this property has been a high priority for the land bank since its inception in 1990. The land bank already has conserved nearly 150 acres where the wetlands originate. The San Juan County Land Bank will contribute \$379,000 in voter-approved bonds and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1557](#).

**Jefferson Land Trust  
Quilcene Farm Center**

**Grant Requested: \$295,451**

The Jefferson Land Trust will use this grant to conserve 95 acres on three farms – the Midori Farm, Little Quil Farm, and Serendipity Farm – in Quilcene by buying voluntary land preservation agreements<sup>32</sup> to ensure the land remains farmland forever. Conservation of the three adjacent, centrally located farms in Quilcene will help preserve the prime soils and habitat, provide funding for the farmers to grow their businesses, prevent conversion of farmland into houses and other development, and protect the scenic vistas that define the rural character of the area. The farms include 85 acres of prime soils and a quarter-mile of shoreline used by migrating coho salmon and steelhead. The Quilcene farm center preservation effort is a top priority for Jefferson County. The three farms are all successful operations that produce diverse products for local farmers' markets, restaurants, retail businesses, and customers. The project builds on the land trust's previous efforts, which already have conserved nearly 600 acres of farmland in Chimacum and 144 acres of farmland in Quilcene. The Jefferson Land Trust will contribute \$295,451 in federal and local grants. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1235](#).

**PCC Farmland Trust  
Harman Farm**

**Grant Requested: \$165,000**

The PCC Farmland Trust will use this grant to conserve 44 acres of Pierce County's best farmland. The trust will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement,<sup>33</sup> which will ensure the land remains farmland forever. Located along the Carbon River just outside Orting, the farm is owned by the Harman family, which has been farming in the Puyallup Valley for more than 140 years. Conserving the Harman Farm would add another 44 acres to a

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200-acre corridor of permanently conserved, prime farmland in the Orting Valley. PCC Farmland Trust will contribute \$205,550 in a federal grant and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1478](#).

**PCC Farmland Trust  
Olson Farm**

**Grant Requested: \$228,300**

The PCC Farmland Trust will use this grant to conserve 122 acres of Lewis County's best farmland. The trust will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement,<sup>34</sup> which will ensure the land remains farmland forever. Outside Napavine, the farm is owned by third generation farmers – the Olson family and is almost double the size of the average Lewis County farm. In spite of surrounding commercial and residential development, the Olson Family is seeking to conserve their family farm to continue their commitment to Lewis County's deep agricultural heritage and ensure that the property is available for their next generation of family farmers. PCC Farmland Trust will contribute \$228,300 in a federal grant and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1477](#).

**PCC Farmland Trust  
Sather Farm**

**Grant Requested: \$319,100**

The PCC Farmland Trust will use this grant to conserve 76 acres of Snohomish County's best farmland. The trust will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement on the Sather family farm outside Marysville,<sup>35</sup> which will ensure the land remains farmland forever. The Sather family has farmed the land since the 1960s but now is retiring. This farm is double the size of the average Snohomish County farm. PCC Farmland Trust will contribute \$319,100 in a federal grant and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1541](#).

**Kittitas County  
Upper Naneum Creek Farm**

**Grant Requested: \$187,500**

Kittitas County will use this grant to conserve the 146.5-acre Upper Naneum Creek Farm. The County will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement on the farm,<sup>36</sup> which will

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ensure the land remains farmland forever. Northeast of Ellensburg in Kittitas County, the farm produces organic potatoes under a multi-year lease to Irish Eyes Garden Seeds, a well-established local organic company that has seeds in the White House Garden in Washington, D.C. The farm previously was a cattle pasture, dairy, and hay producer. Kittitas County will contribute \$187,500 in donation of property interest. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1456](#).

**Washington State Conservation Commission  
Imrie Ranches Rock Creek Agricultural Easement**

**Grant Requested: \$5,171,135**

The Conservation Commission will use this grant to conserve 11,920 acres of ranchland in Klickitat County. The commission will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement,<sup>37</sup> which will ensure the land remains ranchland forever. The land, which has been used for livestock management for nearly 100 years, has soils and features that make it valuable for farming and ranching including a diversity of grass species and forbs, open forests suitable for grazing, offsite watering for livestock, fenced pastures for management, and a diversity of topographic features. The land is managed under a Grazing Management Plan and can support 300 cow and calf pairs over 11 months. The land also includes a significant portion of the Rock Creek watershed, 5.7 miles of Rock Creek, 4.4 miles of Squaw Creek, and .5 mile of Luna Gulch, all of which are critical to salmon species. The upland and shoreline areas benefit many wildlife species, including steelhead, which are listed under the federal Endangered Species Act, as well as Chinook salmon and western gray squirrels. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1128](#).

**Washington State Conservation Commission  
Kelley Ranches Agricultural Easement**

**Grant Requested: \$2,437,826**

The Conservation Commission will use this grant to conserve 6,124 acres in Klickitat County. The commission will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement on Kelley Ranches,<sup>38</sup> which will ensure the land remains farmland forever. The land, which has been used for livestock management for nearly 100 years, has soils and features that make it valuable for farming and ranching including a diversity of grass species and forbs, open uplands suitable for grazing, offsite watering for livestock, fenced pastures for management, and a diversity of topographic features. The land is managed under a Grazing Management Plan and can support 225 cow and calf pairs. The land includes 6.7 miles of Chapman Creek and a portion of the Rock Creek watershed. The Rock Creek

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watershed is used by steelhead, which are listed under the federal Endangered Species Act, and by Chinook salmon. The Chapman Creek watershed is used by western gray squirrels, Lewis's and white-headed woodpeckers, mule and black tail deer, black-tailed jack rabbits, burrowing owls, flammulated owls, golden eagles, and western toads. Chapman Creek watershed also contains white oak, shrub-steppe, and white alder. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1140](#).

**Forterra  
Hofstra Farm**

**Grant Requested: \$305,000**

Snohomish County and Forterra will use this grant to conserve 100 acres of prime farmland by buying a voluntary land preservation agreement<sup>39</sup> that will prevent eight homes from being built. Located 2 miles west of Sultan, Hofstra Farm sits in an agricultural corridor along State Highway 2. On the property's south border, more than 1,000 feet of the Skykomish River flows through a high quality forest with buffers protecting the fields from flood scouring and debris. The Hofstras have managed the land as a dairy farm and for dairy cow production since 1968. Nearing retirement, they want to ensure the farm is not developed and affordable for a next generation farmer. Hofstra Farm is contains prime farmland soils, suitable for cow, grass, hay, silage, or corn production. The farm is particularly vulnerable to conversion because about 8 acres of fenced upland next to the road offers dry winter field access as well as flood safety for a large herd. Developers have made offers to create eight lots on this section of the farm. Forterra will contribute \$305,000 in federal and local grants. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1472](#).

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**Riparian Protection Account**

<b>Number of Grant Requests</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>\$11,629,765</b>
<b>Applicant Match</b>	<b>\$7,343,830</b>

**Nisqually Land Trust  
Mashel Shoreline Protection Phase 4**

**Grant Requested: \$1,100,000**

The Nisqually Land Trust will use this grant to buy more than 1,000 acres, which includes part of the Mashel River and surrounding forest near Eatonville to protect important salmon habitat. The land trust will buy land that includes 3.5 miles of the Mashel River, 6.2 miles of feeder streams, 884 acres of shoreline, and 128 acres of forest in the middle reach of the Mashel River and the upper reach of its headwater tributary, Busy Wild Creek. The Mashel River is the largest tributary to the Nisqually River and the salmon recovery plan for the area calls out these sections of the Mashel River as the highest priority for protection. The river is used by Chinook salmon, which are listed as threatened with extinction under the federal Endangered Species Act, and steelhead trout. The land has steep, unstable slopes and is part of a larger industrial forest. Buying the land would prevent further habitat degradation from logging and development and would extend protected habitat for northern spotted owls and marbled murrelets, both of which are listed as threatened with extinction under the federal Endangered Species Act. The purchase also will connect two substantial blocks of Mashel shoreline already protected, creating nearly 6 miles of protected river corridor. The purchase also helps recreation by providing room for expansion of the Mashel Greenbelt Trail and protecting a key section of the popular Mount Tahoma Trails cross-country ski trail. The Nisqually Land Trust will contribute \$1.4 million in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO’s Project Search [14-1480](#).

**Columbia Land Trust  
Willapa Bay-Seal Slough Conservation Acquisition**

**Grant Requested: \$875,000**

The Columbia Land Trust will use this grant to buy 564 acres on Willapa Bay in Pacific County that includes 2 miles of Willapa Bay shoreline, 15 miles of sloughs and streams including Seal Slough, 70 acres of wetlands, and a forest. This project is part of a multi-year effort to conserve forever the last remaining undeveloped Willapa Bay shoreline for wildlife and people. Willapa Bay is the second largest estuary on the United States’ Pacific Coast after San Francisco Bay. The land is just south of 900 acres that already are protected. Willapa Bay and its streams and wetlands are important habitat for migratory birds, including waterfowl and shorebirds, and for salmon species, including Chinook, chum, coho, steelhead, and coastal cutthroat. Juvenile salmon need this type of estuarine habitat as a place to rest before migrating to the ocean. Other benefiting species include green sturgeon, eulachon (smelt), and bald eagles. In the long term, the restored forest

could support marbled murrelet and northern spotted owl, which currently nest 1 mile away. The Columbia Land Trust will contribute \$875,000 in federal and private grants. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1150](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Taneum Creek Riparian**

**Grant Requested: \$1,700,000**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy about 370 acres of Taneum Creek shoreline, including nearly a mile of Taneum Creek and more than 2 miles of tributary streams, about 10 miles west of Ellensburg. Taneum Creek is critical habitat for mid-Columbia River steelhead, which are listed as threatened with extinction under the federal Endangered Species Act, and is used for coho salmon reintroduction efforts in the upper Yakima River basin. Bisected by Taneum Creek, the land lies at the transition of mixed forest and shrub steppe and contains a strong suite of habitats and species. River shoreline, wetlands, shrub steppe, cliffs, caves, snags, and talus habitats are found across the property. Coho and Chinook salmon, Columbia spotted frog, sharp-tailed snakes, golden eagle, elk, mule deer, and historic western gray squirrels also use the land. This acquisition helps implement actions identified in several salmon and bull trout recovery plans. The land is an inholding in the L.T. Murray Wildlife Area. Conserving this area removes threats that the land will be developed or logged. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1092](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Reardan Audubon Lake**

**Grant Requested: \$600,000**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy 150 acres to expand its 277-acre Reardan Audubon Lake Wildlife Area, north of Reardan and 20 miles from Spokane. The land is used by more than 125 species of birds and is the last stop during spring migration before the Canadian wetlands. The land contains prairies with small mounds and shallow dips that fill with water in the spring and dry out in the summer, Mima mounds, several large permanent ponds, and shoreline forests. The land also forms the headwaters of Crab Creek, a Columbia River tributary, and Deep Creek, a Spokane River tributary. The property is used by 11 priority habitat species, 5 state candidate species, 2 federal candidate species, and 5 Department of Fish and Wildlife habitat types or elements of special concern. Wildlife viewing would be the primary recreation at this site. The land is for sale for housing. This project implements the state Legislature's directive to develop wildlife viewing sites near rural communities. The department will partner with Inland Northwest Land Trust, Spokane Audubon, Ducks Unlimited, and the City of Reardan to cooperatively preserve and develop this unique wildlife viewing site. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1097](#).

**Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Merrill Lake Riparian Protection****Grant Requested: \$3,000,000**

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy 549 acres in Cowlitz County between Merrill Lake and the Kalama River, including shorelines along the Kalama River, Merrill Lake, and Dry Creek. The land, which is 5 miles north of Cougar and east of Woodland, has many unique features including lava beds with tree casts, high volume springs feeding the Kalama River, small old-growth stands, waterfalls, and high quality native plant communities. This site has large old-growth trees and includes land at a 40-foot waterfall on the Kalama River. The department wants to buy the land to provide public access, particularly along the shorelines of the lake and river, and to conserve wildlife habitat for a diverse suite of animals including steelhead, coho and Chinook salmon, elk, marten, western toad, spotted owls, and osprey. The land connects with Gifford Pinchot National Forest to the north and Washington Department of Natural Resources' Natural Resources Conservation Area to the south. Merrill Lake is managed as a fishing lake for catch and release trout. The land is threatened by logging and development. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1095](#).

**The Nature Conservancy  
Clearwater Riparian Protection Phase 3****Grant Requested: \$986,565**

The Nature Conservancy will use this grant to buy 740 acres, including 561 acres of shoreline forest and wetland habitat, and two inholdings along the Queets and Clearwater Rivers on the Olympic Peninsula, about 15 miles northwest of Clearwater. This purchase is part of a multi-year project to conserve shoreline forests from the headwaters of the Clearwater River to its confluence with the Queets River. The Nature Conservancy already has purchased 3,000 acres and soon will acquire more than 1,000 acres. The two rivers support some of the healthiest, most viable, and genetically diverse salmon populations in the lower 48 states, making these rivers an essential anchor for conservation of salmon habitat and critical areas for biodiversity conservation on the Washington coast. The rivers drain an area of more than 287,383 acres and are home to wild populations of Chinook, coho, chum, pink, and sockeye salmon and steelhead, cutthroat, and bull trout. The rivers and associated shoreline forests also support numerous other animals, such as the Pacific lamprey, Olympic mudminnow, and marbled murrelet. The project will address the two most significant threats to these river systems – logging and rural development. The Nature Conservancy will contribute \$990,518 in cash donations. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1702](#).

**Squaxin Island Tribe  
Skookum Estuary Fletcher Acquisition Phase 2****Grant Requested: \$140,000**

The Squaxin Island Tribe will use this grant to buy nearly 23 acres of estuary and shoreline at the mouth of Skookum Creek and at the head of Skookum Inlet, in Mason County. The land is next to the 143-acre Washington Department of Natural Resources'

Skookum Inlet Natural Area Preserve. This acquisition will protect more than a half-mile of shoreline habitat and 7 acres of high quality saltmarsh. Skookum Inlet provides rearing and transition habitat for coho, chum, and Chinook salmon and cutthroat and steelhead trout. The land also is used by migratory birds including waterfowl and shorebirds. The Squaxin Island Tribe will contribute \$145,000. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1689](#).

**The Nature Conservancy  
Hoh River Riparian**

**Grant Requested: \$1,199,400**

The Nature Conservancy will use this grant to buy 1,168 acres of shoreline, floodplain, and tributary habitat in the Hoh River watershed on the Olympic Peninsula. Because its headwaters begin in Olympic National Park, the Hoh River is recognized as one of the healthiest coastal rivers and salmon fisheries on the West Coast. The Hoh's extensive floodplain is critical to riverine salmon. The Hoh supports some of the healthiest, most viable, and genetically diverse salmon populations in the lower 48 states, making the river an essential anchor for the conservation of salmon habitat and a critical area for biodiversity conservation on the Washington coast. Salmon are widely distributed in the Hoh River basin with wild populations of coho, Chinook, and chum salmon and steelhead. The Hoh also has been identified as a core recovery area for bull trout, which are listed as threatened with extinction under the federal Endangered Species Act. The river and its shoreline forest habitat also support other important species, including Pacific lamprey, Olympic mudminnow, and marbled murrelet. The purchase will reduce the threats of logging and rural development. This project builds upon the conservation efforts of the Hoh River Trust, which has conserved more than 8,000 acres in the watershed. The Nature Conservancy will contribute \$1.4 million in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-2179](#).

**Anderson Island Park District  
Jacobs Point Addition**

**Grant Requested: \$67,000**

The Anderson Island Park and Recreation District will use this grant to buy and permanently protect 17.61 acres at Jacobs Point on Anderson Island in south Puget Sound, completing the land acquisitions for Jacobs Point Park. The land is on the east side of a peninsula and includes about .3 mile of pristine Puget Sound shoreline, 4 acres of tidelands and 13 acres of second-growth forest. The land will provide 1.2 miles of trails and shoreline access for hikers and boaters. The shoreline here supports a diverse array of fish, invertebrate, bird, and mammal species. Oro Bay and East Oro Bay border Jacobs Point on three sides and are part of the Nisqually Reach Aquatic Reserve marine protected area. The land is identified in regional and local plans as a priority for acquisition to protect its ecological values and meet identified public needs on Anderson Island. The Anderson Island Park District will contribute \$100,612 in a private grant, a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1741](#).

**Great Peninsula Conservancy  
Grover's Creek Acquisition Phase 2****Grant Requested: \$398,000**

The Great Peninsula Conservancy will use this grant to protect forever 111 acres of shoreline in the Grover's Creek watershed in north Kitsap County. The purchase will conserve interconnected, highly functioning shoreline habitat along 1.13 miles of fish-bearing stream and tributaries in the lower reach of Grover's Creek. The purchase also will protect mature Sitka spruce-western red cedar forests, scrub-shrub, and wetlands. The conservancy will buy 60 acres directly and buy a voluntary land preservation agreement<sup>40</sup> for the remaining 51 acres. The property's habitat provides spawning and rearing areas for migrating fish, including steelhead, which are listed as threatened with extinction under the federal Endangered Species Act; linked land and water habitat for amphibians; nesting and foraging area for birds; and a migratory corridor for mammals. The land is essential to the long-term protection of Miller Bay because it provides sediment storage, pollution filtration, and collection and slow release of water to maintain the flows needed at different salmon life cycles. The Great Peninsula Conservancy will contribute \$439,250 in a private grant, a salmon recovery grant, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1587](#).

**Pierce County  
Carbon River Valley Expansion****Grant Requested: \$612,500**

The Pierce County Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to buy 500 acres of forest and shoreline along the Carbon River near Carbonado to protect the high quality habitat and views at this popular recreation corridor leading to Mount Rainier National Park. The land abuts the Carbon River Valley county park, extending downstream from the State Highway 165 Carbon River Bridge to Carbonado. The land contains forests ranging in age from 45 years old to more than 80 years old. These forests provide critical habitat for migrating Rocky Mountain elk. They also help protect the water quality of the Carbon River, a significant salmon-bearing stream in the Puyallup River watershed, which is home to Puget Sound Chinook and steelhead, both of which are listed as threatened with extinction under the federal Endangered Species Act. In addition to these species, the property's mature forest provides ideal habitat for a variety of mammals, cavity-nesting birds, and amphibians. Pierce County plans to provide public access to the property, which now is restricted to those who buy passes. Pierce County will contribute \$911,250 in Conservation Futures.<sup>41</sup> For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1283](#).

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<sup>41</sup> Conservation Futures are a portion of property taxes used by local governments to buy land or development rights to protect natural areas, forests, wetlands, and farms.

**Squaxin Island Tribe  
Little Skookum Inlet Riparian Habitat Protection**

**Grant Requested: \$951,300**

The Squaxin Island Tribe will use this grant to buy a voluntary land preservation agreement<sup>42</sup> to conserve 816 acres of forests, wetlands, and shorelines, including nearly 2 miles of Puget Sound shoreline along Little Skookum Inlet, about 20 miles west of Olympia. The shorelines are used by chum, Chinook, and coho salmon and steelhead and cutthroat trout. They also host shellfish growing areas. The conservation of the land will prevent development and help protect water quality in the salmon-bearing streams and shorelines. The Squaxin Island Tribe will contribute \$977,700 in a private grant and a grant from the state Puget Sound Acquisition and Restoration Program. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's Project Search [14-1350](#).

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# Projects by County

Project Number and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Category	Grant Request	Pages
<b>Adams County</b>					
14-1245A	Marcellus Shrub Steppe Natural Area Preserve	Washington Department of Natural Resources	Natural Area	\$215,118	15, 71
14-1644D	Sprague Lake Fishing Platform Phase 5	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	State Lands Development and Renovation	\$154,000	9, 46
<b>Asotin County</b>					
14-1085A	Mountain View	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	Critical Habitat	\$4,000,000	14, 65
14-1751D	Heller Bar Access Site Improvements	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	State Lands Development and Renovation	\$324,500	9, 45
14-1743D	Shumaker Road and Access Site Development	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	State Lands Development and Renovation	\$283,000	9, 46
14-1664D	4-O Ranch McNeill Campground Development	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	State Lands Development and Renovation	\$325,000	9, 46
<b>Benton County</b>					
14-1111A	Candy Mountain Acquisition	Benton County	Local Park	\$695,377	3, 22
14-1415D	Prosser City Park Restrooms	Prosser	Local Park	\$87,800	4, 26

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14-1449D	John Dam Plaza Amphitheater	Richland	Local Park	\$300,000	4, 28
14-1173D	Crow Butte Park Playground Development	Port of Benton	Local Park	\$167,200	6, 34
14-1361D	Hansen Park Completion	Kennewick	Local Park	\$360,198	6, 36
14-1428D	Hanford Legacy Park Multi-purpose Sports Fields	Richland	Local Park	\$500,000	7, 38
<b>Chelan County</b>					
14-1135D	Saddle Rock Gateway and Outdoor Education Area	Wenatchee	Local Park	\$480,648	3, 21
14-1131C	Hale Park Acquisition and Development	Wenatchee	Local Park	\$523,000	4, 27
14-1280D	Cashmere's Riverside Park Revitalization	Cashmere	Local Park	\$249,925	6, 35
14-1130A	Sage Hills Gateway Acquisition	Wenatchee	Urban Wildlife Habitat	\$510,000	17, 78
<b>Clallam County</b>					
14-1443A	Dungeness Watershed Farmland Protection Phase 3	North Olympic Land Trust	Farmland Preservation	\$343,875	18, 84
14-1400A	Smith Family Farms Protection Phase 1	North Olympic Land Trust	Farmland Preservation	\$627,000	18, 85
14-1367D	Civic Field Lighting Replacement	Port Angeles	Local Park	\$226,500	6, 37
14-1247A	South Lake Ozette Natural Area Preserve	Washington Department of Natural Resources	Natural Area	\$1,588,360	15, 70
14-1589D	North Olympic Wildlife Area Public Access Facility	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	State Lands Development and Renovation	\$86,000	9, 45
14-1124D	Spruce Railroad McFee Tunnel Restoration	Clallam County	Trail	\$460,000	11, 52
14-2031D	Port Angeles Waterfront Trail	Port Angeles	Trail	\$500,000	12, 57
<b>Clark County</b>					
14-1471D	Columbia River Waterfront Park	Vancouver	Local Park	\$500,000	4, 24
14-1072D	Hartwood Park Red Barn Playground	Washougal	Local Park	\$78,946	4, 26

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14-1444A	Refuge Road Neighborhood Park Acquisition	Ridgefield	Local Park	\$225,300	5, 29
14-1485R	Lacamas Prairie Oak and Wet Prairie Restoration	Washington Department of Natural Resources	State Lands Restoration and Enhancement	\$120,000	16, 72
14-1349D	Washougal Waterfront Trail	Port of Camas-Washougal	Trail	\$500,000	11, 54
14-1347D	Washougal Waterfront Water Access Area	Port of Camas-Washougal	Water Access	\$700,000	13, 59
14-1643D	Battle Ground Lake State Park Americans with Disabilities Act Docks	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	Water Access	\$516,500	13, 60
<b>Cowlitz County</b>					
14-1094A	Merrill Lake Natural Area	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	Natural Area	\$2,500,000	15, 71
14-1095A	Merrill Lake Riparian Protection	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	Riparian Protection	\$3,000,000	20, 94
<b>Douglas County</b>					
14-1087A	Mid Columbia-Grand Coulee	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	Critical Habitat	\$4,000,000	14, 65
14-1609C	Sage Grouse Habitat Acquisition in Deep Creek	Foster Creek Conservation District	Critical Habitat	\$302,000	14, 68
<b>Ferry County</b>					
14-1099A	Kettle River Corridor	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	Critical Habitat	\$1,000,000	14, 67
14-1527A	Strandberg Farm and Ranchland	Okanogan Land Trust	Farmland Preservation	\$758,563	18, 81
14-1677D	Ferry County Rail Trail Phase 3	Ferry County	Trail	\$98,000	11, 54
14-1100C	Kettle River Access	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	Water Access	\$995,000	13, 63
<b>Franklin County</b>					
14-1645D	Sacajawea State Park Trail Connection	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	State Parks	\$1,092,401	10, 51

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<b>Grays Harbor County</b>					
14-1486A	Westport Park Connection	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	State Parks	\$1,905,000	10, 48
14-1126D	Harris Creek Vosper Multi -use Trail	Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation	Trail	\$140,405	12, 56
<b>Island County</b>					
14-1510A	Vander Voet Farm	Whidbey Camano Land Trust	Farmland Preservation	\$564,100	18, 80
14-1533D	Trillium Community Forest Trailheads	Island County	Local Park	\$163,140	7, 38
14-1535R	Admiralty Inlet Preserve Restoration Phase 3	Washington Department of Natural Resources	State Lands Restoration and Enhancement	\$96,937	16, 75
14-1534A	Glendale Shoreline Acquisition and Public Access	Island County	Water Access	\$565,000	13, 59
<b>Jefferson County</b>					
14-1359A	Bishop Dairy Preservation	Jefferson Land Trust	Farmland Preservation	\$481,225	18, 82
14-1235A	Quilcene Farm Center	Jefferson Land Trust	Farmland Preservation	\$295,451	19, 88
14-1249A	Dabob Bay Natural Area Shoreline	Washington Department of Natural Resources	Natural Area	\$3,240,955	15, 69
14-1722A	Queets River	Washington Department of Natural Resources	Natural Area	\$1,643,135	15, 70
14-1702A	Clearwater Riparian Protection Phase 3	The Nature Conservancy	Riparian Protection	\$986,565	20, 94
14-2179A	Hoh River Riparian	The Nature Conservancy	Riparian Protection	\$1,199,400	20, 95
14-1711D	Olympic Discovery Trail Discovery Bay	Jefferson County	Trail	\$250,000	12, 56
<b>King County</b>					
14-1182D	Inspiration Playground Construction	Bellevue	Local Park	\$500,000	3, 23

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14-1616D	Covington Community Park Phase 2	Covington	Local Park	\$500,000	4, 25
14-1357D	Beach Park Picnic Shelter and Restroom	Des Moines	Local Park	\$293,243	4, 26
14-1618D	Big Rock Sports Park Improvements	Duvall	Local Park	\$500,000	4, 27
14-1398A	North Creek Forest Acquisition Phase 3	Bothell	Local Park	\$1,000,000	4, 28
14-1592D	Snoqualmie Skate Park	Snoqualmie	Local Park	\$175,000	5, 30
14-1623A	SoCo Park	Covington	Local Park	\$558,915	5, 31
14-1512A	Cougar-Squak Corridor Acquisition	King County	Local Park	\$500,000	5, 32
14-1499D	Island Crest Park Renovation	Mercer Island	Local Park	\$500,000	5, 32
14-1290D	Moorlands Neighborhood Park Renovation	Kenmore	Local Park	\$500,000	5, 33
14-1265D	Central Park Multi-purpose Sport Field Improvements	Issaquah	Local Park	\$500,000	6, 33
14-1590D	Karl Grosch Field Replacement	Federal Way	Local Park	\$150,000	6, 34
14-1696D	Russell Road Athletic Field Conversion	Kent	Local Park	\$500,000	6, 35
14-1873C	Snoqualmie Riverview Park Expansion	Snoqualmie	Local Park	\$500,000	6, 35
14-1613A	Squire's Landing Park Expansion (Twedt Property)	Kenmore	Local Park	\$340,485	7, 37
14-1144D	Meydenbauer Bay Park Upland Development	Bellevue	Local Park	\$500,000	7, 38
14-1524D	Yesler Neighborhood Park	Seattle	Local Park	\$500,000	7, 39
14-1745A	Van Doren's Landing Park Expansion	Kent	Local Park	\$746,025	8, 42
14-1750D	Park at Bothell Landing Expansion and Renovation	Bothell	Local Park	\$500,000	8, 42
14-1453D	East Tiger Mountain Trail System Development Final Phase	Washington Department of Natural Resources	State Lands Development and Renovation	\$300,000	9, 44
14-1520D	Mailbox Peak Trail Final Phase	Washington Department of Natural Resources	State Lands Development and Renovation	\$178,400	9, 45

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14-1682D	Lake Sammamish Sunset Beach Picnic Area	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	State Parks	\$3,168,979	10, 49
14-1454A	Saint Edward State Park Kenmore Acquisition	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	State Parks	\$2,164,680	10, 50
14-1514D	East Lake Sammamish Trail Phase 4	King County	Trail	\$500,000	11, 52
14-1276A	Bass-Beaver Lake Acquisition	King County	Urban Wildlife Habitat	\$748,000	17, 77
14-1250A	Mount Si and Middle Fork Snoqualmie Natural Resources Conservation Areas	Washington Department of Natural Resources	Urban Wildlife Habitat	\$3,147,269	17, 79
14-1965D	Meydenbauer Park Shoreline Access Development	Bellevue	Water Access	\$500,000	13, 60
14-1731D	Lake Meridian Dock Replacement	Kent	Water Access	\$500,000	13, 61
<b>Kitsap County</b>					
14-1484A	Port Gamble Ride Park-Kitsap Forest and Bay	Kitsap County	Local Park	\$500,000	5, 29
14-1438D	McCormick Village Park Phase 2	Port Orchard	Local Park	\$385,500	7, 39
14-1213C	Washington Boulevard Park Phase 1	Port of Kingston	Local Park	\$400,000	7, 40
14-1469D	Eagle Harbor Waterfront Park Phase 1 Improvements	Bainbridge Island	Local Park	\$500,000	8, 41
14-1587A	Grover's Creek Acquisition Phase 2	Great Peninsula Conservancy	Riparian Protection	\$398,000	20, 96
14-1425D	Lake Tahuya Public Access Development	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	State Lands Development and Renovation	\$285,000	9, 46
14-1723A	Manchester State Park Additional Uplands	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	State Parks	\$508,380	10, 51
14-1439A	Bay Street Pedestrian Path Mosquito Fleet Trail	Port Orchard	Trail	\$105,750	11, 53
14-1353A	Sound to Olympics North Kitsap Gap	Kitsap County	Trail	\$740,500	11, 55

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14-1251A	Stavis Natural Resources Conservation Area and Kitsap Forest Natural Area Preserve	Washington Department of Natural Resources	Urban Wildlife Habitat	\$3,765,352	17, 78
14-1546D	Waterman Fishing Pier Access and Seawall Renovation	Port of Waterman	Water Access	\$575,000	13, 61
<b>Kittitas County</b>					
14-1090A	Heart of the Cascades	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	Critical Habitat	\$4,000,000	14, 66
14-1456A	Upper Naneum Creek Farm	Kittitas County	Farmland Preservation	\$187,500	19, 89
14-1092A	Taneum Creek Riparian	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	Riparian Protection	\$1,700,000	20, 93
14-1355R	LT Murray Forest and Aquatic Habitat Enhancement	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	State Lands Restoration and Enhancement	\$375,000	16, 74
14-1610R	Colockum Wildlife Area Fire Rehabilitation	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	State Lands Restoration and Enhancement	\$200,200	16, 75
<b>Klickitat County</b>					
14-1096A	Simcoe	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	Critical Habitat	\$3,000,000	14, 65
14-1128A	Imrie Ranches Rock Creek Agricultural Easement	Washington State Conservation Commission	Farmland Preservation	\$5,171,135	19, 90
14-1140A	Kelley Ranches Agricultural Easement	Washington State Conservation Commission	Farmland Preservation	\$2,437,826	19, 90
14-1525R	Trout Lake Meadow Restoration Phase 2	Washington Department of Natural Resources	State Lands Restoration and Enhancement	\$72,000	16, 73
14-1634D	Klickitat Trail	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	State Parks	\$2,229,000	10, 50

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<b>Lewis County</b>					
14-1477A	Olson Farm	PCC Farmland Trust	Farmland Preservation	\$228,300	19, 89
14-1606D	Pearl Street Veterans Memorial Pool	Centralia	Local Park	\$500,000	5, 31
14-1763D	Klickitat Prairie Park Phase 3	Mossyrock	Local Park	\$71,450	6, 37
14-1622D	Willapa Hills Trail Development Pe Ell Area	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	State Parks	\$962,400	10, 49
14-1640D	Willapa Hills Trail	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	Trail	\$400,000	11, 56
<b>Lincoln County</b>					
14-1097A	Reardan Audubon Lake	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	Riparian Protection	\$600,000	20, 93
14-1670R	Phantom Butte Shrub-Steppe and Grassland Restoration	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	State Lands Restoration and Enhancement	\$62,500	16, 74
<b>Mason County</b>					
14-1467D	Sandhill Park Renovation	Mason County	Local Park	\$225,000	6, 36
14-1581D	North Mason Soccer and Football Field Renovation	Mason County	Local Park	\$485,280	7, 41
14-1254A	Kennedy Creek Natural Area Preserve	Washington Department of Natural Resources	Natural Area	\$849,659	15, 69
14-1252A	Ink Blot and Schumacher Creek Natural Area Preserves	Washington Department of Natural Resources	Natural Area	\$2,214,554	15, 69
14-1689A	Skookum Estuary Fletcher Acquisition Phase 2	Squaxin Island Tribe	Riparian Protection	\$140,000	20, 94
14-1350A	Little Skookum Inlet Riparian Habitat Protection	Squaxin Island Tribe	Riparian Protection	\$951,300	20, 97
14-1603A	Fudge Point Additional Uplands	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	State Parks	\$497,623	10, 50
14-1687A	Coulter Creek Phase 2	Mason County	Water Access	\$1,000,000	13, 62

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<b>Okanogan County</b>					
14-1089A	Tunk Valley	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	Critical Habitat	\$2,000,000	14, 67
14-1526A	Olma South Farmland	Okanogan Land Trust	Farmland Preservation	\$277,354	18, 80
14-1522A	Olma North Ranchland	Okanogan Land Trust	Farmland Preservation	\$762,000	18, 84
14-1652A	Soriano Ranch	Okanogan Land Trust	Farmland Preservation	\$2,115,250	18, 85
14-1509D	Twisp Tennis Court Development	Twisp	Local Park	\$34,025	4, 27
14-1548D	Riverside Access Site Development	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	State Lands Development and Renovation	\$325,000	9, 44
14-1508R	Sinlahekin Ecosystem Restoration Phase 3	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	State Lands Restoration and Enhancement	\$534,500	16, 73
14-1447R	Pogue Mountain and Chesaw Habitat Restoration	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	State Lands Restoration and Enhancement	\$235,000	16, 76
14-1137C	Twisp Community Trail	Twisp	Trail	\$199,504	11, 53
<b>Pacific County</b>					
14-1729D	Ilwaco City Park Rejuvenation	Ilwaco	Local Park	\$320,000	5, 33
14-1150A	Willapa Bay-Seal Slough Conservation Acquisition	Columbia Land Trust	Riparian Protection	\$875,000	20, 92
<b>Pierce County</b>					
14-1478A	Harman Farm	PCC Farmland Trust	Farmland Preservation	\$165,000	19, 88
14-1513C	Springbrook Park Acquisition and Development	Lakewood	Local Park	\$193,950	3, 21

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14-1542D	Waughop Lake Trail at Fort Steilacoom Park	Lakewood	Local Park	\$250,000	4, 25
14-1463D	Gene Goodwin Tot Lot Playground Renovation	Fircrest	Local Park	\$36,500	6, 34
14-1695D	Point Defiance Off Leash Park	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	Local Park	\$500,000	6, 36
14-1503D	Gateway Park Development Phase 1	Key Peninsula Metropolitan Park District	Local Park	\$500,000	7, 40
14-1424D	SERA Campus Multi-use Field Development	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	Local Park	\$500,000	7, 41
14-1529D	Foss Waterway 21st Street Park Play Area	Tacoma	Local Park	\$60,000	8, 42
14-1516D	Swan Creek Park Gateway	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	Local Park	\$500,000	8, 42
14-1679D	Foss Waterway Central Park Development	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	Local Park	\$500,000	8, 43
14-1480A	Mashel Shoreline Protection Phase 4	Nisqually Land Trust	Riparian Protection	\$1,100,000	20, 92
14-1741C	Jacobs Point Addition	Anderson Island Park District	Riparian Protection	\$67,000	20, 95
14-1283A	Carbon River Valley Expansion	Pierce County	Riparian Protection	\$612,500	20, 96
14-1680A	Nisqually State Park University of Washington Forest Lands	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	State Parks	\$2,619,928	10, 51
14-1442D	Foothills National Recreation Trail Final Phase	Pierce County	Trail	\$2,755,063	11, 54
14-1694D	Point Defiance Loop Trail	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	Trail	\$3,250,000	11, 55
14-1693D	Owen Beach	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	Water Access	\$3,000,000	13, 62
14-1724D	Wapato Lake Dock Reconstruction	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	Water Access	\$451,416	13, 63
14-1617D	Ancich Water Access Park	Gig Harbor	Water Access	\$500,000	13, 63
14-1686D	Point Defiance Boardwalk	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	Water Access	\$800,000	13, 64
<b>San Juan County</b>					
14-1557A	Double R Bar Ranch Conservation Easement	San Juan County Land Bank	Farmland Preservation	\$379,000	19, 87

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<b>Skagit County</b>					
14-2178A	Skagit County Farmland	Skagit County	Farmland Preservation	\$1,379,712	18, 81
14-1331D	John Storvik Spray Park and New Restroom	Anacortes	Local Park	\$335,000	3, 23
14-1790D	Concrete Water Spray Park	Concrete	Local Park	\$199,013	6, 37
14-1399D	Conner Waterfront Park	La Conner	Local Park	\$105,400	7, 40
14-1279D	Samish River Unit Public Access Improvements	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	State Lands Development and Renovation	\$190,000	9, 45
14-1621D	Kukulali Preserve Day Use Development	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	State Parks	\$360,210	10, 48
14-1555D	Larrabee Clayton Beach Railway Overpass	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	State Parks	\$2,331,365	10, 49
<b>Snohomish County</b>					
14-1476A	Bailey Farm	PCC Farmland Trust	Farmland Preservation	\$591,275	19, 86
14-1541A	Sather Farm	PCC Farmland Trust	Farmland Preservation	\$319,100	19, 89
14-1472A	Hofstra Farm	Forterra	Farmland Preservation	\$305,000	19, 91
14-1274D	Kasch Park Synthetic Turf Replacement	Everett	Local Park	\$500,000	3, 22
14-1434D	Skate Darrington	Darrington	Local Park	\$296,081	4, 24
14-1631A	Esperance Park Acquisition	Snohomish County	Local Park	\$508,600	4, 27
14-1120D	Meadowdale Playfields Renovation	Lynnwood	Local Park	\$500,000	5, 29
14-1199A	Civic Center Field Acquisition	Edmonds	Local Park	\$1,000,000	5, 30
14-1630D	Lake Stickney Park Phase 1	Snohomish County	Local Park	\$295,000	5, 30
14-1323D	Mukilteo Athletic Fields	Mukilteo	Local Park	\$500,000	6, 36
14-1408D	Lake Tye Park Skate Park Improvements	Monroe	Local Park	\$120,000	7, 39
14-1796D	Whitehorse Trail Design and Development	Snohomish County	Trail	\$2,000,000	12, 57

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14-1266A	Whitehorse Trail Trailhead Acquisition Oso Mill	Snohomish County	Trail	\$236,250	12, 57
14-1243A	Centennial Trail Bryant Trailhead Acquisition	Snohomish County	Trail	\$83,400	12, 58
14-1093A	Ebey Island	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	Urban Wildlife Habitat	\$1,000,000	17, 79
14-1441A	Hooven Bog Conservation Area	Snohomish County	Urban Wildlife Habitat	\$492,750	17, 79
14-1427D	Edmonds Pier Renovation	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	Water Access	\$700,000	13, 60
14-1627D	Wenberg County Park Water Access Improvements	Snohomish County	Water Access	\$614,123	13, 61
14-1170C	Sultan River Access	Sultan	Water Access	\$374,663	13, 62
<b>Spokane County</b>					
14-1465D	Spokane Adaptive Baseball Field at Mission Park	Spokane	Local Park	\$238,055	3, 23
14-1701C	Prairie View Park Expansion	Spokane County	Local Park	\$500,000	4, 25
14-1543D	Mirror Pond Pathway	Spokane	Local Park	\$91,500	5, 31
14-1136D	Appleway Trail Phase 3	Spokane Valley	Trail	\$813,000	11, 55
<b>Stevens County</b>					
14-1253A	Trombetta Canyon Natural Area Preserve	Washington Department of Natural Resources	Natural Area	\$648,164	15, 70
<b>Thurston County</b>					
14-1629A	Nelson Ranch Easement Acquisition	Capitol Land Trust	Farmland Preservation	\$750,000	18, 82
14-1719C	Schweickert Farm Easement Acquisition-Restoration	Capitol Land Trust	Farmland Preservation	\$165,000	19, 86
14-1697R	Grassland Restoration in South Puget Sound	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	State Lands Restoration and Enhancement	\$387,700	16, 72

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14-1626D	Tolmie State Park Parking	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	State Parks	\$553,420	10, 49
14-1515D	Woodland Creek Community Park Trail	Lacey	Trail	\$53,172	12, 56
14-1098A	West Rocky Prairie	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	Urban Wildlife Habitat	\$3,000,000	17, 77
<b>Walla Walla County</b>					
14-1107D	Kiwanis Park Renovation	College Place	Local Park	\$195,340	7, 40
<b>Whatcom County</b>					
14-1218D	Star Park Playground Development	Ferndale	Local Park	\$230,666	5, 31
14-1419D	Squalicum Creek Trail	Bellingham	Trail	\$500,000	11, 53
<b>Whitman County</b>					
14-1756A	Maple K Meyers Place	Palouse Land Trust	Farmland Preservation	\$540,250	18, 83
14-1635D	John Wayne Pioneer Trail Malden and Rosalia Trailhead Development	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	State Parks	\$700,352	10, 51
<b>Yakima County</b>					
14-1091A	Cowiche Watershed	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	Critical Habitat	\$2,200,000	14, 66
14-1293A	Lust Family Farm and Ranch Preservation	Washington State Conservation Commission	Farmland Preservation	\$1,704,153	18, 83
14-1295A	Stevenson Farm and Ranch Preservation	Washington State Conservation Commission	Farmland Preservation	\$513,780	18, 86
14-1297A	Emerick Rangeland Agricultural Easement	Washington State Conservation Commission	Farmland Preservation	\$1,300,114	19, 87
14-1143D	Volunteer Park Development	Selah	Local Park	\$359,000	3, 22
14-1121D	Randall Park Renovation	Yakima	Local Park	\$500,000	3, 23
14-1172D	Oak Creek Tim's Pond Access Development	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	State Lands Development and Renovation	\$324,500	9, 45

Project Number and Type	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Category	Grant Request	Pages
14-1518R	Klickitat Canyon Natural Resources Conservation Area Restoration Phase 2	Washington Department of Natural Resources	State Lands Restoration and Enhancement	\$71,000	15, 74
14-1507R	Selah Cliffs Restoration	Washington Department of Natural Resources	State Lands Restoration and Enhancement	\$37,000	16, 75
14-1461D	Naches Rail to Trail Final Phase	Yakima County	Trail	\$810,700	11, 53
<b>Multiple Counties</b>					
14-1482R	Coastal Forest Restoration	Washington Department of Natural Resources	State Lands Restoration and Enhancement	\$188,800	16, 73
14-1681A	Inholdings and Adjacent Properties	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	State Parks	\$1,000,000	10, 48

# Appendix A: Funding Distribution

As required by statute, WWRP funds are distributed to four accounts. These accounts are divided into a number of funding categories, each with its own statutory requirements. The funding levels for each account vary depending upon the overall appropriation for WWRP.

		<b>\$40 Million or Less</b>	<b>\$40-\$50 Million</b>	<b>&gt;\$50 Million</b>
	Habitat Conservation Account	50%	\$20 million + 10% of amount over \$40 million	\$21 million + 30% of amount over \$50 million
	Outdoor Recreation Account	50%	\$20 million + 10% of amount over \$40 million	\$21 million + 30% of amount over \$50 million
	Farmland Preservation Account	0	40% of amount over \$40 million	\$4 million + 30% of amount over \$50 million
	Riparian Protection Account	0	40% of amount over \$40 million	\$4 million + 10% of amount over \$50 million

## Total Funding at \$40 Million or Less

At this funding level, the Outdoor Recreation Account receives 50 percent of the funding, which is divided into five categories:

### Outdoor Recreation Account

#### *Local Parks*

- 30 percent for acquisition, development, and renovation of local parks (at least 50 percent must be for land acquisition). Open only to local agencies.

#### *State Parks*

- 30 percent for acquisition and development of state parks. (at least 50 percent must be for land acquisition). Open only to the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission.

#### *Trails*

- 20 percent for acquisition, development, and renovation of trails. Open to both local and state agencies.

#### *Water Access*

- 15 percent for acquisition, development, and renovation of water access sites (at least 75 percent must be for acquisition). Open to both local and state agencies.

#### *State Lands Development and Renovation*

- 5 percent for the development and renovation of state lands. Open only to the Washington Departments of Fish and Wildlife and Natural Resources.

### Habitat Conservation Account

The Habitat Conservation Account receives 50 percent of the funding, which is divided into four categories:

#### *Critical Habitat*

- 45 percent for the acquisition and development of critical habitat. Open to both local and state agencies.

#### *Natural Areas*

- 30 percent for the acquisition and development of natural areas. Open only to state agencies.

### *Urban Wildlife Habitat*

- 20 percent for the acquisition and development of urban wildlife habitat. Open to both local and state agencies.

### *State Lands Restoration and Enhancement*

- 5 percent for the restoration and enhancement of state lands. Open only to the Washington Departments of Fish and Wildlife and Natural Resources.

The Riparian Protection and Farmland Preservation Accounts do not receive an allocation of funds when \$40 million or less is appropriated for WWRP.

## **Total Funding from \$40 Million to \$50 Million**

### Habitat Conservation Account

- The Habitat Protection Account receives \$20 million plus 10 percent of the amount greater than \$40 million. Funding is distributed to the account categories by the percentages listed above in the \$40 million funding formula.

### Outdoor Recreation Account

- The Outdoor Recreation Account receives \$20 million plus 10 percent of the amount greater than \$40 million. Funding is distributed to the account categories by the percentages listed above in the \$40 million funding formula.

### Riparian Protection Account

- The Riparian Protection Account receives 40 percent of the amount greater than \$40 million. This account was added to WWRP's statutes in 2005 and is open to state and local agencies and non-profit organizations. Grants are awarded for the protection, enhancement, and restoration of water-related habitat for wildlife. All projects must include acquisition of real property interest.

### Farmland Preservation Account

- The Farmland Preservation Account receives 40 percent of the amount greater than \$40 million. This account was added by the Legislature in 2005. This program is open only to counties, cities, the State Conservation Commission, and non-profit organizations. Grants are awarded for the protection of economically viable farmlands and the enhancement of ecological functions on those lands.

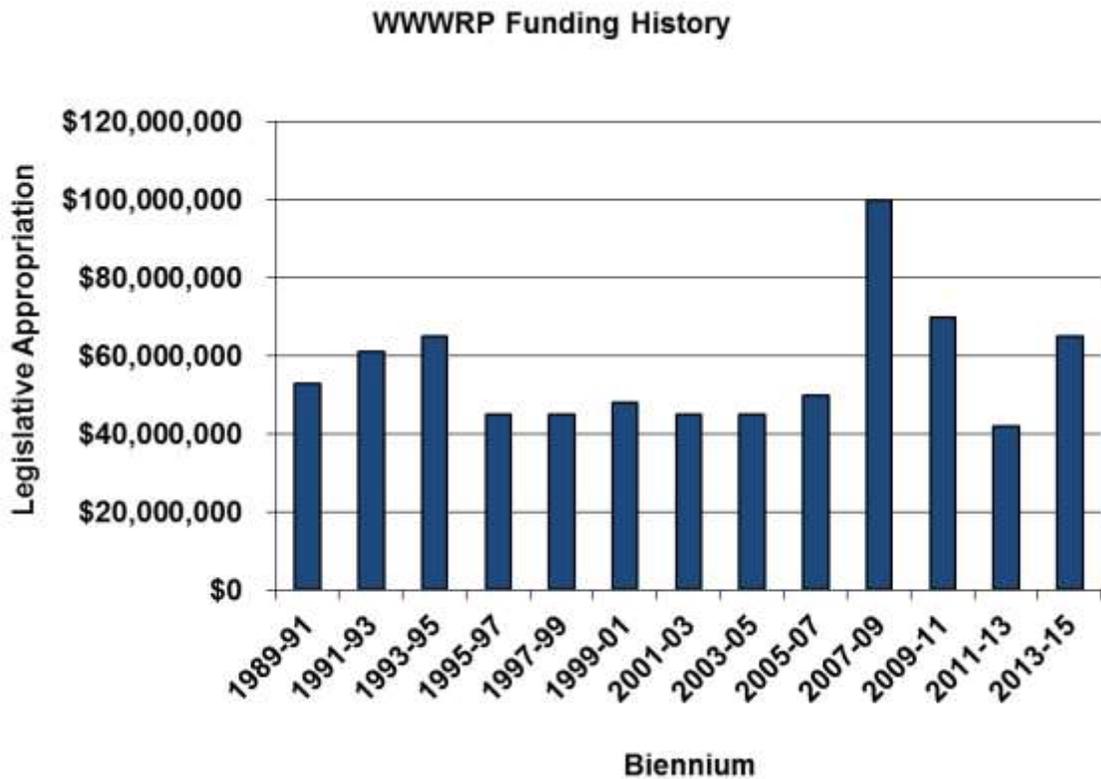
## **Total Funding Greater than \$50 Million**

Funding is dispersed based on the formula above (\$40 million to \$50 million funding level). In addition, of the amount greater than \$50 million:

- 30 percent goes to the Habitat Conservation Account.
- 30 percent goes to the Outdoor Recreation Account.
- 30 percent goes to the Riparian Protection Account.
- 10 percent goes to the Farmland Preservation Account.

# Appendix B: Funding History

Legislative funding for WWRP has remained relatively constant during its history with an average biennial appropriation of \$56 million.



# Appendix C: Map of Proposed Projects

