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State State Awards \$6 Million in Grants for Recreation Projects

OLYMPIA – Projects in 24 counties will receive funding totaling more than \$6 million to improve trails, boating facilities and firearm and archery ranges in Washington, the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation announced today.

The Interagency Committee is responsible for evaluating proposals and distributing funding for nine grant programs. In all, the agency received 100 proposals requesting more than \$12 million in funding under three grant programs. The committee was able to meet only about half that demand because of limited funding.

“Washington has a great variety of places to recreate, whether you like to go boating, hike a trail, or practice archery,” said Laura Johnson, director of the Office of the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation.

“These grants play a vital role in keeping those opportunities available. They do everything from building new trails to adding lanes at a boat launch. They help us maintain what we have and add new elements to accommodate increased use.”

Projects in the following counties were approved for funding. For details, click on the county or visit <http://www.iac.wa.gov/>

Benton County.....	\$38,988	Okanogan County	\$262,784
Chelan County.....	\$862,536	Pacific County.....	\$25,600
Clark County.....	\$72,953	Pend Oreille County	\$112,600
Franklin County	\$450,000	Pierce County	\$1 million
Grant County	\$120,168	Skagit County	\$227,637
Island County	\$179,866	Snohomish County	\$79,000
Jefferson County	\$73,000	Spokane County	\$235,205
King County	\$543,008	Thurston County	\$51,264
Kitsap County	\$103,701	Wahkiakum County	\$72,952
Kittitas County	\$655,810	Walla Walla County	\$11,000
Lewis County.....	\$166,600	Whatcom County.....	\$50,000
Mason County	\$183,201	Yakima County	\$571,414

Following is a description of the three grant programs:

Nonhighway and Off-road Vehicle Activities (NOVA) Program -- These grants fund projects that develop and manage recreation opportunities for bicyclists, equestrians, hikers, off-road vehicle riders

and other users of backcountry trails and non-highway roads (roads not supported by the state gas tax). Grants can be used for planning, development, maintenance, operation, land acquisition, education and enforcement. Funding for this program comes from a portion of the gas tax paid by users of off-road vehicles and non-highway roads and a small amount from off-road vehicle permits. A total of 79 proposals, requesting more than \$6.6 million, were submitted. The Interagency Committee was able to award only 49 grants totaling more than \$4.2 million.

Boating Facilities Program – This program provides grants for projects that acquire, develop and renovate boating facilities. Funding comes from a portion of gas tax paid by boaters. The Interagency Committee received 17 proposals, requesting more than \$5.3 million but was able to award only seven projects for slightly more than \$1.7 million.

Firearms and Archery Range Recreation Program – This program provides funding to acquire, develop and renovate nonprofit firearm range and archery training and practice facilities. It also funds equipment purchases, safety or environmental improvements, noise abatement and liability protection. The Interagency Committee received four proposals for \$200,000 and was able to fund all four.

“There was quite a range of high quality projects competing for funding,” Johnson said. “That shows that the need is great. We have very active citizens, not to mention visitors, and they expect recreation opportunities to be available and in good condition. These grants help to ensure they are not disappointed.”

The Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation was established in 1964 to finance recreation and conservation projects throughout the state. For more information on the agency or its grant programs, visit the Web site: www.iac.wa.gov.

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Benton County \$38,988

Richland Parks & Recreation \$38,988

Upgrading Horn Rapids All-terrain Vehicle Track

Richland will use this grant to improve the all-terrain vehicle track in Horn Rapids ORV (off-road vehicle) Park by purchasing soil for the track surface and by building new obstacles. The mostly sandy track breaks down quickly into ruts and grooves, creating poor experiences for track users and increased maintenance. The new material will consist mostly of clay that can be molded into jumps and berms as well as stand up to use. New obstacles and track options that will allow riders to choose different sections of track based on their skills will be added. Richland will contribute \$5,585 in equipment, labor and materials. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1280D-FY06)

Chelan County \$862,536

Chelan County Sheriff's Office \$328,764

Providing Education Through a Cooperative Program

The Chelan County Sheriff's Office will use this grant to pay for two deputies and three seasonal forest employees a year for two years in a cooperative project between the county and Wenatchee National Forest. The staff will educate motorcyclists and off-road vehicle users on proper trail use, minimum impact riding, state and federal regulations and rider safety. Patrols will be on the thousands of miles of forest trails and roads within Chelan County. The grant also will pay for a patrol truck and motorcycle. The county will contribute \$91,584 in funding and donated labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1165E-FY06)

U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee National Forest, Entiat Ranger District \$31,046
Maintaining Entiat River Camping Area

The Forest Service will use this grant to provide maintenance and operation of camping areas in the Entiat Ranger District, which includes eight campgrounds, more than 100 dispersed campsites and 350 miles of Forest Service roads. Work will include cleaning restrooms daily, picking up trash, pumping toilets and repairing campground facilities such as fire rings, bulletin boards, signs, picnic tables and water wells. The Forest Service will contribute \$20,700 in funding. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1111M-FY06)

U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee National Forest, Wenatchee River Ranger District \$31,258
Maintaining Campgrounds

The Forest Service will use this grant to fund the maintenance and operation of 22 campsites and 10 major dispersed camping areas in the Wenatchee River Ranger



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District. Work will include pumping and cleaning 28 toilets, cleaning fire pits, picking up trash, repairing tables, enforcing regulations, providing information to visitors, maintaining bulletin boards and signs, testing water and maintaining hand pumps and repairing facilities. The Forest Service will contribute \$32,100 in funding and donated labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. It was the top ranked project of 14 in the nonhighway road category. (05-1290M-FY06)

U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee National Forest, Entiat Ranger District \$27,820
Planning for the Entiat Valley Horse Camp

The Forest Service will use this grant to complete the design and planning for a small campground in the Entiat Valley that would accommodate horse users. Currently there is no facility of this type in the Entiat Valley. This grant will help complete all the planning, site surveys and design, making the project ready for development. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1114N-FY06)

U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee National Forest, Wenatchee River Ranger District
Relocating the Little Wenatchee Trailhead \$56,000

The Forest Service will use this grant to relocate the Little Wenatchee trailhead 400 feet southeast of its existing location. The Little Wenatchee trailhead is at the end of a road and is easily congested by four or five parked cars. The parking spaces are ill-defined and on uneven ground. The new trailhead will be a one-way, loop road with parking for vehicles pulling trailers. A new vault toilet will be installed. Also, about 300 feet of nearby Cady Creek Trail will be rerouted. The Little Wenatchee trailhead provides access to the Little Wenatchee, Cady Creek, Cady Ridge and Poe Mountain trails. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1059D-FY06)

U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee National Forest, Wenatchee River Ranger District
Completing a Trail Master Plan \$14,030

The Forest Service will use this grant to complete a trail master plan for the lower half of the Wenatchee River Valley. The lower valley has about 75 miles of non-wilderness trails, which has not kept pace with an increasing number of visitors. Consequently, informal trails have been created posing a management challenge. The master plan will determine which trails could move onto site specific planning, identify potential trail alignments and access issues, and determine potential trail users and implementation priorities. Local trail users including mountain bikers, hikers, motorcyclists and equestrians will assist by scouting potential trails, proposing priorities and helping with public meetings. The Forest Service will contribute \$14,450 in funding and donated labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1285N-FY06)



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**U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee National Forest, Wenatchee River Ranger District
Taking Care of Wilderness Areas \$59,327**

The Forest Service will use this grant to control noxious weeds and repair dangerous trails in the Okanogan and Wenatchee national forests. The Alpine Lakes, Glacier Peak and Henry M. Jackson wilderness areas stretch for 410,000 acres. Many campsites and destination areas have visual eye-sores and steep, slippery trails that make public travel difficult. Volunteers will stabilize or close steep trails and campsites, plant native plants at those closed sites, maintain a cairn system through the Enchantments and decommission part of the old Cascade Crest Trail. Volunteers also will pull noxious weeds at 15 trailheads and on the Eightmile and Snow Lakes trails, pick up litter, clean campsites and maintain backcountry toilets. The Forest Service will contribute \$61,410 in equipment, labor and donated equipment and labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1296M-FY06)

**U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee National Forest, Entiat Ranger District \$61,000
Replacing the Anthem Creek Bridge**

This grant will replace a 25-foot-long, failing log bridge that crosses Anthem Creek on the very popular Entiat River Trail #1400. The new bridge will be a 30-foot steel stringer bridge with railings, providing a much safer crossing for users. The Entiat River Trail is the main access to Myrtle Lake and the Glacier Peak Wilderness area. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1115D-FY06)

**U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee National Forest, Entiat Ranger District \$101,291
Upgrading the North 25 Mile and Lone Peak Trails**

Fires in 1998 heavily damaged the North 25 Mile Creek and Lone Peak trails, making them unusable. The Forest Service will use this grant to reestablish trail surfaces and reconstruct one creek ford and two climbing turns. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1147D-FY06)

**U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee National Forest, Wenatchee River Ranger District
Replacing the Chikamin Bridge \$100,000**

The Chikamin Off-road Vehicle Trail #1534 and the Minnow Ridge Trail #1524 provide a 13-mile loop that is one of the best known rides among mountain bicyclists and motorcyclists. Two, 45-foot-long, log bridges crossing Chikamin Creek are reaching the end of their lifespans. Without these two bridges, the two trails will not be available as a loop. This grant will replace one bridge with a bridge of a steel lattice design. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1058D-FY06)

**U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee National Forest, Wenatchee River Ranger District
Replacing Two Lower Chiwawa Trail Bridges \$52,000**

This grant will replace two log bridges on the Lower Chiwawa Off-road Vehicle Trail, which is a key trail linking the Alder Ridge, Chikamin Creek and Minnow Ridge off-road vehicle trails. The two bridges to be replaced cross Alder and Marble creeks on the Lower Chiwawa Trail and are suffering from severe rot. Built around 1980, the 26-foot-



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long bridges will be replaced with bridges using laminated beams. These bridges help to protect valuable habitat by keeping motorcycles and bicycles out of the water. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1297D-FY06)

Clark County \$72,953

Department of Natural Resources \$72,953

Maintaining Off-road Vehicle Trails in Yacolt Burn, Elochoman State Forests

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to maintain 18 miles of off-road vehicle trails and two primary trailheads in the Yacolt Burn State Forest in Clark County and the Elochoman State Forest in Wahkiakum County. These trails are used heavily because they are two of the only such opportunities near Vancouver and Portland. Volunteers, department staff, a Washington Conservation Corps crew and prison crews will do maintenance for two years. They will shape and apply crushed rock to trail surfaces, install and maintain drainage structures, inspect and maintain bridges, remove brush, maintain restrooms and signs, remove garbage and pump toilets. The department will contribute \$18,700 in labor, materials and volunteer labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1126M-FY06)

Franklin County \$450,000

Franklin County Public Works \$450,000

Improving the Erwen Trust Boat Launch

Franklin County, in a partnership with the City of Pasco, will use this Boating Facilities Program grant to realign and develop a boat launch area at the west end of Wade Park on the Columbia River. Work will include building a new boat ramp, courtesy float, bulkhead and gangway as well as paving a parking lot, laying gravel for an overflow parking area, landscaping and installing lights and signs. The area will be assessable to people with disabilities. The City of Pasco will maintain the site. The County and City contributed \$150,000 in funding, donations and volunteer labor. This project was the top ranked project of 17 competing for funding. (05-1217D-FY06)

Grant County \$120,168

Grant County Sheriff's Department \$120,168
Providing Patrols for Off-road Vehicle areas

The Grant County Sheriff's Department will use this grant to fund two deputies to patrol off-road vehicle areas in the county and to educate visitors. The deputies will spend



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most of their time at the Beverly and Moses Lake sand dunes, where they will be educating visitors about a new alcohol ban there. The sheriff's office will contribute \$177,770 in funding, equipment, labor and materials. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1233E-FY06)

Island County

\$179,866

City of Langley

Improving the Phil Simon Boat Ramp

\$179,866

The City of Langley will use this Boating Facilities Program grant to repair a boat ramp serving Langley, south Whidbey Island and northern Puget Sound. The Langley boat ramp's shallow slope prevents boats from launching during low tides and causes sand to accumulate on the surface. The ramp will be raised to improve access and reduce sand build-up. New floats will provide a safe area for boats to be tied while vehicles and trailers are parked and retrieved. The existing gravel parking lot will be paved, a boardwalk will be built to provide direct access to marina facilities and the cap of the existing bulkhead will be removed to improve access and potentially allow for beach restoration. The City will contribute \$157,200 in funding and donations. This project was ranked second of 17 projects requesting funding. (05-1064D-FY06)

Jefferson County

\$73,000

City of Port Angeles

\$73,000

Planning the Dry Creek Bridge and Trail

The City of Port Angeles will use this grant to complete the survey, design and permitting necessary to develop a 5-mile section of trail that runs from Ediz Hook west to the Elwha River, as part of the Olympic Discovery Trail. The Olympic Discovery Trail eventually will stretch 129 miles from Port Townsend to the Pacific Ocean. Most of the trail between Port Townsend and Port Angeles is complete or under construction while trail segments between cities, and to the west of Port Angeles are rustic. The project includes designing a bridge crossing at Dry Creek, a 300-foot-wide gully that blocks use of the railroad grade. The City has teamed with the Peninsula Trails Coalition to tackle this key trail segment and will contribute \$20,000 in funding. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1155N-FY06)



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King County

\$543,008

Cascade Rifle & Pistol Club

\$50,000

Installing Safety Fencing

The Cascade Rifle & Pistol Club will use this grant to improve safety and security at its facility by installing 4-foot-tall, barbed wire fencing. This will be a second barrier to prevent people from inadvertently entering the range. The grant also will provide for laying gravel on the roadways and parking areas to prevent slipping and installing power at the two restrooms, six firing line sheds, range house and two gate houses. The club will contribute \$62,400 in donated equipment and labor. This grant is from the Firearms and Archery Range Recreation Program. (05-1294D-FY06)

Seattle Skeet and Trap Club

\$50,000

Developing a Range Administration Building

The Seattle Skeet and Trap Club will use this grant to construct a clubhouse and range building. The clubhouse, which is a remodeled 1978 mobile home, isn't large enough to allow meetings or classes of more than six people. In addition, the range master station is small and provides limited view of the ranges. There is no space for an office and the trailer has little insulation and single pane windows making it expensive to heat in the winter and hot in the summer. The club will contribute \$92,750 in donations and volunteer labor. This grant is from the Firearms and Archery Range Recreation Program. (05-1012D-FY06)

King County

\$40,000

Building Trails and a Bridge in Taylor Mountain Forest

King County will use this grant to build a bridge across Carey Creek and construct 3,000 feet of new trail in Taylor Mountain Forest. The existing 20 miles of trail on Taylor Mountain are not built to accepted county or state trail standards and need complete renovation. This grant will complete the 5.6-mile Carey Creek Loop Trail, which will allow equestrians, hikers and mountain bikers to travel across a significant salmon stream that needs protection. King County will contribute \$41,000 in labor and volunteer labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. The project ranked second of 19 projects competing for funding in the non-motorized category. (05-1134D-FY06)

Department of Natural Resources

\$36,100

Purchasing Trail Maintenance Equipment

The King District Trails Maintenance Program will use this grant to buy badly needed equipment for the recreational trail maintenance crew. The equipment that the crews use has deteriorated beyond its life span and is continuously breaking down. Needed equipment includes a vehicle, chain saw, brush cutter, safety equipment (such as hard hats, goggles, chaps), camping equipment and hand tools. The Department of Natural



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Resources will contribute \$17,400 in equipment and labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1131M-FY06)

Department of Natural Resources **\$100,000**
Rebuilding the West Tiger #3 Trail

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to rebuild the 3-mile West Tiger #3 Trail in the West Tiger Mountain Natural Resources Conservation Area. The West Tiger #3 Trail is one of the most popular trails in the state because of its easy access by people living in the Puget Sound metropolitan area and its spectacular views of Mount Rainier, Seattle and the Olympic and Cascade mountains. Hikers are increasing the trail width where they want to avoid obstacles such as muddy areas. The proposed reconstruction includes the complete rehabilitation of the trail and restoration of the summit meadow. The department will contribute \$80,000 in labor and volunteer labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. The project ranked third of 19 competing for funding in the non-motorized category. (05-1142D-FY06)

U.S. Forest Service, Mount Baker National Forest, Skykomish Ranger District
Maintaining Trails **\$100,000**

The Forest Service will use this grant to pay for trail crews, youth corps, contractors and coordination of volunteer groups for maintaining 144 miles of trails in the Mount. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest. These trails include primarily hiker and stock trails, although 4.6 miles of trail open to motorcycles and mountain bikes also will be maintained. Work includes removing fallen trees, brush and rocks; fixing drainage structures, bridges and safety hazards; repairing slides; and improving trail surfaces. The trail system traverses the Alpine Lakes and Henry M. Jackson wilderness areas and adjacent backcountry areas such as Mount Index Scenic Area and includes the Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail and the Iron Goat Trail within the Stevens Pass Historic District. The Forest Service will contribute \$126,070 in funding and volunteer labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. This project was the top ranked project of 19 competing for funding in the non-motorized category. (05-1249M-FY06)

U.S. Forest Service, Mount Baker National Forest, Snoqualmie Ranger District
Providing Rangers **\$124,808**

The Forest Service will use this grant to have three pairs of officers patrolling the Snoqualmie Ranger District's front country camping areas. The district encompasses 300,000 acres of which 189,000 are accessible to a broad range of recreationists. There are more than 50 trailheads, 6 developed campsites, 24 outhouses and literally thousands of dispersed campsites. The Forest Service will contribute \$135,708 in funding, labor and volunteer labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities Program. (05-1184E-FY06)



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**U.S. Forest Service, Mount Baker National Forest, Snoqualmie Ranger District
Planning for the new Discovery Pond Nature Trail \$42,100**

The Forest Service will use this grant to fund planning for a barrier-free interpretive trail and parking lot near Tinkham Campground, 1.5 miles east of Exit 42 off Interstate 90. Discovery Pond Nature Trail #1259 was envisioned in the early 1990s but never completed because of a lack of funding. The original intent was to construct a barrier-free trail from Tinkham Campground around a beaver pond wetland with opportunities for wildlife viewing and interpretation of historic logging and the original wagon road over Snoqualmie Pass. This grant will fund environmental documentation, planning, design, engineering and contract preparation elements required to complete the new trail. The Forest Service will contribute \$10,650 in equipment, labor and volunteer labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1274N-FY06)

Kitsap County \$103,701

**KBH Archers \$50,000
Improving the KBH Archers Range**

The KBH Archers Club lies on 34 acres between Belfair and Gorst. The grant will be used to install an electric gate, replace one-quarter of a boardwalk that goes through a muddy area, lay gravel on the maintenance road, create a concrete walkway and parking area and make restroom improvements for accessibility. The club has a 2-mile roving outdoor range with 28 targets, a practice range with targets out to 80 yards, an indoor range with 18 shooting lanes, a campground for 35 recreational vehicles and a large outdoor playground for kids. The 150-member club will contribute \$52,762 in funding and donated equipment, labor and materials. This grant is from the Firearms and Archery Range Recreation program. (05-1049D-FY06)

**Department of Natural Resources \$53,701
Providing Education and Enforcement in the Tahuya, Green Mountain State
Forests**

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to continue an established education and enforcement program, with a fully trained and commissioned natural resources investigator to patrol off-road vehicle trails and trailheads, educate the public about proper trail use and its correlation to the environment and give assistance to lost or injured riders. The investigator will be a commissioned law enforcement officer who will be able to issue warnings and citations. The officer will be assisted by department's South Puget Sound region staff and volunteers, including an active Forest Watch and Hosting program. The primary focus will be in the Tahuya and Green Mountain state forests, both of which are open all year, and offer 180 miles of multi-use trails, campgrounds and trailheads. The department will contribute \$49,290 in equipment, labor, materials and volunteer labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road



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Vehicle Activities program. It was the top ranked project of 31 competing in the Education and Enforcement category. (05-1288E-FY06)

Kittitas County

\$655,810

U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee National Forest, Cle Elum Ranger District Supporting Educational Rangers on the Cle Elum Trail \$315,114

The Forest Service will use this grant to support six rangers who spend most of their time educating trail users on environmental and safety issues, conducting educational clinics and handing out brochures. These rangers patrol more than 700 miles of trails and work with volunteers, set up educational clinics and coordinate projects. The Forest Service will contribute \$52,730 in equipment, labor and volunteer labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1227E-FY06)

U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee National Forest, Cle Elum Ranger District Maintaining Campgrounds \$100,000

The Forest Service will use this grant to maintain campgrounds. Tasks will include removing trash, cleaning restrooms, maintaining campsites and trailheads and repairing and updating bulletin boards and signs. The Wenatchee National Forest receives about 2.4 million visitors a year. The Cle Elum Ranger District has 24 campgrounds, 35 toilets, 3 rental cabins and numerous dispersed campsites and bulletin boards. The Forest Service will contribute \$22,105 in labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1239M-FY06)

U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee National Forest, Cle Elum Ranger District Creating an Inventory of Cle Elum User-Created Trails \$42,280

The National Off Highway Vehicle Policy currently being prepared will require that national forests move toward a strategy in which motorized recreationists will be required to stay on designated roads and trails. While the Cle Elum Ranger District supports an extensive network of official off-road vehicle trails, it also includes an estimated 100 miles of unofficial, user-created trails. Rather than close these trails, the Forest Service will use this grant to inventory the location, condition, purpose, popularity, and other factors of each trail, in order to make decisions on which should remain open. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1152N-FY06)

U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee National Forest, Cle Elum Ranger District Relocating the Manastash Ridge Trail \$110,167

The westernmost portion of the Manastash Ridge Trail #1388 contains numerous sections that are too steep and eroding. The Forest Service will use this grant to reroute sections of the trail to a lower grade. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1138D-FY06)



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**U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee National Forest, Cle Elum Ranger District
Relocating the Sasse-Corral Trail \$50,800**

The Sasse Ridge #1340 and Corral Creek #1340.1 trails contain several steep sections that are severely eroding. The Forest Service will use this grant to move sections of the trails to lower grade, reconstruct existing trail surfaces and restore the bypassed sections along 6,700 feet of trail. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1136D-FY06)

**U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee National Forest, Cle Elum Ranger District
Planning an Improved Trailhead at Taneum Junction \$37,449**

Taneum Junction is the most used motorized trailhead in the Cle Elum Ranger District and it's in need of improvement to accommodate the use. The trailhead started as a large, dispersed site that became a trailhead by default because of its location and popularity. The Forest Service did some minor development to address the safety and sanitation needs by putting in a toilet, fire rings and information kiosk and putting the area under the fee system in order to maintain it. However, there is no site plan. A site plan is needed to redesign the trailhead for better service, to address safety issues and to provide for additional sanitation facilities. The Forest Service will use this grant to complete the environmental analysis and site plan necessary to begin construction of a more functional trailhead. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1204N-FY06)

Lewis County \$166,600

City of Toledo \$166,600

Designing Front Street Boat Launch

The City of Toledo plans to build a boat launch on the Cowlitz River at the intersection of Front and Augustus streets. The City will use this Boating Facilities Program grant to buy the property; design a single boat ramp with a parking area, accessible restrooms, and a small picnic area; and get permits. The project is fully supported by the community and extensive donated labor and materials have been pledged by local community groups, businesses and government agencies. The City will contribute \$58,200 in funding and volunteer labor. (05-1244P-FY06)



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Mason County

\$183,201

Mason County Sheriff's Department

\$129,500

Providing Education for Off-Road Vehicle Users

Mason County operates an education and enforcement program designed to preserve off-road vehicle use on private and public lands. The County will use this grant to provide a two-year program designed to facilitate safety, education and land use conservation with off-road vehicle use. Program activities include classes for schools and interested groups, information booths at user destination areas, hands-on training for riders of all-terrain vehicles and public service announcements. Enforcement will be provided to encourage proper off-road vehicle use. The County will contribute \$68,346 in equipment and labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1306E-FY06)

Department of Natural Resources

\$53,701

Providing Education and Enforcement in Tahuya, Green Mountain State Forests

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to continue an established education and enforcement program, with a fully trained and commissioned natural resources investigator to patrol off-road vehicle trails and trailheads, educate the public about proper trail use and its correlation to the environment and give assistance to lost or injured riders. The primary focus will be in the Tahuya and Green Mountain state forests, both of which are open all year, and offer 180 miles of multi-use trails, campgrounds and trailheads. The Department will contribute \$49,290 in equipment, labor, materials and volunteer labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. It was the top ranked project of 31 competing in the Education and Enforcement category. (05-1288E-FY06)

Okanogan County

\$262,784

Department of Fish & Wildlife

\$100,000

Developing the Forde Lake to Blue Lake Trail

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to develop a 6-mile section of trail that continues a phased plan of trail development in the Sinlahekin Wildlife Area. This project includes a trail that will begin at Forde Lake and ends just south of Blue Lake, providing opportunities for wildlife viewing and walking through meadows and forests. About 900 feet of this trail, at the south end of Blue Lake, will be accessible and will offer two wildlife viewing structures. Once this section is developed, about 12 miles of continuous trail will be available to visitors to the Sinlahekin Wildlife Area. The department will contribute \$30,000 in funding. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1298D-FY06)



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**U.S. Forest Service, Okanogan National Forest, Methow Ranger District \$100,000
Maintaining Campgrounds**

The Forest Service will use this grant to help maintain the 24 campgrounds in the Methow Valley Ranger District. Crews will maintain the campground road; control noxious weeds; remove hazardous trees; maintain the water system, picnic tables, fire grates, bulletin boards, visitor information areas, fee collection areas and outhouses; patrol the campgrounds, mow; and collect garbage. The Forest Service will contribute \$100,000 in funding. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1105M-FY06)

**U.S. Forest Service, Okanogan National Forest, Methow Ranger District \$62,784
Maintaining Trails**

The Forest Service will use this grant to provide heavy maintenance on 65.8 miles of trail in the Methow Valley Ranger District. Regular maintenance cleans drainage structures and removes logs, loose rock and some brush. Heavy trail maintenance includes removal of imbedded rocks; repair of drainage structures, including ditches and culverts; and removal of small trees. Crews will do this heavy maintenance on Robinson Creek, Larch Creek and Hidden Lakes trails, which are the main trails into the middle of the Pasayten Wilderness. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1073M-FY06)

Pacific County \$25,600

**Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission \$25,600
Planning for the Leadbetter Point Wildlife Trail**

State Parks will use this grant to plan about 8 miles of loop trail additions, design three wildlife viewing platforms and obtain the necessary permits for construction in Leadbetter Point State Park, near the northern end of the Long Beach peninsula. The park is about 1,322 acres with shorelines on the Pacific Ocean, Willapa Bay and Hines Marsh, one of the largest, freshwater, interdunal wetlands in North America. The mosaic of ocean front dunes, Sitka spruce forest and wetlands provides unique bird and wildlife habitat. The park serves about 140,000 visitors a year and has just over 5.5 miles of trail with no wildlife viewing facilities. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. It was ranked second of 14 projects competing for funding in the non-highway road category. (05-1188N-FY06)



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Pend Oreille County

\$112,600

U.S. Forest Service, Colville National Forest, Newport-Sullivan Ranger District Maintaining Dispersed Campsites **\$61,250**

The Forest Service will use this grant to fund a seasonal employee who would check campsites and contact visitors, provide information, monitor use levels, clean toilets and fire rings, pick up garbage and remove safety hazards. In addition, this grant would provide signs and brochures to educate visitors about low impact use. Volunteers will assist with campsite maintenance. The Newport-Sullivan Ranger District has more than 400 campsites, which lie in the Pend Oreille Valley along non-highway roads. These sites receive about 140,000 visits each year. The Forest Service will contribute \$25,500 in equipment, labor, materials and volunteer labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1292M-FY06)

U.S. Forest Service, Colville National Forest, Newport Ranger District **\$51,350** **Planning for All-terrain Vehicle Routes**

The Forest Service will use this grant to prepare environmental documents for a trail route system. The trail system will add more roads for vehicles with high clearance, reopen some roads that have been closed to off-road vehicles, construct short trails to connect portions of existing designated routes and add user-created routes to the official trail system. This planning project will lead to future development of a loop travel system that connects several of the riding areas in the forest. The Forest Service will contribute \$33,500 in labor, materials and volunteer labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. It ranked third of 15 projects competing for funding in the off-road vehicle category. (05-1045N-FY06)

Pierce County

\$1,045,816

City of Lakewood **\$595,000** **Rebuilding the American Lake Boat Launch**

The City of Lakewood will use this Boating Facilities Program grant to develop three boat launches at American Lake Park, a popular, 5-acre, day-use park on the north shore of American Lake. The 1,125-acre American Lake provides year-round fishing, recreational boating and access to a variety of water sports. The City will use the grant to redevelop the boat launch area by demolishing existing airplane hangers, an office, and a house; building a new entrance to the boat launch; doubling the number of vehicle-trailer parking stalls; adding stacking lanes to improve boat launch function; rebuilding three boat launch ramps with turnaround space; installing 400 linear feet of transient floats with new gangways; and adding site amenities including a picnic area and landscaping. Lakewood will contribute \$205,000 in funding, labor, a state grant and donations. The project ranked third of 17 competing for funding. (05-1256D-FY06)



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Pierce County Parks & Recreation \$332,650

Renovating the Spanaway Park Boat Launch

Pierce County will use this Boating Facilities Program grant to make improvements to the boat launch in 135-acre Spanaway Park. The County plans to renovate the existing concrete motorized boat launch, renovate the concrete bulkhead, widen the existing boat ramp access road, and add two accessible restrooms at the boathouse. Pierce County. The County will contribute \$332,651 in funding. (05-1028D-FY06)

U.S. Forest Service, Mount Baker National Forest, Snoqualmie Ranger District Providing Law Enforcement at Evans Creek Off-Road Vehicle Area \$53,166

The Forest Service will use this grant to help fund law enforcement patrols at Evans Creek Off Road Vehicle area. The Forest Service will hire Pierce County Sheriff Department and Forest Service law enforcement officers to patrol in the evening and early morning hours, the time when most illegal activity occurs. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. It ranked third of 31 competing for funding in the education and enforcement category. The Forest Service will contribute \$66,942 in funding, equipment, labor and donated equipment. (05-1183E-FY06)

U.S. Forest Service, Mount Baker National Forest, Snoqualmie Ranger District Planning for Improvements at Evans Creek Off-Road Vehicle Area \$65,000

The Forest Service will use this grant to develop a restoration and capital improvement plan for the Evans Creek Off Road Vehicle Area. With an increase in use, many of the trails have become heavily eroded. Campground facilities and roads are not adequate to accommodate the increased number of users. This grant will help fund the needed survey and design work to develop an improvement plan to ensure Evans Creek is in compliance with state and federal environmental and land management standards. The plan will provide management direction to future capital improvements and restoration work that will help boost Evans Creek into a top quality area. The Forest Service will contribute \$65,000 in equipment and labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. The project was the top ranked project of 15 competing for funding in the off-road vehicle category. (05-1182N-FY06)

Skagit County \$227,637

Town of La Conner \$23,900
Planning for the Renovation of the Sherman Avenue Boat Launch

La Conner will use this Boating Facilities Program grant to develop a plan for the renovation of the Sherman Avenue boat launch along the Swinomish Channel. This boat launch serves small boats using Skagit Bay, Padilla Bay and the Skagit River. The grant will help pay for the initial surveys, concept development, project manual creation, permit submittals and other planning requirements. The renovation will include repairs to the float, ramp and parking, and development of picnic areas and a restroom. The



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improvements will accommodate a larger array of pleasure boats at different tides. La Conner will contribute \$8,100 in funding and labor. (05-1230N-FY06)

City of Anacortes **\$10,904**

Providing Patrols for the Community Forest Lands

Anacortes will use this grant to provide police patrols in the Anacortes Community Forest Lands with an emphasis on the most popular trailheads and recreational areas. The community forest encompasses 2,800 acres of old growth groves, sensitive wildlife habitat and 50 miles of multi-use recreational trails on Fidalgo Island. Patrols will work on reducing conflict between motorcyclists and other visitors and enforcing the no alcohol policy, as well as preventing vandalism and other resource destruction. Anacortes will contribute \$16,816 in equipment and labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1164E-FY06)

Department of Natural Resources **\$192,833**

Maintaining Off-road Vehicle Trails in Walker Valley

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to provide trail maintenance for the entire Walker Valley Off-road Vehicle trail system, trailhead parking and camping areas. The department will prioritize projects with rider safety projects being first; protection of public resources projects being second and rider enjoyment projects third. Work will be done by Monroe Correctional Camp and Washington Conservation Corps crews. Volunteers will provide 1,000 hours of work. The department will contribute \$49,811 in labor, materials and volunteer labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. It was ranked second of 15 projects competing in the Off-Road Vehicle category. (05-1194M-FY06)

Snohomish County **\$79,000**

U.S. Forest Service, Mount Baker National Forest, Darrington Ranger District
Rebuilding the Green Mountain Fire Lookout **\$54,000**

The Forest Service will use this grant to restore a historic fire lookout for hikers in the Glacier Peak Wilderness. Green Mountain Lookout, located 25 miles northeast of Darrington, was constructed in 1933 by the Civilian Conservation Corps. Until 1994, wilderness rangers had used the lookout to educate visitors about the fragile alpine vegetation and lookout history. The lookout was condemned in 1994. Volunteers contributed more than 2,000 hours renovating the lookout until heavy snow six years later shifted the building requiring the lookout be dismantled and stored. The grant will help pay to install a new substructure and reinstall the building. Once restored the lookout will be accessible to hikers. The Forest Service will contribute \$54,000 in equipment, labor, materials, grants and donated equipment, labor and materials. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1317D-FY06)



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Port of Everett **\$25,000**

Planning to Fix Silting at the Boat Launch

The Port of Everett will use this Boating Facilities Program grant to develop an anti-silting plan for its boat launch. Three of 13 lanes at the launch mostly are unusable at low and medium tides because of silting. The launch is heavily used (almost 35,000 boats launched there in 2004) and has parking for several hundred trucks and trailers. The launch provides access to the Snohomish River, Port Gardner Bay, Possession Sound and beyond. The Port will contribute \$8,500 in funding. (05-1206N-FY06)

Spokane County **\$216,583**

Spokane County Parks & Recreation **\$58,565**

Providing Patrols for the Liberty Lake Off-road Vehicle Park

Spokane will use this grant to fund sheriff deputy and park ranger patrols in and around the park during the next 21 months. Additionally, the grant will support 875 hours by volunteers and will purchase equipment including part of a truck and fuel for patrol vehicles. This park receives about 4,500 riders annually. Spokane will contribute \$47,482 in funding and labor and donated equipment and labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1072E-FY06)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission **\$71,378**

Planning the Extension of the Centennial Trail

The Spokane River Centennial Trail is a 37-mile trail corridor stretching from Idaho to Sontag Park near Nine Mile Falls Dam in northwest Spokane. Hikers, bicyclists and others use the trail. The Commission would like to expand the trail 1.75 miles to the west along the Spokane River and Lake Spokane, ending at the Avista Utilities Resort, a public resort on Spokane Lake. The Commission will use this grant to plan the expansion, including exploring alternative trail routes, preparing plans and specifications and obtaining permits. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1124N-FY06)

Spokane County Parks & Recreation **\$86,640**

Buying a Bulldozer for the Airway Heights Off-road Vehicle (ORV) Park

Spokane will use this grant to purchase a used bulldozer for the Spokane County Airway Heights ORV Sports Park. The existing small dozer is used 8-10 hours, six days a week and is not adequate to meet demands. The dozer is used to maintain and shape track courses for rider safety and challenge. The public park offers more than 100 scheduled events during its eight-month season, 4 by 4 and all-terrain vehicle courses, oval dirt racing and motor cross and supercross tracks. Spokane will contribute \$33,100 in labor and donated equipment and cash. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1109M-FY06)



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Thurston County

\$51,264

Department of Natural Resources

\$51,264

Providing Patrols for the Capitol Forest

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to provide half of a natural resource investigator for Capitol State Forest, which includes 91,650 acres and 500 miles of forest roads. The investigator will educate trail users on safe riding techniques and the value of staying on designated trails. The department will contribute \$27,590 in equipment, labor, materials and volunteer labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1287E-FY06)

Wahkiakum County

\$72,952

Department of Natural Resources

\$72,952

Maintaining Off-road Vehicle Trails in Yacolt Burn, Elochoman State Forests

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to maintain 18 miles of off-road vehicle trails and two primary trailheads in the Yacolt Burn State Forest in Clark County and the Elochoman State Forest in Wahkiakum County. These trails are used heavily because they are two of the only such opportunities near Vancouver and Portland. Volunteers, department staff, a Washington Conservation Corps crew and prison crews will do maintenance for two years. The work includes shaping and applying crushed rock to trail surfaces, installing and maintaining drainage structures, inspecting and maintaining bridges, removing brush, maintaining restrooms and signs, removing garbage and pumping toilets. The department will contribute \$18,700 in labor, materials and volunteer labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1126M-FY06)

Walla Walla County

\$11,000

U.S. Forest Service, Umatilla National Forest, Walla Walla Ranger District **\$11,000**

Maintaining the Wildcat Trail

The Forest Service will use this grant to maintain drainage and surfaces on 21 miles of trails in the Walla Walla and Pomeroy ranger districts. In addition, crews will remove fallen trees and clear brush. Drainage structures need to be maintained to preserve water quality in the adjacent streams, which are home to fish that are on the federal endangered species list. The Forest Service will contribute \$7,335 in funding, equipment and labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1052M-FY06)



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Whatcom County

\$50,000

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Upgrading the Plantation Range Target Carrier

Whatcom County will use this Firearms and Archery Range Recreation Program grant to replace most of its 13-year-old target carrier system at its indoor shooting range. The new system is capable of meeting the training needs of the 26 law enforcement agencies that use the range. It will provide a wider range of training opportunities, increased reliability and decreased maintenance. The grant also will replace the lighting at the indoor range. The County will contribute \$50,000 in funding, equipment and labor. This was the top ranked project of four competing for funding. (05-1252D-FY06)

Yakima County

\$571,414

Yakima County Sheriff's Office

\$213,488

Providing Visitor Education in Yakima County

The Yakima County Sheriff's Office will use this grant to hire three staff for two years to patrol the 1 million acres available for outdoor recreation. Yakima County is considered a premier area for the high country, outdoor recreation, especially for vehicles. Most of the 1.5 million users are from outside the county. The patrol's emphasis would be to encourage safe, responsible behavior. The sheriff's office will contribute \$91,815 in funding, equipment, volunteer labor and donated materials. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1011E-FY06)

Department of Natural Resources

\$99,931

Maintaining Ahtanum Multiple Use Area

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to fund a seasonal, two-person recreation crew, based out of the Yakima area. The crew will maintain six recreation sites, dispersed recreation activities, forest access roads and information signs in the Ahtanum Multiple Use Area, 40 miles west of Yakima, and in other areas in Kittitas and Klickitat counties. This grant also will partially fund a volunteer coordinator who will manage volunteers. The department will contribute \$70,670 in equipment, labor, materials and volunteer labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. (05-1144M-FY06)

U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee National Forest, Naches Ranger District **\$174,215**

Providing Naches Front Country Rangers

The Forest Service will use this grant to fund five rangers to patrol the Naches front country during the heavy use season. More than 300,000 people visit the Naches Ranger District during the snow-free season annually. The ranger will educate visitors about district regulations, low impact recreation behavior and outdoor etiquette. The



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Forest Service will contribute \$105,060 in volunteer labor, equipment and labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. The project ranked second of 31 competing for funding in the education and enforcement category. (05-1248E-FY06)

U.S. Forest Service, Wenatchee National Forest, Naches Ranger District \$83,780
Maintaining Recreation Areas

The Forest Service will use this grant to maintain campsites and non-motorized trailheads in the peak season. Crews will clean outhouses, remove hazardous trees, repair picnic tables and signs, coordinate volunteers and complete improvement projects at the more than 100 developed recreation sites and more than 1,900 primitive camp areas. The Forest Service will contribute \$104,697 in funding, equipment, labor, materials and volunteer labor. This grant is from the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities program. The project ranked third of 14 competing in the non-highway road category. (05-1284M-FY06)