

Recreational Assets of Statewide Significance Study



Help Us Support Outdoor Recreation

The Recreation and Conservation Office is studying recreational assets of statewide significance. These are outdoor places that make Washington a great place to live. These are identified in the following two ways:

Foundational Assets

These are assets that support the most popular recreational activities in the state as identified in a previous study: biking, boating and sailing, camping, fishing, hiking, leisure activities in a park, nature activities, paddling, playing sports, swimming, walking, and winter recreation.

Exceptional Assets

These assets are the most iconic and popular in the state and draw people from around the state and to the state. They also are very important to user groups, which see these places as essential to their recreational passion.

About the Study

The study aims to identify these recreational assets, where gaps may exist, and recommendations and investment strategies to fill the gaps. The study also will look at how to protect and expand these sites. Finally, the study will forecast needs through 2040 and detail how the study will implement the goals of the Washington State [Recreation and Conservation Plan](#).

Studying these assets will help decision-makers determine how to invest in local and destination facilities that ensure all residents have access to great recreation areas. The study is due to the Legislature June 30, 2019.

All Activities Welcome

The study is collecting information on all types of outdoor recreation, including hunting and target shooting, off-road vehicle and recreational vehicle activities, water sports, playgrounds use, sightseeing, and more.

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