



Education Projects Grants Awarded Recreational Trails Program 2021-2023

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1	20.71	20-2282 E	Mountains to Sound Greenway	Mountains to Sound Greenway Trailhead Ambassadors	\$20,000	\$2,500	\$22,500	\$10,000 ²
2	20.00	20-2131 E	Washington Department of Natural Resources	Middle Fork and Mount Si Natural Resources Conservation Areas Education	\$20,000	\$5,000	\$25,000	\$10,000 ²
3	19.36	20-2424 E	U.S. Forest Service, Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest, Mount Baker Ranger District	Heather Meadows Backcountry Snow Ranger Nonmotorized	\$20,000	\$14,500	\$34,500	\$10,000 ²
4	19.14	20-2408 E	U.S. Forest Service, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Entiat Ranger District	Lake Wenatchee and Entiat Snow Rangers	\$20,000	\$12,900	\$32,900	\$10,000 ²
5	19.00	20-2283 E	U.S. Forest Service, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Naches Ranger District	Naches Wilderness Education Rangers	\$20,000	\$5,000	\$25,000	\$10,000 ²
6	18.50	20-2007 E	Back Country Horsemen of Washington	Tread Lightly for Public Recreation	\$17,410	\$96,120	\$113,530	\$8,705 ²
7	17.86	20-2326 E	U.S Forest Service, Gifford Pinchot National Forest, Mount Adams Ranger District	Winter Education Patrols	\$18,800	\$18,000	\$36,800	Not ³ Eligible
8	17.79	20-1980 E	Pacific Northwest 4-Wheel Drive	Protect Trails and Educate Users with Spill Kits	\$7,890	\$3,799	\$11,689	\$3,945 ²
9	16.14	20-2289 E	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	Palouse Falls Education Resource Development	\$19,247	\$2,948	\$22,195	\$9,623 ²
Total					\$163,347	\$160,767	\$324,114	\$72,273

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		Point Range	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-5	
1	20-2282 E	Mountains to Sound Greenway Trailhead Ambassadors	4.29	4.14	4.36	3.64	4.29	20.71
2	20-2131 E	Middle Fork and Mount Si Natural Resources Conservation Areas Education	4.21	3.71	4.21	3.5	4.36	20.00
3	20-2424 E	Heather Meadows Backcountry Snow Ranger Nonmotorized	4.07	4	4.36	3.64	3.29	19.36
4	20-2408 E	Lake Wenatchee and Entiat Snow Rangers	3.79	4.07	4.5	3.5	3.29	19.14
5	20-2283 E	Naches Wilderness Education Rangers	3.93	3.79	4.29	3.71	3.29	19.00
6	20-2007 E	Tread Lightly for Public Recreation	3.93	3.43	4.07	3.86	3.21	18.50
7	20-2326 E	Winter Education Patrols	3.29	3.57	4.21	3.79	3	17.86
8	20-1980 E	Protect Trails and Educate Users with Spill Kits	3.71	3.43	4.21	3.43	3	17.79
9	20-2289 E	Palouse Falls Education Resource Development	3.14	3.43	3.93	2.86	2.79	16.14

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Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust Recruiting Trailhead Ambassadors

Grant Requested: \$20,000

The Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust will use this grant to pay for staff and educational materials for use in its Mission Trailhead Ambassadors program, which recruits and teaches stewardship behaviors to those recreating on trails in the Snoqualmie River corridor. This is a collaborative program, encompassing land management agencies, nonprofits, and businesses in the Interstate 90-Snoqualmie River corridor. The trust will contribute \$2,500 in donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project.](#) (20-2282)

Washington Department of Natural Resources Educating Visitors at two Natural Resources Conservation Areas in King County

Grant Requested: \$20,000

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to fund an educator to increase visitors' awareness in the Mount Si and Middle Fork Snoqualmie Natural Resources Conservation Areas in east King County. The educator will patrol the popular backcountry trails and educate visitors about trail etiquette and regulations. The grant also will provide funding for educational materials to distribute to recreationists. Properly educated recreationists will decrease search-and-rescue missions, reduce harm to sensitive environments, and reduce misbehavior and crime. The department will contribute \$5,000 in staff and donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project.](#) (20-2131)

U.S. Forest Service Hiring a Backcountry Snow Ranger

Grant Requested: \$20,000

The Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest will use this grant to hire a backcountry snow ranger to increase visitor safety at Heather Meadows. Located at more than 4,000 feet elevation with an annual snowfall of more than 650 inches, Heather Meadows provides a variety of winter recreation opportunities and has seen use grow exponentially recently. Heather Meadows also is surrounded by areas of avalanches, which have killed several people in the past few years. The snow ranger will improve safety by installing signs, providing avalanche education and tips on how to travel safely in snow, educating through social media, and contacting visitors in person. The U.S. Forest Service will contribute \$14,500 in a federal appropriation and donated cash. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project.](#) (20-2424)

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U.S. Forest Service **Grant Requested: \$20,000**

Investing in Two Snow Rangers for Wenatchee River and Entiat Ranger Districts

The Wenatchee River and Entiat Ranger Districts in the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest will use this grant to fund two snow rangers to improve safety and educate the public at five Sno-Parks, one highly visited parking area, and 185 miles of groomed winter trails across about 250,000 acres of backcountry area. The snow rangers, along with volunteers, educate visitors about safe and courteous snowmobile operation, trail conditions, trail etiquette, avalanche awareness, winter survival, winter wildlife, and respect for wilderness and other visitors. An estimated 500-700 people use the winter trails every weekend. The Forest Service will contribute \$12,900 in a federal appropriation, equipment, a state grant, and donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2408)

U.S. Forest Service **Grant Requested: \$20,000**

Investing in Naches Wilderness Education

The Naches Ranger District in the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest will use this grant to fund two seasonal education and enforcement rangers and up to four part-time volunteers to patrol high-use areas on weekends and holidays in the Naches Wilderness areas. High use has damaged sensitive and rare vegetation, disturbed sensitive wildlife, and led to crowding and improper disposal of human waste. Rangers will focus on education to promote environmental stewardship, resource protection, and visitor safety. The U.S. Forest Service will contribute \$5,000 in donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2283)

Back Country Horsemen of Washington **Grant Requested: \$17,410**

Educating the Public about Stewardship of the Outdoors

The Back Country Horsemen of Washington will use this grant to spread awareness of environmental stewardship to encourage horseback riders, hikers, mountain bikers, campers, and other recreationist to be better caretakers of the outdoors. The organization encourages members in its 31 chapters to complete a 20-hour course, but wishes to expand its outreach to include other recreationists, especially those who have embraced the outdoors due to the COVID-19 pandemic and to youth in organizations such as scouts, 4-H, and those unaffiliated with traditional groups. The association will share this information, perhaps through video, at events across Washington State. The Back Country Horsemen of Washington will contribute \$96,120 in donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2007)

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U.S. Forest Service **Supporting Winter Education Patrols**

Grant Requested: \$18,800

The Mount Adams Ranger District in the Gifford Pinchot National Forest will use this grant to hire a ranger for two seasons to educate snowmobilers and other winter visitors. The ranger will focus education efforts on safe and responsible trail use, winter safety and avalanche hazards, Sno-Park education, and respecting all visitors. The U.S. Forest Service will contribute \$18,000 in staff labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2326)

Pacific Northwest 4-Wheel Drive Association **Protecting Trails From Spills**

Grant Requested: \$7,890

The Pacific Northwest 4-Wheel Drive Association will use this grant to spread awareness among off-highway vehicle enthusiasts about how to use a spill kit to dispose of waste and protect wildlife from harmful fluids following a spill. In addition to waste disposal information, the kits will convey information about how to practice environmental stewardship, recreate responsibly, and stay on designated trails. The association will contribute \$3,799 in cash and donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-1980)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission **Building Educational Displays**

Grant Requested: \$19,247

State Parks will use this grant to develop educational displays in Palouse Falls State Park. The agency will create models of the terrain and soil crust and aerial displays of the park and surrounding shrub-steppe landscape. These educational tools will enhance visitor awareness of park boundaries and increase understanding of the importance of avoiding off-trail activities as well as increase appreciation for the park's unique geology, natural and cultural resources, and delicate habitat. State Parks will contribute \$2,948 in staff labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2289)



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1	60.93	20-2100 M	Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance	Eastern Washington Volunteer Trail Maintenance	\$75,000	\$190,000	\$265,000	\$37,500 ²
3	60.07	20-2004 M	Back Country Horsemen of Washington	Rehabilitating Olympic Peninsula Trails	\$82,486	\$207,974	\$290,460	\$41,243 ²
4	59.64	20-1990 M	Washington Trails Association	Statewide Backcountry Trail Maintenance	\$150,000	\$581,280	\$731,280	\$75,000 ²
5	59.21	20-1959 M	Back Country Horsemen of Washington	Reopening Threatened National Forest Trails	\$117,600	\$237,200	\$354,800	\$58,800 ²
6	59.14	20-2308 M	U.S. Forest Service, Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest, Snoqualmie Ranger District	Alpine Lakes Trail Maintenance	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$300,000	\$75,000 ²
7	58.36	20-2320 D	U.S. Forest Service, Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest, Snoqualmie Ranger District	Mount Rainier National Park and Snoqualmie Ranger District Trails Alliance	\$150,000	\$572,792	\$722,792	\$150,000
8	58.14	20-2005 M	Back Country Horsemen of Washington	Maintaining Endangered Trails	\$57,817	\$111,500	\$169,317	\$28,908 ²
9	58.00	20-1991 M	Washington Trails Association	Statewide Volunteer Trail Maintenance	\$150,000	\$986,360	\$1,136,360	\$75,000 ²
10	57.57	20-2262 M	Pacific Northwest Trail Association	Pacific Northwest Trail Statewide Stewardship	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$300,000	\$75,000 ²
10	57.57	20-2421 M	Northwest Motorcycle Association	Northwest Motorcycle Association Moto-Volunteer Central Washington Division	\$143,878	\$155,890	\$299,768	\$71,939 ²
12	57.50	20-1989 M	Washington Trails Association	Statewide Youth Trail Maintenance	\$150,000	\$521,550	\$671,550	\$75,000 ²
13	57.21	20-2187 M	Pacific Crest Trail Association	Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail Maintenance	\$107,000	\$126,000	\$233,000	\$53,500 ²
14	56.79	20-2135 M	U.S. Forest Service, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Methow Valley Ranger District	Methow Valley Ranger District Mixed Use Deferred Trail Maintenance	\$149,986	\$152,022	\$302,008	\$74,993 ²



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15	56.71	20-2281 M	Mountains to Sound Greenway	Mountains to Sound Trail Maintenance	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$300,000	\$75,000 ²
16	56.43	20-2184 M	U.S. Forest Service, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Naches Ranger District	Naches Motorized Trails Deferred Maintenance and Operations	\$150,000	\$90,003	\$240,003	\$75,000 ²
17	55.93	20-2419 M	Northwest Motorcycle Association	Northwest Motorcycle Association Heavy Maintenance Crew Statewide Maintenance	\$114,019	\$226,760	\$340,779	\$57,010 ²
18	55.57	20-1985 M	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	Northwest Region Trail Maintenance	\$150,000	\$87,460	\$237,460	\$75,000 ²
19	55.21	20-2322 M	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	Stampede Pass Multiple Use Sno-Park Trails	\$150,000		\$150,000	\$75,000 ²
20	54.29	20-1955 M	U.S. Forest Service, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Chelan Ranger District	Lower Lake Chelan Summer and Winter Trails	\$150,000	\$130,000	\$280,000	\$75,000 ²
21	53.79	20-2203 M	U.S. Forest Service, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Naches Ranger District	Naches Wilderness Trails Deferred Maintenance and Operations	\$120,000	\$82,002	\$202,002	\$40,767 ^{2,3}
21	53.79	20-2379 D	Methow Valley Sport Trail Association	21 Horizon Flats Trailhead Development	\$144,000	\$145,000	\$289,000	\$48,920 ³
23	52.57	20-1954 M	U.S. Forest Service, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Chelan Ranger District	Upper Lake Chelan Basin Trail Maintenance	\$150,000	\$108,500	\$258,500	Alternate
23	52.57	20-2029 M	Nooksack Nordic Ski Club	Salmon Ridge Trail System Maintenance	\$23,500	\$59,680	\$83,180	Alternate
25	52.50	20-2062 D	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	Riverside State Park Knothead Loop Trailhead	\$148,065	\$48,000	\$196,065	Alternate
26	52.29	20-2180 M	U.S. Forest Service, Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest, Mount Baker Ranger District	Heather Meadows Recreation Area Trail Maintenance	\$150,000	\$80,000	\$230,000	Alternate
26	52.29	20-2324 M	Spokane Nordic Ski Association	Spokane Nordic Trails Maintenance	\$77,400	\$55,180	\$132,580	Alternate
28	52.21	20-2157 M	U.S. Forest Service, Gifford Pinchot National Forest, Cowlitz Valley Ranger District	Gifford Pinchot National Forest Wilderness Trails Operations and Maintenance	\$149,000	\$182,985	\$331,985	Alternate
29	52.07	20-2015 M	U.S. Forest Service, Colville National Forest	Colville National Forest Backcountry Multiuse Trail Maintenance	\$150,000	\$43,169	\$193,169	Alternate



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29	52.07	20-2113 M	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	Cascadia Marine Trail Sign and Kiosk Replacement	\$24,350	\$3,150	\$27,500	Not Eligible ⁴
29	52.07	20-2118 D	Chelan-Douglas Land Trust	Wenatchee Foothills Trail System Maintenance	\$56,223	\$21,822	\$78,045	Alternate
29	52.07	20-2236 M	Washington Department of Natural Resources	East Snoqualmie Corridor Backcountry Maintenance	\$94,000	\$69,560	\$163,560	Alternate
33	51.86	20-2401 M	Washington Off Highway Vehicle Alliance	Washington Off-Highway Vehicle Alliance 2-Track Heavy Maintenance Crew	\$149,984	\$17,051	\$167,035	Alternate
34	51.64	20-2297 M	National Forest Foundation	Connecting Youth and Improving the Mount Loop Highway	\$47,350	\$47,350	\$94,700	Alternate
35	51.57	20-2026 M	U.S. Forest Service, Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest, Darrington Ranger District	Darrington Ranger District Backcountry Maintenance	\$150,000	\$151,000	\$301,000	Alternate
36	50.86	20-2074 M	U.S. Forest Service, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Cle Elum Ranger District	Cle Elum Ranger District Winter Trail Maintenance	\$51,800	\$1,500	\$53,300	Alternate
37	50.00	20-2221 M	U.S. Forest Service, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Entiat Ranger District	Snowmobile Trails Maintenance	\$102,000	\$122,000	\$224,000	\$51,000 ²
38	49.50	20-2066 M	Mount Tahoma Trails Association	Mount Tahoma Trails Maintenance	\$33,600	\$18,000	\$51,600	Alternate
39	49.14	20-2251 M	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	Blue Mountains Snowmobile Trails	\$118,100	\$15,000	\$133,100	\$59,050 ²
40	48.57	20-2051 M	University of Washington Center for Sustainable Forestry at Pack Forest	Center for Sustainable Forestry at Pack Forest Trail Maintenance	\$119,549	\$18,402	\$137,951	Alternate
41	48.43	20-2019 M	U.S. Forest Service, Umatilla National Forest, Pomeroy Ranger District	Pomeroy Ranger District Trail Grooming, Maintenance, and Operations	\$38,000	\$80,000	\$118,000	\$19,000 ²
42	48.21	20-2272 M	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	Pyramid Peak Snowmobile Trails	\$140,000	\$10,000	\$150,000	\$70,000 ²
43	47.86	20-2261 M	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	Mount Baker Snowmobile Sno-Parks and Trail Maintenance	\$132,000	\$20,000	\$152,000	\$36,712 ^{2,3}



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45	47.21	20-2002 M	North Olympic Land Trust	North Olympic Land Trust Trail Maintenance	\$27,408	\$12,672	\$40,080	Alternate
46	45.64	20-2267 D	Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group	Theler Wetlands Trail Connection	\$141,260	\$40,000	\$181,260	Alternate
47	45.36	20-1958 M	Mountain Trails Grooming Association	Snowmobile Trail Grooming Methow Valley	\$65,100	\$7,300	\$72,400	Alternate
48	44.79	20-2202 M	U.S. Forest Service, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Naches Ranger District	Naches Nordic Trails Maintenance and Operations	\$50,000	\$45,000	\$95,000	Alternate
49	42.36	20-2414 M	Columbia Springs	Columbia Springs Access Improvement	\$96,000	\$10,880	\$106,880	Alternate
Total					\$5,504,475	\$6,741,994	\$12,246,469	\$1,711,842

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33	51.86	20-2401 M	Washington Off Highway Vehicle Alliance	Washington Off-Highway Vehicle Alliance 2-Track Heavy Maintenance Crew	\$149,984	\$17,051	\$167,035
34	51.64	20-2297 M	National Forest Foundation	Connecting Youth and Improving the Mount Loop Highway	\$47,350	\$47,350	\$94,700
35	51.57	20-2026 M	U.S. Forest Service, Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest, Darrington Ranger District	Darrington Ranger District Backcountry Maintenance	\$150,000	\$151,000	\$301,000
36	50.86	20-2074 M	U.S. Forest Service, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Cle Elum Ranger District	Cle Elum Ranger District Winter Trail Maintenance	\$51,800	\$1,500	\$53,300
37	50.00	20-2221 M	U.S. Forest Service, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Entiat Ranger District	Snowmobile Trails Maintenance	\$102,000	\$122,000	\$224,000
38	49.50	20-2066 M	Mount Tahoma Trails Association	Mount Tahoma Trails Maintenance	\$33,600	\$18,000	\$51,600
39	49.14	20-2251 M	State Parks and Recreation Commission	Blue Mountains Snowmobile Trails	\$118,100	\$15,000	\$133,100

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Rank	Score	Project Number and Type	Grant Applicant	Project Name	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
40	48.57	20-2051 M	University of Washington Center for Sustainable Forestry at Pack Forest	Center for Sustainable Forestry at Pack Forest Trail Maintenance	\$119,549	\$18,402	\$137,951
41	48.43	20-2019 M	U.S. Forest Service, Umatilla National Forest, Pomeroy Ranger District	Pomeroy Ranger District Trail Grooming, Maintenance, and Operations	\$38,000	\$80,000	\$118,000
42	48.21	20-2272 M	State Parks and Recreation Commission	Pyramid Peak Snowmobile Trails	\$140,000	\$10,000	\$150,000
43	47.86	20-2261 M	State Parks and Recreation Commission	Mount Baker Snowmobile Sno-Parks and Trail Maintenance	\$132,000	\$20,000	\$152,000
44	47.71	20-2271 M	State Parks and Recreation Commission	Selkirk Snowmobile Trails	\$133,000	\$20,000	\$153,000
45	47.21	20-2002 M	North Olympic Land Trust	North Olympic Land Trust Trail Maintenance	\$27,408	\$12,672	\$40,080
46	45.64	20-2267 D	Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group	Theler Wetlands Trail Connection	\$141,260	\$40,000	\$181,260
47	45.36	20-1958 M	Mountain Trails Grooming Association	Snowmobile Trail Grooming Methow Valley	\$65,100	\$7,300	\$72,400
48	44.79	20-2202 M	U.S. Forest Service, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Naches Ranger District	Naches Nordic Trails Maintenance and Operations	\$50,000	\$45,000	\$95,000
49	42.36	20-2414 M	Columbia Springs	Columbia Springs Access Improvement	\$96,000	\$10,880	\$106,880
Total					\$5,504,475	\$6,741,994	\$12,246,469

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Rank	Project Number and Type	Project Name	1. Need	2. Need Satisfaction	3. Project Design	4. Maintenance	5. Sustainability	6. Readiness to Proceed	7. Cost-Benefit	8. Cost Efficiencies	9. Project Support	10. Growth Management Act	Total
		Point Range	0-15	0-15	0-10	0-15	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-10	-1-0.0	
1	20-2099 M	Western Washington Volunteer Trail Maintenance	12.86	12.86		12.64		4.43	4.43	4.43	9.29	0	60.93
1	20-2100 M	Eastern Washington Volunteer Trail Maintenance	12.43	13.07		13.07		4.43	4.36	4.29	9.29	0	60.93
3	20-2004 M	Rehabilitating Olympic Peninsula Trails	13.29	13.29		11.57		4.21	4.43	4.29	9	0	60.07
4	20-1990 M	Statewide Backcountry Trail Maintenance	12.43	12.86		12.64		4.29	4.14	4.14	9.14	0	59.64
5	20-1959 M	Reopening Threatened National Forest Trails	13.29	12.86		12.86		4.5	4.07	4.21	7.43	0	59.21
6	20-2308 M	Alpine Lakes Trail Maintenance	13.29	12.86		12		4.57	4.07	4.07	8.29	0	59.14
7	20-2320 D	Mount Rainier National Park and Snoqualmie Ranger District Trails Alliance	13.29	12.86	7.29		3.86	4.14	3.64	4.29	9	0	58.36
8	20-2005 M	Maintaining Endangered Trails	11.79	12.86		12.21		4.29	4.21	4.36	8.43	0	58.14
9	20-1991 M	Statewide Volunteer Trail Maintenance	12.21	12		12.43		4.21	4.07	4.07	9	0	58.00
10	20-2262 M	Pacific Northwest Trail Statewide Stewardship	12.21	12.43		12.21		4.36	4	3.79	8.57	0	57.57
10	20-2421 M	Northwest Motorcycle Association Moto-Volunteer Central Washington Division	12.21	12.86		12.21		4.43	3.86	4	8	0	57.57
12	20-1989 M	Statewide Youth Trail Maintenance	11.79	12.43		11.79		4.21	4.07	4.07	9.14	0	57.50
13	20-2187 M	Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail Maintenance	12.21	12.21		12.43		4.21	3.86	4	8.29	0	57.21
14	20-2135 M	Methow Valley Ranger District Mixed Use Deferred Trail Maintenance	12.21	12		12.21		4.29	3.93	3.57	8.57	0	56.79

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		Point Range	0-15	0-15	0-10	0-15	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-10	-1-0.0	
15	20-2281 M	Mountains to Sound Trail Maintenance	12.21	12.21		11.79		4.29	3.71	3.93	8.57	0	56.71
16	20-2184 M	Naches Motorized Trails Deferred Maintenance and Operations	11.36	12.43		12.86		4.36	3.71	3.71	8	0	56.43
17	20-2419 M	Northwest Motorcycle Association Heavy Maintenance Crew Statewide Maintenance	11.14	12.43		12		4.29	3.71	3.93	8.43	0	55.93
18	20-1985 M	Northwest Region Trail Maintenance	11.36	11.79		11.79		4.36	3.64	3.64	9	0	55.57
19	20-2322 M	Stampede Pass Multiuse Sno-Park Trails	12.86	12.21		12		4.5	3.79	3.29	6.57	0	55.21
20	20-1955 M	Lower Lake Chelan Summer and Winter Trails	11.79	11.79		10.71		4.29	3.86	3.86	8	0	54.29
21	20-2379 D	21 Horizon Flats Trailhead Development	10.93	12.86	8.29		3.86	3.93	4.07	3.86	6	0	53.79
21	20-2203 M	Naches Wilderness Trails Deferred Maintenance and Operations	11.79	12.43		11.14		4.07	3.57	3.5	7.29	0	53.79
23	20-2029 M	Salmon Ridge Trail System Maintenance	10.71	12		10.29		4.14	3.36	3.64	8.43	0	52.57
23	20-1954 M	Upper Lake Chelan Basin Trail Maintenance	10.71	11.79		10.29		4.43	3.86	3.93	7.57	0	52.57
25	20-2062 D	Riverside State Park Knothead Loop Trailhead	11.14	11.57	8.29		3.71	3.64	3.5	3.36	7.29	0	52.50
26	20-2180 M	Heather Meadows Recreation Area Trail Maintenance	10.93	11.57		11.14		3.71	3.14	3.07	8.71	0	52.29
26	20-2324 M	Spokane Nordic Trails Maintenance	10.93	11.79		10.71		4	3.64	3.64	7.57	0	52.29
28	20-2157 M	Gifford Pinchot National Forest Wilderness Trails Operations and Maintenance	11.79	12.21		10.71		4.29	3.79	3.71	5.71	0	52.21

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		Point Range	0-15	0-15	0-10	0-15	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-10	-1-0.0	
29	20-2015 M	Colville National Forest Backcountry Multiuse Trail Maintenance	11.14	12		11.36		4.29	3.64	3.5	6.14	0	52.07
29	20-2113 M	Cascadia Marine Trail Sign and Kiosk Replacement	10.5	12.64		10.29		4.14	3.57	3.07	7.86	0	52.07
29	20-2118 D	Wenatchee Foothills Trail System Maintenance	11.36	11.57	7.57		3.79	3.57	3.43	3.21	7.57	0	52.07
29	20-2236 M	East Snoqualmie Corridor Backcountry Maintenance	12.21	10.5		9.86		4.29	3.5	3.57	8.14	0	52.07
33	20-2401 M	Washington Off-Highway Vehicle Alliance 2-Track Heavy Maintenance Crew	11.57	11.36		10.71		3.5	3.64	3.21	7.86	0	51.86
34	20-2297 M	Connecting Youth and Improving the Mount Loop Highway	11.36	11.36		10.5		4.07	3.86	3.64	6.86	0	51.64
35	20-2026 M	Darrington Ranger District Backcountry Maintenance	12	12		9.43		4.07	3.57	3.36	7.14	0	51.57
36	20-2074 M	Cle Elum Ranger District Winter Trail Maintenance	10.93	11.57		10.5		3.93	3.36	2.71	7.86	0	50.86
37	20-2221 M	Snowmobile Trails Maintenance	10.93	11.14		10.07		4.14	3.5	3.64	6.57	0	50.00
38	20-2066 M	Mount Tahoma Trails Maintenance	10.5	11.14		9.43		4.21	3.57	3.5	7.14	0	49.50
39	20-2251 M	Blue Mountains Snowmobile Trails	10.07	10.93		10.5		4.43	3.5	3	6.71	0	49.14
40	20-2051 M	Center for Sustainable Forestry at Pack Forest Trail Maintenance	9.86	11.36		11.14		4.07	2.79	2.5	6.86	0	48.57
41	20-2019 M	Pomeroy Ranger District Trail Grooming, Maintenance, and Operations	9	10.29		9.86		4.36	3.36	3.71	7.86	0	48.43
42	20-2272 M	Pyramid Peak Snowmobile Trails	10.71	10.5		10.5		4.21	3.43	3	5.86	0	48.21

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Rank	Project Number and Type	Project Name	1. Need	2. Need Satisfaction	3. Project Design	4. Maintenance	5. Sustainability	6. Readiness to Proceed	7. Cost-Benefit	8. Cost Efficiencies	9. Project Support	10. Growth Management Act	Total
Point Range			0-15	0-15	0-10	0-15	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-10	-1-0.0	
43	20-2261 M	Mount Baker Snowmobile Sno-Parks and Trail Maintenance	10.93	9.86		10.29		4.29	3.21	3	6.29	0	47.86
44	20-2271 M	Selkirk Snowmobile Trails	10.93			10.07		4.21	3.5	3.14	5.57	0	47.71
45	20-2002 M	North Olympic Land Trust Trail Maintenance	9.43	11.14		9.21		4.14	3.5	3.36	6.43	0	47.21
46	20-2267 D	Theler Wetlands Trail Connection	9.43	11.14	7.57		3.64	3.29	3	3	4.57	0	45.64
47	20-1958 M	Snowmobile Trail Grooming Methow Valley	9.43	9.86		9.43		4	3	3.07	6.57	0	45.36
48	20-2202 M	Naches Nordic Trails Maintenance and Operations	10.29	10.29		9.21		3.5	3.07	3	5.43	0	44.79
49	20-2414 M	Columbia Springs Access Improvement	7.71	10.71		9.64		4.21	2.71	2.5	4.86	0	42.36

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Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance **Grant Requested: \$125,000** **Maintaining Mountain Biking Trails in Western Washington**

The Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance will use this grant to engage volunteers in 15,882 hours of maintenance on 350 miles of trails that serve mountain bikers, hikers, equestrians, and motorized activities in western Washington. Volunteers from four western Washington chapters of the alliance will maintain trails with supervision from crew leaders. The Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance will contribute \$380,000 in a local and private grants and donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2099)

Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance **Grant Requested: \$75,000** **Engaging Eastern Washington Volunteers in Trail Maintenance**

The Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance will use this grant to engage volunteers in 8,824 hours of maintenance on 320 miles of trail of critical importance to mountain bikers, hikers, equestrians, and motorized recreation enthusiasts. The Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance will contribute \$190,000 in local and private grants and donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2100)

Back Country Horsemen of Washington **Grant Requested: \$82,486** **Rehabilitating Olympic Peninsula Trails**

The Back Country Horsemen of Washington will use this grant to engage volunteers in maintenance of about 574 miles of trail on the Olympic Peninsula. With more than 300 inches of rain annually and extremely fast-growing vegetation, the peninsula's trails can become unsafe quickly. Dangerous trail surfaces, unwanted water erosion, falling foot logs, damaged structures, missing signs, unclear corridors, and downed trees all pose hazards. This region hosts many visitors and offers adventures such as mountain biking, hiking, and horseback riding. The Back Country Horsemen of Washington will contribute \$207,974 in donations of equipment and labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2004)

Washington Trails Association **Grant Requested: \$150,000** **Caring for Backcountry Trails Statewide**

The Washington Trails Association will use this grant to engage volunteers in 30,000 hours of trail maintenance on 330 miles of trail throughout the Cascades, Olympics, and Blue Mountains. Backcountry crews will perform a wide variety of annual maintenance such as clearing trails of debris and improving trail surfaces, as well as technical projects such as clearing fallen trees and moving short sections of trail to create safer and accessible trails for visitors. The Washington

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Trails Association will contribute \$581,280 in donations of cash and labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-1990)

Back Country Horsemen of Washington Reopening Damaged National Forest Trails

Grant Requested: \$117,600

The Back Country Horsemen of Washington will use this grant to maintain U.S. Forest Service trails damaged from flooding, fires, tree disease, and windstorms. The group will host at least three, large, volunteer events each year to clear trails of blocked logs and debris. The Back Country Horsemen of Washington will contribute \$237,200 in donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-1959)

U.S. Forest Service

Grant Requested: \$150,000

Addressing Backlogged Trail Maintenance in the Alpine Lakes Wilderness

The Snoqualmie Ranger District in the Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest will use this grant to clear trail debris and improve trail surfaces and drainage on 150 miles of trails in the Alpine Lakes Wilderness and surrounding backcountry. Work will be done in the watersheds of North, Middle, and South Forks of the Snoqualmie River, which include trails along the Interstate 90 corridor. More than 200,000 visitors use trails in the area each year. High visitor use, steep grades, dense forests, and winter storms created backlogged maintenance needs and existing Forest Service budgets are vastly insufficient. The Forest Service will contribute \$150,000 in donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2308)

U.S. Forest Service

Grant Requested: \$150,000

Maintaining National Park and Forest Trails

The Snoqualmie Ranger District in the Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest will use this grant to maintain trails damaged by wildfires and those not in fee areas. Work will include clearing debris and improving trail surfaces and drainage in both Mount Rainier National Park and the national forest. Up to 200,000 visitors use these trails every year. High use and storms created backlogged maintenance needs that the budgets of the Forest Service and National Park Service cannot address. The trails are used by hikers, mountain bikers, snowshoers, cross-country skiers, horseback riders, and backpackers. The Forest Service will contribute \$572,792 in equipment, staff labor, materials, a grant from the state Nonhighway and Off-road Vehicle activities program, and donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2320)

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Back Country Horsemen of Washington Maintaining Damaged Trails

Grant Requested: \$57,817

The Back Country Horsemen of Washington will use this grant to engage volunteers in maintenance of 392 miles of trail in Capitol State Forest, Wenatchee National Forest, Gifford Pinchot National Forest, Goat Rocks and Mount Adams Wilderness, and the Newport Ranger District. Volunteers will focus on clearing trails of debris, repairing trail surfaces and structures, improving water drainage, and replacing culverts, which are pipes or other structures that carry water under trails. The Backcountry Horsemen of Washington will contribute \$111,500 in donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2005)

Washington Trails Association Engaging Volunteers in Statewide Trail Maintenance

Grant Requested: \$150,000

The Washington Trails Association will use this grant to engage volunteers in 51,000 hours of trail maintenance on 280 miles of popular trails, most of which are near major urban areas of Puget Sound, Vancouver, and Spokane. Crews will perform a variety of maintenance such as clearing trails of debris and improving trail surfaces and structures. The Washington Trails Association will contribute \$986,360 in donations of cash and labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-1991)

Pacific Northwest Trail Association Supporting Stewardship of the Pacific Northwest Trail

Grant Requested: \$150,000

The Pacific Northwest Trail Association will use this grant to hire youth and young adult trail crews and engage volunteers from local communities to maintain the Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail. Every year, some trail sections are damaged in wildfires, watersheds are in need of improvement, and bridges need to be built to maintain access for the ever-increasing number of outdoor enthusiasts. This project will address the maintenance backlog on hundreds of miles of trail used for hiking, horseback riding, cycling, hunting, and more. The Pacific Northwest Trail Association will contribute \$150,000 in staff labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2262)

Northwest Motorcycle Association Maintaining Central Washington Single-track Trails

Grant Requested: \$143,878

The Northwest Motorcycle Association will use this grant to provide coordination and training for volunteers to maintain multiuse, single-track trails in four ranger districts in central Washington. The association will assess trails, clear fallen trees, and repair trails. The Northwest

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Motorcycle Association will contribute \$155,890 in donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2421)

Washington Trails Association **Grant Requested: \$150,000**

Engaging Youth Volunteers in Statewide Trail Maintenance

The Washington Trails Association will use this grant for youth work parties to maintain 92 miles of trail. The youth, who will contribute 27,000 hours of work, will address deferred maintenance backlogs to improve hiking, mountain biking, and equestrian opportunities on trails across Washington. The project will consist of day-long work parties on urban or front country trails, which typically are near major cities like Seattle, Spokane, Bellingham, and Vancouver, and week-long volunteer vacations in more remote backcountry areas. Each work party will vary in scope but will focus mainly on general maintenance activities such as removing overgrown brush, restoring trail surfaces, and improving drainage to create safer and accessible trails and mitigate damage. The Washington Trails Association will contribute \$521,550 in donations of cash and labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-1989)

Pacific Crest Trail Association **Grant Requested: \$107,000**

Caring for the Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail

The Pacific Crest Trail Association will use this grant to host multi-day, volunteer projects that will contribute more than 7,000 hours of labor to maintain more than 125 miles of trail in remote backcountry locations. Work will be done on the trail sections running through the Mount Baker-Snoqualmie, Okanogan-Wenatchee, and Gifford Pinchot National Forests. The work will make the trails more resistant to erosion and more accessible to the public. Volunteers will accomplish a wide range of work including improving trail surfaces and hauling out logs to enhance the trail for hikers, backpackers, and equestrians. The Pacific Crest Trail Association will contribute \$126,000 in donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2187)

U.S. Forest Service **Grant Requested: \$149,986**

Maintaining Summer Trails in the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest

The Methow Valley Ranger District in the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest will use this grant to maintain summer trails in the Lake Chelan Sawtooth Wilderness, the Pasayten Wilderness, and the Twisp River drainage, including many trails that have been damaged by fires. The district also will maintain the Lone Fir Trail. The district will focus on trails in greatest danger of being lost due to deferred maintenance. Work will include clearing fallen trees, fixing trail surfaces and drainage, controlling erosion, and replacing trail structures such as turnpikes.

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The Forest Service will contribute \$152,022 in equipment, staff labor, and donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2135)

Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust **Grant Requested: \$150,000**

Maintaining Trails in the Mountains to Sound Greenway

The Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust will use this grant to maintain 80 miles of hiking, biking, and horseback riding trails for 2 years in the Mountains to Sound Greenway in King and Kittitas Counties. Activities will include clearing logs and trail debris, replacing signs, and repairing drainage and trail surfaces in the Issaquah Alps (Cougar, Squak, Tiger, and Rattlesnake Mountains), destinations in the Middle Fork Snoqualmie River Valley, along the Pacific Crest Trail, in the Alpine Lakes Wilderness, and other popular hiking trails along the Interstate 90 corridor. The Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust will contribute \$150,000 in a private grant and donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2281)

U.S. Forest Service **Grant Requested: \$150,000**

Addressing Deferred Maintenance of Naches Ranger District Trails

The Naches Ranger District in the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest will use this grant to pay for a five-person crew and supplies to maintain more than 300 miles of motorcycle and 4x4 trails in Yakima and Kittitas Counties. Work will include clearing brush, improving drainage, repairing trail structures, and enhancing trail signs. The Naches Ranger District's trails for motorized activities receive extensive use from an estimated 45,000 recreationists each year. The Forest Service will contribute \$90,003 in a federal appropriation, a grant from the state Nonhighway and Off-road Vehicles Activities program, materials, and donations of equipment and labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2184)

Northwest Motorcycle Association **Grant Requested: \$114,019**

Caring for Single-Track Trails

The Northwest Motorcycle Association will use this grant to maintain 34 miles of single-track trail on state and federal land in Chelan, King, Kittitas, Lewis, Pend Oreille, Stevens, and Yakima Counties. The association will focus on water management, restoration of trail surfaces, and removal of ruts and trail braiding. The work will prevent further trail damage and environmental impacts, improve safety, help prevent closures, and improve the visitor experience. The Northwest Motorcycle Association will contribute \$226,760 in a grant from the state Nonhighway and Off-road Vehicles Activities program. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2419)

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Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: \$150,000

Caring for Trails in Northwestern Washington

State Parks will use this grant to maintain 224 miles of trails in 13 state parks in northwestern Washington. The trails provide a backcountry experience to hikers, mountain bikers, runners, and horseback riders. The parks included are: Bridle Trails, Dash Point, Deception Pass, Fort Ebey, Larrabee, Mount Pilchuck, Squak Mountain, Twin Falls-Olallie, Saint Edward, Saltwater, South Whidbey, Moran, and Wallace Falls. Much of the work will include repairing and replacing trail and drainage structures, clearing debris, removing windfall, and maintaining trail surfaces. State Parks will contribute \$87,460 in staff and donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-1985)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: \$150,000

Grooming Stampede Pass Trails

State Parks will use this grant to groom trails at Stampede Pass, which is a mecca for snowmobile enthusiasts, and eliminate 6,200 groomed miles of maintenance backlog during two winters. Major snowstorms require clearing trails of fallen trees, removing snow drifts, and using snow removal equipment including snow cats, snow blowers, and plows all winter long. This backcountry area is close to multiple major cities and is quickly accessed via Interstate 90. Stampede Pass provides opportunities to enjoy all forms of non-motorized winter recreation including cross-country skiing, dog sledding, and fat tire biking. State Parks will contribute \$124,000. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2322)

U.S. Forest Service Grant Requested: \$150,000

Caring for Lower Lake Chelan Summer and Winter Trails

The Chelan Ranger District in the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest will use this grant to maintain about 296 miles of trail used for hiking, Nordic skiing, snowmobiling, snowshoeing, and motorized activities. Work will include clearing trails of debris, improving trail surfaces, and replacing trail elements, such as bridges. The project also will include grooming trails in the winter for snowmobiling, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, and fat-tire biking. The Forest Service will contribute \$130,000 in a federal appropriation, equipment, staff labor, and donations of equipment and labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-1955)

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U.S. Forest Service **Grant Requested: \$120,000**

Caring for Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest Trails

The Naches Ranger District in the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest will use this grant to pay for a four- to six-person crew to maintain 360 miles of wilderness and adjacent trails for non-motorized activities in Yakima County. The crew will haul out logs, clear trails of debris, replace degraded trail structures, and improve trail surfaces. The ranger district also will buy small tools and materials. The Forest Service will contribute \$82,002 in a federal appropriation, a state grant from the Nonhighway and Off-road Vehicles Activities program, equipment, and donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot for [more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2203)

Methow Valley Sport Trail Association **Grant Requested: \$144,000**

Developing a Trailhead on Horizon Flats Road

The Methow Valley Sport Trail Association will use this grant to develop a trailhead on 18 acres along Horizon Flats Road in Winthrop as a hub of trail-based recreation in the Methow Valley. The trailhead will provide parking, a bathroom, visitor information, and access to the Susie Stephens Trail, the Methow Community Trail, and eventually the proposed Twisp-to-Winthrop Trail, providing continuous trail access from Mazama to Twisp. The trailhead will serve non-motorized activities including cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, cycling, running, birdwatching, hiking, and horseback riding. The Methow Valley Sport Trail Association will contribute \$145,000. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2379)

U.S. Forest Service **Grant Requested: \$150,000**

Maintaining Upper Lake Chelan Basin Trails

The Chelan Ranger District in the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest will use this grant to maintain about 300 miles of trails for non-motorized activities in the upper Lake Chelan basin for two seasons. Work will include clearing trail debris, replacing and repairing trail signs, and improving trail elements, including water bars. The Forest Service will contribute \$108,500 in and staff and donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-1954)

Nooksack Nordic Ski Club **Grant Requested: \$23,500**

Maintaining Salmon Ridge Trail System

The Nooksack Nordic Ski Club will use this grant to groom and maintain 15 miles of ski trails and 5 miles of snowshoe trails in the Salmon Ridge trail system near the Mount Baker Ski area

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off State Route 542 in Whatcom County. Maintenance activities include summer mowing and vegetation control and winter grooming to pack the snow and set ski tracks. The grant also will support volunteer work parties to remove overgrown bushes, install signs, and clean drainage systems to prevent trail erosion. The Salmon Ridge trail system is the only groomed and tracked cross-country ski trail in northwest Washington. The Nooksack Nordic Ski Club will contribute \$59,680 in a state grant and donations of equipment and labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2029)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: \$148,065

Building the Knothead Loop Trailhead

State Parks will use this grant to build a trailhead for Knothead Loop in Riverside State Park, about one-quarter mile northeast of the Painted Rocks Trailhead. The new trailhead will include a paved entrance, two gravel parking areas with 40 spaces, a restroom, kiosks, fencing, a fee station, and trail access between the trailheads. Knothead Loop is one of the most popular loop trails in the park with breathtaking views of the Little Spokane River and ample opportunities for viewing wildlife. The trailhead for this area is frequently at capacity and at times more than 50 cars might be parked up and down the narrow country road causing unsafe conditions. State Parks will contribute \$48,000 in staff labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2062)

U.S. Forest Service Grant Requested: \$150,000

Maintaining Heather Meadows Recreation Area Trails

The Mount Baker Ranger District in the Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest will use this grant to maintain 22 miles of hiking trails in the Heather Meadows Recreation Area for two seasons. Located at the end of the Mount Baker Scenic Byway, Heather Meadows has been a popular recreation destination for a variety of visitors for more than 90 years. Work includes hauling out logs, clearing trail debris, replacing boardwalk and stairways, and improving drainage and trail surfaces. This work will improve safety, limit environmental impacts, and provide a better recreational experience. The Forest Service will contribute \$80,000 in a federal appropriation and donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2180)

Spokane Nordic Ski Association Grant Requested: \$77,400

Renting Equipment to Maintain Spokane Nordic Trails

The Spokane Nordic Ski Association will use this grant to rent a dozer, excavator, and hammer attachment for 6 weeks for 2 years to improve the Mount Spokane State Park's Nordic trails. The association will repair erosion, smooth the trail, and remove some tree stumps and rocks to

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accommodate winter snow groomers and horse riding, cycling, hiking, and running in other seasons. The Spokane Nordic Ski Association will contribute \$55,180 in staff labor and donations of labor and materials. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2324)

U.S. Forest Service **Grant Requested: \$149,000**

Caring for Wilderness Trails in Gifford Pinchot National Forest

The Cowlitz Valley Ranger District in the Gifford Pinchot National Forest will use this grant to maintain 300 miles of trails in seven designated wilderness areas over 2 years. Maintenance will include clearing trails of debris and repairing drainage structures and trail surfaces. The trails, which can be accessed from the towns of Randle and Trout Lake, are used primarily by hikers and equestrians. The Forest Service will contribute \$182,985 in a federal appropriation, staff labor, and donate labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2157)

U.S. Forest Service **Grant Requested: \$150,000**

Improving Colville National Forest Backcountry Trails

The Tonasket, Republic, Three Rivers, Newport, and Sullivan Lake Ranger Districts will use this grant to maintain backcountry trails throughout the Colville National Forest. Crews will remove overgrown vegetation, improve trail surfaces, remove fallen trees, and enhance trail drainage. The work would bring national forest trails up to Forest Service standards and support continued public access. The Forest Service will contribute \$43,169 in equipment, staff labor, and donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2015)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission **Grant Requested: \$24,350**

Maintaining the Cascadia Marine Trail

State Parks will use this grant to maintain 40 Cascadia Marine Trail day-use and camping sites. These popular sites are throughout Puget Sound and the San Juan Islands and attract kayakers and paddle boarders from around the country. State Parks will provide new signs and informational kiosks. This project is a partnership between State Parks, the Washington Department of Natural Resources, and the Washington Water Trails Association. State Parks will contribute \$3,150 in donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2113)

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Chelan-Douglas Land Trust **Improving Wenatchee Foothills Trails**

Grant Requested: \$56,223

The Chelan-Douglas Land Trust will use this grant to maintain about 14 miles of trail across the Wenatchee Foothills Trail System in Chelan County. Work will include using a small excavator to fix trail surfaces and stairs, add a small pipe to carry water under a trail, and improve drainage. In addition to trail maintenance, the land trust will survey for cultural resources to help guide decisions about trail maintenance that may disturb soils and future trail construction. This trail system accommodates multiple, non-motorized activities, including hiking, bicycling, and horse riding. The Chelan-Douglas Land Trust will contribute \$21,822 in staff and donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2118)

Washington Department of Natural Resources **Maintaining East Snoqualmie Corridor Backcountry Trails**

Grant Requested: \$94,000

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to maintain more than 36 miles of trail, 5 trailheads, and 4 day-use sites in the Mount Si and Middle Fork Snoqualmie Natural Resources Conservation Areas in eastern King County. The grant will pay for staff, materials, and agreements with partner organizations to maintain the trails and facilities. The trails are used for nonmotorized activities including hiking, biking, horseback riding, rock climbing, and paragliding. The trails and recreation sites are among Washington's most popular and offer year-round destinations with backcountry characteristics to the 4 million residents of the Puget Sound area. The Department of Natural Resources will contribute \$69,560 in staff and donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2236)

Washington Off Highway Vehicle Alliance **Maintaining U.S. Forest Service Trails**

Grant Requested: \$149,984

The Washington Off Highway Vehicle Alliance will use this grant to maintain a portion of the more than 230 miles of multiuse, double-track trails open to off-highway vehicles in national forests. These trails have not been maintained due to inadequate governmental funding. The alliance will repair trail surfaces and drainage structures, clear debris, and haul out fallen logs. Trails will be maintained to enhance the experience for all visitors and reduce impacts to sensitive areas and streams. The Washington Off Highway Vehicle Alliance will contribute \$17,051 in donations of cash and labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2401)

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National Forest Foundation **Grant Requested: \$47,350**

Maintaining Trails along the South Fork Stillaguamish River

The National Forest Foundation will use this grant to hire youth from EarthCorps to maintain 16 trails along the South Fork Stillaguamish River portion of the Mountain Loop Highway. In coordination with the U.S. Forest Service, crews will maintain 50 miles of high-use trails. Projected visitation increases stress the urgency for keeping up with the maintenance, especially when coupled with the high precipitation. The National Forest Foundation will contribute \$47,350 in cash donations. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2297)

U.S. Forest Service **Grant Requested: \$150,000**

Maintaining Darrington Ranger District Backcountry Trails

The Darrington Ranger District in the Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest will use this grant to maintain 200 miles of trails off Mountain Loop Highway and Suiattle River Road. The trails offer day hikes to popular lakes and peaks, as well as remote overnight backcountry experiences, all within 2 hours of Everett and Seattle. The Forest Service will contribute \$151,000 in a federal appropriation and staff and donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2026)

U.S. Forest Service **Grant Requested: \$51,800**

Maintaining Trails in the Cle Elum Ranger District

The Cle Elum Ranger District in the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest will use this grant to fund a two-person crew to maintain 500 miles of snowmobile trails and 60 miles of ski, snowshoe, and dogsled trails in Kittitas County. The crew will remove hazardous and fallen trees, groom trails, install and maintain signs and markers, and repair bridges and culverts, which are large pipes and other structures that carry streams under roads. The trails are used for snowmobiling, cross-country skiing, dogsledding, snow play, snowshoeing, and skijoring. The ranger district is one of the most heavily used winter recreation areas in the state, with easy access from population centers, abundant snow, and good weather. The Forest Service will contribute \$1,500 in donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2074)

U.S. Forest Service **Grant Requested: \$102,000**

Maintaining Snowmobile Trails

The Entiat Ranger District in the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest will use this grant to maintain about 150 miles of trails. Work will include removing fallen trees, clearing trail debris,

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repairing minor washouts, and maintaining 250 trail signs. By keeping the trails and roads clear of debris, the district ensures snow groomers can keep the trails open in the winter. The Entiat and Wenatchee River Ranger Districts have more than 200 miles of trails that are groomed weekly during the winter. An estimated 45,000 people visit this area annually. The Forest Service will contribute \$122,000 in staff labor, a state grant, and donations of equipment and labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2221)

Mount Tahoma Trails Association Maintaining Mount Tahoma Trails

Grant Requested: \$33,600

The Mount Tahoma Trails Association will use this grant to maintain more than 40 miles of trails near Ashford. The association will groom trails and remove fallen trees in the winter, and in the summer, remove encroaching plants and repair and replace signs that are critical to trail safety. Trails are for nonmotorized activities, primarily winter recreation, including access to four backcountry huts that provide places to sleep for skiers and snowshoers. The Mount Tahoma Trails Association will contribute \$18,000 in donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2066)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Maintaining Blue Mountains Snowmobile Trails

Grant Requested: \$118,100

State Parks will use this grant to plow snow at four Sno-Parks, and groom 138 miles of snowmobile trails in the Umatilla National Forest. These trails tie into trail systems in Oregon and open riding opportunities into the mountains of northeastern Oregon. The unique terrain of this area provides open ridges with panoramic views and winding valleys with forests of Ponderosa pine and grand fir. State Parks will contribute \$15,000 in a state appropriation. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2251)

University of Washington Caring for Pack Forest Trails

Grant Requested: \$119,549

The University of Washington's Center for Sustainable Forestry at Pack Forest will use this grant to maintain 15 miles of Pack Forest trails, which are in the heart of Pierce County, between Seattle and Mount Rainier National Park. With frequent Rainier vistas, Pack Forest is a sought-after destination for hikers in the greater Puget Sound. Work will include removing overgrown bushes, fixing drainage structures, and removing invasive species. Pack Forest contains a wide array of western Washington forest types, from Douglas-fir old-growth to red alder stands and multi-species cohorts. The University of Washington will contribute \$18,402 in staff labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2051)

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Grant Requested: \$38,000

Grooming and Maintaining Trails in the Umatilla National Forest

The Pomeroy Ranger District in the Umatilla National Forest will use this grant to fund a two-person crew and volunteers to provide winter grooming and maintain 138 miles of snowmobile trails in the Umatilla National Forest. The crew will remove fallen trees, clear debris, improve signs and trail markers, and install snow poles. The Forest Service will contribute \$80,000 in equipment, staff labor, materials, a state grant, and donations of equipment and labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2019)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission

Grant Requested: \$140,000

Caring for Pyramid Peak Snowmobile Trails

State Parks will use this grant to clear snowmobile trails, remove winter storm and trail debris and snow drifts, and plow snow to provide safe and accessible parking for visitors to the 112-mile Pyramid Peak snowmobile trail system. The work will maintain around 5,800 miles of groomed trails for two winters plus keep five Sno-Parks and access roads plowed and safe for public use. The trail system lies on the west side of the Cascade Mountains, close to State Route 410, and provides quick access for Seattle and west side residents to ride groomed winter trails. State Parks will contribute \$10,000 in a state appropriation. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2272)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission

Grant Requested: \$132,000

Maintaining Mount Baker Sno-Parks and Trails

State Parks' Winter Recreation Program will use this grant to maintain six Sno-Parks and groom 7,600 miles of snowmobile trails in and around Mount Baker in Whatcom and Skagit Counties for two winters. The goal is to maintain safe and usable parking areas and trails for snowmobilers and other winter recreationists. State Parks will contribute \$20,000 in a state appropriation. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2261)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission

Grant Requested: \$133,000

Grooming Selkirk Snowmobile Trails

State Parks will use this grant to plow snow at seven Sno-Parks and groom 8,700 miles of snowmobile trails in the Colville National Forest and on Mount Spokane. Work will include plowing snow at parking lots and access roads, clearing trails of debris, and moving fallen trees. The goal is to maintain safe and usable parking areas and trails for snowmobilers and other

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winter recreationists. State Parks will contribute \$20,000 in a state appropriation. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2271)

North Olympic Land Trust

Grant Requested: \$27,408

Maintaining North Olympic Land Trust Trails

The North Olympic Land Trust will use this grant to maintain trails at six of its sites in Clallam County. The land trust will remove overgrown brush, lay gravel and fix trail surfaces, repair drainage structures and boardwalks, and replace signs. These trails take visitors through a multitude of landscapes, including forests, meadows, riverside habitats, wetlands, and estuaries. The North Olympic Land Trust will contribute \$12,672 in donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2002)

Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group

Grant Requested: \$141,260

Connecting the Theler Wetlands Trail

The Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group will use this grant to build 900 feet of trail to reconnect the 3.2-mile Theler Trail system on Hood Canal and the Union River estuary to surrounding Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife trails. The Theler Trail system is outside of Belfair and has been disconnected by a washout since 2012. To reach the other trail, hikers detour onto Roessel Road, which creates safety concerns. The salmon enhancement group will build a setback dike and elevate a gated emergency access road to serve as the new connecting trail. The work will resolve flooding and pollution issues. The Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group will contribute \$40,000 in a local grant. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2267)

Mountain Trails Grooming Association

Grant Requested: \$65,100

Grooming Snowmobile Trails in the Methow Valley

The Mountain Trails Grooming Association will use this grant to maintain 117 miles of trail in the Methow Valley. Work will include grooming, cutting overgrown brush, and maintaining signs for trails that provide a backcountry experience for snowmobilers, cross-country skiers, and hikers. This grant supplements state funding, which has declined by 10 percent in the past year. The Mountain Trails Grooming Association will contribute \$7,300 in donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-1958)

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Maintaining Naches Nordic Trails

Grant Requested: \$50,000

The Naches Ranger District in the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest will use this grant to maintain 30 miles of trail for cross-country skiing and mountain biking. Activities include clearing trail debris, maintaining trail structures, improving signs, updating maps, grooming trails in the winter, and setting Nordic tracks. The trails provide a backcountry-type experience, although they are easily accessible, lying within 3 miles of U.S. Route 12 and next to State Route 410. The Forest Service will contribute \$45,000 in equipment, staff labor, a state grant, and donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2202)

Columbia Springs

Improving Access at Columbia Springs

Grant Requested: \$96,000

Columbia Springs will use this grant to restore and maintain trails throughout the nearly 100-acre Columbia Springs area at the historic Vancouver Trout Hatchery. The group will remove non-native plants along the trail and maintain drainage structures and bridges. Columbia Springs will contribute \$10,880 in donated labor. Visit RCO's online Project Snapshot [for more information and photographs of this project](#). (20-2414)