

Preliminary Ranking
Land and Water Conservation Fund
2017-2019

| Rank | Score | Project Number and Type* | Project Name | Grant Applicant | Grant Request | Applicant Match | Total |
|------|-------|--------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | 59.83 | 16-1665D | Kiwanis Methow Park Renovation Phase 1 | Wenatchee | \$500,000 | \$1,360,000 | \$1,860,000 |
| 2 | 59.50 | 16-1858D | Entiat Way Park | Entiat | \$283,500 | \$346,500 | \$630,000 |
| 3 | 58.33 | 16-1778A | East Wenatchee 9th Street Acquisition | Eastmont Metropolitan Park District | \$212,350 | \$212,350 | \$424,700 |
| 4 | 57.83 | 16-1984A | Barnum Point | Island County | \$500,000 | \$1,190,000 | \$1,690,000 |
| 5 | 55.67 | 16-1772C | Sunset Neighborhood Park Phase 2 | Renton | \$500,000 | \$2,029,861 | \$2,529,861 |
| 6 | 55.33 | 16-1584D | Hale Park Development Phase 2 | Wenatchee | \$414,500 | \$702,500 | \$1,117,000 |
| 7 | 54.17 | 16-1829D | Riverfront Park Great Floods Play Area | Spokane | \$500,000 | \$1,000,000 | \$1,500,000 |
| 8 | 53.83 | 16-1364D | Mabton Spray Pad | Mabton | \$298,500 | \$298,500 | \$597,000 |
| 9 | 53.17 | 16-1991D | Edgewood Community Park Phase 1 | Edgewood | \$500,000 | \$2,660,380 | \$3,160,380 |
| 10 | 52.83 | 16-2059D | Pearl Street Memorial Outdoor Pool | Centralia | \$500,000 | \$1,077,413 | \$1,577,413 |
| 11 | 51.67 | 16-1712A | Van Lierop Park Land Acquisition | Puyallup | \$500,000 | \$608,000 | \$1,108,000 |
| 12 | 51.33 | 16-1856D | Entiat Lakeshore Trail | Entiat | \$42,120 | \$51,484 | \$93,604 |
| 13 | 50.00 | 16-2004D | White Salmon New Pool Complex | White Salmon | \$500,000 | \$2,318,320 | \$2,818,320 |
| 14 | 49.83 | 16-2161D | Flowing Lake Park Renovation | Snohomish County | \$500,000 | \$709,407 | \$1,209,407 |
| 15 | 49.00 | 16-1430A | Five Acre Woods Community Park | Lake Forest Park | \$500,000 | \$759,482 | \$1,259,482 |
| 16 | 47.50 | 16-1621D | Shoreview Park Trail and Creek Improvement | Shoreline | \$448,000 | \$547,500 | \$995,500 |
| 17 | 46.83 | 16-1814A | North Bend Partnering for a Park | North Bend | \$300,040 | \$1,750,000 | \$2,050,040 |
| 18 | 46.00 | 16-2024D | Bidwell Community Park Development | Spokane County | \$500,000 | \$781,000 | \$1,281,000 |
| 19 | 45.00 | 16-1978D | Recreation Park Renovation and Upgrades | Chehalis | \$500,000 | \$1,096,485 | \$1,596,485 |
| 20 | 42.50 | 16-1836A | North Bothell Park Acquisition Shelton View Woods | Bothell | \$500,000 | \$3,027,500 | \$3,527,500 |
| 21 | 39.83 | 16-1804D | Lake Street Greenway Phase 1 | Colfax | \$280,025 | \$280,025 | \$560,050 |
| 22 | 30.50 | 16-1896D | City Park Improvements | Toledo | \$55,375 | \$55,375 | \$110,750 |
| | | | | | \$8,834,410 | \$22,862,082 | \$31,696,492 |

*Project Types: A=Acquisition, C=Combination, D=Development

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| Rank | Question Project Name | 1 | 2 | 3 | | 4 | | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | Total |
|------|--|-------|---|--|------|---|------|--|-----------------------------|-----------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------|
| | | Need | Need Satisfaction and Diversity of Recreation | Immediacy of Threat and Viability <i>Acq.*</i> <i>Com.*</i> | | Project Design <i>Dev.*</i> <i>Com.*</i> | | Sustainability and Environmental Stewardship | Federal Grant Program Goals | Readiness | Community Support | Cost Efficiencies | Population Proximity | Applicant Compliance | |
| 1 | Kiwanis Methow Park Renovation Phase 1 | 11.50 | 9.00 | | | 8.67 | | 7.33 | 9.00 | 3.83 | 4.67 | 4.33 | 1.50 | 0.00 | 59.83 |
| 2 | Entiat Way Park | 14.00 | 9.00 | | | 9.33 | | 7.67 | 7.67 | 3.83 | 4.33 | 3.67 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 59.50 |
| 3 | East Wenatchee 9th Street Acquisition | 12.50 | 8.67 | 8.00 | | | | 7.00 | 8.00 | 4.33 | 4.17 | 4.17 | 1.50 | 0.00 | 58.33 |
| 4 | Barnum Point | 11.50 | 7.33 | 8.33 | | | | 7.67 | 8.67 | 4.33 | 4.17 | 4.33 | 1.50 | 0.00 | 57.83 |
| 5 | Sunset Neighborhood Park Phase 2 | 12.00 | 8.67 | | 3.33 | | 4.00 | 6.00 | 7.33 | 4.17 | 4.33 | 2.83 | 3.00 | 0.00 | 55.67 |
| 6 | Hale Park Development Phase 2 | 12.50 | 8.00 | | | 7.00 | | 6.00 | 8.00 | 4.17 | 4.50 | 3.67 | 1.50 | 0.00 | 55.33 |
| 7 | Riverfront Park Great Floods Play Area | 11.00 | 7.33 | | | 7.67 | | 7.33 | 7.67 | 3.67 | 4.33 | 3.17 | 3.00 | -1.00 | 54.17 |
| 8 | Mabton Spray Pad | 14.00 | 8.33 | | | 7.67 | | 5.00 | 7.00 | 4.67 | 4.00 | 3.17 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 53.83 |
| 9 | Edgewood Community Park Phase 1 | 9.00 | 7.00 | | | 8.33 | | 8.00 | 6.67 | 3.83 | 4.17 | 3.17 | 3.00 | 0.00 | 53.17 |
| 10 | Pearl Street Memorial Outdoor Pool | 12.50 | 7.33 | | | 8.00 | | 5.67 | 6.33 | 3.67 | 4.17 | 3.67 | 1.50 | 0.00 | 52.83 |
| 11 | Van Lierop Park Land Acquisition | 10.50 | 7.67 | 8.00 | | | | 5.67 | 7.00 | 3.67 | 3.67 | 2.50 | 3.00 | 0.00 | 51.67 |
| 12 | Entiat Lakeshore Trail | 10.00 | 7.00 | | | 8.33 | | 7.67 | 7.00 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 3.33 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 51.33 |

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| 13 | White Salmon New Pool Complex | 11.00 | 7.67 | | | 7.33 | | 6.33 | 6.33 | 3.33 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 50.00 |
| 14 | Flowing Lake Park Renovation | 11.00 | 6.33 | | | 7.67 | | 7.00 | 5.67 | 4.00 | 3.50 | 3.17 | 1.50 | 0.00 | 49.83 |
| 15 | Five Acre Woods Community Park | 10.50 | 5.33 | 7.33 | | | | 6.67 | 6.33 | 3.67 | 3.50 | 2.67 | 3.00 | 0.00 | 49.00 |
| 16 | Shoreview Park Trail and Creek Improvement | 9.50 | 6.67 | | | 5.67 | | 7.67 | 6.67 | 3.17 | 2.83 | 2.33 | 3.00 | 0.00 | 47.50 |
| 17 | North Bend Partnering for a Park | 9.00 | 6.00 | 7.67 | | | | 6.00 | 6.00 | 3.83 | 3.17 | 2.17 | 3.00 | 0.00 | 46.83 |
| 18 | Bidwell Community Park Development | 10.50 | 7.33 | | | 6.67 | | 4.67 | 6.33 | 3.00 | 3.33 | 2.67 | 1.50 | 0.00 | 46.00 |
| 19 | Recreation Park Renovation and Upgrades | 10.00 | 6.33 | | | 7.00 | | 5.33 | 5.67 | 2.83 | 4.00 | 2.33 | 1.50 | 0.00 | 45.00 |
| 20 | North Bothell Park Acquisition Shelton View Woods | 8.50 | 5.67 | 5.67 | | | | 5.67 | 6.33 | 3.33 | 3.33 | 2.00 | 3.00 | -1.00 | 42.50 |
| 21 | Lake Street Greenway Phase 1 | 9.00 | 6.00 | | | 5.00 | | 5.00 | 5.33 | 3.00 | 3.33 | 3.17 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 39.83 |
| 22 | City Park Improvements | 6.00 | 4.33 | | | 4.33 | | 3.00 | 3.33 | 2.83 | 3.67 | 3.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 30.50 |

Evaluators score Questions 1-9; RCO staff scores Questions 10-11.

*Dev = Development Projects; Acq = Acquisition Projects; Com = Combination Projects

Wenatchee

Grant Requested: \$500,000

Renovating Kiwanis Methow Park

The City of Wenatchee will use this grant to revitalize the 1.26-acre Kiwanis Methow Park in Chelan County. The City will expand the playground, renovate a worn soccer field and basketball court, create a community garden, add walking paths with seating areas, install lighting, and build restrooms. Reflecting local culture, a new Latino kiosk pavilion will be the park's new central feature and promote community gatherings and events. Renovating the park is part of the City's efforts to meet this growing population's needs and reflect local community desires. The park serves more Latino residents and people identifying as other races, and more children than any other city park in Wenatchee. The City of Wenatchee will contribute \$1.3 million in staff labor, equipment, local and private grants, a grant from the state Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program, and donations of cash and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-1665)

Entiat

Grant Requested: \$283,500

Developing Entiat Way Park

The City of Entiat will use this grant to develop about 2.5 acres on the east side of Olin Street as a park with a multi-use field, including two Little League baseball fields and a soccer field, restrooms, a wandering trail, parking, and lighting. By developing this land, the City will be able to provide much needed community athletic recreation in an area that is under-served. The City's comprehensive parks plan has identified this project as a high priority. Entiat will contribute \$346,500 in cash and a grant from the state Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-1858)

Eastmont Metropolitan Parks and Recreation District **Buying Land for a New East Wenatchee Park**

Grant Requested: \$212,350

The Eastmont Metropolitan Parks and Recreation District will use this grant to buy 2.3 acres for a neighborhood park, the first new park in district's park system since 1969. The land is off 9th Street Northeast in an underserved neighborhood of East Wenatchee, in Douglas County. Once an orchard, the land is cleared and for sale. The new park would serve an area where 41 percent of households are low-income and 26 percent of residents are Latino, 15 percent are senior citizens, and 29 percent are children. The Eastmont Metropolitan Parks and Recreation District will contribute \$212,350 from a private grant and a grant from the state Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-1778)

Island County

Grant Requested: \$500,000

Expanding Barnum Point County Park

Island County will use this grant to buy 35 acres next to Barnum Point County Park. This request is part of a larger project to expand the 27-acre park to 129 acres, protecting nearly all of Barnum Point, an iconic waterfront landscape on Camano Island, and to give the public access to trails and more than a mile of Puget Sound beach, all with spectacular views. The land to be purchased includes the majority of a 2.5-mile forest and meadow trail network not accessible from the county park. It also connects the park to 30 acres being purchased by the Whidbey Camano Land Trust to add to the county park. The Barnum Point County Park expansion has outstanding public support, especially because 83 percent of the island's shoreline is privately-owned and much of the publicly-owned shoreline is inaccessible high bank. The park will provide diverse recreational opportunities, including hiking, photography, nature viewing, swimming, fishing, non-motorized boating access, biking, picnicking, and beachcombing. Island County will contribute nearly \$1.2 million from a grant from the state Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program and in a donation of property interest. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-1984)

Renton

Grant Requested: \$500,000

Buying Land and Continuing Development of Sunset Neighborhood Park

The City of Renton will use this grant to buy .18 acre and develop the second phase of Sunset Neighborhood Park, a 3.2-acre park in the Sunset area of Renton. The City will build perimeter and other pedestrian paths, playground and fitness areas, a water feature, and a picnic area, and landscape the area. The city will begin development in 2017 of the first phase, which will include building a plaza and seating areas, pedestrian paths, and a restroom, and grading the site, installing utilities, and landscaping. The Sunset Area is one of the most diverse and disadvantaged neighborhoods in Renton, with 51 percent of households being non-Caucasian and 27 percent living in poverty. The park will be a gateway for the 269-acre Sunset Area, a key part of Renton's "Sunset Area Community Reinvestment Strategy" and a catalyst for transforming a part of the city that is working to overcome academic, health, public safety, and socio-economic challenges. The City of Renton will contribute more than \$2 million in cash and a grant from the state Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-1772)

Wenatchee

Grant Requested: \$414,500

Developing Hale Park

The City of Wenatchee will use this grant to complete the second and final phase of development of the nearly 5-acre Hale Park, which is in the poorest and most ethnically diverse area of the city. The City will add a picnic shelter, build a children's play area and long-requested skate park, and add parking and restrooms. Hale Park is nestled between the Apple Capital Recreational Loop Trail, Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad, and the Columbia River in south

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Wenatchee. The park is next to the river and provides important pedestrian connections to East Wenatchee via a historic bridge. Through an 8-month public design process, the community created a master plan for the park that responds to their desires for close to home, active and passive recreation opportunities. It satisfies 13 goals, objectives, and level of service deficiencies in the city's comprehensive plan and other planning documents. The City of Wenatchee will contribute \$702,500 in cash, staff labor, materials, a grant from the state Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-1584)

Spokane **Grant Requested: \$500,000** **Building the Great Floods Play Area in Riverfront Park**

The City of Spokane's Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to develop a half-acre into a regional playground in Riverfront Park in downtown Spokane. The City will turn a dirt parking lot into a safe and fun central playground, serving the dual purpose of encouraging active lifestyles and telling the story of the Ice Age Floods that sculpted the region. The former location of Expo '74, The Worlds Fair, Riverfront Park has not had a comprehensive investment since 1978. There is only one small and outdated playground in the park and in downtown. The playground lacks equipment for children over pre-school age, doesn't serve children with disabilities, has no elements connecting it to nature, and does not engage children in activities essential to early development. Spokane will contribute \$1 million in voter-approved bonds and a grant from the state Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-1829)

Mabton **Grant Requested: \$298,500** **Building a Spray Pad to Beat the Summer Heat**

The City of Mabton will use this grant to build a splash pad, restroom, walkways, parking area, and other park amenities at Governor's Park. The splash pad and park amenities will provide a reprieve from the intense summer heat, which averages 90+ degrees over the summer, for residents of a severely poor and largely minority community. The City does not have any pools or aquatic facilities, indoor or outdoor, and also has no amenities at Governor's Park. The majority of amenities in the city's four parks, which total about 10 acres, are in need of being replaced or removed. This project aligns with the city's parks master plan and is responsive to the needs assessment survey responses from residents about what they would like to see in their park system. The City of Mabton will contribute \$298,500 in staff labor, a grant from the state Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-1364)

Edgewood **Grant Requested: \$500,000** **Developing Edgewood First Community Park**

The City of Edgewood will use this grant to develop an 18-acre park, its first community park. Edgewood has a population of 9,501 and has remained largely undeveloped. That is beginning

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to change and Edgewood is starting to see significant development along Meridian Avenue East (State Route 161) and all over the city. The community vision for the first phase of this new signature park for Edgewood includes a half-mile loop trail, an inclusive destination playground, a picnic shelter, grass amphitheater, restroom, multi-use programmable space, and a permanent site for the iconic 1902 Edgewood-Nyholm Windmill that will be used to generate power for the new park. Edgewood will contribute more than \$2.6 million in cash, a grant from the state Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-1991)

Centralia

Grant Requested: \$500,000

Renovating the Pearl Street Memorial Outdoor Pool

The City of Centralia will use this grant to redevelop an outdoor pool and build a new pool house on North Pearl Street. In the first phase of construction, the City is building a memorial plaza with a restroom and dry-deck fountain north of the existing pool house. In this, the second phase, the City will demolish the aging pool house, surrounding asphalt and concrete areas, and fencing, then build a new outdoor pool house, replace the pool's plumbing, and add decking and fencing around the pool. The City also will buy mechanic equipment and refurbish the existing pool. The pool, also known as the Pearl Street Veterans Pool, was built in the 1950s. While the pool has been maintained and even updated in the 1980s, the age of the pool and weatherization has finally caught up with it. In 2011, the City closed the pool. Centralia will contribute more than \$1 million from a state grant and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-2059)

Puyallup

Grant Requested: \$500,000

Buying Land for New Van Lierop Park

The City of Puyallup's Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to buy 18 acres of farmland to be developed into Van Lierop Park, which is in the east valley area, east of Shaw Road and north of Pioneer Avenue. The park eventually will include a playground, adult fitness area, picnic shelter, and multi-purpose sport fields. The land also connects the Riverwalk Trail to the Foothills Trail, improving this regional trail connection. This area is one of the few remaining areas in Puyallup that could be developed into a community park with multiple fields. Adjacent land are under contract for large commercial warehouse development. This project is supported by local community groups such as Friends of the Riverwalk, Puyallup Parks Foundation, Puyallup Parks, Recreation & Senior Advisory Board, Puyallup/Sumner Chamber of Commerce, and Kiwanis Club of Puyallup. The City of Puyallup will contribute \$608,000. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-1712)

Entiat

Grant Requested: \$42,120

Closing the Gap in the Entiat Lakeshore Trail

The City of Entiat will use this grant to develop just under a quarter-mile of an asphalt, multi-use trail along the north side of Lakeshore Drive in Entiat, in Chelan County. This project will

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complete a gap in the city's waterfront trail system, which is used by pedestrians and bicyclists. Lakeshore Drive is the only direct access from U.S. Highway 97A to Entiat Park. The newly completed park is host to more than 10,000 visitors annually, who use the waterfront trail system that runs through the park and north along the river's shoreline. There is no sidewalk or designated path along a portion of Lakeshore Drive. Pedestrians and bicyclists are forced to share the road with vehicles or are pushed onto the unpaved shoulder, fighting rough landscaping and vegetation. This project is supported by the public, Chelan County Public Utility District 1, and Entiat Chamber of Commerce. Entiat will contribute \$51,484 in cash and a grant from the state Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-1856)

White Salmon

Grant Requested: \$500,000

Building a White Salmon New Pool Complex

The City of White Salmon will use this grant to build a new pool complex in downtown White Salmon, replacing the city's 1934 pool, which is near the end of its useful life. Overall this project will decrease energy costs, reduce pool operation and maintenance costs, and increase outdoor recreation opportunities for the community. The proposed new pool complex consists of a 75-foot-long pool suitable for swimming laps and holding competitions, therapy pool, splash pad, grassy area, mechanical room, and bathhouse. The pool will be built one block east of Whitson Elementary School and along a "Safe Route to School." This will make it easier and safer for both children and adults to walk or bike to the pool. White Salmon will contribute more than \$2.3 million in voter-approved bonds and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-2004)

Snohomish County

Grant Requested: \$500,000

Renovating Flowing Lake Park's Entrance

The Snohomish County Department of Parks and Recreation will use this grant to improve access into the heavily-used Flowing Lake Park and to build three cabins. Flowing Lake Park is less than an hour from Seattle and offers access to beautiful trees and natural areas, camping, hiking, lake-front beach access, and a boat launch. The park is extremely popular and summer camping is typically fully booked by March of each year and, in the summer, boat launch parking is filled by 10 a.m. and day-use parking is filled by noon on Saturdays. Flowing Lake's current entrance is only one traffic lane, does not provide good access to staff, is confusing, and is entirely lacking in accessible services. The County plans to reconfigure the entrance to provide two lanes of entry, relocate the ranger office to the entrance, correct the circulation, and provide access for people with disabilities. The cabins will be built by Darrington High School students in a trades program, which is focused on providing real-life work experience to students. Snohomish County will contribute \$709,407 in cash, a grant from the state Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-2161)

Lake Forest Park

Grant Requested: \$500,000

Buying the Five Acre Woods Community Park

The City of Lake Forest Park will use this grant to buy 5.6 acres of forested land, the largest remaining undeveloped site in the city, for an urban park. Located in the Lyon Creek watershed, the land is bordered by residential development and includes rolling hills, a stream, and several types of wetlands. The park will be kept largely as a natural area but will have trails for walking, areas for wildlife viewing, parking, and outdoor education activities. This project addresses the critical shortage of publicly accessible open space in the city; currently only 1.6 percent of the land in Lake Forest Park is publicly owned parks or open space, compared to 7 percent in surrounding cities. The City of Seattle is planning to sell the land if the City of Lake Forest Park cannot get funding soon. The City of Lake Forest Park will contribute \$759,482 in Conservation Futures¹ and donations of cash and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-1430)

Shoreline

Grant Requested: \$448,000

Restoring Shoreview Park Trail and Boeing Creek

The City of Shoreline will use this grant to restore a trail along Boeing Creek in Shoreview Park. The park was created in 1978 and featured a nature trail along the densely-forested Boeing Creek. The trail is closed because of erosion damage and Boeing Creek is impounded by a dam. The City will rebuild the damaged creek-side trail, restore a natural creek channel through the impoundment area, build a new trail along the restored area, install interpretive signs and a viewpoint, and plant the area with native landscaping. City residents rated nature trails as the most important park amenity and ranked nature trails, natural areas, and natural and environmental education as high unmet needs. This project is linked to a larger city-led effort to restore Boeing Creek for migrating fish, such as Coho Salmon, as a passageway from Puget Sound into Shoreview Park. The larger effort will remove multiple fish passage barriers, including Hidden Lake Dam, and restore downstream habitat. The City of Shoreline will contribute \$547,500. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-1621)

North Bend

Grant Requested: \$300,040

Buying Land for a Park and Trailhead

The City of North Bend will use this grant to buy nearly 32 acres in North Bend for a community park and regional trailhead, connecting the city to more than 100,000 acres of public land for hikers and bikers. The land is south of Interstate 90 and connects to an extensive preserved forest at Rattlesnake Mountain (and beyond) and provides a high-functioning wildlife habitat system and corridor. The land is undeveloped and contains mature second-growth forest,

¹Conservation Futures are a portion of property taxes used by local governments to buy land or development rights to protect natural areas, forests, wetlands, and farms.

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wetlands, and streams that connect to the Snoqualmie River. The land is used by a variety of wildlife including owls, pileated woodpeckers, peregrine falcons, osprey, and black bears. It is within a management buffer area for northern spotted owl and is a regular concentration area for elk. The land has a willing seller, but is at threat of sale for residential development. The City is partnering with Si View Metropolitan Park District and King County for the purchase. The City of North Bend will contribute \$1.7 million in cash and Conservation Futures.² For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-1814)

Spokane County

Grant Requested: \$500,000

Developing Bidwell Community Park

Spokane County Parks, Recreation and Golf Department will use this grant to continue developing the 20-acre Bidwell Park. The aquatics portion of the park has been completed but the remaining 16 acres still is undeveloped. The County will expand the green space, pave trails, landscape, and build a restroom, playground, picnic shelter, multi-use softball/soccer field, and more parking. Spokane County will contribute \$781,000 in cash, a grant from the state Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-2024)

Chehalis

Grant Requested: \$500,000

Renovating Recreation Park

The City of Chehalis will use this grant to renovate Recreation Park on 13th Street by building a new Penny Playground, improving drainage to the entire park, and creating two new parking areas, one along the west side of the park next the railroad tracks and one on the north side of the park next to the playground. This is the first of two phases of park renovation. The second phase will include new community buildings, an additional parking lot and connector drive linking parking lots, new picnic shelters, additional walkways, and landscaping improvements. Chehalis will contribute more than \$1 million in council bonds, and a grant from the state Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-1978)

Bothell

Grant Requested: \$500,000

Buying Land for a Park in North Bothell

The City of Bothell will use this grant to buy 26 acres owned by the Washington State Department of Natural Resources in north Bothell. The land has about 2 miles of informal trails that are used by the public. If not purchased by the City, the land is at great risk of being sold and developed into housing. Forests in cities are rare, especially one near 9,000 students at the University of Washington Bothell campus and 185,000 people within a 10-minute drive. The City has partnerships with three nonprofit groups that support the land purchase: the Friends of the

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Shelton View Woods, Friends of the North Creek Forest, and OneBothell. Bothell will contribute more than \$3 million in cash, Conservation Futures,³ and a grant from the state Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-1836)

Colfax

Grant Requested: \$280,025

Buying Land and Developing Part of the Lake Street Greenway

The City of Colfax will use this grant to build about .67 mile of trail along Lake Street on a former railroad track. The City will build a community garden, bioswales, rain gardens, a parking area, as well as improve Eells Park, which is next to the trail, by adding new playground equipment, replacing a restroom, and renovating the basketball court. This project creates a safe, dedicated pedestrian and bicycle trail connecting northern and southern city neighborhoods with the city's historic downtown business district. The City of Colfax will contribute \$280,025 in cash, a private grant, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-1804)

Toledo

Grant Requested: \$55,375

Improving Kemp Olson Memorial Park

The City of Toledo will use this grant to renovate 12 recreational vehicle (RV) camping sites with picnic tables, fire rings, and gravel as well as develop a new dump station, in Kemp Olson Memorial Park, which is in the south end of Toledo along Cedar and South Sixth Street. The City also will update electrical service to the RV sites and other areas. The park lies halfway between Seattle and Portland along the Interstate 5 corridor and State Route 505 passes through Toledo leading to the Mount Saint Helens National Monument. With improvements to the park, the City will be able to expand recreational opportunities to the community and tourists. The park is next to future trails systems, ball fields, and the Cowlitz River, and within a half-mile of the Toledo Boat Launch. Toledo will contribute \$55,375 in equipment, staff labor, another grant, and donations of equipment, labor, and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit [RCO's online Project Snapshot](#). (16-1896)

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