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Critical Habitat Projects
Preliminary Ranking
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Rank	Score	Project Number and Type*	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
1	41.90	16-1343A	South Fork Manastash	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$1,500,000		$1,500,000
2	39.60	16-1333A	Mid Columbia Grand Coulee	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$3,000,000		$3,000,000
3	38.10	16-1915A	Mount Adams Klickitat Canyon Phase 2	Columbia Land Trust	$2,440,525	$2,440,525	$4,881,050
4	36.20	16-1344A	Cowiche Watershed	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$3,000,000		$3,000,000
5	35.00	16-1346A	Simcoe	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$4,000,000		$4,000,000
6	33.70	16-1699A	Lehman Uplands Conservation Easement	Methow Conservancy	$1,134,050	$1,570,450	$2,704,500
7	29.70	16-1325A	Hoffstadt Hills	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$3,000,000		$3,000,000
					$18,074,575	**$4,010,975**	**$22,085,550**

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Rank	Project Name	Ecological and Biological Characteristics	Species and Communities with Special Status	Manageability and Viability	Public Benefit and Support	Total
1	South Fork Manastash	16.90	8.80	12.30	3.90	41.90
2	Mid Columbia Grand Coulee	16.40	8.20	11.90	3.10	39.60
3	Mount Adams Klickitat Canyon Phase 2	16.30	7.60	11.40	2.80	38.10
4	Cowiche Watershed	14.70	7.80	10.60	3.10	36.20
5	Simcoe	14.50	7.80	10.00	2.70	35.00
6	Lehman Uplands Conservation Easement	14.00	7.00	9.60	3.10	33.70
7	Hoffstadt Hills	12.00	5.40	9.40	2.90	29.70

Evaluators score Questions 1-4

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Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $1,500,000
Conserving Land along the South Fork Manastash River

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy about 1,600 acres of forest and Manastash River habitat on the east slope of the central Cascade Mountains in Kittitas County. The site is about 15 miles southwest of Ellensburg, between the LT Murray Wildlife Area to the east and the national forest to the west. The objective of this project is to conserve critical habitat in a biologically rich and high priority location, protect public access, and improve land management. The site provides breeding and foraging habitat for northern spotted owls, supports large ungulate herds, and contains headwater streams that support steelhead and salmon recovery efforts. Conservation here will implement key elements identified in state and federal management and recovery plans. Longstanding and popular access through these lands to public ownership is under threat, so public support for this project is strong. This grant will secure the remaining gap in the larger Heart of the Cascades project, which has conserved about 28 square miles of habitat along the mountain range. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1343)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $3,000,000
Conserving Grouse Habitat in Grand Coulee

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy about 7,250 acres of shrub-steppe habitat 6 miles west of Grand Coulee for sharp-tailed grouse. This is the final phase of a three-phase project to buy more than 20,500 acres, with previous purchases making up the department's Big Bend Wildlife Area. The land is an important link between sharp-tailed grouse populations in Douglas, Okanogan, and Lincoln Counties and a strategic component in the department's ongoing efforts to maintain and recover sharp-tailed grouse in these counties. One of the largest active sharp-tailed grouse lek sites in the state is on the land, with other lek sites within 2.5 miles. Sharp-tailed grouse are a state threatened species and a federal species of concern. Located on the south shore of the Columbia River, the land has elevation ranges from 950 to 2,620 feet and a variety of plants, such as bunchgrass dominated expanses, aspen and Ponderosa pine, seasonal wetlands, and pot-hole lakes. Other habitat features include basalt cliffs, caves, talus, and snags. The land is used by a variety of priority species including Columbian sharp-tailed grouse, greater sage-grouse, sage thrasher, golden eagle, and mule deer. Recreational use will provide an important regional community value. The size, location, quality, and diversity of habitats allow the department to address factors limiting growth of the sharp-tailed grouse population, such as lack of winter and breeding habitats and not enough habitat in general. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1333)

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Columbia Land Trust **Grant Requested: $2,440,525**
Conserving the Klickitat Canyon on Mount Adams

The Columbia Land Trust will use this grant to buy about 3,200 acres on the east side of the Cascade Mountains. The land straddles the wild and scenic Klickitat River and includes 1.7 miles of two major tributaries – Summit and White Creeks. The land is a vital wildlife corridor and connects protected lands owned by tribes, state and federal agencies, and the land trust. Its unusual topographic and ecological diversity includes a mosaic of dry and moist mixed conifer forests, oak woodlands, aspen, freshwater wetlands, steep canyons, talus slopes, and shoreline and river habitats. The land is used by a diverse array of wildlife including at least 15 species listed by the federal government as a species of concern or under the Endangered Species Act and 21 species either listed or considered a candidate for listing by state government, such as western gray squirrel and northern spotted owl. It also supports numerous migratory game species, including mule deer, black-tailed deer, elk, mountain goat, and big-horned sheep. This is second phase of a larger project to conserve 5,600 acres that are threatened by development The land trust will manage the land for wildlife habitat and public benefits. The project enjoys broad support including from the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation, Klickitat County commissioners, state agencies, neighboring forestry owners, and local community partners. The Columbia Land Trust will contribute more than $2.4 million in a private grant, a grant from the salmon recovery program, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1915)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife **Grant Requested: $3,000,000**
Conserving Land in the Cowiche Watershed

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy 3,200 acres of crucial upland wildlife habitat in the Cowiche watershed, which is 15 miles northwest of Yakima, in Yakima County. This is the final phase in the department's 14 year-long quest to knit together this ecosystem, which contains priority habitats and state species of concern, such as shrub-steppe, stream shorelines, wetlands, oak-pine forests, sage thrashers, loggerhead shrikes, sage sparrows, golden and bald eagles, Townsend ground squirrels, western gray squirrels, Townsend big-eared bats, white-headed woodpeckers, Lewis' woodpeckers, and pygmy nuthatches. The purchase links the department's Cowiche and Oak Creek Wildlife Area units with other public lands, connecting more 80,000 acres of protected land that extends for more than 26 miles, and builds on the department's efforts that already have protected 5,600 acres of upland habitat in the watershed. The project is critical because it: a) protects upland cold water inputs for Cowiche watershed habitat for steelhead, Bull Trout, Westslope Cutthroat Trout, and Coho Salmon; b) secures critical winter range and movement corridors for up to 2,800 elk and other big game; c) provides the public with recreational opportunities, including hunting, wildlife viewing, camping, hiking, and mountain biking; and d) maintains stream shoreline and upland habitats that support state priority wildlife. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1344)

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Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $4,000,000
Buying Land on Simcoe Mountain for Habitat and Recreation

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy about 6,700 acres on Simcoe Mountain, which is about 15 miles northeast of Goldendale, to protect wildlife habitat and open the land to hiking, fishing, and hunting. The land is gated and public access restricted. Acquisition of the land would connect protected land from the Columbia River to the Cascade Mountains and provide opportunities for recreation that are unavailable in the area. This is the fourth phase of a project to conserve about 22,000 acres of a unique large-scale landscape that has mixed conifer, Oregon white oak, white alder, shrub steppe, grasslands, cliffs, and 10 miles of shoreline habitat that includes upper Rock Creek and its tributaries. The land is used by steelhead, which are listed as threatened with extinction under the federal Endangered Species Act; Chinook Salmon; western gray squirrel, which are on the state's list of species threatened with extinction; mule deer; burrowing owl; and western toad. This project is an opportunity for a partnership between the department and the East and Central Klickitat Conservation Districts to jointly buy the land for wildlife habitat, grazing, logging, and recreation. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1346)

Methow Conservancy — Grant Requested: $1,134,050
Conserving Land in the Methow Watershed

The Methow Conservancy will use this grant buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, on 1,028 acres of undeveloped land near Twisp in Okanogan County. The purchase will protect shrub-steppe, shoreline, and wetlands habitats; link existing protected land; conserve at-risk species; and maintain corridors for wildlife movement. The land is used by gray wolves, mule deer, sharp-tailed grouse, peregrine falcons, and Brewer's sparrows, among other animals. Without protection, the landowner will sell the land for development. The Methow Conservancy will contribute more than $1.5 million in staff labor, a federal grant, and donations of cash and land. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1699)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $3,000,000
Conserving Hoffstadt Hills

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy about 1,300 acres of elk winter range habitat near Mount Saint Helens. This is the first phase of a larger project to ultimately conserve 4,100 acres about 15 miles east of Toutle Lake, between State Route 504 (Spirit Lake Highway) and the Mount Saint Helens Wildlife Area for the Mount Saint Helens elk herd. The land to be purchased is often closed to the public in late summer and early fall because of fire concerns, which in effect closes public access to the wildlife area as well. The project will allow year-round public access to the wildlife area, except from December through April to minimize disturbing the wintering elk. Most of the land is in the 1980 blast zone of Mount Saint Helens and is next to the National Volcanic Monument. Cliffs, talus slopes, and forested wetlands are some of the unique features present on the site. Acquisition of the land will protect habitat for

Coho Salmon and steelhead, both of which are listed as threatened with extinction under the federal Endangered Species Act. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1325)

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1	54.56	16-1660A	Penn Cove Farmland	Whidbey Camano Land Trust	$755,370	$923,230	$1,678,600
2	52.89	16-1908A	Smith Family Farms Phase 1	North Olympic Land Trust	$523,800	$683,200	$1,207,000
3	51.56	16-1765A	Trout Lake Valley Phase 3	Columbia Land Trust	$844,987	$844,988	$1,689,975
4	48.78	16-1360A	Bailey Farm	PCC Farmland Trust	$569,511	$582,000	$1,151,511
5	48.11	16-1924A	Schuster Hereford Ranch	Conservation Commission	$881,000		$881,000
6	47.89	16-1319A	Mountain View Dairy	PCC Farmland Trust	$778,861	$778,862	$1,557,723
7	47.78	16-1358A	Reiner Farm	PCC Farmland Trust	$814,010	$814,010	$1,628,020
8	46.44	16-1637A	Serendipity Farm	Jefferson Land Trust	$106,600	$106,600	$213,200
9	46.33	16-1923A	Lazy Cross Ranch	Conservation Commission	$1,803,656		$1,803,656
10	45.33	16-1942A	Anderson Creek Area Acquisitions	Whatcom County	$377,120	$447,120	$824,240
11	44.67	16-1939A	Cougar Creek Ranch Acquisition	Whatcom County	$316,000	$355,500	$671,500
12	44.56	16-1922A	Blain Ranches	Conservation Commission	$776,825		$776,825
12	44.56	16-2009A	Seachris Farm Easement	Blue Mountain Land Trust	$169,500	$169,500	$339,000
14	44.33	16-1634A	Rader Road Ranch	Forterra	$937,500	$937,500	$1,875,000
15	44.22	16-1938A	Brar Acquisition	Whatcom County	$157,200	$181,700	$338,900
16	44.00	16-1989A	Pierson Farm	Skagit County	$713,375	$713,375	$1,426,750
16	44.00	16-1866A	Anders Orchard Methow Valley Acquisition	Methow Conservancy	$108,750	$108,750	$217,500
18	43.89	16-1941A	Jacoby Acquisition	Whatcom County	$201,000	$229,000	$430,000
19	42.89	16-1937A	Williams Acquisitions	Whatcom County	$211,000	$265,500	$476,500
20	42.22	16-1943A	Squalicum Ranch Acquisition	Whatcom County	$173,500	$199,800	$373,300
21	38.33	16-1990A	Nelson Ploeg Farm	Skagit County	$80,750	$80,750	$161,500
22	37.89	16-1987A	Sakuma Brothers Farm	Skagit County	$263,250	$263,250	$526,500
23	37.33	16-1963A	Hayton Farm	Skagit County	$263,250	$263,250	$526,500
24	36.11	16-1944A	Matheson Acquisition	Whatcom County	$113,500	$132,700	$246,200
					$11,940,315	**$9,080,585**	**$21,020,900**

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							Farmland Stewardship					
Rank	Project Name	Viability of the Site	Threat to the Land	Access to Markets	On Site Infrastructure	Building Envelope	*Stewardship Practices*	*Stewardship Practices in Easement*	Benefits to Community	Match	Easement Duration	Total
1	Penn Cove Farmland	15.78	10.00	4.00	4.00	3.33	5.67	1.89	7.89	2.00	0.00	54.56
2	Smith Family Farms Phase 1	15.56	8.78	3.78	3.67	4.00	5.67	2.00	7.44	2.00	0.00	52.89
3	Trout Lake Valley Phase 3	15.67	9.00	3.89	4.00	4.00	5.78	1.89	7.33	0.00	0.00	51.56
4	Bailey Farm	15.00	8.11	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.67	1.56	7.44	0.00	0.00	48.78
5	Schuster Hereford Ranch	14.78	7.33	3.89	3.67	3.89	5.56	1.78	7.22	0.00	0.00	48.11
6	Mountain View Dairy	14.56	10.00	3.89	3.78	4.00	3.67	1.44	6.56	0.00	0.00	47.89
7	Reiner Farm	13.78	8.44	4.00	3.78	3.78	5.67	1.56	6.78	0.00	0.00	47.78
8	Serendipity Farm	14.33	7.67	4.00	4.00	2.89	5.44	1.78	6.33	0.00	0.00	46.44
9	Lazy Cross Ranch	14.11	6.89	3.78	3.78	3.78	5.11	1.89	7.00	0.00	0.00	46.33
10	Anderson Creek Area	13.89	8.11	3.89	3.67	3.44	5.00	1.67	5.67	0.00	0.00	45.33
11	Cougar Creek Ranch	14.22	7.11	3.89	3.56	3.67	4.78	1.67	5.78	0.00	0.00	44.67
12	Blain Ranches	13.89	6.56	3.78	3.67	3.44	4.44	1.89	6.89	0.00	0.00	44.56
12	Seachris Farm Easement	14.56	8.78	4.00	2.89	3.22	4.33	1.44	5.33	0.00	0.00	44.56
14	Rader Road Ranch	14.67	8.22	3.56	3.89	3.89	2.44	1.22	6.44	0.00	0.00	44.33
15	Brar Acquisition	15.22	8.78	4.00	3.44	3.56	3.22	0.67	5.33	0.00	0.00	44.22
16	Pierson Farm	14.78	8.00	4.00	3.67	3.89	4.11	0.00	5.56	0.00	0.00	44.00
16	Anders Orchard	13.56	9.22	4.00	2.00	3.56	3.56	1.89	6.22	0.00	0.00	44.00
18	Jacoby Acquisition	13.67	6.56	3.89	3.67	3.56	5.00	1.44	6.11	0.00	0.00	43.89
19	Williams Acquisitions	12.22	7.44	4.00	2.67	3.56	3.67	1.22	6.11	2.00	0.00	42.89
20	Squalicum Ranch Acquisition	12.56	9.44	3.89	3.89	3.78	2.89	0.67	5.11	0.00	0.00	42.22
21	Nelson-Ploeg Farm	13.33	7.33	4.00	2.22	2.78	3.22	0.00	5.44	0.00	0.00	38.33
22	Sakuma Brothers Farm	14.33	6.56	4.00	2.44	2.78	2.78	0.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	37.89
23	Hayton Farm	12.78	6.44	4.00	1.78	2.89	3.89	0.00	5.56	0.00	0.00	37.33
24	Matheson Acquisition	10.56	8.11	4.00	1.67	2.89	2.89	0.89	5.11	0.00	0.00	36.11

Evaluators score Questions 1-8; RCO staff scores Questions 9-10.

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Whidbey Camano Land Trust — Grant Requested: $755,370
Preserving Penn Cove Farmland

The Whidbey Camano Land Trust will use this grant to conserve 202 acres of historic, working farmland 3 miles south of Oak Harbor in Ebey's Landing National Historical Reserve on Whidbey Island. The land trust will buy voluntary land preservation agreements, also called conservation easements, which will prevent development of two farms forever. The 129-acre Penn Cove Farm primarily is used for cropland to support an on-site dairy and heifer-raising operation. The farm has a full suite of infrastructure, including barns and farm buildings, irrigation system, manure digester, and fully-implemented farm resource management plan. The second farm is 73 acres, used primarily for hay and beef cattle production, and contains farm structures. Farmland protection, especially in Ebey's reserve, is a high priority for Island County residents and is a primary goal in the county's comprehensive plan. The need to protect these two farms is becoming more critical as the population around Oak Harbor expands to serve a growing Navy population. Conserving the farms also protects prime farmland soils, critical aquifer recharge areas, scenic open space, and wildlife habitat in the reserve. Both farms are identified as high protection priorities for the land trust, National Park Service, and Ebey's Trust board. The Whidbey Camano Land Trust will contribute $923,230 in federal and local grants. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1660)

North Olympic Land Trust — Grant Requested: $523,800
Conserving Smith Family Farms in Clallam County

The North Olympic Land Trust will use this grant to conserve 132 acres of Smith Family Farms, one of Clallam County's two remaining dairy farms. The land trust will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, which will prevent development of the land and ensure the farm remains available for agricultural production. The land has been farmed by the family since 1933, and the third, fourth, and fifth generations are active on the farm today. This farm contains all prime and prime, if irrigated, farmland soils, and is planted with spinach and cauliflower seed crop, barley, corn, and fruit tree-fescue grass mix. The farm and other land that the Smith family leases and owns in the area, provide all the feed for their cattle and are an integral part of their dairy operation. The farm is in eastern Clallam County, which is primarily large tracts of farmland, wetlands, and wildlife habitat. This farm is a popular birding spot and is popular with the Dungeness herd of elk. This project is the first of phase of a conservation vision to conserve all of the land that the family farms, including its 115-acre dairy. The North Olympic Land Trust will contribute $683,200 in and a federal grant and cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1908)

Columbia Land Trust — Grant Requested: $844,987
Conserving a Farm in Trout Lake Valley

The Columbia Land Trust will use this grant to buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, for 280 acres of farmland in the shadow of Mount Adams and in

Trout Lake Valley in Klickitat County. The agreement will prevent development and keep the land available for agriculture forever. The Trout Lake Valley is renowned for its extraordinary beauty, productive farms and forests, and abundant wildlife and recreation. The valley is ideal for agriculture because of its abundance of water, prime agricultural soils, climate, isolation from pollution, and its rich history of farming since the 1880s. Large-scale agriculture is threatened in the valley because of its exceptional beauty. When residential development mixes with farming, farms often lose because people complain about the dust, noise, odors, traffic, trespass, and water conflicts. The Columbia Land Trust will contribute $844,988 in a donation of property interest. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1765)

PCC Farmland Trust — Grant Requested: $569,511
Conserving Bailey Farm

PCC Farmland Trust will use this grant to conserve 270 acres of Snohomish County's best farmland. Bailey Farm is in the southeast corner of the Marshland Flood Control District in the highly productive Snohomish River valley. It is zoned for agriculture with 8 percent of the land in the Snohomish River floodway. Conservation of Bailey Farm will help preserve the ecological integrity of the county's prime farmland, as well as critical upland and wetland. Bailey Farm is a fifth-generation family farm and was designated a Centennial Farm by Snohomish County. Bailey Farm provides opportunities for surrounding communities to experience a farm firsthand through school field trips, a large u-pick vegetable operation, and farm stand. In recognition of this farm's importance in the community, this project is supported by Snohomish County. PCC Farmland Trust contributed $582,000 in Conservation Futures.[1] For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1360)

Washington State Conservation Commission — Grant Requested: $881,000
Conserving the Schuster Hereford Ranch

The Conservation Commission will use this grant to buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, for the 1,909-acre Schuster Hereford Ranch in Klickitat County. The ranch is contiguous with an 11,920-acre farm already protected. The landowner wants to keep his rangeland pasture and dryland operation intact and undeveloped. The easement will prevent development and keep the land available for farming forever. Conserving the land also will protect key habitat and wildlife at risk of extinction in the Rock Creek watershed including middle Columbia River Chinook Salmon and steelhead, both of which are listed as threatened with extinction under the federal Endangered Species Act. In addition, the land will enhance the adjacent Badger Gulch Natural Area Preserve by preventing development on sensitive lands. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1924)

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

PCC Farmland Trust — Grant Requested: $778,861
Conserving the Mountain View Dairy

PCC Farmland Trust will use this grant to buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, for the Mountain View Dairy, a historic family dairy farm in Graham. At 284 total acres, it is eight times the average farm size in Pierce County, and one of the largest farms in the area. The agreement will prevent the farm from being developed, ensuring the land will be available for farming forever. The farm is owned by a developer who has had the property preliminarily platted and listed for sale. If not conserved, the farm could be developed into more than 29 homes and lost forever as a productive farm. The owner is leasing the land to a local farming family that operates a certified organic dairy in King County and is using the property to expand and diversify its operation. The family plans to buy the land and raise feed, beef, and chickens. In recognition of this farm's importance in the community and the urgency of the threat of development, the PCC Farmland Trust is working to buy the easement and ensure that ownership of the farm can be transferred affordably to the current farmers. This project is supported by Pierce County and the Pierce Conservation District. The PCC Farmland Trust will contribute $778,862 in donations of cash and Conservation Futures.[2] For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1319)

PCC Farmland Trust — Grant Requested: $814,010
Conserving the Reiner Farm in the Tualco Valley

PCC Farmland Trust will use this grant to conserve 200 acres of Reiner Farm in the Tualco Valley, one of Snohomish County's core agricultural communities. Five times the average county farm size, Reiner Farm also has some of Snohomish County's best farmland, 2 miles of riverfront along the Skykomish River, and a 200-foot buffer along the river, providing high quality wildlife habitat. The County will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, which will prevent the farm from being developed and ensure the land will be available for farming forever. Currently, Reiner Farm provides critical land for the neighboring Werkhoven Dairy, which milks 1,000 cows on 700 acres of owned and leased land, including Reiner farm. Reiner Farm produces corn, silage, and hay, and its rich U.S. Department of Agriculture prime soils are capable of supporting diversified row crops, berries and fruit, livestock, and grain production. The landowner, Dale Reiner, along with the Werkhovens, are part of the Sno/Sky Ag Alliance. Ten years ago, these producers began working collaboratively with their neighbors–Northwest Chinook Recovery and the Tulalip Tribes–to achieve a common goal of environmental preservation and sustainable agriculture. In addition to pursuing grants to secure the farmland, PCC Farmland Trust is working with partners to acquire additional funding to conserve the shoreline and wildlife habitat areas of the property. PCC Farmland Trust will

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contribute $814,010 in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1358)

Jefferson Land Trust **Grant Requested: $106,600**
Conserving a Farm in the Heart of Quilcene

The Jefferson Land Trust will use this grant to conserve nearly 45 acres of farmland in the heart of Quilcene. The land trust will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, on Serendipity Farm, which will prevent development of this historic farm, preserve the prime soils and habitat forever, and provide funding for the farmers to grow their business. Conservation of this important local farm will result in more than 70 contiguous acres of prime farmland conserved in the heart of Quilcene. Serendipity Farm includes about 30 acres of prime pastureland, more than 5 acres of restored stream shoreline habitat enrolled in a federal conservation program, and 8 acres of vegetables, berries, fruit trees, and flowers. Salmon species, including Coho Salmon and Cutthroat Trout, use the restored stream and drainage ditches on the farm. The highly visible, scenic vistas define the rural character of this area and protection of this strategically located farm will enhance the viability of the agricultural community. The project builds on the land trust's agricultural land preservation program, which has conserved nearly 600 acres in Chimacum and 144 acres in nearby Quilcene. The Jefferson Land Trust will contribute $106,600 in a local grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1637)

Washington State Conservation Commission **Grant Requested: $1,803,656**
Conserving Lazy Cross Ranch

The Conservation Commission will use this grant to buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, for the 4,351-acre Lazy Cross Ranch in Klickitat County. The landowner wants to keep his rangeland pasture operation intact and undeveloped. The easement will prevent development and keep the land available for farming forever. Protecting this land also will protect water quality and habitat availability. The ranch includes a portion of the Rock Creek watershed, which is used by middle Columbia River Chinook Salmon and steelhead, both of which are listed as threatened with extinction under the federal Endangered Species Act. It also includes the upper reaches of Squaw Creek, which contains important habitat for steelhead. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1923)

Whatcom County **Grant Requested: $347,120**
Conserving Anderson Creek Area Farms

Whatcom County will use this grant to conserve nearly 160 acres of three adjacent farms along Anderson Creek in the central part of the county. The County will buy voluntary land preservation agreements, also called conservation easements, which will prevent the land from being developed and ensure it will be available for farming forever. The land is used for a variety of crops and livestock, including a u-pick vegetable operation to silage to replacement heifer

operations that support a local dairy. In 2001, the County set a goal to protect 100,000 acres of agricultural land, but has only 88,000 acres in agricultural zoning, which means the remaining acres must come from land zoned for rural development, such as the Anderson Creek area farms. The primary benefit of this project is to ensure the permanent preservation and maintenance of a large block of rural land as agricultural land and open space. Whatcom County will contribute $447,120 in Conservation Futures[3] and a federal grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1942)

Whatcom County — Grant Requested: $316,000
Conserving Cougar Creek Ranch

Whatcom County will use this grant to conserve the nearly 158-acre Cougar Creek Ranch, which is between Bellingham and Lynden, in the central part of the county. The County will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, which will prevent the ranch from being developed and ensure the land will be available for farming forever. The land is used for pigs, poultry, sheep, corn silage, seed potatoes, and raspberries. The farm is an original homestead that has been in the farmer's (Karl Prisk) family for generations. Preserving this farm would prevent fragmentation in the agricultural zone and keep the original homestead intact. In 2001, the County set a goal to protect 100,000 acres of agricultural land, but has only 88,000 acres in agricultural zoning, which means the remaining acres must come from land zoned for rural development, such as the Cougar Creek Ranch Farm. The primary benefit of the project is to ensure the permanent preservation and maintenance of a large block of rural land as agricultural land and open space. Whatcom County will contribute $355,500 in Conservation Futures[4] and a federal grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1939)

Washington State Conservation Commission — Grant Requested: $776,825
Conserving Blain Ranch

The Conservation Commission will use this grant to conserve the 1,924-acre Blain Ranch in Klickitat County. The commission will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, which will prevent development and keep the land available for farming forever. The cattle ranch is contiguous with 11,920 acres of farmland already protected. This project comes with the support of a motivated landowner who intends to keep his rangeland operation intact and undeveloped. Protecting this property also will protect key habitat for species at risk of extinction in the Rock Creek watershed including middle Columbia River Chinook Salmon and steelhead, both of which are listed as threatened with extinction under the

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federal Endangered Species Act, and western gray squirrel. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1922)

Blue Mountain Land Trust **Grant Requested: $169,500**
Conserving a Walla Walla Farm

The Blue Mountain Land Trust will use this grant to conserve a 238-acre farm in Walla Walla County. The land trust will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, which will prevent the farm from being developed and ensure the land will be available for farming forever while reserving future home sites on non-farmable land. Located along the Touchet River, the farm has nearly 200 acres of prime agricultural soils and ample water rights for irrigation. In 2016, about 40 acres will be planted with alfalfa, with the remainder of the farm used as irrigated pasture. The agreement will protect about 21 acres enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) as a shoreline buffer. Located immediately outside the town of Touchet and about 2 miles from U.S. Highway 12, the farm is an attractive target for development. Blue Mountain Land Trust will contribute $169,500 in a federal grant and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2009)

Forterra **Grant Requested: $937,500**
Preserving Rader Road Ranch

Forterra will use this grant to protect 280 acres of working farmland just north of Ellensburg in Kittitas County. Forterra will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, on Rader Road Ranch, which will preserve the ranch and prevent development forever. The cattle ranch is owned by a legendary rodeo family. With significant water rights, the largest private ownership on nearly 1 mile of Naneum Creek, spectacular views of the Kittitas Valley, fantastic soils, and easy access to markets, Rader Road Ranch is an excellent candidate for permanent protection. Rader Road Ranch will add to the county's protected farmland acreage and continue the legacy of support for working and resource lands in the region. Forterra will contribute $937,500 in donation of property interest and a federal grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1634)

Whatcom County **Grant Requested: $157,200**
Conserving the Brar Brothers' Raspberry Farm

Whatcom County will use this grant to conserve the 78-acre Brar Brothers Farm, which produces raspberries, in the central part of the county. The County will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, which will prevent the farm from being developed and ensure the land will be available for farming forever. In 2001, the County set a goal to protect 100,000 acres of agricultural land, but has only 88,000 acres in agricultural zoning, which means the remaining acres must come from land zoned for rural development, such as the Brar Farm. The primary benefit of the project is to ensure the permanent

preservation and maintenance of a large block of rural land as agricultural land and open space. Whatcom County will contribute $181,700 in Conservation Futures.[5] For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1938)

Skagit County **Grant Requested: $713,375**
Conserving the Pierson Farm on the Samish Flats

Skagit County will use this grant to conserve 320 acres of farmland, known as the Pierson Farm, on the Samish Flats in Skagit County. The County will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, which will prevent the farm from being developed and ensure the land will be available for farming forever. The overall goal is to keep the farm in agricultural productivity and to protect prime and important agricultural soils. Skagit County will contribute $713,375 in Conservation Futures.[6] For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1989)

Methow Conservancy **Grant Requested: $108,750**
Conserving the Anders Apple Orchard

The Methow Conservancy will use this grant to buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, for the 35-acre Anders Orchard, which is about 7 miles north of Pateros in Okanogan County. The agreement will prevent development of the orchard and ensure it will remain available for farming forever. The Anders family has owned the land since 1974 and has run the apple orchard for more than 30 years, employing about 26 people. The family grew scarlet, red delicious, and golden delicious apples and earned the top three of pack every year at Custom Apple Packing. When Lynne Anders retired, she leased the orchard to a neighboring orchardist. This arrangement was cut short by the devastating Carlton Complex Fires, which destroyed many trees, all of the fencing, the machine shop, a shed, eight picker cabins, the kitchen, and bathhouse. Lynne Anders intends to replant the orchard with high value fruit varieties, using modern planting techniques, resulting in a significant increase of economic output from the orchard, as evidenced by similar orchards in the area. The Methow Conservancy will contribute $108,750 in a federal grant and donations of cash and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1866)

Whatcom County **Grant Requested: $201,000**
Conserving the Jacoby Farm

Whatcom County will use this grant to conserve the 100-acre Jacoby Farm in the South Fork Nooksack River valley to the east of Bellingham. The County will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, which will prevent the farm from

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being developed and ensure the land will be available for farming forever. The Jacoby family has lived in the south fork valley for generations and farms the land for grass-based livestock. In 2001, the County set a goal to protect 100,000 acres of agricultural land, but has only 88,000 acres in agricultural zoning. The land preservation agreement for the Jacoby Farm will help the County meet its goal. The primary benefit of the project is to ensure the permanent preservation and maintenance of a large block of land as agricultural land and open space. Whatcom County will contribute $229,000 in Conservation Futures.[7] For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1941)

Whatcom County **Grant Requested: $211,000**

Conserving Vegetable Farmland in Whatcom County

Whatcom County will use this grant to conserve 100 acres of the Williams' farms in the central part of the county. The County will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, which will prevent the land from being developed and ensure it will be available for farming forever. The County is buying an agreement for three properties, which are actively farmed and predominately diversified organic vegetable farms that support several farmers who sell their produce at farmers' markets. In 2001, the County set a goal to protect 100,000 acres of agricultural land, but has only 88,000 acres in agricultural zoning, which means the remaining acres must come from land zoned for rural development, such as the Williams' farms. The primary benefit of the project is to ensure the permanent preservation and maintenance of a large block of agricultural land. Whatcom County will contribute $265,500 in Conservation Futures[8] and federal and local grants. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1937)

Whatcom County **Grant Requested: $173,500**

Conserving the Squalicum Ranch

Whatcom County will use this grant to conserve more than 172 acres of the Squalicum Ranch in the central part of the county. The County will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, which will prevent the land from being developed and ensure it will be available for farming forever. The agreement also preserves the area for wildlife habitat and as a historic view corridor for drivers traveling along the Mount Baker Highway. The ranch is used predominately by grass-fed livestock and is one of the last remaining large blocks of agriculture in its vicinity along the Mount Baker Highway. The purchase will help Whatcom County achieve its agriculture protection goals. In 2001, the County set a goal to protect 100,000 acres of agricultural land, but has only 88,000 acres in agricultural zoning, which means the remaining acres must come from land zoned for rural development, such as the Squalicum

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Ranch. Whatcom County will contribute $199,800 in Conservation Futures.[9] For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1943)

Skagit County **Grant Requested: $80,750**
Conserving the Nelson-Ploeg Farm on the Samish Flats

Skagit County will use this grant to conserve 78 acres of farmland, known as the Nelson-Ploeg Farm, on the Samish Flats in Skagit County. The County will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, which will prevent the farm from being developed and ensure the land will be available for farming forever. The overall goal is to keep the farm in agricultural productivity and to protect prime and important agricultural soils. Skagit County will contribute $80,750 in Conservation Futures.[10] For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1990)

Skagit County **Grant Requested: $263,250**
Conserving Sakuma Brothers Farm on the Samish Flats

Skagit County will use this grant to conserve 160 acres of farmland, known as the Sakuma Brothers Farm, on the Samish Flats in Skagit County. The County will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, which will prevent the farm from being developed and ensure the land will be available for farming forever. The overall goal is to keep the farm in agricultural productivity and to protect prime and important agricultural soils. Skagit County will contribute $263,250 in Conservation Futures.[11] For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1987)

Skagit County **Grant Requested: $263,250**
Conserving Hayton Farm on Fir Island

Skagit County will use this grant to conserve 160 acres of farmland, known as Hayton Farm, on Fir Island. The County will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, which will prevent the farm from being developed and ensure the land will be available for farming forever. The overall goal is to keep the farm in agricultural productivity and to protect prime and important agricultural soils. Skagit County will contribute $263,250 in Conservation Futures.[12] For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1963)

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Whatcom County — Grant Requested: $113,500

Conserving the Matheson Cattle and Yak Farm

Whatcom County will use this grant to conserve more than 17.9 acres of the Matheson Farm in the central part of the county. Matheson Farm raises cattle and yaks for meat and sells most of her products locally. Her farm is near a very busy intersection with the Guide Meridian in Whatcom County along a development corridor. Protecting her farm would ensure that development didn't sprawl to the west. In 2001, the County set a goal to protect 100,000 acres of agricultural land, but has only 88,000 acres in agricultural zoning, which means the remaining acres must come from land zoned for rural development, such as the Matheson Farm. The primary benefit of the project is to ensure the permanent preservation and maintenance of a large block of rural land as agricultural land and open space. Whatcom County will contribute $132,700 in Conservation Futures[13] and a federal grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1944)

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1	69.83	16-1310D	Phil Johnson Ball Fields Renovation	Everett	$500,000	$2,000,000	$2,500,000
2	68.50	16-1518D	Kiwanis Methow Park Revitalization Phase 1	Wenatchee	$500,000	$1,360,000	$1,860,000
3	67.67	16-1500D	Wilkeson's Roosevelt Park	Wilkeson	$43,122	$43,122	$86,244
4	64.50	16-1826D	Edgewood Community Park Phase 1	Edgewood	$500,000	$2,660,380	$3,160,380
5	63.83	16-1363D	Cougar Mountain Precipice Trailhead Development	King County	$500,000	$634,600	$1,134,600
6	62.50	16-1973D	Selah Skate Park	Selah	$45,000	$45,000	$90,000
7	62.33	16-1666D	Hale Park Construction Phase 2	Wenatchee	$500,000	$635,000	$1,135,000
8	62.17	16-1382D	Woodruff Park Sprayground and Picnic Shelter	Olympia	$446,380	$446,380	$892,760
9	62.00	16-1312D	Manette Park Renovation	Bremerton	$500,000	$505,600	$1,005,600
10	61.83	16-1918D	Bidwell Park Development	Spokane County	$500,000	$781,000	$1,281,000
11	61.50	16-1513A	Clark Lake Park Expansion Walla Acquisition	Kent	$716,876	$716,877	$1,433,753
12	61.33	16-1359A	LBA Woods Morse Merryman Parcel Acquisition	Olympia	$1,000,000	$3,881,500	$4,881,500
13	60.00	16-1308D	Haller Park Spray Park Development	Arlington	$500,000	$872,600	$1,372,600

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14	59.83	16-1740D	Preston Mill Park Development Phase 2	King County	$202,000	$202,400	$404,400
15	59.67	16-2084D	Twisp Sports Complex Renovation Phase 1	Twisp	$250,000	$250,000	$500,000
16	59.00	16-1609D	Saint Edward Park Ball Fields Renovation	Kenmore	$500,000	$2,500,000	$3,000,000
17	58.83	16-1843D	Olympic View Park Development	Marysville	$500,000	$835,912	$1,335,912
18	58.50	16-1903D	Southeast Youth Sports Complex Neighborhood Park	Spokane	$500,000	$550,000	$1,050,000
19	58.17	16-1612D	Conklin Landing Park Expansion Phase 3	Bridgeport	$273,144	$273,146	$546,290
19	58.17	16-2076D	Pearl Street Memorial Pool Renovation	Centralia	$500,000	$1,077,413	$1,577,413
21	58.00	16-1802D	Ilwaco Community Park Softball Field Renovation	Ilwaco	$158,350	$160,151	$318,501
22	57.83	16-1411D	Orchard Park Development	Liberty Lake	$500,000	$1,979,656	$2,479,656
23	56.83	16-1821D	Spokane Riverfront Park Great Floods Play Area	Spokane	$500,000	$1,000,000	$1,500,000
24	56.50	16-1467D	Airway Heights Recreation Complex Phase 1	Airway Heights	$500,000	$1,312,169	$1,812,169
25	55.83	16-1316D	Mabton Spray Pad	Mabton	$298,500	$298,500	$597,000
26	55.67	16-1614D	Eastmont Community Park Playground Replacement	Eastmont Metropolitan Park District	$500,000	$500,000	$1,000,000

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27	55.33	16-1617D	Memorial Park Revitalzation	Sedro Woolley	$384,450	$384,450	$768,900
28	54.67	16-1613A	Mount Grant Preserve	San Juan County	$1,000,000	$2,037,750	$3,037,750
29	54.17	16-1391D	Gratzer Park Athletic Field	Orting	$271,596	$271,597	$543,193
30	54.00	16-1688D	Keller Community Park	Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation	$115,500	$115,500	$231,000
30	54.00	16-1961D	North Alder Street Splash Pad	Ellensburg	$75,000	$75,000	$150,000
32	53.83	16-1854D	Entiat Fire Station Park	Entiat	$283,500	$346,500	$630,000
33	53.33	16-1618D	Flowing Lake Park Camping and Access Improvements	Snohomish County	$500,000	$709,407	$1,209,407
34	53.08	16-1884C	South Whidbey Campground Project Phase 1	South Whidbey Parks and Recreation District	$520,975	$520,975	$1,041,950
35	52.67	16-1616A	East Wenatchee 9th Street Property Acquisition	Eastmont Metropolitan Park District	$247,900	$247,900	$495,800
35	52.67	16-1680A	Covington SoCo Park Phase 2	Covington	$592,362	$592,363	$1,184,725
37	52.50	16-1384A	Kaiser Woods Acquisition	Olympia	$516,170	$516,171	$1,032,341
38	52.00	16-1835A	Barnum Point	Island County	$893,000	$893,875	$1,786,875
39	50.83	16-1992A	Central Park	Bainbridge Island Metropolitan Park and Recreation District	$1,000,000	$4,122,900	$5,122,900

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40	50.67	16-1879D	Brighton Renovation and Turf Conversion	Seattle	$500,000	$3,329,613	$3,829,613
41	50.17	16-1865D	Thea Foss Waterway Central Park	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	$500,000	$1,250,000	$1,750,000
42	50.08	16-1547C	Morrow Manor Neighborhood Park	Poulsbo	$282,000	$286,421	$568,421
43	49.17	16-1959D	Cedar Grove Park Athletic Field Drainage	Bothell	$250,000	$250,000	$500,000
44	49.00	16-1770D	Gateway Park Splash Pad Amphitheater and Shelter	Key Peninsula Metropolitan Park District	$500,000	$532,000	$1,032,000
44	49.00	16-1771A	Sunset Neighborhood Park	Renton	$1,000,000	$1,262,579	$2,262,579
46	48.83	16-1503D	Washougal Bike Park Phase 2	Washougal	$97,116	$97,117	$194,233
47	48.00	16-2040D	Howard Amon Park Riverfront Trail Improvements	Richland	$85,400	$100,000	$185,400
48	47.83	16-2047D	Carrie Blake Community Park	Sequim	$474,600	$474,600	$949,200
49	47.67	16-1720A	Ilahee Preserve Acquisition Public Access Homestead Park	Kitsap County	$785,000	$790,690	$1,575,690
50	47.33	16-1641D	Wapato Sports Park Facility Improvements	Wapato	$100,660	$100,660	$201,320
51	47.17	16-1754D	Friends Landing Trail and Playground Renovation	Port of Grays Harbor	$120,000	$121,000	$241,000
51	47.17	16-2021D	Recreation Park Renovations and Upgrades	Chehalis	$500,000	$1,096,495	$1,596,495

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53	47.00	16-1357D	Willow Grove Park West End Access	Port of Longview	$500,000	$989,020	$1,489,020
54	46.83	16-2082D	Totem Lake Park Development Phase 1	Kirkland	$500,000	$1,088,800	$1,588,800
55	46.50	16-1433A	North Bothell Park Acquisition Shelton View Woods	Bothell	$1,000,000	$2,562,500	$3,562,500
56	46.17	16-1995D	Fischer Pocket Park Redevelopment	Snohomish	$38,200	$38,200	$76,400
56	46.17	16-2034D	Hood Canal Track and Field Improvements	Mason County	$457,775	$457,775	$915,550
58	45.83	16-1848D	Pioneer Park Renovation	Toppenish	$143,275	$143,275	$286,550
59	45.42	16-1706C	Sunset Neighborhood Park Phase 2W	Renton	$745,449	$1,836,861	$2,582,310
60	45.33	16-2065D	South Fork Park Trail Development	Whatcom County	$329,000	$369,000	$698,000
61	45.17	16-1880D	Smith Cove Park Playfield Renovation	Seattle	$500,000	$500,570	$1,000,570
62	45.00	16-1673D	Mary Rogers Pioneer Park	South Bend	$109,000	$110,089	$219,089
63	44.08	16-1932C	Ridgefield Outdoor Recreational Complex Phase 2	Ridgefield	$1,000,000	$3,890,198	$4,890,198
64	43.50	16-1867D	Eastside Campus Playground and Nature Trails	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	$500,000	$1,000,000	$1,500,000
65	43.17	16-1968D	Cavalero Park Development	Snohomish County	$500,000	$650,000	$1,150,000

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66	42.83	16-1353A	Schmid Family Park Acquisition	Washougal	$313,431	$313,432	$626,863
67	42.67	16-1700D	Rainier Gateway Splash Park	Buckley	$164,450	$164,450	$328,900
68	42.33	16-1819A	Big Tree Park	Lake Forest Park	$270,075	$274,075	$544,150
69	41.33	16-2022D	Miller Neighborhood Park	Buckley	$202,233	$202,233	$404,466
70	39.33	16-1415D	Park at Bothell Landing Development	Bothell	$500,000	$1,445,000	$1,945,000
71	38.00	16-1962D	Mill Creek Park Footbridge Replacement	Cosmopolis	$150,000	$150,000	$300,000
72	37.50	16-1806D	Van Lierop Park Development Phase 1	Puyallup	$500,000	$637,739	$1,137,739
73	30.83	16-1927D	Discover! Park	Chehalis	$91,227	$91,227	$182,454
74	30.50	16-1831A	Cordata Commons Park Acquisition	Bellingham	$700,000	$3,135,530	$3,835,530
75	28.50	16-2026D	Silverdale Waterfront Day Use Improvements	Kitsap County	$175,000	$180,000	$355,000
75	28.50	16-2029D	McPherson Howe Farm Park Improvements	Kitsap County	$123,000	$127,000	$250,000
77	26.67	16-2028D	South Kitsap Regional Park Facility Improvements	Kitsap County	$250,000	$250,417	$500,417
					$32,790,716	**$66,654,360**	**$99,445,076**

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

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Rank	Project Name	Public Need	Project Scope		Acq.*	Com.*	Dev.*	Com.*		Acq.*	Com.*						Total
1	Phil Johnson Ball Fields Renovation	14.00	13.50	3.50			12.50		7.33			4.67	8.00	3.33	0.00	3.00	69.83
2	Kiwanis Methow Park Revitalization Phase 1	13.00	12.50	3.50			13.00	0.00	7.00			4.67	9.33	4.00	0.00	1.50	68.50
3	Wilkeson's Roosevelt Park	14.00	12.50	2.67			11.50		6.33			4.50	9.67	5.00	0.00	1.50	67.67
4	Edgewood Community Park Phase 1	12.50	13.00	2.67			13.50		7.00			3.50	8.00	2.33	-1.00	3.00	64.50
5	Cougar Mountain Precipice Trailhead Development	14.00	12.50	2.17			12.00		7.00			3.83	7.67	1.67	0.00	3.00	63.83
6	Selah Skate Park	13.00	12.50	2.67			12.50		4.33			4.00	9.00	4.00	-1.00	1.50	62.50
7	Hale Park Construction Phase 2	12.50	11.50	3.00			11.50		7.33			3.33	8.67	3.00	0.00	1.50	62.33
8	Woodruff Park Sprayground and Picnic Shelter	12.50	11.50	2.67			12.50		6.67			4.00	8.00	1.33	0.00	3.00	62.17
9	Manette Park Renovation	12.50	12.00	2.50			11.50		6.00			4.00	7.33	3.17	0.00	3.00	62.00
10	Bidwell Park Development	13.00	12.00	2.50			12.50		6.33			4.17	8.00	2.83	-1.00	1.50	61.83
11	Clark Lake Park Expansion Walla Acquisition	13.00	11.50	2.67	7.67				6.67	4.67		4.00	7.00	1.33	0.00	3.00	61.50
12	LBA Woods Morse Merryman Parcel Acquisition	12.50	10.00	2.67	8.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.33	4.33		4.00	8.67	1.50	0.00	3.00	61.33

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13	Haller Park Spray Park Development	11.50	10.50	2.50			10.50		7.00			3.83	8.67	3.50	-1.00	3.00	60.00
14	Preston Mill Park Development Phase 2	13.00	11.00	2.67			12.00		6.00			3.83	8.33	1.50	0.00	1.50	59.83
15	Twisp Sports Complex Renovation Phase 1	13.50	12.00	2.67			11.00		6.67			4.00	7.67	2.17	0.00	0.00	59.67
16	Saint Edward Park Ball Fields Renovation	11.00	12.00	2.33			11.50		7.00			4.33	6.67	2.17	-1.00	3.00	59.00
17	Olympic View Park Development	10.50	11.50	2.33			11.50		6.67			3.67	7.33	2.33	0.00	3.00	58.83
18	Southeast Youth Sports Complex Neighborhood Park	11.00	10.00	2.67			9.50		6.67			3.67	8.00	4.00	0.00	3.00	58.50
19	Conklin Landing Park Expansion Phase 3	11.00	11.50	2.33			12.00		5.67			4.17	7.00	4.50	0.00	0.00	58.17
19	Pearl Street Memorial Pool Renovation	11.50	11.00	2.67			11.50		5.00		0.00	3.50	8.33	3.17	0.00	1.50	58.17
21	Ilwaco Community Park Softball Field Renovation	12.00	11.00	2.83			10.00		6.33		0.00	4.17	8.67	4.00	-1.00	0.00	58.00
22	Orchard Park Development	11.50	13.00	3.17		0.00	12.00	0.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	6.33	1.83	0.00	3.00	57.83
23	Spokane Riverfront Park Great Floods Play Area	11.00	11.00	2.83			11.00		5.67			3.33	8.00	1.00	0.00	3.00	56.83
24	Airway Heights Recreation Complex Phase 1	11.50	10.50	2.17			11.50		8.33			3.50	5.33	1.67	-1.00	3.00	56.50

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25	Mabton Spray Pad	11.50	12.00	3.00			11.00		4.67			3.67	7.67	2.33	0.00	0.00	55.83
26	Eastmont Community Park Playground Replacement	11.00	10.50	3.17			9.00		5.33		0.00	3.67	8.67	2.83	0.00	1.50	55.67
27	Memorial Park Revitalization	11.50	10.50	2.17			9.50		6.00			4.00	7.00	3.17	0.00	1.50	55.33
28	Mount Grant Preserve	10.00	9.00	2.83	8.00				7.00	4.00		1.67	8.67	4.50	-1.00	0.00	54.67
29	Gratzer Park Athletic Field	11.00	10.50	1.83			9.00		5.33			3.50	6.67	3.33	0.00	3.00	54.17
30	Keller Community Park	12.00	10.00	2.67			10.00		5.33			3.83	6.67	3.50	0.00	0.00	54.00
30	North Alder Street Splash Pad	12.50	10.00	2.17			10.00		4.00		0.00	3.17	7.33	3.33	0.00	1.50	54.00
32	Entiat Fire Station Park	12.00	12.50	2.17			10.00		6.00			1.83	7.33	2.00	0.00	0.00	53.83
33	Flowing Lake Park Camping and Access Improvements	11.00	9.00	3.00			12.00		5.33			3.50	5.67	2.33	0.00	1.50	53.33
34	South Whidbey Campground Phase 1	11.00	9.50	2.33		3.17		4.75	6.33		2.17	3.33	7.33	1.67	0.00	1.50	53.08
35	East Wenatchee 9th Street Property Acquisition	9.50	10.00	3.00	7.33				5.33	3.17		2.00	7.67	3.17	0.00	1.50	52.67
35	Covington SoCo Park Phase 2	12.00	10.00	2.17	6.00				6.33	3.67		3.50	6.00	1.00	-1.00	3.00	52.67

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37	Kaiser Woods Acquisition	11.50	10.50	1.83	6.00				6.33	3.83		1.33	7.33	0.83	0.00	3.00	52.50
38	Barnum Point	9.00	8.00	1.83	8.00				6.67	3.67		3.50	6.67	4.17	-1.00	1.50	52.00
39	Central Park	9.50	10.00	2.00	6.00				6.00	3.50		1.83	7.67	1.33	0.00	3.00	50.83
40	Brighton Renovation and Turf Conversion	10.50	10.50	2.17			10.00		5.33			3.50	5.00	0.67	0.00	3.00	50.67
41	Thea Foss Waterway Central Park	8.50	9.50	2.17			10.50		5.67			2.50	6.33	2.00	0.00	3.00	50.17
42	Morrow Manor Neighborhood Park	9.50	9.50	2.50		1.83	0.00	5.50	5.33		1.75	1.33	7.33	3.50	-1.00	3.00	50.08
43	Cedar Grove Park Athletic Field Drainage	9.00	10.00	1.83			9.50		4.67			3.50	5.67	2.00	0.00	3.00	49.17
44	Gateway Park Splash Pad Amphitheater and Shelter	9.00	10.50	2.00			8.50		5.00		0.00	3.17	6.33	3.00	0.00	1.50	49.00
44	Sunset Neighborhood Park	9.50	9.50	2.50	6.33				5.33	3.50	0.00	2.00	6.00	1.33	0.00	3.00	49.00
46	Washougal Bike Park Phase 2	8.00	9.50	1.83			8.50		5.00			3.17	7.00	2.83	0.00	3.00	48.83
47	Howard Amon Park Riverfront Trail Improvements	10.50	9.50	2.00			10.00		4.00			4.17	5.67	0.67	0.00	1.50	48.00
48	Carrie Blake Community Park	8.00	11.00	2.50			6.50		5.33		0.00	3.83	6.33	3.83	-1.00	1.50	47.83

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49	Ilahee Preserve Acquisition Public Access Homestead Park	7.00	8.00	2.00	6.67				6.00	3.33		3.00	6.33	2.33	0.00	3.00	47.67
50	Wapato Sports Park Facility Improvements	11.00	9.50	2.67	0.00		7.00		4.33			3.33	5.67	2.33	0.00	1.50	47.33
51	Friends Landing Trail and Playground Renovation	11.50	10.00	2.33			9.50		4.33			3.33	5.33	0.83	0.00	0.00	47.17
51	Recreation Park Renovations and Upgrades	10.50	9.00	2.17			8.00		4.00			3.00	7.67	1.33	0.00	1.50	47.17
53	Willow Grove Park West End Access	10.00	9.00	2.17			9.50		5.67			3.50	6.33	0.83	0.00	0.00	47.00
54	Totem Lake Park Development Phase 1	8.00	9.50	1.67			9.50		6.67			3.33	5.67	0.50	-1.00	3.00	46.83
55	North Bothell Park Acquisition Shelton View Woods	8.50	8.50	1.83	6.33				5.67	3.50		1.50	6.67	1.00	0.00	3.00	46.50
56	Fischer Pocket Park Redevelopment	9.50	8.50	1.67			9.00		4.00			3.50	5.33	2.67	-1.00	3.00	46.17
56	Hood Canal Track and Field Improvements	9.50	9.50	2.50			9.00	0.00	6.00		0.00	3.33	6.00	1.33	-1.00	0.00	46.17
58	Pioneer Park Renovation	9.00	9.00	2.83			8.00		3.67			3.50	6.00	2.33	0.00	1.50	45.83
59	Sunset Neighborhood Park Phase 2	9.00	7.50	2.50		3.00	0.00	4.75	5.33	0.00	1.50	2.17	5.67	1.00	0.00	3.00	45.42
60	South Fork Park Trail Development	9.00	8.00	1.67			8.50		5.67			3.83	5.67	4.00	-1.00	0.00	45.33

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61	Smith Cove Park Playfield Renovation	9.50	7.50	1.50			6.50		5.00			3.17	6.67	2.33	0.00	3.00	45.17
62	Mary Rogers Pioneer Park	9.50	9.50	1.50			9.50		6.67			0.67	6.00	2.67	-1.00	0.00	45.00
63	Ridgefield Outdoor Recreational Complex Phase 2	8.50	8.50	2.00		1.17		3.50	5.67		1.75	3.33	6.33	1.33	-1.00	3.00	44.08
64	Eastside Campus Playground and Nature Trails	9.00	8.00	2.17			6.00		5.67			2.50	6.33	0.83	0.00	3.00	43.50
65	Cavalero Park Development	8.00	8.50	2.33			7.00		4.67			2.83	5.67	1.17	0.00	3.00	43.17
66	Schmid Family Park Acquisition	8.50	8.00	1.50	4.67				6.00	3.50	0.00	1.33	5.33	1.00	0.00	3.00	42.83
67	Rainier Gateway Splash Park	9.00	8.00	2.00			7.00		5.33			2.67	6.67	1.50	-1.00	1.50	42.67
68	Big Tree Park	7.50	7.00	1.83	5.67				5.67	3.17		2.67	5.67	1.17	-1.00	3.00	42.33
69	Miller Neighborhood Park	10.00	9.50	2.00			8.50		4.00			1.00	5.00	0.83	-1.00	1.50	41.33
70	Park at Bothell Landing Development	9.00	7.00	1.67			6.50		3.67			3.17	4.33	1.00	0.00	3.00	39.33
71	Mill Creek Park Footbridge Replacement	7.50	8.50	1.50			9.00		4.00			3.17	4.67	0.67	-1.00	0.00	38.00
72	Van Lierop Park Development Phase 1	8.00	6.50	2.00			7.00		3.67			2.50	5.00	0.83	-1.00	3.00	37.50

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73	Discover! Park	5.00	5.50	1.33		0.00	5.00	0.00	4.33		0.00	1.00	4.33	2.83	0.00	1.50	30.83
74	Cordata Commons Park Acquisition	11.00	8.50	1.83	2.67				1.67	1.17		0.67	2.00	0.50	-1.00	1.50	30.50
75	Silverdale Waterfront Day Use Improvements	5.00	6.00	2.00	0.00		6.50		4.00	0.00		2.17	2.33	0.50	0.00	0.00	28.50
75	McPherson Howe Farm Park Improvements	4.50	5.50	1.83			4.50		4.00			2.33	2.33	0.50	0.00	3.00	28.50
77	South Kitsap Regional Park Facility Improvements	4.50	5.00	1.67			5.50		3.00			2.33	1.33	0.33	0.00	3.00	26.67

Evaluators score Questions 1-10; RCO staff scores Questions 11-12.

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

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

Renovating the Phil Johnson Ball Fields

The Everett Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to renovate four baseball/softball fields to multipurpose fields with artificial turf, permitting year-round play for baseball, softball, youth soccer, and youth lacrosse. The fields have artificial turf infield interiors and natural turf outfields. The synthetic infields are worn and after 15 years, have exceeded their initially projected lifespan. Accessibility improvements, both to and on the fields, will be implemented in the project, including field markings for adaptive softball/baseball play. In addition, a dirt area on the northeast section of the property and adjacent to the fields will be paved for parking 46 vehicles. Everett will contribute $2 million in cash and a grant from the state Youth Athletic Facilities program. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1310)

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

Revitalizing Kiwanis Methow Park

The City of Wenatchee will use this grant to revitalize its 1.26-acre Kiwanis Methow Park. 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 green infrastructure including lighting, and build restrooms. Reflecting the local culture, a new Latino kiosk pavilion will be the park's central feature. In south Wenatchee, 13 percent of the city's population is within a half-mile of Kiwanis Methow Park and 50 percent of households are low-income. The park serves more Latino residents (54 percent of the local population), more residents identifying as "other races" (32 percent), and more children (33 percent) than any other city park in Wenatchee. Wenatchee will contribute more than $1.3 million in staff labor, materials, local and private grants, a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund, and donations of cash and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1518)

Wilkeson **Grant Requested: $43,122**

Replacing Worn Out Play Structures in Wilkeson's Roosevelt Park

The Town of Wilkeson will use this grant to buy and install new playground equipment and wood chip ground cover, create pathways and parking accessible to people using wheelchairs, and level the play field. The park has the town's only playground, and the current play structures are old and falling apart. Roosevelt Park was the site of low income apartments in the 1930s. While the apartments were demolished by 1970, historic sidewalks and stairs still exist around the play structures. The sidewalks will be kept for a historic setting and an interpretive plinth will be added. Older sidewalks will be widened by adding adjacent hardened paths. In the play field, the Town will remove the sidewalks and curbing that obstruct safe play, add topsoil, and hydroseed. Wilkeson will contribute $43,122 in cash, local and other grants, and donations of cash, equipment, labor, and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1500)

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Edgewood **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Building Edgewood's First Community Park

The City of Edgewood, in Pierce County, will use this grant to develop 18 acres into its first community park. In this first phase of development, the City will build a half-mile loop trail, a playground that accommodates people with disabilities, a picnic shelter, grass amphitheater, restroom, multi-use programmable space, and a permanent site for the iconic 1902 Edgewood-Nyholm windmill that will generate power for the park. Edgewood has a population of 9,501 and has remained largely undeveloped. That is beginning to change and Edgewood is starting to see significant development both along State Route 161 and all over the city. Edgewood will contribute more than $2.6 million in cash, a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1826)

King County **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Developing the Cougar Mountain Precipice Trailhead

The King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks will use this grant to develop a trailhead and parking area that will expand access to its most popular natural area park, the 3,100-acre Cougar Mountain Regional Wildland Park. The parking lot will be the first new lot since 1994 and the only one to serve the northeast quadrant of this large park. Currently, only a few vehicles can park on the road shoulder and this on-street parking is anticipated to disappear once the City of Issaquah improves the road. Adjacent to Issaquah and within walking and biking distance from a regional transit center, the new trailhead will include a 40-vehicle parking lot, bike racks, drop-off area, waterless restroom, and an informational kiosk. It will connect to the Big Tree Ridge Trail, which links to the park's 36-mile trail network. This project is supported by the City of Issaquah, Washington Department of Natural Resources, Issaquah Alps Trails Club, Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust, and Washington Trails Association. Minutes from downtown Seattle and Bellevue, the park is a year-round destination that features diverse habitats, such as forests, wetlands, and cliffs, talus, and caves. It offers sweeping vistas of Lake Sammamish, the Cascade Mountains, Bellevue, and Seattle. King County will contribute $634,600 in a voter-approved levy. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1363)

Selah **Grant Requested: $45,000**
Expanding the Selah Skate Park

The Selah Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to expand the Selah Skate Park by adding a half pipe ramp, a progressive pump track, picnic tables, and a path to make the park accessible to wheelchairs. With this expansion, the park would allow more skateboarding athletes and other wheeled athletes to use the park without feeling like the park is always crowded. The 13-year-old skate park is overdue for a remodel. Selah will contribute $45,000 in staff labor, materials, and donations of cash and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1973)

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Wenatchee **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Developing Hale Park

The City of Wenatchee will use this grant to complete the final phase of development the nearly 5-acre Hale Park, which is nestled between the Apple Capital Recreational Loop Trail, Burlington Northern Sante Fe Railroad, and the Columbia River, in south Wenatchee. The City will build a picnic shelter, add a children's play area, and build a long-requested skate park. In addition, the city will add parking, paths accessible by wheelchairs, security cameras, and restrooms. This is the City's top priority park project. The park is in the most ethnically rich area of the community with a population that is 54 percent Hispanic and also the area with the highest poverty level at 50 percent of households. More than 33 percent of service area residents are children. The park has views of the river and provides pedestrian connections to East Wenatchee by a historic pedestrian bridge. Wenatchee will contribute $635,000 in cash, staff labor, materials, a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1666)

Olympia **Grant Requested: $446,380**
Building a Sprayground and Picnic Shelter in Woodruff Park

The City of Olympia Parks, Arts & Recreation Department will use this grant to build a sprayground at Woodruff Park, on Harrison Avenue Northwest in Olympia. The City also will remodel the park restroom and utility building, adjust the landscaping, build a covered picnic shelter, add paths and parking accessible to wheelchairs, and install seating, irrigation, and park furnishings. The renovation will relieve the city's sprayground at Heritage Park Fountain, which was not designed to accommodate the amount of use it receives on hot summer days. This will be the first of several neighborhood spraygrounds across the city. Letters of support have been received from the Olympia School District, the Olympia Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee, the Northwest Neighborhood Association and a nearby child care center. Olympia will contribute $446,380. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1382)

Bremerton **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Renovating Manette Park

The City of Bremerton will use this grant to renovate the 2.5-acre Manette neighborhood park, which has the city's only public, lighted, grass, youth soccer field. The park is rundown and has cracked tennis courts, a substandard basketball pad, and a 1940s restroom that is not accessible by people with disabilities and prone to failure during events. The park is surrounded by weathered chain link fence up to 25 feet tall and has several elevation changes without ramps and pathways. No part of the park is accessible by people using wheelchairs. The City will develop walking paths throughout the park and build a multi-use sports court, restroom, and off-street parking for people with disabilities. The City also will renovate the playfield with new energy-efficient light poles located further from the field of play, which will provide better coverage and spill less light into the neighborhood. Bremerton will contribute $505,600 in staff labor, a grant from the state Youth Athletic Facilities program, and donations of cash from the

Manette Neighborhood Coalition, Bremerton Soccer Club, and other individuals and community groups. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1312)

Spokane County **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Developing Bidwell 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 federal Land and Water Conservation Fund, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1918)

Kent **Grant Requested: $716,876**
Expanding Clark Lake Park

The City of Kent will use this grant to buy 5.5 acres to expand Clark Lake Park. The land is next to the park's undersized 10-car parking lot and main entrance, and will allow the City to expand the parking lot and provide space for amenities like a restroom, picnic shelter, trails, and a nature playground. The 125-acre Clark Lake Park is on the East Hill of Kent where about 70 percent of the city's 122,900 residents live. The park surrounds a 7-acre freshwater lake and is considered the future "central park" of Kent's park system and a regional amenity for south King County. When fully assembled, the park will be a 150-acre mostly passive use park in the middle of a dense residential area. This 5.5-acre parcel is one of two remaining high priority acquisition targets. King County began to assemble the land around Clark Lake for a park in the early 1990s and the City of Kent continued the effort when it annexed the land. Kent will contribute $716,877 in cash, Conservation Futures,[1] and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1513)

Olympia **Grant Requested: $1,000,000**
Buying the LBA Woods for a Park

The City of Olympia Parks, Arts and Recreation Department will use this grant to buy about 72 acres, locally known as the LBA woods, to develop a community park. The land is in southeast Olympia on Morse-Merryman Road, next to Little Baseball Association (LBA) Park. Buying the land will conserve one of the last large unprotected forested areas in Olympia. This project was the most requested project by the community and is a high priority in the city's parks and recreation plan. The project has strong support from community groups such as the LBA Woods Coalition, Coalition of Parks Advocates, and Olympia Coalition for Ecosystems Preservation. While most of the park will be used for passive recreation, a portion of the site may be used for

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

active recreation such as athletic fields. Olympia will contribute more than $3.8 million from another grant and voter-approved bonds. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1359)

Arlington **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Building a Spray Park at Haller Park

The City of Arlington will use this grant to develop a spray park at Haller Park, a 50-year-old park that is undergoing a complete renovation. There are no other outdoor water features in the city and this will provide a safe alternative to swimming in the Stillaquamish River. Through community support and the engagement of the Arlington Rotary, the first two phases of renovation, which included a new playground, restroom, and boat launch, are nearly complete. Community support for this project has been extensive, including donations from the Arlington Rotary, the Stillaquamish Tribe, and the Friends of the Park. Arlington will contribute $872,600 in donations of cash, labor, and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1308)

King County **Grant Requested: $202,000**
Improving Access to Preston Mill Park

The King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks will use this grant to expand access to Preston Mill Park by installing a restroom and two parking stalls accessible to people with disabilities. Located in the historic mill town of Preston at the foot of the Cascade Mountains in eastern rural King County, Preston Mill Park is 22 acres of undeveloped land that features the remnants of a mill that operated for nearly 100 years, and about a quarter-mile of the Raging River. King County bought the land to protect its historical, cultural, and environmental value. The first phase of development is expected to be completed in 2017 and includes walking paths, interpretive signs about the site and local economy, a community meadow, a gateway, and restoration of the habitat. King County will contribute $202,400 in a voter-approved levy. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1740)

Twisp **Grant Requested: $250,000**
Renovating the Twisp Sports Complex

The Town of Twisp in Okanogan County will use this grant to begin renovating a baseball field and a soccer field in the Twisp Sports Complex, a 10-acre area at the south end of town. Currently, the fields overlap and only one sport can be played at a time. The Town will re-orient and renovate the baseball field and move the soccer field, allowing simultaneous play. In addition, the Town will install irrigation. This is the first phase of the renovation and it is expected that in time, the area will be fully renovated to include more fields, an open play area, parking lots, a restroom, a concession building, and connecting paths. Twisp will contribute $250,000 in cash, and a grant from the state Youth Athletic Facilities program. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2084)

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Kenmore **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Renovating Saint Edward State Park's Ball Fields

The City of Kenmore will use this grant to convert two youth soccer and baseball fields into multi-purpose fields at Saint Edward State Park. The 316-acre Saint Edward State Park on Lake Washington's northeast shore has had two ball fields since the 1930s. The City will replace the grass turf with artificial turf, replace the field amenities, create paths accessible to people with disabilities, and install a maintenance shed, interpretive signs, fencing, and utilities. The City also will landscape the area, pave gravel parking stalls, and add new parking. The overall goal is to upgrade a well-loved park's unplayable facility. This project is important to the community because youth participation in active sports is growing, yet local acreage to build new sports facilities is limited. Game-quality fields and accessible facilities are particularly lacking in Kenmore. School fields are becoming increasingly unavailable and teams are traveling further away to find facilities. Kenmore will contribute $2.5 million in a state appropriation and a grant from the state Youth Athletic Facilities program. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1609)

Marysville **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Developing Olympic View Park

The City of Marysville will use this grant to develop 3 of 7.48 acres for a community park next to the Ebey Waterfront Trail and the Qwuloolt estuary. The City will clear and grade the land, build restrooms and play areas, landscape, and install parking and signs. The City also will provide access for hand-carried boats to Ebey Slough. Development of this site will provide an expanded community connection to a regional trail that will eventually provide access to Marysville's downtown by a 3.8-mile trail system for non-motorized use. Marysville will contribute $835,912. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1843)

Spokane **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Renovating the Southeast Youth Sports Complex Neighborhood Park

The Spokane Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to replace the neighborhood park and three baseball/softball fields with four larger fields at the Southeast Youth Sports Complex. The new fields will be multipurpose and have natural turf. The City also will install a new playground, splash pad, restroom, large picnic shelter, and a small shelter. Finally, the City will expand the pathways accessible to wheelchairs and improve the landscaping. The City has targeted the southeast sports complex for an expanded neighborhood park, which is lacking in this part of the city, and improved and safer access to youth sports. Spokane will contribute $550,000 in a grant from the state Youth Athletic Facilities program and donations of cash, materials, and labor from KXLY/QueenB Broadcasting. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1903)

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WASHINGTON STATE Recreation and Conservation Funding Board

Bridgeport **Grant Requested: $273,144**
Developing Conklin Landing Park

The City of Bridgeport will use this grant to develop the remaining 1.84 acres of the nearly 5-acre Conklin Landing Park, which is on Second Street at the northern end of the city, in Douglas County. The City will install a playground and picnic shelter, expand the restroom, add seven camping spaces and parking, expand landscaping, and install signs. The City, local public utility district, the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, and state "Jobs Now" funding, completed earlier phases of development that included building a two-lane boat launch, a 10-space recreational vehicle park with restrooms and landscaping, and a parking lot. Bridgeport will contribute $273,146 in cash and a local grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1612)

Centralia **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Renovating the Pearl Street Memorial 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 federal Land and Water Conservation Fund grant and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2076)

Ilwaco **Grant Requested: $158,350**
Renovating the Softball Field in Ilwaco Community Park

The City of Ilwaco will use this grant to renovate 3 acres of Ilwaco Community Park, which is at the east end of Lake and Spruce Streets in Ilwaco, in Pacific County. The park is the only park of its kind in the city. The City will focus renovation on the softball/Little League baseball field. The City will lay new grass in the outfield and resurface the dirt infield, replace dugouts and bleachers, move the basketball court, pave the parking lot, and lay concrete pathways. The city's *Parks, Trails and Natural Areas Plan* has identified this project as the highest priority. In addition; community groups such as the Port of Ilwaco, Ilwaco Fire Department, and several local businesses have been fundraising for this project. Ilwaco will contribute $160,151 in equipment, staff labor, a local grant, and donations of cash and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1802)

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Liberty Lake **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Creating Orchard Park

The City of Liberty Lake will use this grant to buy 11 acres in the fastest growing part of the city, the River District area, and develop Orchard Park. The City will install outdoor exercise equipment and a play structure for all ages and abilities, and build a spray park, multi-sport courts and fields, an amphitheater and pavilion, restrooms, picnic shelters, and a community garden. The City also will build multi-use park trails that will connect to the regional Centennial Trail just to the north of the park. Finally, the city will build parking, plant shade trees, and install park furnishings. There are no city parks in the immediate area. Liberty Lake will contribute more than $1.9 million in cash and donations of equipment and land. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1411)

Spokane **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Building the Great Floods Play Area in Spokane's 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 purposes 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 federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1821)

Airway Heights **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Developing the First Phase of the Airway Heights Recreation Complex

The City of Airway Heights will use this grant to develop 7 acres of the 70-acre Airway Heights Recreation Complex in Spokane County. The City will build a multi-purpose field space that will accommodate six youth soccer fields, a combination softball/baseball field, and a basketball court. Airway Heights is severely lacking in athletic fields. The City relies on the use of Sunset Elementary, which has the only open space in the community available for athletic fields. Increased residential development has increased participation in the city's youth sports programs, which are outgrowing the available space at Sunset Elementary. Airway Heights will contribute more than $1.3 million in a state appropriation and cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1467)

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Mabton — Grant Requested: $298,500
Building a Splash Pad to Beat Summer's Heat

The City of Mabton will use this grant to build a new splash pad, restroom, walkways, parking area, and other park amenities in Governor's Park in Mabton, in Yakima County. The splash pad will provide welcome relief from the intense summer heat for residents of a severely poor community. Mabton averages 90+ degrees in the summer and does not have any pools or aquatic facilities. The nearest pool or spray pad is at least 10 miles away. There are no amenities at Governor's Park either. This project aligns with the city's parks master plan and is responsive to the survey responses from residents about what they would like to see in their parks. Mabton will contribute $298,500 in staff labor and a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1316)

Eastmont Metropolitan Parks and Recreation District — Grant Requested: $500,000
Replacing the Playground in Eastmont Community Park

The Eastmont Metropolitan Parks and Recreation District will use this grant to revitalize the nearly 1-acre playground in Eastmont Community Park, a 26-acre regional park in East Wenatchee, in Douglas County. Installed in 1969-1972, the current playground – the only playground of its size in the area – is outdated, unsafe, and in dire need of replacement. The district will install play structures, a splash pad, a seating plaza, an adult fitness center, and picnic tables. The district also will landscape the area and plant trees for shade. The play structures will have a local history motif and include a tilted sky runner, a slide tower with a climbing wall, swing sets, seesaws shaped as planes, and a merry-go-round. These renovations will achieve the top two priorities in Eastmont's parks and recreation comprehensive plan. The Eastmont Community Park serves 19 percent of East Wenatchee's population, which lives within a half a mile of the park. Of these households, 39 percent are poor and 33 percent are Latino. The district will contribute $500,000 in voter-approved bonds and donations of cash and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1614)

Sedro Woolley — Grant Requested: $384,450
Revitalizing Memorial Park

The City of Sedro Woolley will use this grant to redevelop Memorial Park, which is in the heart of the city, surrounded by the city library, community center, and senior center. The City will build a new spray park, playground, and pathways. In addition, the city will upgrade the lighting and parking, and install park amenities, such as park benches, picnic shelters, and landscaping. The need for this project is very clear. Memorial Park was designed in 1941 and developed in phases during the past few generations. It falls short of meeting current standards for use by people with disabilities. Additionally, there are no outdoor water recreation facilities in the city. The park's redevelop will positively transform this park and will meet the needs of all park users well into the future. Sedro Woolley will contribute $384,450 in cash, equipment, staff labor, and donations of cash, labor, and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1617)

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San Juan County Land Bank — Grant Requested: $1,000,000
Conserving Mount Grant

The San Juan County Land Bank will use this grant to buy 121 acres on Mount Grant, which is near the center of San Juan Island, in San Juan County. Views from the summit extend nearly 360 degrees, taking in Vancouver Island, Turtleback Mountain and Mount Constitution on Orcas Island, Mount Baker, and the Cascade and Olympic Mountains, and more. Already subdivided for development, the land has a road to the summit allowing access for people with limited mobility. The land bank also has completed trails around the summit. While the area is open to the public, nearly half of the $3 million purchase price remains unfunded. Mount Grant is unique on San Juan Island, where all other ridges and hilltops are privately owned or accessibly only by trail. For many, the first trip to the top is a revelation of something they had never imagined seeing on the island, a spectacular mountain-top preserve accessible to all. The San Juan County Land Bank will contribute $2 million in voter-approved bonds and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1613)

Orting — Grant Requested: $271,596
Building an Athletic Field in Gratzer Park

The City of Orting will use this grant to develop 3.5 acres of Gratzer Park, a 17.5-acre park along the western border of the city and next to the Puyallup River. The City will build a multi-purpose athletic field with access paths and a play area. This project will enable Orting to accommodate a greater range of youth and adult sports leagues, including football, soccer, and lacrosse. Community groups such as the Lions Club, Orting School District, Orting Lacrosse Club, and Orting Junior Cardinals strongly support the project. Orting will contribute $271,597 in a state appropriation, cash, and donations of labor and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1391)

Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation — Grant Requested: $115,500
Redeveloping Keller Community Park

The Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation will use this grant to redevelop Keller Community Park, which is on the eastern side of the Colville Reservation, in Ferry County. The National Park Service built this popular campground in 1946 and it's in serious need of renovation. The Tribes will build a new restroom, pathways, and a campground road and improve the campsites. This is the first phase of the redevelopment effort. The campground serves hunters, anglers, and Lake Roosevelt National Recreation visitors throughout the year and is the only place to camp on the eastern shore of the Sanpoil River Arm. The Tribes will contribute $115,500 in cash, staff labor, materials, a local grant, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1688)

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Ellensburg **Grant Requested: $75,000**
Building Ellensburg's Only Splash Pad

The Ellensburg Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to construct a spray pad in the 5.5-acre North Alder Street Park, in Ellensburg. This spray pad will be the only outdoor aquatic facility available to Ellensburg residents. North Alder Street Park is the city's newest park and has only been open since the summer of 2013. Ellensburg will contribute $75,000 in cash and donations of cash and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1961)

Entiat **Grant Requested: $283,500**
Building an Entiat 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, donation of materials, and a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1854)

Snohomish County **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Renovating Flowing Lake Park's Entrance and Adding Cabins

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 and a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1618)

South Whidbey Parks and Recreation District **Grant Requested: $520,975**
Developing a South Whidbey Campground

The South Whidbey Parks and Recreation District will use this grant to buy 35 acres and develop the first phase of a campground next to the district's Community Park. The district will build the

first camping loop with 20 campsites, including two fully accessible campsites and a group campsite. The district also will build an entry road and pathways, and install park furnishings. Currently, camping options on southern Whidbey Island are extremely limited and this project will fill an important need. The 117-acre Community Park includes four baseball/softball fields, five soccer fields, a BMX pump track, a skate park, playgrounds, a basketball court, picnic shelters, and hiking trails. The district will contribute $520,975 in council bonds, staff labor, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1884)

Eastmont Metropolitan Parks and Recreation District — Grant Requested: $247,900
East Wenatchee 9th Street Property Acquisition

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 poor and 26 percent of residents are Latino, 15 percent are senior citizens, and 29 percent are children. The district contribute $247,900 in a private grant and a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1616)

Covington — Grant Requested: $592,362
Expanding SoCo Park

The City of Covington will use this grant to buy 2.25 acres to expand the 3-acre SoCo Park, which is next to the newly developing downtown area of the city. This expansion would provide for future walking trails, picnic areas, lawns for informal play, play equipment, and gathering areas, for a soon to be highly urbanized area. There are more than 100 new multi-family homes for low-income people and senior citizens directly across the street. The purchase would conserve wetlands, Jenkins Creek, and many significant cedar and fir trees. This project ranks in the top tier of the city's parks plan. Covington will contribute $592,363 in cash, Conservation Futures,[2] and a voter-approved levy. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1680)

Olympia — Grant Requested: $516,170
Conserving Kaiser Woods

The City of Olympia Parks, Arts and Recreation Department will use this grant to buy 68.5 acres known locally as Kaiser Woods, southwest of Ken Lake in Olympia. The land would provide nature trails for hiking and mountain biking. Acquiring this property will protect one of the last large unprotected forested areas in the city. These parcels will provide a significant natural open space area in an area of the community currently lacking this type of experience. The purchase

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

has strong community support including from the Friends of Capitol Forest, Coalition for Park Advocates, Olympia Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee, and the Olympia Coalition for Ecosystem Preservation. Olympia will contribute $516,171 in voter-approved bonds. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1384)

Island County — Grant Requested: $893,000
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 while preserving natural processes and critical marine and salmon habitats. Island County will contribute $893,875 in a donation of property interest and a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1835)

Bainbridge Island Metropolitan Park and Recreation District
Buying Land for a new Central Park — Grant Requested: $1,000,000

The Bainbridge Island Metropolitan Park and Recreation District will use this grant to buy 19 acres in the Winslow area for a community park. On Madison Avenue, across from the high school and aquatic facility, the land contains a ravine and wetland, and will link existing parks with the regional Sound to Olympics Trail. The project is supported by the Bainbridge Island Land Trust, the Bainbridge Island Park Foundation, and other organizations. The park district will contribute more than $4.1 million in voter-approved bonds. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1992)

Seattle — Grant Requested: $500,000
Renovating the Brighton Playfield Turf and Lighting

The Seattle Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to renovate the turf and lighting at Brighton Playfield, a 200,000-square-foot multi-sport playfield in south Seattle. The City will replace the natural turf with synthetic turf, install new lights, develop pathways, and add spectator seating and baseball and softball amenities. Brighton Playfield supports baseball, softball, soccer, ultimate Frisbee, flag football, lacrosse, and other field sports and leisure play. The renovations will expand playfield use in three ways. 1) Synthetic turf and drainage will allow for year-round play; 2) An increased number of playfields and improved lining will allow more

simultaneous games and a greater variety of sport uses; and 3) Improved lighting will add hours of playfield use each day. The City estimates the improvements will increase playfield use by 85 percent. Seattle will contribute more than $3.3 million in cash, a local grant, and a state Youth Athletic Facilities program grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1879)

Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Building a New Park on the Thea Foss Waterway

The Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma will use this grant to develop Central Park, a new park along the Thea Foss Waterway, in the center of Tacoma. The district will extend the Foss Waterway esplanade, and create a playground, picnic area, event spaces, seating, and landscaping. This three-quarter acre park area will serve as a significant local park along a mile-long working waterway and within an area of expanding residential and commercial uses. In addition, Central Park is another link in the 6-mile-long Dome to Defiance Trail that connects downtown Tacoma to Point Defiance Park along the city's waterfront. It will be one end of the Prairie Line Trail, which runs from Dock Street up through the University of Washington Tacoma campus and beyond to South Tacoma neighborhoods. Park development also will protect shoreline habitat along the Foss Waterway. The park district will contribute more than $1.2 million in voter-approved bonds and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1865)

Poulsbo **Grant Requested: $282,000**
Building Morrow Manor Neighborhood Park

The City of Poulsbo will use this grant to build the 1.2-acre Morrow Manor Neighborhood Park, along the Noll Road corridor on the east side of Poulsbo. The Noll Road corridor is facing tremendous residential development in the next 5 years with 500 family units under permit or construction and no neighborhood park to serve them. The City will leave much of the land forested and natural, but will provide trails, playground equipment, game tables, park furnishings, and signs. This park land was donated to the city by the Poulsbo North Kitsap Rotary Foundation and Rotary Club leadership has committed to building a custom tree fort and entry arbor into the park. The park is next to Rotary's planned eight-unit development that will provide long-term housing for domestic violence survivors. The park also sits midway along a 2-mile trail, which will be developed in stages. Poulsbo will contribute $286,421 in cash and donations of labor, land, and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1547)

Bothell **Grant Requested: $250,000**
Installing a Drainage System at Cedar Grove Park

The City of Bothell will use this grant to install a drainage system at Cedar Grove Park. Poor drainage at the field has severely limited the seasons for baseball, softball, and soccer. Cedar Grove Park is the only practice and game field in the north Bothell-Snohomish County section of the community. The field will be used much more if it can better handle the Northwest's wet

spring and fall weather. Bothell will contribute $250,000 in cash, staff labor, a grant from the state Youth Athletic Facilities program, and donations of labor and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1959)

Key Peninsula Metropolitan Park District — Grant Requested: $500,000
Building a Splash Pad, Amphitheater, and Stage in Gateway Park

The Key Peninsula Metropolitan Park District will use this grant to build a splash pad, grass amphitheater, and a covered stage in Gateway Park, which is in the densely-populated north end of Key Peninsula along State Route 302. The closest splash pad in 14 miles away and includes the cost of a bridge toll. This is the third phase of development. The park already has a playground, restrooms, community-use shelter, parking, and trails. The project is supported by Key Pen Parks & Recreation Foundation, Gig Harbor Rotary, Key Peninsula Business Association, and Key Peninsula Family Resource Center. The park district will contribute $532,000 in cash, staff labor, equipment, and donations of cash and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1770)

Renton — Grant Requested: $1,000,000
Expanding Sunset Neighborhood Park

The City of Renton will use this grant to buy nearly 2 acres to expand Sunset Neighborhood Park to 3.2 acres, and then demolish the World War II-era houses there. The park will be developed in three phases and will include walkways, a lawn, playground, fitness areas, plazas, a water feature, picnic areas, and restrooms. The Sunset area is in one of the most diverse and disadvantaged neighborhoods in Renton with 51 percent minorities and 27 percent of the households living in poverty. The city's parks plan ranked this project first for new neighborhood parks to be acquired and developed. 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 economic challenges. Renton will contribute more than $1.2 million. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1771)

Washougal — Grant Requested: $97,116
Continuing Development of the Washougal Bike Park

The City of Washougal will use this grant to develop the second phase of the Washougal Bike Park in Hamllik Park. In this phase, the City will create two different experiences: a pump track and a jump track. A "pump track" has mounds of dirt sculpted into a loop to create sinuous movement that requires little-to-no pedaling or braking. Riders use momentum on each downhill slope to propel to the next mound. The pump track is excellent practice before advancing to the jump track. A "jump track" has consecutive mounds that form "jump lines." Lower skilled riders roll gently over mounds at slower speeds and advanced riders gain enough momentum to create a sailing sensation. In the first phase of development, the City built a skills course, which uses prefabricated features, logs, and boulders to grow technical abilities, while challenging control and balance. In this project, the City also will pave paths to improve

accessibility throughout the site and to connect spectators to key park features. Washougal will contribute $97,117 in cash and donations of cash, equipment, and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1503)

Richland **Grant Requested: $85,400**
Improving the Riverfront Trail in Howard Amon Park

The Richland Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to replace about 435 feet of the 5.2-mile Riverfront Trial through Howard Amon Park. The City will demolish the 8-foot-wide trail and lay concrete for a new trail that is nearly twice as wide. The City also will install trail lights and replace memorial benches along the trail. The 49-acre Howard Amon Park is in the heart of downtown Richland, along the Columbia River. This park is the city's most used park and the Riverfront Trail is the city's most popular trail. The heavy use of this trail along with its narrow width creates many conflicts between its users. Richland will contribute $100,000. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2040)

Sequim **Grant Requested: $474,600**
Building Sports Courts in Carrie Blake Community Park

Sequim will use this grant to build eight pickle ball courts, four tennis courts, and a new entry road, and move the playground in Carrie Blake Community Park. Pickle ball has been recognized nationally as the fastest growing sport in the United States with players ranging in age from 10 to 90. Sequim will contribute $474,600 in cash, private and other grants, and donations of cash and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2047)

Kitsap County **Grant Requested: $785,000**
Expanding the Illahee Preserve

The Kitsap County Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to buy about 35 acres next to the 572-acre Illahee Preserve, a Kitsap County regional park located in the most densely populated part of the county, which borders Bremerton. The County plans to use the land for recreational activities, picnicking, family gatherings, and access to trails and the future Native American natural exhibit in the preserve. The area has not been developed because of its unique natural features and is so pristine and wild that it has been called "The Lost Continent." The County has purchased major portions of the preserve during the past decade, but several key parcels of land, including these 35 acres, are critical public access points and have been unavailable in the past. Kitsap County will contribute $790,690 in cash, a grant from the salmon recovery program, and donations of cash and land from the local community and the landowner. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1720)

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Wapato **Grant Requested: $100,660**
Improving the Wapato Sports Park

The City of Wapato will use this grant to further develop and renovate the Wapato Sports Park, which is in south Wapato. Located near Kateri Lane and Dove Lane (also known as Keppler Way), the 30-acre Wapato Sports Park is the largest park in Wapato. The City will build two basketball courts, install exercise equipment, upgrade children's play structures, add a picnic shelter and restroom, create additional parking spaces for people with disabilities, and pave pathways. Wapato will contribute $100,660 in cash, equipment, staff labor, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1641)

Port of Grays Harbor **Grant Requested: $120,000**
Renovating a Trail and Playground in the Friends Landing Park

The Port of Grays Harbor will use this grant to renovate the playground and trail in the 152-acre Friends Landing Park, which is on the Chehalis River, near Montesano in Grays Harbor County. The Port will replace an outdated playground with one that is accessible to people with disabilities and will replace part of a paved trail that is past its useful life. Trout Unlimited and volunteers designed and developed this park as the first outdoor park accessible to people with disabilities, in Grays Harbor. Port of Grays Harbor will contribute $121,000. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1754)

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 federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2021)

Port of Longview **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Developing Willow Grove Park

The Port of Longview will use this grant to renovate two restrooms and build a pedestrian loop path, picnic facilities, and a fishing pier with a gravel parking lot in the 75-acre Willow Grove Beach Park. The park is on the north bank of the Columbia River, west of Longview, and offers public beach access and upland amenities. The path will loop around the park and will be accessible to people with disabilities. The fishing pier will be built at the west end of the park. Development of the park will be designed with consideration for the environment, including fish habitat friendly design and decking for the fishing pier, solar power for restrooms, and plentiful

recycling opportunities. The Port of Longview will contribute $989,020 in cash, staff labor, and a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1357)

Kirkland **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Developing Boardwalks in Totem Lake Park

The City of Kirkland will use this grant to develop 810 feet of boardwalks and environmental interpretive features ion the 18-acre Totem Lake Park. Construction of the boardwalk provides an important link between the Cross Kirkland Trail and the Totem Lake business district. The Totem Lake neighborhood contains Kirkland's only urban center, a designation by the State Growth Management Planning Council, which means it's a focus of regional growth and is expected to incorporate high density housing and employment. By 2030, Totem Lake is expected to grow from 5,544 people to 9,800, and double its housing units to 6,000. Kirkland has identified protecting and enhancing Totem Lake Park as a key economic development strategy and a priority project in the city's *Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Plan*. The City of Kirkland jointly manages the park with its owner, King Conservation District. Kirkland will contribute more than $1 million. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2082)

Bothell **Grant Requested: $1,000,000**
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 Shelton View Woods, Friends of the North Creek Forest, and OneBothell. Bothell will contribute more than $2.5 million in cash, Conservation Futures,[3] and a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1433)

Snohomish **Grant Requested: $38,200**
Redeveloping the Fischer Pocket Park

The City of Snohomish will use this grant to design and redevelop Fischer Pocket Park in Snohomish. The City will replace a deteriorated play structure with new play equipment, and add a drinking fountain, bench, and landscaping. The park is within walking distance of about 70 homes where more than 25 percent of the population are older than 65 and 12 percent are over 85 years old. The park's restoration will encourage walking and enhance the health of those at

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

highest risk of lacking access to recreation facilities such as women and older residents. Snohomish will contribute $38,200 in cash and staff labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1995)

Mason County **Grant Requested: $457,775**
Improving the Hood Canal School's Track and Field

Mason County will use this grant to build a new field on top of Hood Canal School's football/soccer field and track, in Mason County. The County will install drainage and irrigation and top off the fields with grass. An all-weather, 6-lane track will surround the field. The County also will add pathways and parking. The improved site will be used for soccer, football, rugby, track, summer activity camps, and year-round community programs. The improvements will benefit the students, 75 percent who receive free and reduced meals, of Hood Canal School during school hours. The improved track and field also will be open to the public for community sports programs such as soccer, football, rugby, football camps, summer camps, track clubs, and year-round community programs. Mason County will contribute $457,775 in a private grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2034)

Toppenish **Grant Requested: $143,275**
Renovating Pioneer Park

The City of Toppenish Parks and Recreation Division will use this grant to further develop and renovate the city's largest and most popular park, Pioneer Park, in the south-central part of Toppenish. The City will resurface the basketball court, replace basketball hoops, add two child-sized hoops, build a restroom near the parking lot, extend a pathway to the ball field, add a shade-screen above the playground, and add eight benches around a pathway. Toppenish will contribute $143,275 in cash and donations of equipment and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1848)

Renton **Grant Requested: $745,449**
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. Renton will contribute more than $1.8 million in cash and a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1706)

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Whatcom County **Grant Requested: $329,000**
Building a Trail in the South Fork Park

The Whatcom County Parks & Recreation Department will use this grant to build a half-mile, multi-use trail and a restroom in the proposed South Fork Regional Park, near the town of Acme. The trail will connect a trailhead near Mosquito Lake Road to the Nesset Farm, a historic homestead to the south. This trail connection is needed to provide public access to parks that are difficult to reach because of private property restrictions and proximity to forests being logged. The proposed trail will offer hikers, bicyclists, and horse riders a unique experience traveling through historic homesteads that date back late to the 1800s. Whatcom County will contribute $369,000 in equipment, staff labor, a voter-approved levy, and donations of cash, labor, and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2065)

Seattle **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Renovating the Smith Cove Park Playfield

The Seattle Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to renovate a multi-use playfield in Smith Cove Park, west of Pier 91 on Elliott Bay in Seattle. Poor drainage and mud make the field unsafe to use from October to April. The City will improve drainage and irrigation and grade and resurface the playfield to make it usable for youth lacrosse, ultimate Frisbee, soccer, and baseball. The park is used by residents of the Magnolia, Queen Anne, and downtown neighborhoods. Seattle will contribute $500,570 in cash, a local grant, a grant from the state Youth Athletic Facilities program, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1880)

South Bend **Grant Requested: $109,000**
Creating Mary Rogers Pioneer Park

The City of South Bend will use this grant to develop a pocket park at the intersection of Willapa Avenue and First Street, in downtown South Bend. The City will lay grass, build a restroom, and install picnic tables, artwork, and interpretive signs. The park will be built on a vacant gravel lot, which was the site of the old city hall and fire station and now is used for parking. Turning this gravel parking lot into a pocket park will provide a much needed green space in town to serve the residents and employees who live and work nearby. South Bend will contribute $110,089 in cash, equipment, staff labor, materials, local and private grants, and donations of cash and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1673)

Ridgefield **Grant Requested: $1,000,000**
Expanding and Developing the Ridgefield Outdoor Recreational Complex

The City of Ridgefield will use this grant to buy 7.5 acres and develop the second phase of the Ridgefield Outdoor Recreation Complex. The City will build a multi-use field, playground, picnic areas, parking, and trails for walking, jogging, and biking as well as landscape the area. In the first phase, the City is building five multi-use athletic fields and parking and making

improvements to the road. The recreation complex is on Ridgefield's quickly developing southeast side. It has is surrounded by a new residential development to the west, a planned residential development to the south, a planned middle school next door, and Ridgefield High School across the road. With a population that skews young (77 percent below age 45), the City faces significant demands for sport fields to accommodate youth leagues. Ridgefield will contribute more than $3.8 million in cash and council bonds. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1932)

Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Building a Playground and Nature Trails in the Eastside Neighborhood

The Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma will use this grant to design and develop a network of trails and a 3,000-square-foot play playground and spray-ground in Tacoma's eastside neighborhood. The playground and spray-ground will be built at First Creek Middle School and the future Eastside Community Center. The trails will connect to Pierce County's Pipeline Trail. This project will connect eastside residents, a predominantly poor and ethnically-diverse demographic, to nature by trails and a playground between the Pipeline trailhead and Swan Creek Park. The park district will contribute $1 million in voter-approved bonds and a private grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1867)

Snohomish County **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Creating Cavalero Park

Snohomish County Department of Parks and Recreation will use this grant to develop Cavalero Park in the city of Lake Stevens. The County will build a parking lot, playgrounds, sand volleyball courts, and a picnic shelter, and install park furnishings and landscaping. Snohomish County will contribute $650,000. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1968)

Washougal **Grant Requested: $313,431**
Buying Land for the Schmid Family Park

The City of Washougal will use this grant to buy 17.88 acres once used by the George Schmid and Sons Construction Company. The Schmid Family Park is prized as having the last in-tact floodway on the lower Washougal River. The land has a gentle, southern slope and amazing views of the floodway and river below, and is best suited for trails, wildlife viewing, and access to the water. This purchase preserves the floodway for public access, protects the upland from development, and provides a link for an outstanding trail along the Washougal River. While this park is in near Hathaway Community Park, there are no other suitable community park prospects this large and with this character inside the northeastern city limits. Washougal will

contribute $313,432 in cash and Conservation Futures.[4] For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1353)

Buckley **Grant Requested: $164,450**
Building the Rainier Gateway Splash Park

The City of Buckley will use this grant to build a splash park on former railroad right-of-way between State Route 410 and the Foothills Trail. The splash park will include a splash pad with seven fountains and two activators, seating, and landscaping. This splash park in Buckley will be a welcome sight for residents and trail users from all over the region on warm summer days. It was ranked highly in a survey of residents and will help the City satisfy a level of service for its 2035 population. Buckley will contribute $164,450 in cash and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1700)

Lake Forest Park **Grant Requested: $270,075**
Buying Big Tree Park

The City of Lake Forest Park will use this grant to buy 1.26 acres to expand the 3.85-acre Pfingst Animal Acres Park. Known as Big Tree Park because of its mature trees and a remarkable rhododendron understory, the land is next to Pfingst Animal Acres Park and includes two salmon-bearing creeks, McAleer Creek and Brookside Creek. The City envisions future opportunities to restore the creek banks, remove fish barriers and bank armoring, provide a nature trail across McAleer Creek connecting the two parks, and provide a gathering place in a natural setting. Lake Forest Park will contribute $274,075 in cash and Conservation Futures.[5] For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1819)

Buckle **Grant Requested: $202,233**
Beginning Miller Neighborhood Park

The City of Buckley will use this grant to develop a new neighborhood park, the Miller Neighborhood Park, on A Street in Buckley. The City will build a gravel road and parking lot and install a playground, storm drainage, picnic shelter, trail connection to a nearby residential development, tables, and benches. Future development phases will add restrooms, and basketball and volleyball courts. Buckley will contribute $202,233. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2022)

Bothell **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Improving the Park at Bothell Landing

City of Bothell will use this grant to begin improvements at the Park at Bothell Landing, the city's signature park. The City will create a 40-stall parking lot, replace the main park restroom, install

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a picnic shelter, and build some pathways. Bothell will contribute more than $1.4 million. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1415)

Cosmopolis **Grant Requested: $150,000**
Replacing the Mill Creek Park Footbridge

The City of Cosmopolis will use this grant to design, build, and buy a 140-foot-long footbridge for use in Mill Creek Park. This new bridge will replace the footbridge that was destroyed during a major storm in 2008. The footbridge is a key component of the trail that loops around Mill Creek. Cosmopolis has faced significant economic challenges since the 2008 footbridge failure and encountered difficulties funding the replacement footbridge. The Mill Creek Park loop trail is near residences, businesses, and the Cosmopolis Elementary School. Cosmopolis will contribute $150,000 in cash and a grant from the salmon recovery program. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1962)

Puyallup **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Beginning Development of Van Lierop Park

The City of Puyallup's Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to begin development of the 18-acre Van Lierop Park, which is in the east valley area, east of Shaw Road and north of Pioneer Avenue. The City will build a playground, an adult fitness area, picnic shelter, and small parking lot. In addition, the City will be build a trail that will expand the existing Riverwalk Trail and move the City closer to linking the Riverwalk and Foothills Trails. 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, Puyallup Soccer Union, and Kiwanis Club of Puyallup. Puyallup will contribute $637,739 in a state appropriation and cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1806)

Chehalis **Grant Requested: $91,227**
Building Discover! Park

The City of Chehalis will use this grant to develop a park next to the Discover! Children's Museum in Chehalis. The Discover! Park will include walking trails and interpretive signs that take visitors on self-guided tours to specific sites such as a butterfly garden, native grasses display, and wildflower garden. Each section will have signs that describe the plants, the historical uses of each plant (medicinal, edible, pest deterrent, or other), and key information about the types of species that benefit from the plants. The City will develop these areas, a walking trail between displays, and a parking lot, and install signs, benches, and fencing. An extension of the children's museum, the park is designed to be a natural environment for learning and to educate people about native plant species and natural habitats of insects and small mammals. Chehalis will contribute $91,227 in cash and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1927)

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Bellingham **Grant Requested: $700,000**
Buying Land for the Cordata Commons Park

The Bellingham Parks and Recreation Department will use grant to buy 25.26 acres for a park in the rapidly growing area of north Bellingham. There are no active-use parks in the area. The land is near a community college and the hub of four greenway and woodland corridors. The City envisions that the park, which was a former cattle ranch, will have picnic shelters, lawns, and paved trails. North Bellingham is a mix of houses, retirement and assisted living homes, student residential areas, and commercial and light industrial land uses. Bellingham will contribute more than $3.1 million in a voter-approved levy. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1831)

Kitsap County **Grant Requested: $175,000**
Improving the Day-Use Area of the Silverdale Waterfront Park

The Kitsap County Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to complete the playground, replace the picnic facilities, and improve the landscaping in the Silverdale Waterfront Park. This is the second phase of the park's renovation. In the first phase, the County replaced the 24-year-old deteriorated playground equipment as part of the overhaul of this stunning waterfront park. Kitsap County will contribute $180,000. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2026)

Kitsap County **Grant Requested: $123,000**
Improving the McPherson-Howe Farm Park

The Kitsap County Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to continue restoration of historic farms in the Howe Farm County Park, southeast of Port Orchard. The County will build trails and a restroom and install wood fencing, historic interpretation, landscaping, a picnic shelter, a gazebo, and general park furnishings, such as benches and picnic tables. The County already has restored both a 1920s-era barn and the exterior of the 1946 family farm barn. This The County hopes to turn the 83-acre family farmstead into a "living history" farm, complete with working community gardens, active farming, and public access and trails throughout. Kitsap County will contribute $127,000 in a local grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2029)

Kitsap County **Grant Requested: $250,000**
Improving the South Kitsap Regional Park

The Kitsap County Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant improve South Kitsap Regional Park. The County will re-route the north road entrance, add roadway rain gardens, increase parking, build part of a trail, add restrooms, and expand the playground. This is the second phase of development. In the first phase, the County installed playground equipment, built a skate park, built 1 mile of perimeter trail and other trail connections, and added sidewalks. Kitsap County will contribute $250,417 in a local grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2028)

WASHINGTON STATE
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Natural Area Projects
Preliminary Ranking
Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program
2017-2019

Rank	Score	Project Number and Type*	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Total
1	40.7778	16-1416A	Crowberry Bog Natural Area Preserve	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$1,571,929	$1,571,929
2	39.7778	16-1419A	Lacamas Prairie Natural Area	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$2,601,715	$2,601,715
3	37.3333	16-1441A	Washougal Oaks Natural Area	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$1,338,073	$1,338,073
4	36.7778	16-1412A	Bone River and Niawiakum River Natural Area Preserves	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$2,211,803	$2,211,803
5	33.4444	16-1417A	Cypress Island Natural Area	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$2,552,271	$2,552,271
					$10,275,791	**$10,275,791**

*Project Type: A=Acquisition

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Natural Area Projects
Evaluation Scores
Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program
2017-2019

Rank	Question / Project Name	1 Ecological and Biological Characteristics	2 Species and Communities with Special Status	3 Manageability and Viability	4 Public Benefit and Support	Total
1	Crowberry Bog Natural Area Preserve	17.56	8.00	11.56	3.67	40.78
2	Lacamas Prairie Natural Area	16.22	8.11	11.33	4.11	39.78
3	Washougal Oaks Natural Area	14.67	7.11	11.67	3.89	37.33
4	Bone River and Niawiakum River Natural Area Preserves	15.22	6.78	11.22	3.56	36.78
5	Cypress Island Natural Area	13.22	5.56	11.00	3.67	33.44

Evaluators score Questions 1-4.

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WASHINGTON STATE Recreation and Conservation Funding Board

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $1,571,929
Creating the Crowberry Bog Natural Area Preserve

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy 325 acres to establish Crowberry Bog Natural Area Preserve in Jefferson County. This new natural area was recommended by the Washington State Natural Heritage Advisory Council and approved in January by the department following a public process. The preserve contains two significant bogs: Crowberry Bog and Hoh Bog. Crowberry Bog is the only known raised bog in the western conterminous United States and the southern-most in western North America. This project will protect this globally rare feature through acquisition for long-term conservation management. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1416)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $2,601,715
Expanding the Lacamas Prairie Natural Area

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy about 167 acres of rare plant communities and species northeast of Vancouver. This includes about 17 acres of shoreline habitat, 11 acres of wetlands, and 139 acres of uplands. This Willamette Valley wet prairie represents the only example of its size and quality in Washington. These ecosystems, which are considered Priority 1 plant communities, are seriously threatened by habitat destruction and degradation in one of the most rapidly urbanizing counties in the state. The land supports the second largest of 20 known populations of Bradshaw's lomatium, a globally critically imperiled, federally-listed endangered plant species. It also contains habitat for five state sensitive plant species and one rare animal species, the slender-billed white breasted nuthatch. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1419)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $1,338,073
Expanding the Washougal Oaks Natural Area

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy about 182 acres east of Washougal at the western edge of the Columbia River Gorge in Clark County for inclusion in Washougal Oaks Natural Area. The land is part of a larger area that encompasses the largest high-quality native oak woodland remaining in western Washington. In addition, a fish-bearing stream inside a steep forested ravine runs through the heart of the site. The land supports two state sensitive plant species and two rare or threatened animal species: slender-billed nuthatch, and lower Columbia River steelhead. This acquisitions are part of a multi-phased project with the long-term objective of protecting the oak woodland and associated species from future residential development, other incompatible uses, and exotic plant species. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1441)

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WASHINGTON STATE Recreation and Conservation Funding Board

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $2,211,803
Expanding the Bone and Niawiakum Rivers Natural Area Preserves

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy 447 acres in two coastal natural area preserves that include the Bone and Niawiakum Rivers. These coastal wetland and estuary ecosystems are among the highest quality examples remaining of native coastal salt marsh communities in Washington. The superb wetlands of the two preserves are recognized as national priorities for protection. These two sites protect seven important wetland communities that were identified in the state Natural Heritage Plan as priorities for protection. The forests adjacent to the salt marshes protect a large portion of both rivers' watersheds and provide nesting habitat for bald eagles, marbled murrelets, great blue herons, and a range of other species. The upper reaches of the Niawiakum River sloughs support rare wetlands that transition from those dominated by tides and saltwater to those dominated by freshwater. The river, slough channels, and tidal mudflats provide habitat for Coastal Cutthroat Trout and salmon, invertebrates, waterfowl, and shorebirds. The remaining undeveloped lands are threatened with conversion to housing developments. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1412)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $2,552,271
Conserving Cypress Island

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy about 112 acres of privately owned waterfront on Cypress Island, in Skagit County. The department owns nearly 95 percent of the island and manages it as the Cypress Island Natural Area Preserve and Natural Resources Conservation Area. The natural area is unique because of its large size, ecological diversity, and level of existing protection. The island has no infrastructure or ferry service and limited development, all of which help increase protection. The natural area provides opportunities for directed public use and environmental education, while protecting critical habitat and rare plant communities. The threat of conversion is high due to continuously rising property values in the San Juan Islands and the attractiveness of Cypress Island for vacation homes and resorts. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1417)

WASHINGTON STATE
Recreation and Conservation Funding Board

Riparian Protection Projects
Preliminary Ranking
Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program
2017-2019

Rank	Score	Number an	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
1	106.22	16-1871A	Wenatchee Sleepy Hollow Floodplain Protection	Chelan Douglas Land Trust	$319,600	$330,400	$650,000
2	99.56	16-1957A	Clearwater Riparian Protection Phase 3	The Nature Conservancy	$877,000	$879,300	$1,756,300
3	99.11	16-1413A	Chehalis River Surge Plain Natural Area Preserve	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$2,321,124		$2,321,124
4	96.89	16-1418A	Kennedy Creek	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$4,312,549		$4,312,549
5	96.56	16-1342A	Teanaway Valley Riparian	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$2,500,000		$2,500,000
6	94.78	16-1878A	Nisqually Shoreline Wilcox Reach Protection	Nisqually Land Trust	$705,000	$711,000	$1,416,000
7	93.67	16-1348A	Merrill Lake Riparian Protection	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$2,300,000		$2,300,000
8	86.89	16-1654A	Wayne Sammamish Riverfront Community	King County	$1,000,000	$4,057,000	$5,057,000
9	85.00	16-1816A	Skookum Riparian Protection Phase 2	Squaxin Island Tribe	$660,055	$660,320	$1,320,375
10	72.56	16-2003A	Graylands Acquisition	Ducks Unlimited Vancouver	$1,000,000	$3,000,000	$4,000,000
11	70.78	16-1379C	Upper Sweetwater Creek Riparian Protection	Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group	$438,547	$453,547	$892,094
					$16,433,875	**$10,091,567**	**$26,525,442**

Project Types: A=Acquisition, C=Combination

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Rank	Project Name	Riparian Habitat Benefits	Planning Priority	Site Suitability and Project Design	Threats to the Habitat	Project Support	Public Access Opportunities	Ongoing Stewardship and Management	Matching Share	Growth Management Act Preference	Total
1	Wenatchee Sleepy Hollow Floodplain Protection	18.44	17.00	18.22	14.78	13.89	14.00	8.89	0.00	0.00	105.22
2	Clearwater Riparian Protection Phase 3	18.22	17.56	17.56	10.11	13.89	11.89	9.33	1.00	0.00	99.56
3	Chehalis River Surge Plain Natural Area Preserve	18.56	18.00	17.89	8.78	12.89	14.00	9.00	0.00	0.00	99.11
4	Kennedy Creek	18.11	18.11	17.56	8.44	12.56	13.33	8.78	0.00	0.00	96.89
5	Teanaway Valley Riparian	16.33	17.56	17.00	10.67	13.67	13.00	8.33	0.00	0.00	96.56
6	Nisqually Shoreline Wilcox Reach Protection	17.00	17.22	16.89	11.44	12.78	9.89	8.56	0.00	0.00	93.78
7	Merrill Lake Riparian Protection	16.89	14.78	17.00	11.67	12.33	12.44	8.56	0.00	0.00	93.67
8	Wayne Sammamish Riverfront Community	10.56	15.44	11.89	11.89	13.44	13.56	8.11	2.00	0.00	86.89
9	Skookum Riparian Protection	14.22	14.89	15.33	9.22	11.67	10.56	8.11	1.00	0.00	85.00
10	Graylands Acquisition	17.11	10.22	12.56	7.78	6.00	10.89	5.00	4.00	0.00	73.56
11	Upper Sweetwater Creek Riparian Protection	8.67	8.67	11.11	7.33	12.67	14.11	7.22	1.00	0.00	70.78

Evaluators score Questions 1-7; RCO staff scores Questions 8-9.

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Chelan-Douglas Land Trust — Grant Requested: $319,600
Conserving Wenatchee Floodplain

The Chelan-Douglas Land Trust will use this grant to buy 37 acres of floodplain along the Wenatchee River, preventing development of a six-unit cluster subdivision already approved by Chelan County. The land trust would allow the river to rework the floodplain unimpeded, which it substantially modified during floods in the 1990s. The land trust also would remove a barn. The area is the largest undeveloped floodplain along the lower Wenatchee River. The area also is identified as a high priority for preservation in its undeveloped state. Acquisition will protect intact and functioning floodplain, primarily forested, and the inlets of two large seasonal side channels. The river is used by Chinook Salmon, which endangered, and steelhead and Bull Trout, both of which , which are listed as threatened with extinction under the federal Endangered Species Act, as well as by Coho and Sockeye salmon. It also is important habitat for mule deer, passerines, raptors, waterfowl, and beavers. The land trust will allow the public access from a nearby county road for non-motorized recreation such as hiking, bird watching, fishing, and floating. The lower Wenatchee River has no public access from land between parks at Monitor (3 miles upstream) and the mouth (3 miles downstream). The Chelan-Douglas Land Trust will contribute $330,400 from a local grant, a grant from the Washington State salmon recovery program, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1871)

The Nature Conservancy — Grant Requested: $877,000
Protecting Land along the Clearwater River

The Nature Conservancy will use this grant to buy 640 acres, the third phase of a project that is creating a corridor of protected shoreline forest habitat from the headwaters of the Clearwater River to its confluence with the Queets River. The land in this purchase mostly is along the Clearwater River and its important tributaries – Shale, Miller, and Christmas Creeks. The Queets and Clearwater Rivers of the Olympic Peninsula support some of the healthiest, most viable, and genetically diverse salmon populations in the lower 48 states, making these rivers an essential anchor for the conservation of salmon habitat and critical areas for biodiversity conservation on the Washington coast. The rivers drain an area of more than 287,383 acres and are home to wild populations of Chinook, Coho, Chum, Pink and Sockeye salmon, steelhead, and Cutthroat and Bull Trout. The rivers and associated shoreline forests also support numerous other important species, such as the Pacific lamprey, Olympic mudminnow, and marbled murrelet. The project will address the two most significant habitat threats to these river systems: ongoing logging and rural development. The Nature Conservancy will contribute $879,300 in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1957)

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Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $2,321,124
Buying Land in the Chehalis River Surge Plain Natural Area Preserve

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy about 1,346 acres of important shoreline areas in the Chehalis River Surge Plain Natural Area Preserve, in Grays Harbor. The preserve protects a diverse complex of estuarine and riverine wetlands and represents a unique opportunity to protect of a large intact ecosystem with natural hydrologic functions. The land proposed for acquisition includes critical parts of Preacher's and Blue Sloughs, sinuous tidally-influenced waterways that wind through the heart of the surge plain. Sloughs such as this provide important off-channel habitat for juvenile salmon species during their adjustment to saltwater. Habitat for other fish, including the Olympic mud minnow, is protected in the wetland. Most of the site is Sitka spruce-dominated forested wetland. Within the surge plain, nesting, roosting, and foraging habitat is protected for eagles, osprey, great blue heron, waterfowl, shorebirds, and Neotropical migrant species. Animals that live there include bears, river otters, raccoons, beavers, and muskrats. Purchase of this land will be a significant contribution toward completion of the preserve, which has been recognized as a national priority for protection. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1413)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $4,312,549
Buying Land along Kennedy Creek

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy about 830 acres in a proposed Natural Resources Conservation Area along Kennedy Creek that connects to the Kennedy Creek Natural Area Preserve. The purchase would increase protection for one of the few remaining high-quality salt marsh communities in Puget Sound, including vital habitat for migrating shorebirds. The site also provides recreation and environmental education opportunities for one of the fastest growing counties in southern Puget Sound. The acquisition area is known for its robust fall run of Chum Salmon, which has an average of 20,000 fish returning annually to spawn in Kennedy Creek. The project area also provides habitat for Coastal Cutthroat Trout, steelhead, and Coho Salmon. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1418)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $2,500,000
Conserving the Teanaway River Valley

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy 215 acres along the Teanaway River, northeast of Cle Elum in Kittitas County. The river is critical habitat for steelhead and Bull Trout, both of which are listed as threatened with extinction under the federal Endangered Species Act, and is a major focal watershed for Chinook Salmon recovery efforts in the upper Yakima River basin. The land contains more than a half-mile of the Teanaway River and nearly 1.5 miles of four tributary streams, two of which are fish-bearing. This biologically diverse and wild place is bisected by the Teanaway River and contains about 117 acres of intact, functioning shoreline, wetland, floodplain, and wet meadow habitats. The land is used by beavers, Columbia

spotted frogs, Neotropical songbirds, deer, elk, northern spotted owls, bears, cougars, and gray wolves. The department wants to protect this intact habitat to preserve critical watershed functions and connect the wildlife habitat of the Teanaway River and Teanaway Community Forest. The department will remove some buildings and provide recreational access to the river and uplands by building a small parking lot where the buildings were. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1342)

Nisqually Land Trust — Grant Requested: $705,000
Conserving the Wilcox Reach of the Nisqually Shoreline

The Nisqually Land Trust will use this grant to buy 184 acres that includes 1 mile of shoreline and 34 acres of forest at the Wilcox reach of the Nisqually River, near Eatonville. The Wilcox reach provides spawning and rearing habitat for all five Nisqually Pacific salmon species. The land, which is one of the last large undeveloped Nisqually shoreline properties, is forested, with steep slopes leading to the floodplain, and zoned for development of 40 homes. Acquisition would prevent habitat degradation from logging, development, livestock grazing, off-road vehicle use, and loss of shoreline vegetation. It also would connect two substantial blocks of conserved Nisqually shoreline totaling 22.8 shoreline miles and 1,385 acres. The Nisqually Land Trust will contribute $711,000 in cash and a grant from the state Puget Sound Acquisition and Restoration program. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1878)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $2,300,000
Conserving Merrill Lake Shoreline

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy 282.5 acres of habitat along the Kalama River and the Merrill Lake shoreline in Cowlitz County. The land is between Merrill Lake and the Kalama River and has many unique habitat features including lava beds with tree casts, high volume springs feeding the Kalama River, small old-growth stands, waterfalls, and high quality native plant communities. This site also supports large old-growth cedar or fir and includes riverfront at the 40-foot waterfall on the Kalama River. The department's objectives include long-term protection of this unique habitat and provision of public access, particularly along the shorelines of the lake and river. The site connects with a national forest to the north and a Department of Natural Resources' Natural Resource Conservation Area to the south. A diverse suite of species will benefit from the overall project including steelhead, Coho and Chinook salmon, elk, martins, western toads, spotted owls, and osprey. Impending threats to these sites include subdivision for recreational lots or resort-type development and commercial logging. This is the last phase of a larger effort to conserve 1,431 acres. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1348)

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King County **Grant Requested: $1,000,000**
Conserving the Wayne Golf Course

King County Water and Land Resources Division will use this grant to buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, for about 34 acres associated with the Wayne golf course. King County is partnering with the City of Bothell to permanently protect the entire 89-acre golf course because it is one of the largest undeveloped sites remaining along the Sammamish River. The agreement will prevent future development and impervious surfaces, while allowing passive recreation and restoration to improve the area, especially for salmon and other aquatic life and wildlife. King County will contribute more than $4 million in a local grant and a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1654)

Squaxin Island Tribe **Grant Requested: $660,055**
Protecting Skookum Creek Shorelines

The Squaxin Island Tribe will use this grant to buy 108.5 acres in the Skookum Creek watershed in Mason County to protect and enhance wildlife populations. The land lies in an ancient lakebed and includes remnant wetlands and streams as well as Skookum Creek. The land is a farm and the owners will be allowed to stay but the cattle will be removed from the shorelines within 3 years of acquisition. The Skookum Creek watershed is not highly developed but has portions that were modified heavily by historical farming practices and railroads. Skookum Creek supports healthy stocks of Chum Salmon, a declining stock of Coho Salmon, and the most productive Cutthroat Trout population in south Puget Sound. The Squaxin Island Tribe will contribute $660,320. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1816)

Ducks Unlimited-Vancouver **Grant Requested: $1,000,000**
Conserving Land along the Washington Coast

Ducks Unlimited-Vancouver will use this grant to buy about 1,750 acres, 2 miles south of Westport, in Grays Harbor County. The land is in the lower Chehalis River watershed within the Grays Harbor estuary, and is positioned south of State Highway 105 along South Bay. Ducks Unlimited wants to protect this unique area on the Washington coast, restore the diverse habitats, and create public use opportunities. The land contains more than 1,100 acres of fresh and estuarine wetlands, as well as tidal mudflats, old-growth forested uplands, interdunal wet/swale complexes, commercial timberlands, and grasslands. It is surrounded by protected lands with the Elk River Natural Resources Conservation Area to the east and Twin Harbors State Park to the west. It also is near other state and federal lands including Grays Harbor National Wildlife Refuge, Johns River Wildlife Area, and Grayland Beach State Park. The land supports a diverse array of wildlife including waterfowl, shorebirds, elk, deer, marbled murrelets, bald eagles, black bears, and river otters. Ducks Unlimited will contribute $3 million. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2003)

Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group — Grant Requested: $438,547
Conserving Upper Sweetwater Creek Shorelines

The Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group will use this grant to buy nearly 1 acre and develop and restore 5 acres of salmon habitat in the upper reaches of Sweetwater Creek, just east of State Route 3 near Belfair in Mason County. The salmon group will create a roughened stream channel to restore fish passage to .79 mile of the creek, bypassing a historic water wheel and its eight-foot spillway and an 8-foot-tall weir further upstream. The creek is used by fall Chum and Coho salmon. The near acre of land will connect more than 150 acres of public land and is next to 5 acres of protected North Mason School District property that will be redeveloped into a park. The revitalized park will feature the water wheel, a loop trail, a fishing dock, solar and hydropower learning stations, a natural area for playing, native plantings, parking, a restroom, and maintenance facility. The Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group will contribute $453,547 in equipment, federal and local grants, and donations of labor, land, and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1379)

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1	55.30	16-1827D	Raging River State Forest Trail System Development Phase 2	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$316,800	$247,700	$564,500
2	52.40	16-1967D	Mount Si Natural Resources Conservation Area Green Mountain Trail and Civilian Conservation Corps Trail	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$325,000	$134,500	$459,500
3	49.70	16-1900D	Teanaway Campground Renovation	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$325,000	$35,000	$360,000
4	49.50	16-1707D	Sinlahekin Wildlife Area Campground Renovations	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$245,000		$245,000
5	49.40	16-1684D	Beverly Dunes ORV Park Renovation	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$308,800	$51,200	$360,000
6	48.70	16-2008D	McLane Creek Nature Trails Renovation	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$219,000	$37,000	$256,000
7	48.40	16-1931D	Leland Lake Public Access Renovation	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$324,500		$324,500
7	48.40	16-1541D	Morning Star Trails and Campground Renovation	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$146,200	$41,000	$187,200
9	46.90	16-1469D	Samish River Unit Parking and Recreation	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$182,300		$182,300
10	46.70	16-1823D	Wells Recreation Site Development	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$258,000		$258,000
11	46.50	16-1820D	Cypress Island and Blanchard Trail Development	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$69,394	$60,606	$130,000
12	46.00	16-1662D	Point Doughty Campground Renovation	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$111,000	$43,000	$154,000
13	45.70	16-1847D	South Tennant Lake Boardwalk Trail Development	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$315,000		$315,000

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14	45.30	16-1846D	Lake Tahuya Public Access	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$285,000		$285,000
15	45.20	16-1738D	Roses Lake Public Access	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$325,000		$325,000
16	42.20	16-2018D	Shumaker Snyder Bar Access Improvements	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$271,000		$271,000
					$4,026,994	**$650,006**	**$4,677,000**

*Project Type: D=Development

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		Public Need	Site Suitability and Design	Sustainability and Environmental Stewardship	Diversity and Compatibility	Performance Measure	Public Benefit		
1	Raging River State Forest Trail System Development Phase 2	18.00	12.60	8.00	7.00	4.00	4.70	1.00	55.30
2	Mount Si Natural Resources Conservation Area Green Mountain Trail and Civil Conservation Corps Trail	17.60	11.10	7.00	7.20	3.80	4.70	1.00	52.40
3	Teanaway Campground Renovation	15.60	11.10	7.00	8.40	3.40	4.20	0.00	49.70
4	Sinlahekin Wildlife Area Campground Renovations	14.80	12.00	7.60	7.80	4.10	3.20	0.00	49.50
5	Beverly Dunes ORV Park Renovation	15.60	12.00	6.60	7.80	3.50	3.90	0.00	49.40
6	McLane Creek Nature Trails Renovation	14.80	11.40	7.40	6.80	3.30	4.00	1.00	48.70
7	Leland Lake Public Access Renovation	16.00	11.40	7.40	6.40	3.70	3.50	0.00	48.40
7	Morning Star Trails and Campground Renovation	14.80	12.60	7.60	6.20	3.10	3.10	1.00	48.40
9	Samish River Unit Parking and Recreation	14.80	11.10	7.20	6.80	3.30	3.70	0.00	46.90
10	Wells Recreation Site Development	15.20	10.50	7.00	7.60	3.30	3.10	0.00	46.70
11	Cypress Island and Blanchard Trail Development	14.00	10.80	7.40	7.00	3.10	4.20	0.00	46.50
12	Point Doughty Campground Renovation	14.00	11.40	7.80	5.80	3.10	3.90	0.00	46.00
13	South Tennant Lake Boardwalk Trail Development	13.60	11.10	6.40	7.60	3.30	3.70	0.00	45.70
14	Lake Tahuya Public Access	14.40	9.30	7.40	6.80	3.40	3.00	1.00	45.30
15	Roses Lake Public Access	14.00	11.10	7.20	6.80	3.10	3.00	0.00	45.20
16	Shumaker Snyder Bar Access Improvements	13.20	9.30	7.00	7.60	2.70	2.40	0.00	42.20

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Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $316,800
Developing Trails in Raging River State Forest

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to develop 10 miles of trail in Raging River State Forest, about 20 miles east of Seattle, expanding the trail system for mountain bikers, hikers, and horse riders. The new trails will give visitors a safer alternative to using service roads, fill a missing link in the Mountains to Sound Greenway Regional Trail, provide under-served downhill mountain biking trails, and create a trail connection to Taylor Mountain Forest, an adjacent King County Park. This work continues the first phase that is building 15 miles of trail, expected to be complete by June 2017. The Department of Natural Resources will contribute $247,700 in a state appropriation and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1827)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $325,000
Building Trails and Trail Bridges on Mount Si

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to develop 3.5 miles of trail to the summit of Green Mountain in the Mount Si Natural Resources Conservation Area, about 30 miles east of Seattle. The trails are used by hikers, horse riders, and mountain bikers. Work will include decommissioning an unsafe 1-mile length of user built scramble to the summit, ensuring protection of resources and an improved recreation experience. The department also will install two trail bridges on washed out segments of the Civilian Conservation Corps Trail, reopening the trail for horse riders and creating a safe link for hiking, mountain biking, and horse riding to trails through the Middle Fork Snoqualmie River valley to U.S. Forest Service trails. The Department of Natural Resources will contribute $134,500 in a state appropriation. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1967)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $325,000
Completing Renovation of the Teanaway Campground

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to finish renovating the Teanaway Campground, north of Cle Elum in Kittitas County. The department will rebuild the interior road system. In an earlier phase of work, the department installed two restrooms, rebuilt some roads, and installed nearly 1 mile of boundary fence, 50 picnic tables, and fire rings. The Department of Natural Resources will contribute $35,000 in cash, staff labor, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1900)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $245,000
Renovating the Sinlahekin Wildlife Area Campground

The Department of Fish and Wildlife use will this grant to renovate 10 campgrounds in the Sinlahekin Wildlife Area, which is between the towns of Loomis and Conconully in Okanogan County. The department will formalize campsites by installing fire rings, picnic tables, and

grading parking and camping spots. The department also will renovate pathways to restrooms so they are accessible to people with disabilities. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1707)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $308,800
Renovating the Beverly Dunes ORV Park

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to renovate the off-road vehicle (ORV) trailhead and campsites at the Beverly Dunes ORV Park, in Grant County near the town of Beverly. The department will install a new entrance sign, two kiosks, and three restrooms, and renovated 15 parking spaces and campsites. The renovations will improve parking, sanitation, camping opportunities, and access for people with disabilities, and provide safer access for trucks and trailers hauling off-road vehicles to the trails and sand dunes. The Department of Natural Resources will contribute $51,200 in cash, staff labor, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1684)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $219,000
Renovating McLane Creek Nature Trails

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to develop trails and bridges at McLane Creek Nature Trails, in the Capitol State Forest near Olympia. The department will replace two wooden bridges, repair and replace boardwalks, and reconstruct small portions of trail. The nature trails have extensive boardwalks and viewing areas allowing people close-up views of wetlands, streams, ducks, native plants, and salmon, without disrupting the environment. Schools, colleges and various agencies use McLane Creek for environmental education, research, and other classroom purposes. More than 1,000 school children received instruction on salmon ecology from volunteers in 2015. The project will be completed with a crew from Washington Conservation Corps and Department of Corrections. The Department of Natural Resources will contribute $37,000 in equipment, staff labor, and donations of labor and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2008)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $324,500
Renovating the Leland Lake Public Access Site

The Department of Fish and Wildlife use will this grant to renovate the Lake Leland water access site north of Quilcene in Jefferson County. The department will replace the fishing dock and restroom, re-grade the road and parking lot, renovate the trail along the shoreline for bank fishers, and provide an accessible bank-side fishing opportunity. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1931)

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Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $146,200
Renovating Morning Star Trails and Campground

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to renovate 1 mile of backcountry hiking trail and six backcountry campsites, and build three small pedestrian bridges along the Walt Bailey Trail and Cutthroat Lakes Campground, in eastern Snohomish County. The trail is accessed from the Mountain Loop Highway via Mount Baker Snoqualmie National Forest 4032 Road. The department will excavate and resurface the trail and install water drainage features, rock steps, timber trail cribbing, and signs. Renovation of the backcountry campsites will include building tent pads, adding log benches for campfire seating, and installing drainage features. By renovating the failed portions of this trail system, adding needed bridges, and formalizing backcountry campsites with built-in amenities, this project will satisfy a need and provide relief to other overused trails nearby, ultimately lessening the environmental impact to the whole region. The Department of Natural Resources will contribute $41,000 in staff labor and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1541)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $182,300
Developing Parking at the Samish River Unit of the Skagit Wildlife Area

The Department of Fish and Wildlife use will this grant to develop new facilities in the Samish River Unit of the Skagit Wildlife Area near the town of Bow in Skagit County. The department will build a gravel parking lot where none exists with room for 17 vehicles, install fences and gates, and build a pad for a portable outhouse. Part of project includes planting a wetland and making habitat improvements off site. The site is used primary for fishing, hunting, photography, and wildlife viewing. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1469)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $258,000
Redeveloping the Wells Recreation Site

The Department of Fish and Wildlife use will this grant to redevelop two access sites on the Bridgeport Bar Unit of the Wells Wildlife Area, near Bridgeport in Douglas County. The department will re-grade parking spots, install two restrooms and kiosks, and renovate one boat launch. The access sites are used by people for wildlife viewing, fishing, hunting, and boating. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1823)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $69,394
Developing the Cypress Island and Blanchard State Forest Trails

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to develop hiking trails in the Cypress Island Natural Resources Conservation area and the Blanchard State Forest, both in Skagit County. The department will build 2.25 miles of trail on Cypress Island and .3 mile of a longer

trail to Oyster Dome in the Blanchard State Forest. Development will include excavation, surfacing, and installation of water drainage features and trail features such as rock steps, crib walls, signs, and viewpoints at both worksites. This project will develop trails that improve public safety, reduce natural resource damage, and meet the increasing public demand for hiking access on Cypress Island and in the Blanchard State Forest. The Department of Natural Resources will contribute $60,606 in staff labor and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1820)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $111,000
Renovating the Point Doughty Campground

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to build two beach access stairways, renovate a quarter-mile of trail, and install picnic tables and interpretative signs in the Point Doughty Campground, on the north side of Orcas Island, near Eastsound. The existing stairway connecting the campground to the beach is in disrepair and the other path used to get to the beach on the south end of the property has eroded away. Interpretative signs will be focused on environmental education relevant to the Point Doughty Natural Area Preserve in the San Juan Islands. This campground is surrounded by private land and can be accessed only by water and is used by boaters and kayakers. The Department of Natural Resources will contribute $43,000 in a state appropriation and staff labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1662)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $315,000
Developing the South Tennant Lake Boardwalk Trail

The Department of Fish and Wildlife use will this grant to add more than 1 mile of trail in the Tennant Lake unit of the Whatcom Wildlife Area, in Whatcom County. The trail will be a mix of compacted gravel and boardwalk and will connect to trails at Tennant Lake and Hovander Park. The trail will be used by people for hiking and wildlife viewing. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1847)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $285,000
Developing Lake Tahuya Public Access

The Department of Fish and Wildlife use will this grant to develop a new water access site on Lake Tahuya in Kitsap County. The department will add parking build a new boat launch for hand-carried boats such as kayaks and canoes, and install fencing, signs, an entry gate, and a restroom. The access site is used by people for fishing, wildlife viewing, and water access. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1846)

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Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $325,000
Renovating Roses Lake Public Access Site

The Department of Fish and Wildlife use will this grant to renovate the Roses Lake access site located 1 mile north of Manson on Green Avenue in Chelan County. The department will renovate paths to shoreline fishing spots, add two fishing sites accessible to people with disabilities, install a new fishing dock, and add matting to the end of the boat launch for larger boats to launch. The access site is used by people for fishing and boating. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1738)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $271,000
Improving the Shumaker and Snyder Bar Access Areas

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to renovate the Snyder Bar and Shumaker access sites in the Chief Joseph Wildlife Area along the Grande Ronde River in Asotin County. The department will improve about 3 miles of trail, install two hand-carry launches on the Grande Ronde River, install two new restrooms, re-grade and improve the roads, re-grade the parking areas, and create new campsites. The access sites are used by people rafting, kayaking, fishing, hunting, camping, sightseeing, and wildlife viewing. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2018)

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1	49.00	16-1859R	South Puget Sound Grassland Restoration	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$390,750	$390,750
2	48.70	16-1949R	Big Bend Shrub Steppe Restoration	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$165,695	$165,695
3	48.60	16-1636R	Camas Meadows Forest and Rare Plant Restoration	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$113,000	$113,000
4	47.10	16-1674R	Trout Lake Meadow Restoration Phase 3	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$80,300	$80,300
5	46.70	16-1611R	Rock Creek Tieton Forest Restoration	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$354,750	$354,750
6	46.30	16-1461R	Methow Forest Restoration Phase 2	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$603,875	$603,875
7	46.10	16-1811R	Skagit River Delta Restoration	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$250,000	$250,000
7	46.10	16-2011R	Admiralty Inlet Natural Area Preserve Rare Native Prairies Expansion	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$55,000	$55,000
7	46.10	16-2072R	Phantom Butte Grassland Restoration	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$65,000	$65,000
10	45.80	16-1678R	Post Fire Shrub Steppe Habitat Restoration	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$98,100	$98,100
11	45.00	16-1715R	Klickitat Canyon Natural Resources Conservation Area Habitat Restoration South	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$125,000	$125,000
12	44.70	16-1586R	Woodard Bay Natural Resources Conservation Area Nearshore Wetland Restoration	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$316,200	$316,200

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13	43.30	16-1585R	Pinecroft Natural Area Aridland Forest Restoration	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$83,000	$83,000
14	42.60	16-1580R	Dabob Bay Natural Area Lowland Forest Restoration	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$99,150	$99,150
15	42.30	16-1953R	Coastal Forest Restoration Phase 2	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$176,000	$176,000
16	40.90	16-1881R	Colockum Forest Health	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$254,000	$254,000
					$3,229,820	**$3,229,820**

Project Types: R=Restoration

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Rank	Question	1 Ecological and Biological Characteristics	2 Restoration and Enhancement	3 Project Design	4 Planning	5 Public Benefit	Total
1	South Puget Sound Grassland Restoration	14.10	12.90	13.40	4.50	4.10	49.00
2	Big Bend Shrub Steppe Restoration	13.00	14.40	13.60	4.00	3.70	48.70
3	Camas Meadows Forest and Rare Plant Restoration	14.10	13.00	13.20	4.20	4.10	48.60
4	Trout Lake Meadow Restoration Phase 3	13.40	12.60	13.00	4.10	4.00	47.10
5	Rock Creek Tieton Forest Restoration	12.60	12.20	13.40	4.20	4.30	46.70
6	Methow Forest Restoration Phase 2	12.50	12.40	12.80	4.20	4.40	46.30
7	Skagit River Delta Restoration	12.70	13.00	12.90	3.70	3.80	46.10
7	Admiralty Inlet Natural Area Preserve Rare Native Prairies Expansion	13.40	11.70	12.80	4.20	4.00	46.10
7	Phantom Butte Grassland Restoration	11.90	12.90	13.10	4.20	4.00	46.10
10	Post Fire Shrub Steppe Habitat Restoration	12.50	13.20	12.50	4.10	3.50	45.80
11	Klickitat Canyon Natural Resources Conservation Area Habitat Restoration South	12.50	12.20	12.40	4.10	3.80	45.00
12	Woodard Bay Natural Resources Conservation Area Nearshore Wetland Restoration	12.40	11.60	11.90	4.40	4.40	44.70
13	Pinecroft Natural Area Aridland Forest Restoration	12.00	11.80	12.00	3.40	4.10	43.30
14	Dabob Bay Natural Area Lowland Forest Restoration	11.50	11.20	12.00	4.20	3.70	42.60
15	Coastal Forest Restoration Phase 2	12.10	11.30	11.50	3.40	4.00	42.30
16	Colockum Forest Health	11.60	11.20	10.90	3.60	3.60	40.90

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Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $390,750
Restoring South Puget Sound Grassland

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to restore rare grasslands and woodlands in the Scatter Creek, Mima Mounds, West Rocky Prairie, Rocky Prairie, and Bald Hill areas. These sites have been degraded by invasive species and other issues. The department will acquire native seeds and transplants, prepare areas for seeding by burning them or controlling invasive plants, and then replant the areas. The department also will work on removing the Scot's broom, enhance habitat for the Oregon spotted frog in the West Rocky Prairie area, and remove trees that shade oak trees in the Mima Mounds Natural Area Preserve. The shade actually results in dead and dying limbs, and eventually the whole oak tree. The Department of Fish and Wildlife will team up with the Washington Department of Natural Resources because they have identical restoration needs and can save time and money by avoiding redundancies in staffing, contracting, and seed source development. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1859)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $165,695
Restoring Big Bend Shrub-Steppe

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to restore 260 acres of abandoned farmland to a diverse community of native grasses, forbs, and shrubs in the Big Bend Wildlife Area in northeast Douglas County. The land will benefit Columbian sharp-tailed grouse as well as a host of wildlife species dependent on shrub-steppe. Much of the land is heavily infested with Rush skeletonweed, a Class B noxious weed, meaning seed production must be stopped. Without intervention, the land gradually will be invaded by noxious weeds and other undesirable vegetation. Collectively, these fields have no habitat value and are in fact, a threat to the health of the surrounding landscape. This project will replace what is now non-habitat with quality native habitat thereby removing that threat. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1949)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $113,000
Restoring Camas Meadows' Forest and Rare Plants

The Department of Natural Resources' Natural Areas Program will use this grant to restore 130 acres of forest and wet meadow habitats by thinning and burning, controlling invasive plants, and planting native vegetation in the Camas Meadows Natural Area Preserve, in Chelan County. The work will enhance habitat for three rare plant species, including the federally-endangered Wenatchee Mountains checkermallow, and forest wildlife. The preserve contains the world's largest population of the Wenatchee Mountains checkermallow and is critical to the species' long-term survival. The preserve also supports more than 1,000 acres of dry forest habitat used by diverse populations of songbirds and raptors, and shoreline areas and openings in the forest, which provide habitat for the rare plant species. Past forest management and fire suppression have resulted in a dense forest with altered species composition, which is degrading

habitat quality for wildlife, impacting rare plant habitat, and putting the forest at risk for a high-intensity wildfire. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1636)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $80,300
Continuing Restoration of Trout Lake Meadow

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to continue restoration of 35 acres of wetlands in the Trout Lake Natural Area Preserve, which is in the northwest corner of Klickitat County. The department will control weeds, plant native plants, and improve the flow of water – all with the goal of improving habitat for four rare plants and animals. The preserve is home to a large population of the Oregon spotted frog, which the state has listed as endangered and the federal government has listed threatened with extinction. The preserve also is a nesting and foraging area for the greater sandhill crane, a state endangered species. In addition, two rare plants are found in these seasonally wet meadows – pale blue-eyed grass, a state threatened and federal species of concern, and rosy owl clover, a state endangered species. While the area provides good habitat for some animals, there are several old irrigation ditches that need to be blocked so more water remains in the meadows and follow-up work is needed following the removal of an old road to improve water flow in the western portion of the site to the drier meadows to improve winter habitat for migratory birds. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1674)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $354,750
Restoring Rock Creek-Tieton Forest

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to restore about 1,500 acres of in the Oak Creek Wildlife Area, west of Naches in Klickitat and Yakima Counties. The department will restore the land by thinning the forest and burning some of it. Because the land is former timber company land, there is a deficit of large trees that could provide durable habitat for wildlife, such as many of the state's species of greatest conservation need as well as several species listed under the federal Endangered Species Act, including the northern spotted owl, the white-headed woodpecker, Lewis's woodpecker, northern goshawk, and the Townsend's big-eared bat. The restoration will improve the ecological processes and functions so the land can better support wildlife and be more resilient to catastrophic fire in the face of climate change. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1611)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $603,875
Restoring the Methow Forest

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to burn 1,114 acres in the Methow Wildlife Area and thin 593 acres of forest 4 miles north of Twisp of State Highway 20 to restore the forest. Historically the wildlife area had frequent, low intensity fires, which burned the lower plants and shrubs and kept the forest open. Decades of fire suppression have transformed the open ponderosa pine stands to dense forests. This unnatural state is both unhealthy,

contributing to a loss of understory plants and trees, and a contributor to the severe fires of the past 2 years in the county. By reintroducing controlled fire to the landscape, some of the build-up is burned and the risk of high severity fires is reduced, improving overall forest health and structure, wildlife habitat, and forest resiliency. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1461)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $250,000
Removing Cattails in the Skagit River Delta

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to remove invasive cattail from 200 acres in the Island Unit, which is on the South Fork Skagit River, between Steamboat and Freshwater Sloughs, in the Skagit Wildlife Area in Skagit County. Unlike native cattail, invasive cattail can colonize brackish waters and tolerate deeper water. Invasive cattail represents a threat to Bull Trout, juvenile Chinook Salmon, and other salmon species by changing natural processes, water flow, and plant diversity in the Skagit River estuary. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1811)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $55,000
Expanding the Admiralty Inlet Natural Area Preserve's Rare Native Prairies

The Department of Natural Resources, partnering with the Whidbey Camano Land Trust, will use this grant to restore rare coastal prairie and endangered plant habitat on the 79-acre Admiralty Inlet Natural Area Preserve. The preserve is 2.5 miles south of Coupeville in Ebey's Landing National Historical Reserve on Whidbey Island. This project will increase restoration significantly of two rare native prairies that have 2 of the only 12 naturally-occurring populations of golden paintbrush, which the State has listed as endangered and the federal government has listed as threatened with extinction. The project will restore another 2.2 acres of native prairie and golden paintbrush habitat in the preserve by removing invasive and non-native species, and planting native prairie species, including golden paintbrush. Seeding with native dominant prairie species also will be done. These activities will support the efforts of the department and land trust to establish self-sustaining populations of golden paintbrush as called for in the federal *Golden Paintbrush Species Recovery Plan* and help preserve and perpetuate the last native prairies in north Puget Sound, including one that is extraordinarily rare. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2011)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $65,000
Restoring Phantom Butte Grassland

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to restore about 150 acres of a 250-acre field on Phantom Butte in the Swanson Lakes Wildlife Area. The department will remove the non-native grass and invasive weeds from this former wheat field and replant it using a native grassland-forb mix. The resulting grassland will resemble native meadows in the surrounding shrub-steppe habitat. This field is part of a larger area that supports a recently augmented population of Columbian sharp-tailed grouse and a recently reintroduced population of greater

sage grouse, both listed by the state as threatened with extinction. The sage grouse is also a candidate for listing under the federal Endangered Species Act. Both sharp-tailed and sage grouse have returned to similar restored fields, and this restoration project is expected to produce similar results. The department allows hunting for mule deer, hiking, and bird watching on the land. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2072)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $98,100
Restoring Fire-Ravaged Shrub Steppe Habitat

The Washington Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to restore 65 acres of shrub-steppe habitat damaged by wildfires in four Natural Area Preserves in Okanogan and Douglas Counties. Following the fires, the department had done a limited amount of weed control and seeding, but more work needs to be done to fully restore these native plant communities in north central Washington. The department will control nonnative plants and replant with native plants. To enhance sage grouse habitat, the department will thin the sagebrush and plant native bunchgrass on 10 acres of previously disturbed areas at Two Steppe Natural Area Preserve. Work will be done at the following Natural Area Preserves: Two Steppe, located 20 miles east of Waterville, lies within the identified breeding area of a greater sage-grouse population; Riverside Breaks, north of Omak, contains a population of the rare Snake River Cryptantha; Davis Canyon, located north of Brewster, was established as a National Natural Landmark because of the high quality plant communities present there; and Methow Rapids, south of Pateros, includes unique plant communities not protected in other areas. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1678)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $125,000
Restoring Klickitat Canyon Natural Resources Conservation Area

The Washington Department of Natural Resources' Natural Areas Program will use this grant to restore about 150 acres of meadow and dry forest habitat in the 2,350-acre Klickitat Canyon Natural Resources Conservation Area, 5 miles north of the town of Glenwood in Klickitat and Yakima Counties. The department will thin about 100 acres of forest, burn another 50 acres, plant native plants on 5 acres, control invasive plants on 10 acres, and restore the water flow on 2 acres by removing ruts from old roads on the site. This work will restore ponderosa pine dry forest and seasonally wet meadow habitat that supports greater sandhill cranes, long-bearded sego lily, rosy owl-clover, dwarf rush, Pulsifer's monkey-flower, and Kellogg's rush. Along with benefits to these species, this work also will reduce fuels on the land and lessen the threat of fire. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1715)

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Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $316,200
Restoration Woodard Bay Shorelines and Wetlands

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to control invasive plants and replant 100 acres in the Woodard Bay Natural Resources Conservation Area, which is an 870-acre natural area north of Olympia on Henderson Inlet in Thurston County. The conservation area contains shorelines and estuaries, freshwater wetlands and streams, a small lake, and habitat for many wildlife species. The goal of this project is to restore saltwater shoreline habitat and enhance degraded and poorly buffered wetlands and shorelines. Animals that will benefit from the project include bats, migratory waterfowl, and Neotropical migratory birds. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1586)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $83,000
Restoring Pinecroft Natural Area's Aridland Forest

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to restore 80 acres of imperiled ponderosa pine forest and 20 acres of adjacent bunchgrass meadows in the Pinecroft Natural Area Preserve near Spokane. The preserve is the largest remaining ponderosa pine-grassland ecosystem that once was prevalent throughout the Spokane Valley. The department will thin high-density stands of young trees to match densities that occurred when fires were frequent, remove downed wood to reduce the unnaturally high amounts of fuel for fires, remove invasive plants from the understory, and plant native vegetation. In addition, the department will restore two areas of the preserve that were historically bunchgrass meadows but now are dominated by invasive grasses and forbs, by controlling invasive plants, seeding, and planting. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1585)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $99,150
Restoring Lowland Forest in the Dabob Bay Natural Area

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to restore 115 acres of young commercial timber and another 4 acres of old homestead at Dabob Bay Natural Area, east of Quilcene, on Hood Canal and the Olympic Peninsula. Under current conditions, the homestead site is not developing into forest and the former commercial timber stand provides little habitat for plants and animals. The homestead also is not representative of a natural coastal forest ecosystem and is unlikely to develop either habitat values or a natural configuration. The department will control weeds, thin the Douglas-fir trees, and plant native trees and shrubs to increase diversity, improve wildlife habitat, and expand coastal lowland forest habitat. The department also will remove an old logging road with culverts. The department plans to develop a multiple layer overstory with native understory and ground cover. The natural area protects high quality coastal sand spits, estuary habitats, and upland shoreline forests, which are used by pileated woodpeckers, Coastal Cutthroat Trout, bald eagles, and great blue herons. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1580)

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Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $176,000
Restoring a Coastal Forest

The Washington State Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to restore about 895 acres of Pacific Northwest coastal forest in the Bone River and Niawiakum River Natural Area Preserves and the Elk River and Ellsworth Creek Natural Resources Conservation Areas, in Grays Harbor and Pacific Counties. These natural areas include rare salt marsh habitats and extensive forested uplands, including significant pockets of mature and old-growth forest. They represent a large portion of a quickly disappearing mature/old-growth forest landscape in southwest Washington. Restoration will focus primarily on the thinning of densely planted commercial forest stands in the 35- to 50-year-old age range. In their current condition, these forests provide lower quality habitat for diverse plant and animal communities and are not representative of a natural northwest coastal forest ecosystem. Goals for the restoration include reducing stand density, increasing understory vegetation and plant diversity, increasing the amount of large woody debris on the forest floor, and creating wildlife snags. Doing so, will dramatically improve the quality of habitat for a variety of plants and animals, including the marbled murrelet, spotted owl, cavity dwelling birds, amphibians, and the resident herds of Roosevelt elk. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1953)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $254,000
Removing Fire Fuel from the Colockum Forest

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant for a 2-year project to remove small trees and brush to open up a ponderosa pine forest in the Colockum Wildlife Area, south of Wenatchee in Chelan and Kittitas Counties. In 2006, the department started a project to reduce the density of Douglas fir and grand fir in the pine forest by removing trees that had established there because of past logging practices and wild fire suppression. The resulting slash was not piled, but instead left fairly evenly distributed throughout the forest. The department will use manual labor and fire to remove the woody debris and stimulate fire-dependent plants eaten by deer and elk. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1881)

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1	74.93	16-1975D	Lake Sammamish Picnic Area Sunset Beach Phase 7	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	$ 2,739,500	$ 2,760,250	$ 5,499,750
2	70.20	16-1320D	Iron Horse Tekoa Trestle Decking and Railing	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	$ 1,450,612	$ 83,775	$ 1,534,387
3	70.08	16-1974A	Inholdings and Adjacent Properties 2016	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	$ 1,000,000	$ 350,000	$ 1,350,000
4	68.98	16-1886D	Iron Horse Renslow Trestle Decking and Railing	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	$ 1,235,663	$ 10,600	$ 1,246,263
5	67.73	16-1930D	Iron Horse Malden to Rosalia Trail Development	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	$ 1,664,947	$ 80,000	$ 1,744,947
6	67.35	16-1887D	The Klickitat Trail Bridging the Final Gap	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	$ 1,522,500	$ 87,500	$ 1,610,000
7	66.10	16-1925D	Lake Sylvia State Park Pavilion	Washington State Parks and	$ 646,350	$ 200,000	$ 846,350
8	65.10	16-1812D	Dosewallips Campsite Relocation	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	$ 1,411,137	$ 244,951	$ 1,656,088
9	64.33	16-1994D	Kopachuck State Park Beach Area Improvements	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	$ 1,224,000		$ 1,224,000
10	64.20	16-1985A	Moran Lawrence Point Acquisition	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	$ 2,874,520		$ 2,874,520
11	64.13	16-2068D	North Head Lighthouse Access Improvements	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	$ 406,920		$ 406,920
12	62.35	16-1950A	Jones Property Acquisition Moran State Park	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	$ 2,182,300		$ 2,182,300
13	57.18	16-1728A	San Juan Area Harndon Island Acquisition	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	$ 888,760	$ 1,100	$ 889,860
14	55.45	16-1926A	Willapa Hills Trail Marwood Farms Acquisition	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	$ 676,871	$ 40,000	$ 716,871

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15	54.23	16-1933A	Miller Peninsula Jones Trust	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	$ 1,040,998	$ 1,000	$ 1,041,998
16	42.88	16-1624A	Brooks Memorial State Park	Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission	$ 434,746		$ 434,746
					$21,399,824	**$3,859,176**	**$25,259,000**

*Project Types: A=Acquisition, D=Development

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				Threat and Impact		Project Design									
Rank	Project Name	Public Need	Project Significance	Acq.*	Com.*	Dev.*	Com.*	Sustainability and Environmental Stewardship	Expansion/ Phased Project	Project Support	Partnership or Match	Readiness to Proceed	Commission Priorities	Population Proximity	Total
1	Lake Sammamish Picnic Area Sunset Beach Phase 7	4.30	13.50			8.60		8.40	13.20	8.60	4.00	7.20	4.13	3.00	74.93
2	Iron Horse Tekoa Trestle Decking and Railing	4.00	13.20			8.00		6.60	12.00	9.20	4.20	7.00	6.00	0.00	70.20
3	Inholdings and Adjacent Properties 2016	4.20	13.50	9.00				6.80	12.60	7.80	3.30	8.00	3.38	1.50	70.08
4	Iron Horse Renslow Trestle Decking and Railing	4.20	12.60			7.60		6.60	13.50	9.00	3.80	6.80	4.88	0.00	68.98
5	Iron Horse Malden to Rosalia Trail Development	3.90	12.00			8.20		6.40	11.10	9.00	3.90	7.60	5.63	0.00	67.73
6	The Klickitat Trail Bridging the Final Gap	4.20	13.20			7.80		6.00	13.50	7.80	3.60	6.00	5.25	0.00	67.35
7	Lake Sylvia State Park Pavilion	3.60	11.40			8.80		7.80	8.10	9.40	4.70	7.80	4.50	0.00	66.10
8	Dosewallips Campsite Relocation	4.40	12.30			7.80		9.00	11.40	7.80	3.90	7.00	1.50	0.00	65.10
9	Kopachuck State Park Beach Area Improvements	3.90	10.80			8.40		6.40	12.00	7.40	3.20	6.60	4.13	1.50	64.33
10	Moran Lawrence Point Acquisition	4.20	12.90	6.80				7.00	12.90	7.60	2.80	7.00	3.00	0.00	64.20
11	North Head Lighthouse Access Improvements	4.30	12.60			8.40		7.20	13.50	6.60	2.30	6.60	2.63	0.00	64.13
12	Jones Property Acquisition Moran State Park	3.90	12.00	7.40				6.60	12.60	8.00	2.60	7.00	2.25	0.00	62.35
13	San Juan Area Harndon Island Acquisition	3.50	9.60	6.80				7.60	11.40	7.00	2.60	6.80	1.88	0.00	57.18
14	Willapa Hills Trail Marwood Farms Acquisition	3.00	9.00	7.80				7.40	9.90	7.40	3.20	7.00	0.75	0.00	55.45
15	Miller Peninsula Jones Trust	3.20	11.40	6.60				5.80	9.30	7.40	2.60	6.80	1.13	0.00	54.23
16	Brooks Memorial State Park	2.40	9.90	5.20				5.80	6.90	4.60	1.50	6.20	0.38	0.00	42.88

Evaluators score Questions 1-9; State Parks Commission scores Question #10; RCO staff scores Question #11.

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

State Parks Category
Project Summaries (In Rank Order)

WASHINGTON STATE Recreation and Conservation Funding Board

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: $2,739,500
Redeveloping Lake Sammamish State Park's Sunset Beach Picnic Area

State Parks will use this grant to redevelop the picnic area at Sunset Beach in Lake Sammamish State Park, in King County. State Parks will build one large and two smaller picnic shelters, install a lawn and plant trees, and create part of a wide, paved esplanade that eventually will connect Sunset Beach to the park's other beach, Tibbets Beach. This project is a key part of an overall redevelopment of Sunset Beach, six phases of which have been completed or are underway. State Parks will contribute more than $2.7 million in a state appropriation and donations of cash, labor, and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1975)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: $1,450,612
Renovating a John Wayne Pioneer Trail Trestle in Tekoa

State Parks will use this grant to design and renovate a 975-foot historic trestle that connects two portions of the John Wayne Pioneer Trail separated by a large valley, State Route 270, Hangman Creek, and the town of Tekoa. State Parks will remove the existing ties, lay a concrete deck, add safety railing, and make minor structural repairs. State Parks also will renovate a small portion of the trail surface to smooth out the approaches to the newly renovate trestle. Finally, State Parks will install interpretive and directional signs. Completing this project will fill a missing link that connects about 5.5 miles of trail east of the trestle to 28.5 miles of trail west of the trestle, resulting in a contiguous 34-mile trail experience stretching from Malden to the Idaho border. Repairing, preserving, and opening the historic Tekoa trestle will eliminate three major physical barriers, allowing trail users to easily cross above the state highway, Hangman Creek, and the 150-foot-deep valley below. It also will open up stunning views to the surrounding landscape and boost the Tekoa economy. State Parks will contribute $83,775 in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1320)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: $1,000,000
Buying Inholdings and Land Next to State Parks

State Parks will use this grant to buy high-priority land within or next to the boundaries of state parks. It is intended to be a flexible source of funding for smaller or lower-cost properties that present themselves through the biennium. It will allow State Parks to act quickly and opportunistically to purchase inholdings as they come on the market, and it will facilitate the purchase of smaller properties that might not score well as individual competitive grants, but that are nonetheless essential to park operations. State Parks will contribute $350,000 in donations of land. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1974)

State Parks Category
Project Summaries (In Rank Order)

WASHINGTON STATE Recreation and Conservation Funding Board

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: $1,235,663
Renovating an Iron Horse Trail Trestle

State Parks will use this grant to design and renovate a 680-foot-long historic trestle that connects two portions of the Iron Horse Trail separated by Interstate 90, between Ellensburg and the Columbia River, in Kittitas County. Built in the early 1900s, the Renslow trestle is one of Washington State's iconic steel structures used to carry trains of the Minnesota Saint Paul Railway. State Parks will install concrete decking, railings, and fencing on the trestle, which will improve safety. The work will complete the "missing link," eliminating the last arduous and convoluted detour between Ellensburg and the Columbia River and resulting in 32 miles of continuous trail. Crossing the renovated trestle also will add an exciting new element to the Iron Horse experience. State Parks will contribute $10,600 in donations of cash, labor, and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1886)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: $1,664,947
Developing the Malden to Rosalia Section of the John Wayne Pioneer Trail

State Parks will use this grant to begin development of the Palouse section of the John Wayne Pioneer Trail in Iron Horse State Park, in Whitman County. The trail remains in the same condition as when the railroad surplused the land before 1990. State Parks will grade the trail and road intersections at three sites, lay crushed rock along the trail, and develop a trailhead in Malden. The work will create 9 miles of trail between Malden and Rosalia for hikers, mountain bikers, and horse riders. State Parks identified the development of this portion of the trail as a high priority because although there's needed grading, there's no major breaks in the trail and it's close to U.S. Highway 195, which provides easy access for trail users from both Spokane and Pullman. State Parks will contribute $80,000 in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1930)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: $1,522,500
Bridging the Final Gap on the Klickitat Trail

State Parks will use this grant to complete the 31-mile Klickitat Trail in the Columbia River Gorge in south central Washington by building two bridges, upgrading 4 miles of trail, and providing a new trailhead. State Parks will install a 20-foot-long bridge over Snyder Creek and a 150-foot-long bridge over the Klickitat River and build two parking spaces for people with disabilities near the new Klickitat River bridge. This project will build upon a recent project that provides trail and bridge improvements on a connected portion of the Klickitat Trail. State Parks will contribute $87,500 in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1887)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: $646,350
Building a Pavilion at Lake Sylvia State Park

State Parks, working in cooperation with the Friends of Lake Sylvia and Schafer State Park, will use this grant to build a 3,000-square-foot pavilion for recreational use at Lake Sylvia State Park

in Montesano, in Grays Harbor County. The pavilion will create a new destination at Lake Sylvia that will protect groups from inclement weather and promote year-round use of the park for school groups, weddings, the Lake Sylvia Fall Festival, and other large events from around western Washington. State Parks also will install a walkway, parking, and restrooms. State Parks will contribute $200,000 in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1925)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: $1,411,137
Moving a Dosewallips Campsites and Helping Salmon

State Parks will use this grant to replace 38 standard campsites at Dosewallips State Park with 14 utility campsites and a restroom in a new location. The 38 campsites are downstream of the U.S Highway 101 bridge and flood regularly, making them unusable in certain seasons and requiring extensive staff time for clean-up. State Parks plans to convert the existing, but underused group camp (located up-river) into sites with power and water for recreational vehicles (RV). The group camp would be moved to another area of the park. The new utility sites would be used in the non-peak seasons and will accommodate longer RVs that may be pulling a vehicle or boat. The restroom will have eight flush toilet stalls and four showers. Removing the 38 existing campsites will allow the Dosewallips River to meander more naturally, providing improved habitat for three salmon species listed under the federal Endangered Species Act. This project is part of an extensive multi-year, multi-phased habitat restoration project that is being conducted in partnership with the Wild Fish Conservancy. State Parks will contribute $244,951 in a grant from the salmon recovery program. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1812)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: $1,224,000
Improving Access to Kopachuck State Park's Beach

State Parks will use this grant to improve access to the beach in Kopachuck State Park, a 114-acre waterfront park on Puget Sound's Henderson Bay, southwest of Gig Harbor, in Pierce County. State Parks will build parking, a restroom, walkways, scenic viewpoints, a picnic plaza, a pocket beach, and marine campsites. Currently, getting to the beach is challenging or impossible for some visitors because of the steep hillside and trail conditions. The existing day-use parking lot is 120 feet above the beach. Several conditions triggered the need for new facilities – landslides wiped out a Cascadia Marine Trail campsite and required removal of the beach restroom and tree root rot closed the campground to protect public safety. This project is an essential first phase for maximizing public use and enjoyment of this beautiful public park. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1994)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: $2,874,520
Buying Land on Lawrence Point for Moran State Park

State Parks will use this grant to buy 134 acres on Lawrence Point to improve visitors' access to the water in Moran State Park. Although Moran is one of Washington's iconic state parks in the

San Juan Islands, it surprisingly has little saltwater shoreline. The acquisition, which is within Moran's long-term boundary, is surrounded by existing State Parks' land and would provide an excellent location for hiking trails, would give visitors incredible views of other islands and the mainland, and would make management of the larger park less complicated for staff. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1985)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: $406,920
Improving Access to the North Head Lighthouse

State Parks will use this grant to improve access to the North Head Lighthouse, one of the most photographed, iconic landscapes in Washington State. The lighthouse is on the edge of the Pacific Ocean in Cape Disappointment State Park, in Pacific County. Currently, there is not an accessible route or viewpoint for people with disabilities. State Parks will improve pedestrian routes around the historic lighthouse buildings, replant eroding social trails, and improve the flow of storm water to protect adjacent cliffs and plants. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2068)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: $2,182,300
Buying Land within Moran State Park

State Parks will use this grant to buy 140 acres of a 164-acre property that is surrounded by Moran State Park, on Orcas Island in San Juan Island County. The land has been a priority acquisition for more than 85 years and in 2015 it became available. It is imperative for State Parks to act quickly. By buying the land, State Parks nearly will eliminate the donut hole that exists; provide biking and hiking trails throughout the property, protect the views, and protect the large wetlands, streams, grasslands, and imperiled plant associations from development. Moran State Park is a 5,579-acre park and sees more than 800,000 annual visitors. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1950)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: $888,760
Buying Harndon Island to Expand Sucia Island State Park

State Parks will use this grant to buy the 2-acre Harndon Island, one of the few remaining privately owned properties in the area. Sucia Island and the majority of its adjoining small islands are part of Sucia Island State Park. Situated within Sucia Island's Fossil Bay, Harndon Island is mostly in its natural state with a rocky shoreline and a Douglas fir and madrona forest. Hardon Island is for sale and is a priority acquisition within the park's long-term boundary. Purchase of the island would provide public access, resolve trespass issues, protect views, and advance efforts to keep shoreline areas intact as sources of food for salmon. Sucia lies directly within one of the highest priority areas in the San Juan Islands for conservation of Chinook Salmon. State Parks will contribute $1,100 in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1728)

State Parks Category
Project Summaries (In Rank Order)

WASHINGTON STATE Recreation and Conservation Funding Board

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: $676,871
Buying Land for the Willapa Hills Trail

State Parks will use this grant to buy 178 acres of Marwood Farms as part of the 56-mile-long Willapa Hills Trail. The land is in an otherwise remote segment of the trail along the Chehalis River, near Ceres Hill Road, in Lewis County, and about 6.5 miles east of Rainbow Falls State Park. Purchase of the land will give visitors a stopover place and State Parks the ability to develop hiker-biker campsites, restrooms, picnicking, and water access to the Chehalis River. Acquisition of the property also would provide opportunities for restoration of the Chehalis River floodplain and shoreline. The Willapa Hills Trail runs east to west from Chehalis to South Bend. State Parks will contribute $40,000 in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1926)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: $1,040,998
Expanding Miller Peninsula State Park

State Parks will use this grant to buy 21 acres to expand Miller Peninsula State Park, which is a mostly undeveloped park near Sequim in Clallam County. The 2,800-acre State Parks' property on the north Olympic Peninsula has an extensive trail system that is popular with hikers, mountain bikers, horse riders, and wildlife viewers. The 21 acres, known as the Jones Trust property, is for sale and is next to the northwest corner of park's long-term boundary. The land is forested with a quarter-mile of shoreline and a small stream in a ravine. It is one of the few places along the north side of Miller Peninsula where it might be possible to build access to the beach because much of the existing state park property has very high banks. State Parks will contribute $1,000 in donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1933)

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Grant Requested: $434,746
Expanding Brooks Memorial State Park

State Parks will use this grant to buy 200 acres next to Brooks Memorial State Park to offer more hiking and equestrian trails and solve a trespass issue where the park trail crosses private property. Additionally, the purchase will protect the view, important oak habitat, and one of the last three regional habitats in Washington State for western grey squirrel, which are listed by the state as threatened with extinction. The landowner is willing to sell. Although the land was recently logged, non-marketable trees including imperiled oak communities, were left standing and the forest now has improved conditions for oak trees because the conifers typically grow taller than the oaks and prevent them from thriving. Brooks Memorial State Park is a 700-acre camping park between the barren hills of the south Yakima Valley and the lodgepole pine forests of the Simcoe Mountains. More than 9 miles of hiking trails lead visitors along the Little Klickitat River and up through ponderosa pine-Oregon white oak forests. At the top are open mountain meadows with panoramic views of Mount Hood. Visitors may see deer, beaver dams, squirrels, spring wildflowers, and a variety of birds. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1624)

WASHINGTON STATE
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Trail Projects
Preliminary Ranking
Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program
2017-2019

Rank	Score	Project Number and Types*	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
1	72.0833	16-1869D	Arboretum Waterfront Trail Redevelopment	Seattle	$475,000	$475,000	$950,000
2	70.0417	16-1362D	Foothills Trail and Bridge Development	King County	$2,800,000	$7,325,000	$10,125,000
3	68.125	16-1739D	Lake to Sound Trail Development	King County	$500,000	$1,691,586	$2,191,586
4	67.875	16-1813D	Whitehorse Trail Development Phase 2	Snohomish County	$1,090,000	$1,096,000	$2,186,000
5	67.4583	16-2027D	North Creek Regional Trail	Snohomish County	$1,000,000	$3,600,000	$4,600,000
6	67.3333	16-1936D	Ferry County Rail Trail Phase 4	Ferry County	$82,000	$83,000	$165,000
7	65.6667	16-1390D	Spruce Railroad Trail and Daley Rankin Tunnel Restoration	Clallam County	$649,000	$651,000	$1,300,000
8	65.0417	16-1471D	South Gorge Trail	Spokane	$1,100,000	$1,175,500	$2,275,500
9	63.4167	16-1649D	Smokiam Trail Development	Soap Lake	$666,350	$666,350	$1,332,700
10	62.7917	16-1830C	Winthrop River Walk Trail Phase 2	Winthrop	$308,500	$308,500	$617,000
11	60.9167	16-1414D	Park at Bothell Landing Trail Bridge Replacement	Bothell	$965,000	$1,325,000	$2,290,000
12	60.8333	16-1383D	Grass Lake Nature Park Trail Development	Olympia	$975,000	$1,630,371	$2,605,371
13	60.0417	16-1387D	Columbia River Trail in Washougal	Washougal	$874,791	$874,791	$1,749,582
14	59.0833	16-1633D	Clover Island Riverwalk Northshore Trail	Port of Kennewick	$430,000	$768,253	$1,198,253
15	57.7083	16-1773D	Lakeshore Drive Trail Development	Entiat	$42,121	$51,483	$93,604
16	55.6667	16-1870D	Swan Creek Park Trails	Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma	$2,250,000	$2,970,323	$5,220,323
17	54.75	16-1443D	Chelatchie Railroad Trail Phase 2	Clark County	$454,147	$454,147	$908,294
18	54.4583	16-2019C	Jim Kaemingk Senior Trail Development	Lynden	$1,088,682	$1,088,683	$2,177,365
19	54.3333	16-1576D	River Front Trail Development: Huntington Avenue North Segment	Castle Rock	$243,125	$244,175	$487,300
20	51.25	16-1818D	Skagit County Centennial Trail Development Phase 1	Skagit County	$250,000	$250,000	$500,000
21	50.75	16-2005A	Roslyn to Teanaway Regional Trail System	Roslyn	$356,737	$356,738	$713,475
22	48.8333	16-1737D	May Creek Trail Bridge Development	Newcastle	$477,500	$477,500	$955,000
					$17,077,953	**$27,563,400**	**$44,641,353**

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

WASHINGTON STATE
Recreation and Conservation Funding Board

Trail Projects
Evaluation Scores
Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program
2017-2019

Rank	Question	1	2	3	4		5		6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Total
					Immediacy of Threat		Project Design											
	Project Name	Need	Trail Linkages	Community Linkages	Acq.*	Com.*	Dev.*	Com.*	Sustainability, Environmental Stewardship	Water Access or Views	Scenic Values	Enhancement of Wildlife Habitat	State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan Priorities	Project Support	Cost Efficiencies	Growth Management Act Compliance	Population Proximity	
1	Arboretum Waterfront Trail Redevelopment	13.75	5.25	5.00			13.50		8.50	2.75	4.33	2.42	3.33	7.67	2.58	0.00	3.00	72.08
2	Foothills Trail and Bridge Development	12.50	6.38	6.25			12.25		7.00	2.33	3.42	3.33	3.00	8.83	3.25	0.00	1.50	70.04
3	Lake to Sound Trail Development	12.75	6.63	6.25			13.00		6.17	2.00	3.17	2.42	3.50	7.00	2.25	0.00	3.00	68.13
4	Whitehorse Trail Development Phase 2	11.75	5.25	5.63			11.50		7.33	2.83	4.83	2.17	3.33	8.17	3.58	0.00	1.50	67.88
5	North Creek Regional Trail	12.75	6.00	6.13			11.50		8.00	1.42	2.75	3.75	3.67	7.50	2.50	0.00	1.50	67.46
6	Ferry County Rail Trail Phase 4	12.25	5.25	5.75			11.75		7.67	2.75	5.33	2.00	3.42	8.50	3.67	-1.00	0.00	67.33
7	Spruce Railroad Trail and Daley Rankin Tunnel	13.00	6.13	4.88			12.75		6.67	2.58	5.17	1.75	3.42	7.83	2.50	-1.00	0.00	65.67
8	South Gorge Trail	10.50	5.63	5.00			11.00		6.33	2.67	4.67	1.83	3.58	7.83	3.00	0.00	3.00	65.04
9	Smokiam Trail Development	11.25	4.00	4.25			10.50		6.33	2.83	4.83	2.33	3.67	8.83	4.58	0.00	0.00	63.42
10	Winthrop River Walk Trail Phase 2	10.75	5.63	4.88		4.75		5.38	4.67	2.67	5.50	2.25	3.17	9.00	4.17	0.00	0.00	62.79
11	Park at Bothell Landing Trail Bridge Replacement	11.00	5.50	6.00			11.25		5.50	2.25	3.17	2.33	2.92	6.33	1.67	0.00	3.00	60.92
12	Grass Lake Nature Park Trail Development	10.00	4.50	4.50			12.00		6.50	1.17	3.33	2.25	3.33	8.17	2.08	0.00	3.00	60.83

WASHINGTON STATE
Recreation and Conservation Funding Board

Trail Projects
Evaluation Scores
Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program
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Rank	Question / Project Name	1 Need	2 Trail Linkages	3 Community Linkages	4 Immediacy of Threat Acq.*	4 Immediacy of Threat Com.*	5 Project Design Dev.*	5 Project Design Com.*	6 Sustainability, Environmental Stewardship	7 Water Access or Views	8 Scenic Values	9 Enhancement of Wildlife Habitat	10 State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan Priorities	11 Project Support	12 Cost Efficiencies	13 Growth Management Act Compliance	14 Population Proximity	Total
13	Columbia River Trail in Washougal	11.50	6.00	4.88			10.00		5.00	2.58	4.08	1.67	3.08	6.83	1.42	0.00	3.00	60.04
14	Clover Island Riverwalk Northshore Trail	8.50	4.13	3.38			10.50		7.17	2.67	3.67	3.08	3.67	8.50	2.33	0.00	1.50	59.08
15	Lakeshore Drive Trail Development	11.25	6.13	3.75			11.00		5.33	2.42	4.83	0.92	3.17	6.67	2.25	0.00	0.00	57.71
16	Swan Creek Park Trails	10.25	3.63	4.38			8.75		5.67	1.58	2.92	2.17	3.00	8.00	2.33	0.00	3.00	55.67
17	Chelatchie Railroad Trail Phase 2	9.50	4.63	5.38			9.00		5.50	1.00	3.25	2.58	3.33	6.67	2.42	0.00	1.50	54.75
18	Jim Kaemingk Senior Trail Development	10.25	5.38	5.25		4.63		5.13	4.50	2.25	3.42	2.17	2.83	6.50	1.67	-1.00	1.50	54.46
19	River Front Trail Development	11.00	4.63	4.63			9.75		6.00	1.25	2.17	1.58	3.08	7.50	2.75	0.00	0.00	54.33
20	Skagit County Centennial Trail Development	10.75	3.50	4.00			9.00		4.67	1.83	4.25	1.33	3.17	6.00	2.75	0.00	0.00	51.25
21	Roslyn to Teanaway Regional Trail System	8.50	5.00	3.25	9.25				4.83	1.17	4.50	1.75	2.25	7.33	2.92	0.00	0.00	50.75
22	May Creek Trail Bridge Development	8.75	3.75	4.00			9.25		4.50	2.08	3.25	1.08	2.75	5.00	1.42	0.00	3.00	48.83

Evaluators score Questions 1-12; RCO staff scores Questions 13-14.

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

Trails Category
Project Summaries (In Rank Order)

WASHINGTON STATE Recreation and Conservation Funding Board

Seattle **Grant Requested: $475,000**
Improving the Arboretum Waterfront Trail

The Seattle Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to renovate, rebuild, or replace portions of a floating boardwalk trail system on Foster Island in Seattle's Washington Park Arboretum. The City also will retrofit the floating walkway for safety and for people with disabilities. The new elevated boardwalk will reduce the trail footprint, prevent damage from people walking through the wetland, and better connect visitors with the habitats they are experiencing. The site includes marsh and shoreline areas that support priority species (western pond turtle, bald eagle, Chinook Salmon). The boardwalk is the only passage over the largest wetland in Seattle and is a key link in a larger trail network. With unparalleled views, it is frequented by bird watchers, wildlife photographers, schools, and college classes. The trail connects the arboretum with transit hubs and links two parts of the University of Washington Botanical Gardens by connecting Union Bay Natural Area with the arboretum. Seattle will contribute $475,000 in cash and a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1869)

King County **Grant Requested: $2,800,000**
Developing the Foothills Trail and Bridge

The King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks will use this grant to build a 1.1-mile-long trail along a former rail corridor, a new 340-foot-long bicycle and pedestrian bridge across the White River, and a short trail segment on the south side of the river to connect the existing Foothills Trails in Buckley in Pierce County. The trail will be a 12-foot-wide paved path with 2-foot-wide gravel shoulders on each side. Other improvements include renovating a historic bridge over Boise Creek as part of the trail alignment, installing informational and directional signs, and applying crossing treatments at the trail intersection with Southeast Mud Mountain Road. With nearly 20 miles already developed, the Foothills Trail is a significant non-motorized, multi-use trail corridor, connecting the communities of Puyallup, McMillin, Orting, South Prairie, Buckley, and Enumclaw in Pierce and King Counties. Constructing a bridge over the White River, which will be sized to accommodate emergency vehicles, is an important safety measure, should the State Route 410 bridge – the area's principle vehicle crossing of the White River – be out of commission. This project is in collaboration with Pierce County and the Cities of Enumclaw and Buckley. King County will contribute more than $7.3 million in cash, a voter-approved levy, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1362)

King County **Grant Requested: $500,000**
Developing Part of the Lake to Sound Trail

The King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks will use this grant to build 1.2 miles of Segment A of the Lake to Sound Trail, which will be a 16-mile-long trail from the south end of Lake Washington to Puget Sound, linking the cities of Renton, Tukwila, SeaTac, Burien, and Des Moines and connecting four existing regional trails. In this second of six phases,

the County will build a 12-foot-wide paved trail for non-motorized activities, with 2-foot-wide gravel shoulders on each side and a 110-foot-long pedestrian and bicycle bridge across the Black River. The County also will install a pedestrian warning beacon at Monster Road, informational and directional signs, and benches. Segment A runs from the Green River Trail near Fort Dent Park in Tukwila through the Black River Riparian Forest to Naches Avenue Southwest in Renton. The larger Lake to Sound Trail will provide important recreation and mobility options in an area under-served by regional trails, and in particular, by east-west trail connections. About 60 percent of the overall corridor already is complete. King County will contribute nearly $1.7 million in a federal grant and a voter-approved levy. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1739)

Snohomish County — Grant Requested: $1,090,000
Developing Whitehorse Trail

The Snohomish County Department of Parks and Recreation will use this grant to develop 6.5 miles of the Whitehorse Trail from its junction with the Centennial Trail to the State Route 530 crossing west of Cicero and a 6-mile stretch from C-Post Road to Swede Heaven Road. The county will grade the original rail bed, install base material, and re-surface the trail with gravel. The Whitehorse Trail is a 28-mile regional, multi-use trail that winds through the North Fork Stillaguamish River valley along an abandoned rail line. The trail stretches from Arlington to Darrington, frequently paralleling State Route 530 and the North Fork Stillaguamish River, rewarding visitors with views of forests, farmland, and mountains. Completing and opening the Whitehorse Trail will offer Snohomish County residents more than 62 miles of contiguous trail with its connection to the Centennial Trail in Arlington. Finishing the trail linkage will not only connect the two municipalities, but also will create a vital tourism arterial, providing a base to further access backcountry trails on land owned by the Washington Department of Natural Resources and the U.S. Forest Service in the northeastern county. Snohomish County will contribute more than $1 million. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1813)

Snohomish County — Grant Requested: $1,000,000
Closing One of Three Gaps in the North Creek Regional Trail

The Snohomish County Department of Public Works will use this grant to develop 1.15 miles of the North Creek Regional Trail, between State Route 524 on the south and the intersection of Winesap Road and Sprague Drive on the north. This is the first of three construction projects planned to close the final significant gap in the regional trail in unincorporated Snohomish County. Closure of this gap is the County's highest priority for trails for non-motorized use. The proposed trail generally will run parallel to State Route 527 and will be a paved, 12-foot-wide path bordered by 2-foot-wide shoulders. The trail links transit facilities, Centennial Park in Bothell, and critical public services such as medical facilities, schools, and businesses. Snohomish County will contribute $3.6 million in cash and a state grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2027)

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Ferry County **Grant Requested: $82,000**
Resurfacing the Ferry County Rail Trail

Ferry County will use this grant to resurface 7.24 miles of the 25-mile Ferry County Rail Trail. The County will improve the trail surface from the tunnel on the Kettle River, 2 miles north of the town of Curlew, continuing north to Canada at the town of Danville. The County will replace the trail surface with compacted road bed material, which will be suitable for all non-motorized use. The County also will add a restroom to the Kiwanis trailhead parking lot, develop a modest trailhead at Wall Street in Danville at the north end of the trail, and develop two primitive water access sites along the Kettle River on land owned by the Bureau of Land Management. One of the water access sites will include a primitive campsite with a restroom. Ferry County will contribute $83,000 in equipment, labor, materials, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1936)

Clallam County **Grant Requested: $649,000**
Restoring the Spruce Railroad Trail and Daley-Rankin Tunnel

The Clallam County Public Works Department will use this grant to restore the historic Daley-Rankin Tunnel and rebuild 1.2 miles of the Spruce Railroad Trail. The County will upgrade the west end of the Spruce Railroad Trail from a 3-foot-wide natural surface trail to a 13- to 14-foot-wide path for non-motorized uses and accessible by people with disabilities. This is the fourth of a five-phase, multi-year reconstruction effort of the 36-mile-long former railroad. The U.S. Army Signal Corps built the Spruce Production Division Railroad in 1918 along the north side of Lake Crescent in Clallam County for transporting spruce logs used to manufacture World War I biplanes. The Daley-Rankin Tunnel is the shorter of two railroad tunnels along the lake. The longer McFee Tunnel is being restored with another Wildlife and Recreation Program grant. Completion of all phases of this project will provide a safe alternative to the 12-mile-long Lake Crescent corridor for bicyclists, pedestrians, horse riders, and wheelchair users. The busy U.S. Highway 101 doesn't have safe shoulders and forces trail users to travel on the highway. Clallam County will contribute $651,000 in cash and donations of cash and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1390)

Spokane **Grant Requested: $1,100,000**
Developing South Gorge Trailheads

The City of Spokane will use this grant to renovate two trailheads in the Peaceful Valley neighborhood and build about 1 mile of a trail for non-motorized use along the Spokane River between the trailheads. Spokane also will develop parts of the Peaceful Valley Conservation Area between the two trailheads to include picnic areas and natural landscaping. Connection to several short spur trails will provide access to the Spokane River. This trail segment will link neighborhoods, parks, and other trail systems, and create a new 3.5-mile loop with the Centennial Trail that can be accessed from downtown Spokane. Spokane will contribute more than $1.1 million in cash, a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account, a voter-approved levy, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1471)

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WASHINGTON STATE Recreation and Conservation Funding Board

Soap Lake **Grant Requested: $666,350**
Building the New Smokiam Trail

The City of Soap Lake will use this grant to develop .8 mile of hard-surfaced trail along the southern shoreline of Soap Lake, to be named the Smokiam Trail, in Grant County. The trail will begin in Smokiam Park, which is at the intersection of State Highway 17 and 2nd Avenue Northeast, and will end at West Beach Park at the intersection of 1st Avenue East and Ash Street. With the Smokiam Trail, the City of Soap Lake will create a link between two heavily-used lakefront city parks for walkers and bicyclists. By developing the Smokiam Trail, the City will address Soap Lake's primary recreational need from a 2016 assessment where residents and visitors cited lack of walking and cycling trails and lack of linkages between the two parks as their most pressing concerns. The 2016 comprehensive parks plan identified this project as Soap Lake's top priority. The trail will benefit this rural economy by attracting some of the 4,400 travelers who drive through Soap Lake on the Coulee Corridor Scenic Byway every day. Community groups such as the Friends of the Lower Grand Coulee and Columbia Basin Trails Association support development of the trail. Soap Lake will contribute $666,350 in local and private grants and donations of cash, equipment, labor, and materials. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1649)

Winthrop **Grant Requested: $308,500**
Developing the RiverWalk Trail and Gateway Park

The Town of Winthrop will use this grant to buy a strip of right-of-way to extend the RiverWalk Trail 1,000 feet along the Chewuch and Methow Rivers in downtown Winthrop and .24 acre for a gateway park that will connect that trail to downtown boardwalks. The trail will connect with the Susie Stephens Trail at the south end of downtown, resulting in more than a mile of contiguous trail. The owner of the park has demolished a structure, leveled the site, and obtained permits for developing the park, with the written intent of donating it fully developed to Winthrop this fall. The combined effect of the RiverWalk and Confluence Park is to provide visual access to the beautiful mountain rivers for the public. The Town of Winthrop will contribute $308,500 in staff labor and donations of labor and land. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1830)

Bothell **Grant Requested: $965,000**
Replacing a Trail Bridge in the Park at Bothell Landing

The City of Bothell will use this grant to replace the bridge over the Sammamish River in the Park at Bothell Landing. The bridge is aging, too steep for people using wheelchairs, and requires frequent monitoring, repairs, and closures with inconvenient detours for trail users. The City will build a wider, flatter bridge with a 12-foot-wide deck and approaches that will be accessible to bicyclists, pedestrians, and people using wheelchairs. The bridge is in the 14-acre Park at Bothell Landing and is downtown's trailhead to the city's regional bicycle system via the Burke-Gilman/Sammamish River Trail and the North Creek Trail. Bothell will contribute more than $1.3 million in cash and a federal grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1414)

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Olympia **Grant Requested: $975,000**
Developing a Trail in Grass Lake Nature Park

The Olympia Parks, Arts & Recreation Department will use this grant to build a mile-long trail through Grass Lake Nature Park, from Harrison Avenue to Kaiser Road, in northwest Olympia. The City will build a 350-foot boardwalk and a trailhead, install two information kiosks and interpretive signs, and enhance the wildlife habitat. The trail will be for non-motorized uses. The work will build the first public access for people with disabilities to one of Olympia's premier open space parks as well as construct a significant segment of the Capitol-to-Capitol Trail. In addition, the trail will provide a trail link from Grass Lake Nature Park to Yauger Community Park and connect adjoining residential neighborhoods to the trail system. Letters of support have been received from 29 community organizations, businesses, and neighborhood residents. Olympia will contribute more than $1.6 million. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1383)

Washougal **Grant Requested: $874,791**
Building the Last Critical Link in Columbia River Trail in Washougal

The City of Washougal will use this grant to develop the Columbia River Trail in Washougal, a .67-mile trail that completes the last critical link in a more than 20-mile local trail system that offers amazing biking, walking, and wildlife viewing opportunities. The Columbia River Trail provides recreation access in both directions along the riverfront. To the west, pedestrians and bicyclists connect directly to the Port of Camas-Washougal's new Waterfront Trail and other popular recreation destinations, including the Washougal River Greenway and LaCamas and Heritage Parks. To the east, The U.S. Corps of Engineers Levee trail leads trail users from Steamboat Landing Park through the State Route 14 Pedestrian Tunnel into downtown Washougal or beyond to Captain William Clark Regional Park, Steigerwald Lake National Wildlife Refuge, and Gibbons Creek Wildlife Art Trail. The Columbia River Trail in Washougal plays a critical role in two much larger trail systems that soon will lead to regional and interstate trails: the 46-mile Lewis and Clark Greenway Trail that will connect the Ridgefield Wildlife Refuge to the Steigerwald Refuge, and the "Gorge Towns to Trails" project, which runs more than 60 miles to Wishram and crosses the Pacific Crest Trail, which connects Canada to Mexico. The City of Washougal will contribute $874,791. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1387)

Port of Kennewick **Grant Requested: $430,000**
Extending the Clover Island Riverwalk

The Port of Kennewick will use this grant to extend a meandering waterfront trail and restore Columbia River shoreline habitat on the northern bank of Clover Island, in Benton County. The Port will build a section of trail, creating a fully-accessible loop where the current urban trail ends. The Port also will restore damaged shoreline, plant the area between the trail's edge and the water, and install trailside signs that discuss native plants and area birds, including the American white pelican, heron, egrets, and cormorants. The Port also will install safety lighting and benches. Located in Kennewick, the Riverwalk Trail connects users to other urban

destinations, provides a well-lit waterfront path for early morning and evening workouts, and offers an oasis where bicyclists, skaters, runners, and walkers on the 22-mile looping Sacagawea Heritage Trail can stop for a meal, take a restroom break, and enjoy natural river shoreline, wildlife, and scenic views. The Port of Kennewick will contribute $768,253 in cash, a federal grant, and a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1633)

Entiat **Grant Requested: Grant Requested: $42,121**
Building the Missing Link in Lakeshore Drive Trail

The City of Entiat will use this grant to fill the final gap in the city's waterfront trail system by building a paved, multi-use trail that runs nearly a quarter-mile along the north side of Lakeshore Drive. Entiat's Lakeshore Drive is the only direct access from U.S. Highway 97A to the newly completed Entiat Park, which boasts more than 10,000 visitors annually. Visitors and locals alike use the waterfront trail system that runs through the park and north along the river's shoreline. Currently, there is no sidewalk or designated path along a portion of Lakeshore Drive, forcing pedestrians and bicyclists to share the road with cars or take their chances on the unpaved shoulder to fight rough landscaping and plants. Filling this gap has been identified as a priority in Entiat's transportation improvement plan, comprehensive plan, and park plan and is supported by the public, Chelan County Public Utility District 1, and the Entiat Chamber of Commerce. The City of Entiat will contribute $51,483 in cash and a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1773)

Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma **Grant Requested: $2,250,000**
Developing Swan Creek Park Trails

The Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma will use this grant to build 2 miles of trails for park access and walking and renovate 7.5 miles of trails for walking and bicycling in the 263-acre Swan Creek Park, a natural area park on the east side of Tacoma in Pierce County. The work will result in 14.5 miles of continuous trails in the park and will include construction of parking, a bridge, a restroom, and a picnic shelter, and installing park furnishings and signs. These trails will connect to the newly-revitalized Salishan neighborhood, the planned eastside community center, and a regional trail. The eastside neighborhood is home to the most diverse population in Tacoma with the second lowest household median income in the city. These improvements will continue the district's efforts to convert the World War II housing road network into recreation space that is accessible to pedestrians, bicycles, and wheelchairs, while also providing the opportunity for visitors to immerse themselves in nature. The Tacoma Metropolitan Park District will contribute more than $2.9 million in voter-approved bonds and a grant from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1870)

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Clark County **Grant Requested: $454,147**
Continuing Construction of the Chelatchie Railroad Trail

Clark County will use this grant to continue developing the Chelatchie Prairie Railroad Trail. The County will build a 10-foot-wide, paved pathway with shoulders starting at the current trail's end about a mile from Battle Ground Lake State Park. The trail will run more than a half-mile southwest toward Battle Ground. Work will include clearing, grading, and paving, as well as installing informational signs and benches. A fence may be installed to separate the trail from the rail line. The construction of this phase will make significant progress in connecting the city with the state park, which will allow users to travel safely between the two destinations instead of using narrow local roads. It also will move Clark County a step closer to the vision of developing the entire 33-mile trail, from Vancouver in the southwest to Chelatchie Prairie in the northeast. Clark County will contribute $454,147 from a local grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1443)

Lynden **Grant Requested: $1,088,682**
Developing the Jim Kaemingk Sr. Trail

The City of Lynden will use this grant to develop the missing link in the downtown core of the citywide Jim Kaemingk Sr. Trail. The City will buy 1.84 acres and build about 1 mile of trail between Depot Road and Main Street along Fishtrap Creek. The trail will be used for non-motorized activities such as walking, biking, and jogging, and will link neighborhoods, schools, trails, and the downtown. Lynden will contribute more than $1 million. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2019)

Castle Rock **Grant Requested: $243,125**
Building a Connecting Trail to the River Front Trail

The City of Castle Rock will use this grant to develop 750 feet of trail to connect the River Front Trail at Cowlitz View Drive to the Castle Rock Visitor Center in the State Department of Transportation Park-n-Ride on the west side of Interstate 5. The connecting trail will be 10 feet wide, lighted, accessible to people with disabilities, and for non-motorized uses. The City also will add a restroom at the Riverfront Trail North Trailhead. An average of more than 5,000 vehicle trips a day pass through this corridor with the intersection of Interstate 5, State Route 411, and State Route 504. This connecting trail segment will allow for greater use of the Castle Rock River Front Trail system, which consists of 1.8 miles of paved trail on the east side of the Cowlitz River and 2 miles of paved and gravel trail on the west side of the river. This trail system connects to parks, the downtown business area, residential areas, and historical areas of interest. From this location, one also can head east on State Route 504 to Mount Saint Helens and the Toutle River valley. The City of Castle Rock will contribute $244,175 in equipment, staff labor, a federal grant, and a donation of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1576)

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Skagit County **Grant Requested: $250,000**
Developing the Skagit County Centennial Trail

The Skagit County Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to develop 1 mile of the Skagit County Centennial Trail. The trail will consist of a 10-foot-wide paved path and a parallel 6-foot-wide equestrian trail. Starting near Big Rock, the trail parallels State Route 9 on a county-owned abandoned railroad right-of-way with views of the Nookachamps wetlands. This project is of high importance to the County and is named as such in its comprehensive plan. Skagit County will contribute $250,000 in cash and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1818)

Roslyn **Grant Requested: $356,737**
Buying Forestland for the Roslyn to Teanaway Regional Trail System

The City of Roslyn will use this grant to buy 60 acres of forest to complete trails from Roslyn to the Teanaway Community Forest, in Kittitas County. These trails, which are for non-motorized uses, will increase access to public lands and complete a regional trail network from the Yakima River valley to Leavenworth. Roslyn is surrounded by thousands of acres of public lands with trails throughout. The Roslyn-to-Teanaway project builds upon the vision to connect recreation between the surrounding communities and public lands. Interruption in public ownership disconnects Roslyn's trail network and surrounding trail systems including the Coal Mines Trail, Suncadia trail system, Washington State horse park trails, and the John Wayne Pioneer Trail, from the regional trails found on The Nature Conservancy lands and in the Teanaway Community Forest. Roslyn will contribute $356,738 in cash and a local grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2005)

Newcastle **Grant Requested: $477,500**
Building the May Creek Trail Bridge

The City of Newcastle will use this grant to design and develop a pedestrian bridge across May Creek to expand the trail system in the Mountains to Sound Greenway. Hikers will be able to proceed westward on future trails toward Lake Washington or proceed eastward on existing trails to Cougar Mountain Regional Park. The bridge will allow the May Creek trail system to expand. Currently, the May Creek Trail leads to the east side of the bridge site and ends at the creek. The May Creek Trail in Renton, west of the bridge site, is not yet built and depends on construction of the bridge. This bridge is an essential piece to the eventual 8.5-mile regional hiking trail connecting Lake Washington to Cougar Mountain through Renton and Newcastle, mostly through wooded natural areas. This bridge will be the only crossing of May Creek between Interstate 405 (to the west) and Coal Creek Parkway (to the east), an almost 2-mile-long stretch. This trail has been identified in both the City of Newcastle's and the City of Renton's comprehensive plans as a priority. Newcastle will contribute $477,500 in cash and a local grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1737)

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Urban Wildlife Habitat Projects
Preliminary Ranking
Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program
2017-2019

Rank	Score	Project Number and Type*	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
1	63.50	16-1442A	Woodard Bay Natural Resources Conservation Area	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$3,232,991		$3,232,991
2	59.50	16-1440A	Stavis Natural Resources Conservation Area and Kitsap Forest Natural Area Preserve	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$3,569,499		$3,569,499
3	59.30	16-1439A	Mount Si and Middle Fork Natural Resources Conservation Areas Rattlesnake Mountain	Washington Department of Natural Resources	$3,431,186		$3,431,186
4	57.90	16-1916A	Lower Henderson Inlet Habitat Protection	Capitol Land Trust	$610,000	$610,000	$1,220,000
5	55.80	16-1350A	West Rocky Prairie	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$2,200,000		$2,200,000
6	53.70	16-1352A	Scatter Creek Addition	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$1,000,000		$1,000,000
7	53.30	16-1920C	Middle Ohop Protection Phase 3	Nisqually Land Trust	$215,818	$215,819	$431,637
8	52.10	16-1380A	Castle Rock Acquisition Phase 2	Chelan-Douglas Land Trust	$400,000	$418,250	$818,250
9	47.20	16-1620A	West Bay Woods Acquisition	Olympia	$164,927	$164,928	$329,855
					$14,824,421	**$1,408,997**	**$16,233,418**

*Project Types: A=Acquisition, C=Combination

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Evaluation Scores
Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program
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Rank	Question / Project Name	1 Ecological and Biological Characteristics	2 Species and Communities	3 Manageability and Viability	4 Public Benefit	5 Educational Opportunities	6 Public Use	7 Growth Management Act Compliance	8 Population Proximity	Total
1	Woodard Bay Natural Resource Conservation Area	16.50	7.50	12.60	8.80	4.50	8.60	0.00	5.00	63.50
2	Stavis Natural Resource Conservation Area and Kitsap Forests Natural Area	16.00	7.50	12.10	8.40	3.70	6.80	0.00	5.00	59.50
3	Mount Si and Middle Fork Natural Resource Conservation Areas	15.10	7.00	11.60	8.00	3.00	7.60	0.00	7.00	59.30
4	Lower Henderson Inlet Habitat Protection	16.00	7.10	11.20	7.60	4.20	6.80	0.00	5.00	57.90
5	West Rocky Prairie	14.70	7.80	11.70	8.20	4.10	7.30	0.00	2.00	55.80
6	Scatter Creek Addition	14.50	7.60	10.30	7.10	3.40	6.80	0.00	4.00	53.70
7	Middle Ohop Protection Phase 3	14.40	6.30	10.60	7.70	3.80	6.50	0.00	4.00	53.30
8	Castle Rock Acquisition Phase 2	12.80	5.90	10.40	8.20	4.00	7.80	0.00	3.00	52.10
9	West Bay Woods Acquisition	10.20	4.50	8.20	8.10	3.70	7.50	0.00	5.00	47.20

Evaluators score Questions 1-6; RCO staff scores Question 7 -8.

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WASHINGTON STATE Recreation and Conservation Funding Board

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $3,232,991
Conserving Land in the Woodard Bay Natural Resources Conservation Area

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy about 74 acres in the Woodard Bay Natural Resources Conservation Area, located within minutes of downtown Olympia and the city of Lacey, in Thurston County. The land includes more than 28 acres of shoreline and wetland habitats and includes the shoreline of Henderson Inlet, portions of Woodard Creek, and other small tributaries. The purchase will protect important habitat for wildlife, including nesting bald eagles, a significant heron rookery, and the largest harbor seal nursery in south Puget Sound. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1442)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $3,569,499
Conserving Kitsap County Forests

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy 192 acres in the Stavis Natural Resources Conservation Area, in Kitsap County. The purchase will protect rare forests in one of most important corridors for biodiversity conservation in the Puget trough. The Stavis conservation area and the Kitsap Forest Natural Area Preserve, which is within the conservation boundary of Stavis, provide high quality and rare wildlife habitat making up a crucial part of a larger landscape of forests on the western Kitsap Peninsula. This project supports wildlife near urban areas and protect forests along Stavis and Harding Creeks, which provide spawning and rearing habitat for fall Chum and Coho salmon. The purchase also will conserve a pocket estuary on Hood Canal, a forest near Stavis Bay, and more than a quarter-mile of Hood Canal shoreline. The land would be open to the public for low-impact recreation, environmental education, and scientific research. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1440)

Washington Department of Natural Resources — Grant Requested: $3,431,186
Conserving Land in East King County

The Department of Natural Resources will use this grant to buy 891 acres in east King County – 632 acres in the Mount Si Natural Resources Conservation Area, 179 acres in the Middle Fork Snoqualmie Natural Resources Conservation Area, and 80 acres in the Rattlesnake Mountain Scenic Area. The land includes key areas in the Mountains to Sound Greenway that are threatened by residential development and provide crucial wildlife habitat in an urban area. The greenway is a 100-mile corridor of forests, wildlife habitat, and open areas along Interstate 90, a National Scenic Byway. Distinctive features include talus, high and low elevation lakes, numerous streams, wetlands, old-growth and mature forests, cliffs, and landscape connections for wildlife. Wildlife at these sites include a variety of animals, including cougars, bobcats, mountain goats, black bears, coyotes, elk, red-tailed hawks, osprey, barred owls, pygmy owls, and pileated woodpeckers. The department will allow low-impact public use and outdoor environmental

education on the land. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1439)

Capitol Land Trust — Grant Requested: $610,000
Protecting Lower Henderson Inlet Habitat

The Capitol Land Trust will use this grant to buy 106 acres and more than a mile of Puget Sound shoreline on the eastern shore of lower Henderson Inlet, in Thurston County, for an outdoor education preserve. The land, which is made up of the 51-acre Stillman Tree Farm and the 55-acre Harmony Farm, includes nearshore, estuarine, tributary, wetland, and upland habitat. It is used by many priority species including Chinook, Coho, and Chum salmon, steelhead, forage fish, shellfish, and numerous bird species. The land trust also will demolish structures on the land, control noxious weeds, install fencing and signs, and remove garbage. The Capitol Land Trust will contribute $610,000 in Conservation Futures,[1] a federal grant, and a grant from the salmon recovery program. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1916)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $2,200,000
Expanding the West Rocky Prairie Wildlife Area

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy about 160 acres in Thurston County, expanding the West Rocky Prairie Unit in the Scatter Creek Wildlife Area and protecting one of the last native outwash prairies remaining in Washington. This project will create a 3,632-acre conservation network between Millersylvania State Park, the McIntosh Tree Farm, the Rocky Prairie Natural Area Preserve, and the West Rocky Prairie Unit. Habitat would be protected for dozens of plant and animal species at risk of extinction, including golden paintbrush, which is listed as threatened with extinction under the federal Endangered Species Act, and the Mazama pocket gopher and the Oregon spotted frog, both of which are on state and federal lists, as well as 15 species of butterfly of state and federal concern. Rocky prairie is one of only two remaining sites in the Puget trough that once contained all of the prairie specialist butterflies. The public will be able to use the area for walking, hiking, wildlife watching, and hunting on the expanded wildlife area. West Rocky Prairie was recommended for protection by the Interagency Prairie Landscape Working Group. Mima mounds found onsite are considered an ecological wonder. Friends of West Rocky Prairie formed in 2007 to conserve this land and obtained 2,000 signatures requesting the site be protected from industrial use. The local Black Hills Audubon also strongly supports site conservation. As with the attached wildlife area, Evergreen State College and University of Washington would use the site for prairie research. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1350)

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

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Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $1,000,000
Preserving a Scatter Creek Prairie

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy 147.5 acres of the highest quality privately-owned prairie in Thurston County. Located near Grand Mound, the land is a priority area for protecting the Mazama pocket gopher, which is listed as at-risk of extinction by both the state and federal governments. Taylor's checkerspot butterfly, the mardon skipper butterfly, and five additional species of greatest conservation need also use the prairie. The land is next to department's Scatter Creek Unit and would increase the wildlife area unit to 1,063 acres. The property contains the unique south Puget Sound prairie ecosystem including highly sought prairie soils, a significant oak woodland, wetlands, and more than a half-mile of Scatter Creek. The public can use the land for walking, hiking, dog training, wildlife watching, and bird hunting. The expanded wildlife area would provide one of the largest horseback riding opportunities in the south Puget Sound via a series of trails that meander thru restored prairie and upland forests. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1352)

Nisqually Land Trust — Grant Requested: $215,818
Conserving the Middle Ohop Creek

The Nisqually Land Trust will use this grant to buy and start restoration of 32 acres along Ohop Creek, one of the two main tributaries to the Nisqually River. The land is near Eatonville, in Pierce County, and includes nearly a quarter-mile of Ohop Creek. The land will extend, enhance, and buffer habitat for 196 species and includes priority spawning habitat for five species of native Pacific salmon, including Chinook Salmon and steelhead trout, both of which are listed as threatened with extinction under the federal Endangered Species Act. The land includes 6.5 acres north of the creek, predominantly fallow pasture, and south of the creek – 16.5 acres of fallow pasture in the floodplain and 9 acres of forested bluff. The land trust will demolish four structures in poor condition on the land. The Nisqually Land Trust will contribute $215,819 in cash, a grant from the salmon recovery program, and donations of labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1920)

Chelan-Douglas Land Trust — Grant Requested: $400,000
Buying Land in the Wenatchee Foothills at Castle Rock

The Chelan-Douglas Land Trust will use this grant to buy 398 acres in the Wenatchee foothills to protect high value shrub-steppe habitat. The land has habitat for a diverse array of plants as well as species of state and federal concern such as mule deer, elk, bighorn sheep, golden and bald eagles, western rattlesnakes, yellow-bellied marmots, wrens, swifts, and grouse. The area is under high pressure for view homes encroaching from the north and south. The land will provide access for hikers from Castle Rock to public lands, which in turn connect to Wenatchee's Saddlerock Natural Area to the south and the land trust's Horse Lake Reserve to the north. Conserving this property will reduce risks to lower elevation homes from mudslides and

flooding. The Chelan-Douglas Land Trust will contribute $418,250 in donations of cash and labor. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1380)

Olympia **Grant Requested: $164,927**

Buying Land in the West Bay Woods

The Olympia Parks, Arts & Recreation Department will use this grant to buy 2.8 acres of natural open space in the West Bay woods area, in west Olympia between West Bay Drive and Rogers Street. The purchase will conserve an important buffer next to an active Pacific great blue heron rookery as well as habitat for Cooper's hawks, falcons, owls, bats, deer, mountain beavers, coyotes, red foxes, and other smaller animals. The land also will provide a pedestrian trail connection between the neighborhood and West Bay. West Bay woods is part of an undeveloped, contiguous wildlife corridor that includes the Schneider Creek basin. This acquisition was identified as a priority by the community and is contained in the *Olympia Parks, Arts and Recreation Plan*. Olympia will contribute $164,928 in voter-approved bonds. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1620)

WASHINGTON STATE
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Water Access Projects
Preliminary Ranking
Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program
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Rank	Score	Project Number and Types*	Project Name	Grant Applicant	Grant Request	Applicant Match	Total
1	66.50	16-2074D	Edmonds Waterfront Development	Edmonds	$500,000	$915,743	$1,415,743
2	62.38	16-1527A	Three Islands Spokane River Water Access	Spokane	$1,000,000	$1,947,500	$2,947,500
3	62.25	16-1824D	Harry Todd Waterfront Improvements	Lakewood	$600,000	$600,000	$1,200,000
4	61.13	16-1627A	Zylstra Lake	San Juan County	$1,067,225	$1,226,900	$2,294,125
5	58.50	16-2006A	West Poulbso Waterfront Park	Poulsbo	$400,000	$400,000	$800,000
6	58.25	16-1834A	Barnum Point Water Access	Island County	$1,575,000	$2,105,000	$3,680,000
7	57.75	16-1510D	Ballinger Park Water Access Development	Mountlake Terrace	$500,000	$623,400	$1,123,400
8	55.63	16-1692D	Rhododendron Park Float and Boardwalk	Kenmore	$400,000	$545,000	$945,000
9	54.88	16-1603D	Squire's Landing Float Replacement	Kenmore	$82,000	$83,000	$165,000
10	54.81	16-1979C	Stanwood Hamilton Landing Park	Stanwood	$1,251,242	$1,251,242	$2,502,484
11	54.25	16-1435A	Wayne Sammamish Riverfront Regional Park	Bothell	$1,000,000	$2,230,000	$3,230,000
12	54.13	16-1921A	Pressentin Park Parking and Day Use Acquisition	Skagit County	$101,400	$122,400	$223,800
13	53.50	16-1993A	Birch Bay Beach Park Acquisition	Whatcom County	$1,217,175	$1,246,353	$2,463,528
14	53.00	16-1838A	Pearson Shoreline Water Access	Island County	$750,000	$1,289,875	$2,039,875
15	49.63	16-1351C	Middle Wynochee River	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	$500,000		$500,000
					$10,944,042	**$14,586,413**	**$25,530,455**

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

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Evaluation Scores
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Rank	Question / Project Name	1 Public Need	2 State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan Priorities	3 Immediacy of Threat Acq.*	3 Immediacy of Threat Com.*	4 Project Design Dev.*	4 Project Design Com.*	5 Sustainability, Environmental Stewardship	6 Site Suitability	7 Expansion	8 Diversity of Recreational Uses Dev.*	8 Diversity of Recreational Uses Com.*	9 Project Support	10 Cost Efficiencies	11 Growth Management Act Compliance	12 Population Proximity	Total
1	Edmonds Waterfront Development	10.50	4.38			9.00		9.00	9.25	4.25	4.38		9.00	3.75	0.00	3.00	66.50
2	Three Islands Spokane River Waterfront Access	12.00	3.50	11.25				7.75	8.75	4.13			8.50	3.50	0.00	3.00	62.38
3	Harry Todd Waterfront Improvements	10.88	4.88			8.50		7.00	8.25	3.63	4.25		8.50	3.38	0.00	3.00	62.25
4	Zylstra Lake	12.00	3.38	13.50				8.00	8.75	4.25			8.50	3.75	-1.00	0.00	61.13
5	West Poulbso Waterfront Park	11.25	3.25	13.50				6.50	8.75	2.50			7.50	3.25	-1.00	3.00	58.50
6	Barnum Point Water Access	10.13	2.25	12.00				7.50	8.00	4.38			9.50	4.00	-1.00	1.50	58.25
7	Ballinger Park Water Access Development	9.75	4.00			7.75		7.00	8.00	3.25	3.75		9.25	3.00	-1.00	3.00	57.75
8	Rhododendron Park Float and Boardwalk	9.00	3.25			8.25		7.75	8.25	3.00	3.38		7.50	3.25	-1.00	3.00	55.63
9	Squire's Landing Float Replacement	9.00	3.38			7.50		6.50	8.50	3.38	3.50		7.75	3.38	-1.00	3.00	54.88
10	Stanwood Hamilton Landing Park	11.25	2.63		4.13		3.75	6.75	8.00	2.88		1.56	8.00	2.88	0.00	3.00	54.81
11	Wayne Sammamish Riverfront Regional Park	9.75	2.75	10.13				6.25	7.00	3.88			8.25	3.25	0.00	3.00	54.25
12	Pressentin Parking and Day Use Acquisition	9.75	2.75	12.00				7.50	8.00	3.50			7.50	3.13	0.00	0.00	54.13

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	Question	1	2	3		4		5	6	7	8		9	10	11	12	
Rank	Project Name	Public Need	State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan Priorities	Immediacy of Threat		Project Design		Sustainability, Environmental Stewardship	Site Suitability	Expansion	Diversity of Recreational Uses		Project Support	Cost Efficiencies	Growth Management Act Compliance	Population Proximity	Total
				Acq.*	Com.*	Dev.*	Com.*				Dev.*	Com.*					
13	Birch Bay Beach Park Acquisition	11.63	2.88	11.63				7.00	8.25	2.88			7.50	2.75	-1.00	0.00	53.50
14	Pearson Shoreline Water Access	9.75	2.38	13.13				7.75	6.50	2.00			7.50	3.50	-1.00	1.50	53.00
15	Middle Wynochee River	10.50	2.50		5.44		3.75	6.25	7.50	2.75		1.31	7.00	2.63	0.00	0.00	49.63

Evaluators score Questions 1-10; RCO staff scores Questions 11-12.

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

Water Access Category
Project Summaries (In Rank Order)

WASHINGTON STATE Recreation and Conservation Funding Board

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

Developing the Edmonds Waterfront

The City of Edmonds will use this grant to remove an aged creosote parking pier and then rehabilitate the beach to increase habitat and access to the beach. The creosote pier is one of the last structures that extends into the beach and interrupts beachcombers, boaters, and habitat. In addition to removing the pier, the City will create the only hand-launch for boats along the popular Edmonds Waterfront, reroute the existing walkway to create a continuous path from Marina Beach to Brackett's Landing North, and improve the outdated storm water infrastructure. Edmonds will contribute $915,743 in cash and a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2074)

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

Buying Land along the Spokane River

The Spokane Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to buy more than 31 acres, including more than three-quarter mile of shoreline along the Spokane River, less than 2 miles from downtown. The purchase will allow the City to develop the only fishing area on a free-flowing reach of the Spokane River accessible to people with disabilities. The uniqueness of the site will allow the public to fish throughout the summer when the river level drops on one of the most scenic and biologically productive portions of the river. Buying the land also will preserve the opportunity to move the Centennial Trail off streets and onto a separated path, will facilitate a trail connection to Spokane Falls Community College, and will preserve a well-used single-track trail. Spokane will contribute more than $1.9 million in Conservation Futures[1] and a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1527)

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

Improving the Waterfront in Harry Todd Park

The City of Lakewood will use this grant to improve the waterfront in the 17-acre Harry Todd Park, on the south side of American Lake, in Pierce County. The City will improve access to the waterfront by creating pathways from parking lots to the shoreline for people using wheelchairs, replacing a failing bulkhead, creating areas to launch non-motorized watercraft, and enhancing the swimming beach, open areas, and picnic areas. Currently, people must travel down a very steep hill to get to docks for fishing. The City will make that pathway accessible by wheelchair. The park is in Tillicum, a geographically isolated and extremely low income area. It is the only community park in the area and the only free waterfront public access. There are no other public docks on American Lake where fishing is allowed. Lakewood will contribute $600,000 in cash and

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a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1824)

San Juan County Land Bank **Grant Requested: $1,067,225**
Buying Zylstra Lake and Shoreline

The San Juan County Land Bank will use this grant to buy 280 acres including Zylstra Lake and its shoreline, on San Juan Island. The lake is well known to islanders and visitors as shimmering water in the distance. Highly visible from San Juan Valley Road, the land has been privately owned since the days of early settlement. Ironically for an island, San Juan has virtually no public access to water warm enough for swimming. Private lakes, where the community used to go are now off limits, except for a small private lake used for sailing programs. The County envisions a park along the lake that gives people access to the water for paddle-powered craft, along with nature trails for walking. Zylstra, with its central location on the island, ample shoreline, and large, 50-acre area, is critical to restoring access to the water for the public. The San Juan County Land Bank will contribute more than $1.2 million in a federal grant and a voter-approved levy. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1627)

Poulsbo **Grant Requested: $400,000**
Buying Land for the West Poulbso Waterfront Park

The City of Poulsbo will us this grant to buy 3.1 acres of the last available, undeveloped, low bank waterfront on Liberty Bay for a park. The City envisions a park with a least three designated locations for getting to the bay from a path that runs along the shoreline. Additional opportunities will be available for launching personal watercraft, shellfishing, beachcombing, fishing, swimming, bird watching, and walking. The park also will protect habitat in a half-acre of low and high marsh waterfront and a half-acre of shoreline buffer. The City will restore a half-acre of degraded wetland and about 200 feet of degraded shoreline buffer. The land is used by several priority species including Chinook, Coho and Chum salmon; steelhead; searun Cutthroat Trout; sand lance; butter and native littleneck clams; Olympia oysters; and a variety of birds including herons, ospreys, bald eagles, and waterfowl. Poulsbo will contribute $400,000. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-2006)

Island County **Grant Requested: $1,575,000**
Buying a Beach on Barnum Point

Island County will use this grant to buy 13 acres of rare, low-bank waterfront on Barnum Point, a third-mile of beach, and 17 acres of tidelands for a county park on Camano Island. The land provides the only low-bank water access along Barnum Point, and will improve dramatically the public's access to more than two-thirds mile of adjacent public beach which is below high bluffs and basically inaccessible. This request is part of a larger project to expand the 27-acre Barnum Point County Park to 129 acres, protecting nearly all of Barnum Point, an iconic waterfront landscape on Camano Island and allowing public use on more than 2.5 miles of forested trails

with spectacular views. The 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 swimming, fishing, kayaking, canoeing, photography, biking, picnicking, beachcombing, and nature-viewing. Island County will contribute more than $2.1 million from Conservation Futures,[2] a federal grant, a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account, and donations of cash. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1834)

Mountlake Terrace — Grant Requested: $500,000
Developing Access to the Water at Ballinger Park

The City of Mountlake Terrace will use this grant to develop and renovate Ballinger Park. The City will renovate the launch for non-motorized boats, plant the shoreline, and build a new fishing pier, restroom, and walkways. The 55-acre Ballinger Park is a critical recreational oasis in a highly urbanized area. Some activities at the park include bird watching, hiking, jogging, picnicking, fishing, boating, swimming, weddings, and other special events. Mountlake Terrace will contribute $623,400 in cash and a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1510)

Kenmore — Grant Requested: $400,000
Building a Float and Boardwalk in Rhododendron Park

The City of Kenmore will use this grant to build a float for hand carry boats and provide access to the water for visitors at Rhododendron Park. The park is on the Sammamish River, a quarter mile upstream from Lake Washington, and next to a Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife ramp for motorized boats. There currently is no developed access to the park's 600 feet of riverfront. People are launching their hand-carry boats, including rowing sculls, kayaks, and small sailboats, in the mud at the project location now, trampling plants and causing water turbidity. The park's well-used facilities include a senior center, restroom, picnic shelter, play area, and 38-stall parking lot. The City will build a float and adjoining parking area; an 800-foot-long path, which includes 220 lineal feet of boardwalk across a wetland; and pave a gravel trail that connects the new path to a bus stop. The park and wetland are used for passive recreation along the waterfront and for wildlife viewing, photography, walking, picnicking, and fishing. Kenmore will contribute $545,000 in cash and a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1692)

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Kenmore — Grant Requested: $82,000

Replacing a Float at Squire's Landing

The City of Kenmore will use this grant to replace a dilapidated float and improve access for people with disabilities in Squire's Landing Park. The float is on the Sammamish River, a half-mile upstream of Lake Washington, and is used by people using hand-carry boats such as kayaks, canoes, and stand-up paddle boards. A functioning float will increase opportunities for much-needed access to prime paddling opportunities in a densely-populated area with few water access points. This site is ideally-suited for young and inexperienced paddlers. It is a quarter-mile walk from more than 200 apartment and condominium homes and has easy bus access. This project will support a growing kayak and paddling program whose participants include paralympic athletes that compete at the world level. Kenmore will contribute $83,000. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1603)

Stanwood — Grant Requested: $1,251,242

Creating Stanwood Hamilton Landing Park

The City of Stanwood will use this grant to buy 2 acres and then design and develop the first phase of Hamilton Landing Park, a future park south of downtown Stanwood. The City will restore the site, create public access to the river, and develop a launch for hand-carry boats. The land, which includes 350 feet of shoreline on the Stillaguamish River, is only one of two publicly-owned sites on the "Old Stilly" channel. Development of the park will provide access to the unique estuary habitat created where the Old Stillaguamish River channel meets Puget Sound. Hamilton park is part of a larger project to preserve greenways and make connections to the river. The City owns an undeveloped 15-acre former dairy farm a half-mile down river from the park and land next to the river that will connect the two properties together allowing access to the river and a future river walk trail. The Stillaguamish Tribe of Indians and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife are restoring a 300-acres estuary directly across the river from this site. Stanwood will contribute more than $1.2 million in cash, Conservation Futures,[3] and a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1979)

Bothell — Grant Requested: $1,000,000

Buying Part of the Wayne Sammamish Riverfront Regional Park

The City of Bothell will use this grant to buy 3 acres at the north end of Lake Washington for the Wayne Sammamish Riverfront Regional Park. The land is part of the 89-acre Wayne Golf Course, which Bothell, Forterra, King County, and One Bothell are trying to protect for public access to a mile of the Sammamish River. Since 1931, the Wayne Golf Course has been an important privately-held open space in the Sammamish River Valley. Positioned near State Route 522, the

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Burke-Gilman Trail, the Tolt Pipeline Trail, and the Samammish Riverfront Trail, the land is a scenic view corridor enjoyed every day by travelers and local residents, while also providing a recreational opportunity, a diverse habitat for a variety of wildlife, and a host of water resource functions. This greenway possesses great value to the people of Bothell, King County, and the state of Washington. Bothell will contribute more than $2.2 million in cash, Conservation Futures,[4] and a state grant. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1435)

Skagit County **Grant Requested: $101,400**

Expanding Pressentin Park

The Skagit County Parks and Recreation Department will use this grant to buy 10 acres, including .38 mile of shoreline on the "Wild and Scenic" designated Skagit River, to expand Pressentin Park, in Marblemount. The 47-acre park is bordered on two sides by the Skagit River and State Highway 20. This purchase will allow the County to develop parking and a day-use area that are removed from the floodplain and land with cultural resources present. It also will allow people to use the park for fishing, eagle watching, and picnicking. In the future, the County plans for the park to include a system of trails for water and wildlife viewing and a bicycle-only camping area. Skagit County will contribute $122,400 in cash and a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1921)

Whatcom County **Grant Requested: $1,217,175**

Buying Land for Birch Bay Beach Park

The Whatcom County Parks & Recreation Department will use this grant to buy 13.2 acres for a waterfront park in Birch Bay, in western Whatcom County. The land is in the central business and shoreline area of the community and includes 400 feet of waterfront. The community has long sought a waterfront park in this area to provide beach access, restrooms, parking, and activity areas. The waterfront and tidelands are the major attraction in Birch Bay; however, public access is limited to a few small parcels, road ends, and Birch Bay State Park, which is on the south end of the bay. Whatcom County will contribute more than $1.2 million in Conservation Futures[5] and a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1993)

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Island County — Grant Requested: $750,000
Conserving a Whidbey Island Beach

Island County will use this grant to protect 54 acres of undeveloped tidelands and forests spanning more than a half-mile along Whidbey Island's southeast shoreline for public use. Island County will buy a voluntary land preservation agreement, also called a conservation easement, to protect the property from development and ensure permanent public access to the land for activities such as kayaking, fishing, birding, nature-viewing, picnicking, and beachcombing. This land is along the Cascadia Marine Trail, a Washington water trail and designated National Recreation Trail, making it a useful and needed stopover point and potential campground for kayakers and other people using non-motorized boats. Island County has a unique opportunity to work with the Whidbey Camano Land Trust, which will buy the underlying land interest in the property using federal funding. If not acquired by this partnership, the land will be developed. The landowner is elderly and intends to sell the property for waterfront development. The property's picturesque beach, abundant eelgrass beds, juvenile salmon and forage fish habitat, a mature coastal forest, and two seasonal streams contribute to the environmental quality of the property and its attractiveness to recreationists. Island County will contribute more than $1.2 million in Conservation Futures,[6] a federal grant, and a grant from the state Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1838)

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife — Grant Requested: $500,000
Providing Access to Middle Wynochee River

The Department of Fish and Wildlife will use this grant to buy access to land along the middle Wynochee River, 17 miles northwest of Montesano, in Grays Harbor County, for fishing and boating. The department will buy an easement for 20 acres along the river, mostly on logging roads and the 7400 road. The Wynoochee River is an important steelhead and salmon fishery. Public access is extremely limited along the river between the Wynochee Dam and the department's White Bridge access and a road recently closed to the public. In addition to buying access, the department will lay gravel at the boat launch and parking lot, pour a pad for an restroom, and install an informational kiosk, signs, and gates. The acquisition will allow the department to restore public access to the Wynoochee River for a variety of water-related recreational activities and reduce crowding elsewhere on the river. For more information and photographs of this project, visit RCO's online Project Snapshot. (16-1351)

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