



proud past, promising future

Parks Manager's Notes for PAB: "What's Happening In Parks"

June 8, 2018

- Pat, Laura and I went to the DNR building in Olympia on the 21st for The Technical Review presentations for Curtin Creek Community Park Development and the Lewis River Ranch Acquisition. The panel stated that we did a job and had they had a few suggestions to help us prepare for our final presentation in August.
- Staff report on consent next Tuesday to approve resolution for RCO Acquisition grant (to ensure grant match) – Lewis River Ranch Acquisition.
- Chelatchie Trail development grant – This project is still moving forward and we need to purchase extra land to widen portions of the existing right of way
- Otto Brown Neighborhood Park is progressing very well with development. Completion is estimated to be late-July
- Kevin Tyler is leading the Camp Bonneville Re-Use Plan / Master Plan update. Given the number of people who are interested in sitting on the committee, Kevin is asking folks to submit letters of interest and the County Council will choose the members.
- Scot Brantley with Construction Management held interviews this week for Consultant work on site plan, engineering and permitting for Curtin Creek Community Park Kozy Kamp NH Park.
- The task order with Conservation Techix has been signed and work on PIF revisions can get underway. Focus is; Expand use of PIF for trails acquisition/development and consolidation of PIF districts.
- I reached out to Monica Tubberville and Julie Hannon of Vancouver this week to see if they may be interested in taking the remaining funds from PIF 1. We don't use it and don't want it to go into concurrency in the future; they said they will take it.
- Recruitments – Eric is still bringing on Lifeguards (not affected by the June hiring freeze), Doug scheduled practical exams for the two Grounds Maintenance Specialists positions. I've started the job posting for the Resource Development Coordinator.
- Dora Hernandez -our volunteer coordinator program assistant, was selected as one of two winners for the Anne Turner Award for Excellence in Volunteer Management presented by Directors of Volunteer Programs Association. The award ceremony is Lynch Estate - 4712 NW Franklin Street next Thursday from 12:00 to 1:30 (lunch provided). The new Vancouver Mayor will be speaking. Our admin staff will be attending and you're invited if you wish to go.
- We now have two Personal Watercraft Vendors. Lacamas Lake Kayaks is at Lacamas Park and Wasup is at Vancouver Lake. This kicks off our effort to introduce expanded recreational opportunities in our parks and to create more revenue.