Apply by June 14

OLYMPIA – The state Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) is seeking volunteers to evaluate grant applications that will help decide where the next parks, trails and boat launches will go in the state.

The volunteers will serve on one of eight advisory committees that will evaluate and rank grant requests in the spring and summer of 2014 for all types of recreation around the state. Volunteers with expertise in project design or management, landscape architecture, planning or engineering, permitting or property acquisition especially are encouraged to apply. Volunteers serve four years. Applications are due June 14.

Parks:

Nine volunteers are needed to evaluate grant proposals in three different park grant programs.

One volunteer is needed to evaluate grant requests in the **Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account program**, which provides money to buy, improve and protect tidelands and shorelines for the public. The volunteer should have recreation and public access interests.

Two volunteers are needed to evaluate grant applications in the **Land and Water Conservation Fund program**, which provides grants to preserve and develop parks, trails and wildlife lands. The volunteers should use parks, trails or wildlife lands. One volunteer should be a citizen and one should work for a local government.

Six volunteers are needed to evaluate grant proposals in the **Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program**, which provides money to buy, develop and renovate lands for the public. When applying, select the

online application for Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP) – Outdoor Recreation.

One volunteer should be from a recreational organization or parks board and three should be from local government. These volunteers will evaluate grant applications from state agencies and will serve on the State Lands Development and Renovation Advisory Committee.

Two volunteers should work for local government and have experience managing parks for a diverse range of recreational activities. These volunteers will evaluate grant applications to buy land, build or improve local parks and will serve on the Local Parks Advisory Committee.

Trails:

Seven volunteers are needed to evaluate grant requests in three different trail grant programs.

One volunteer, who is a back-road recreationist (camper, wildlife watcher, gatherer, etc.) is needed to evaluate grant requests in the Nonhighway and **Off-road Vehicle Activities program**, which provides money to help plan, buy land, develop and maintain trails, as well as provide trail education and law enforcement activities.

One volunteer is needed to evaluate grant requests in the **Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program**. (Be sure to select the online application for Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP) – Outdoor Recreation when applying.)

The remaining five volunteers are needed to evaluate grant requests in the **Recreational Trails Program**, which provides money to help rehabilitate and maintain backcountry trails and amenities.

Two volunteers should be citizens.

Three volunteers should be from trail organizations, one each representing motorcyclists, mountain bikers and non-motorized boaters such as canoe users and kayakers.

Boating:

Two volunteers are needed to evaluate grant requests in two programs that provide money to acquire or develop land for boating facilities.

One volunteer from eastern Washington, who can represent motorized, recreational boating

One volunteer who works for a local government are needed to evaluate grant proposals in the **Boating Facilities Program** and the **Boating Infrastructure Grant program** .

(When applying, select the online application for boating programs.)

To Apply: Submit a completed application and support materials to RCO no later than June 14. **Online applications** are available.

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