

Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission

September 18, 2008

Agenda Item:	8	Action
Topic:	Youth Legacy Grant Approvals	
Presented by:	Wayne Rawlins	

Background:

On August 20, 2008 the Local Government Grant Program (LGGP) Advisory Committee met to hear ten presentations by local communities requesting grant funding assistance for park projects that would encourage young people to recreate outdoors.

This was a special grant funding allocation that OPRD developed in cooperation with the Oregon 150 to celebrate Oregon's sesquicentennial birthday in 2009. This cooperative effort is intended to help reconnect kids with nature and to get young people outdoors to play and learn about our natural resources.

Besides members of the LGGP Advisory Committee, general advice and recommendations were received from members of the Oregon 150 including The Honorable Wallace P. Carson, Jr., Henry Balensifer III, James Hamrick, and Frank Jagodnik of the Oregon Recreation & Parks Association.

While the original intention was to provide \$200,000 in total funding for four projects, the LGGP Advisory Committee and the Oregon 150 members are recommending five projects to be funded by awarding a total of \$202,425.

Subject to the Commission's approval, The Honorable Barbara Roberts will announce the results of the awards at the Oregon Recreation & Parks Association annual conference on Monday, September 22, 2008 in Bend, Oregon.

Attachment: Exhibit A – Grant Recommendations

Prior Action by Commission: May 8, 2008: Staff presented information about the project.

Action Requested: Staff seeks Commission approval to award \$202,425 in funding assistance as outlined in the attached exhibit.

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	Project Sponsor	Project Name	Project Description	Total Project Cost	Grant Request
1	City of Lebanon	Cheadle Lake, Project Youth Legacy	Using a number of youth organizations, the project will design and develop riparian habitat along shoreline trails, develop 5,100 feet of trails, design and install interpretive signage, conduct wildlife surveys, install wood duck boxes.	\$94,905	\$37,175
2	City of Creswell	Garden Lake Park	With assistance of youth, develop a 40' pavilion housing interchangeable interpretive displays describing human and natural history of park environment.	\$119,286	\$50,000
3	City of Hood River	Children's Youth Legacy Playground	Develop specific youth play area along Columbia River with play structures including an architectural feature reminiscent of a native American fishing platform. Installation of signage describing native plantings and fish habitat to help youth reconnect with outdoor elements.	\$101,500	\$50,000
4	City of Seaside	Broadway Park	Local elementary students, using writings and drawings, provided design elements for children's playground equipment catering to different age groups. Youth will also assist to "put the park together."	\$164,504	\$50,000
5	City of Grass Valley	Park Playground Project	Installation of currently non-existent children's play equipment at the city's park. Children from local elementary school will partner for development of landscaping through their "Green" Program.	\$30,500	\$15,250
				\$510,695	\$202,425
6	City of Albany	Teloh Calapooia Park	Relocation and rehabilitation of park elements including playground, bio-swales and paths.	\$100,000	\$50,000
7	City of Brookings	Azalea Park Youth Legacy	Reforestation of area impacted by Sudden Oak Death disease and development of interpretive trail educating youth on reforestation methods and forest science.	\$102,000	\$50,000
8	City of Independence	Riverview Community Playground	Development of 6,400 square feet playground area and equipment for persons with disabilities. Youth will assist in fund raising.	\$234,186	\$50,000
9	Morrow County	Youth Activity Structure	Purchase and install youth activity structures at Morrow County OHV Park.	\$57,752	\$28,550
10	Bend Metro Park & Recreation District	Finding Nature-Out Your Back Door	Purchase and installation of yurt to be used as outdoor classroom.	\$45,360	\$22,278
				\$1,589,291	\$604,081