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Chapter 1: Introduction

The choices that confront Lewis County at the present time are significant and could alter the character and quality of open space, trail, and park facilities, and recreation programs and services if not adequately planned.

This document outlines the choices that are available and the means for implementing preferred actions found to be beneficial to Lewis County residents.

Objectives

The specific objectives of this planning effort were to:

Define the setting - within Lewis County including climate, environment, wildlife habitat, history, culture, population changes, and current development conditions.

Inventory assets - existing public park facilities and recreational services that have been developed to-date within Lewis County by the County, Centralia, Chehalis, Morton, Mossyrock, Napavine, Onalaska, Pe Ell, Toledo, Vader, Winlock, Lewis County PUD, Tacoma Power & Light, Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission (P&RC), Department of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW), Department of Natural Resources (DNR), US Forest Service (USFS), National Park Service (NPS), and others.

Forecast demand - for future open spaces, trails, parks, and recreation facilities and recreation services that may be provided by the county or other agencies.

Identify appropriate roles and responsibilities - that should be undertaken by Lewis County to meet critical open spaces, trails, and park facilities and recreation program needs.

Develop the elements of a countywide plan - for open spaces, trails, and park facilities and recreation programs including wildlife habitat and conservation areas, open spaces and natural resource

areas, trails, athletic fields and facilities, indoor community and recreation centers, and other special purpose facilities.

Define an implementation program - outlining the actions necessary to realize the plan including supporting actions necessary for agreements with other public, nonprofit, and forprofit organization.

Determine public opinion - through a series of public participation events and resolve final project, plan, and financing components based on the results of public input.

Approach

This plan analyzed the supply, demand, and need for public open spaces, trails, and park facilities and recreation services within Lewis County on a countywide basis. The analysis holistically determines needs, and demand, and thereby the county's ultimate role in coordinating the development of park and recreational facilities in the future including the county's role and responsibilities.

The proposed implementation strategies are the result of this comprehensive or holistic analysis. Generally, the proposed strategies recommend the county focus its resources where open spaces, trails, and park facilities and recreation needs are most critical and the most effective.

Public involvement

The Lewis County Parks & Recreation Department oversaw this planning process. during which the Department conducted a series of:

• **Focus group sessions** - with discussions of open space, trail, park, and recreation service conditions, utilization, and suggestions

with the Outdoor Recreation & Tourism Committee and Discover Lewis County Tourism Committee.

• Open house - with the public at the end of the process to review the PROS Plan proposals and respond to questions and suggestions.

The proposals contained within this document represent the opinions developed from these public participation events.

Documentation

This report is organized into 6 chapters outlining goals and objectives, plan and program elements, and implementation measures.

Separate technical appendices detailing the county setting, facility inventories, park opportunities, land and facility demand, and public opinion are available from the Lewis County Parks & Recreation Department.

Chapter 2: Goals and objectives

Goals and objectives form the framework for the Parks, Recreation & Open Space (PROS) Plan. A goal is a general statement describing an outcome the County wishes to provide.

Goals - typically do not change over time unless community values or economic conditions make it necessary.

Objectives - are more specific statements that describe a means to achieving goals, are measureable, and may change over time.

Goal 1: Recreation programs

Promote healthy and active lifestyle programs and outreach activities of special interest and lifestyle benefit for county residents with an emphasis on social equity. Promote, and work with other public, nonprofit, and for-profit agencies, organizations, and vendors including Centralia, Chehalis, Morton, Mossyrock, Napavine, Onalaska, Pe Ell, Toledo, Vader, Winlock, Lewis County PUD, Tacoma Power & Light, Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission (P&RC), Department of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW), Department of Natural Resources (DNR), US Forest Service (USFS), National Park Service (NPS), and other agencies.

Such programs may include athletic leagues and sport groups, youth, teen, and senior age groups, and special needs population where these activities are of major interest and benefit to county residents of all ages, skills, incomes, and cultures.

Policy 1.1: Healthy lifestyle

Promote healthy and active lifestyle programs including education, awareness, and developmental partnerships for youth, teen, and senior age groups, and special needs populations where these activities are of major interest and benefit to county residents of all ages, skills, incomes, and cultures.

Policy 1.2: Active lifestyle

Facilitate development of a network of parks, trails, facilities, and programs that encourage an active lifestyle involving walking,

hiking, biking, playing, swimming, exercising, and other pursuits that help regulate weight and physical condition, and mental and physical health and well being for all age, skills, income, and cultural groups.

Policy 1.3: Environmental

Promote the operation of environmental, historical, cultural, and recreational programs providing instruction, volunteerism, and participation in habitat restoration, water-based recreation, trail development and security, interpretive and outdoor programs, summer and day camps, maintenance, and other site-specific activities at park sites and properties in Lewis County.

Policy 1.4: Historical

Support historical and cultural initiatives to develop and display artifacts, reports, and exhibits; and conduct lectures, classes, and other programs that document and develop awareness of Lewis County's heritage at park sites and properties.

Policy 1.5: Art and culture

Promote programs for enrichment, physical conditioning and health care, meeting facilities, daycare, after school, and other program activities for all age, developmental ability, income, and cultural groups in Lewis County by all agencies and vendors as appropriate.

Policy 1.6: Education and learning

Promote programs for education and learning enrichment to provide resources, classes, instructions, training, and mentoring to advance knowledge, awareness, capabilities, employment, and enjoyment in Lewis County by all agencies and vendors as appropriate.

Policy 1.7: Athletics

Designate and preserve appropriate sites and facilitate agreements with user and league organizations to operate basketball, volleyball, tennis, soccer, baseball, softball, equestrian, and other instruction

and participatory programs for all age, skill level, income, and cultural groups in Lewis County.

Policy 1.8: Tourism

Promote the development of year-round activities in Lewis County park and recreation facilities for use by residents and tourists that provides economic development opportunities and financial sustainability.

Goal 2: Cultural arts

Promote development of high quality, diversified cultural arts facilities and programs that increase awareness, attendance, and participation opportunities at parks and properties in Lewis County.

Policy 2.1: Programs

Support successful collaborations between Lewis County and other public agencies, service groups, schools, arts patrons, and artists that optimally utilize artistic resources and talents at parks and properties in Lewis County.

Policy 2.2: Artworks

Where appropriate, incorporate public artworks including paintings, sculptures, exhibits, and other media for indoor and outdoor display to expand resident access and appropriately furnish public places in parks and properties in Lewis County.

Goal 3: Resource conservancies

Assume a major responsibility planning, coordinating, and preserving of unique environmental areas, wetlands, wildlife habitat, open spaces, forestlands, and scenic areas.

Work with other public and mission related nonprofit and private agencies, such as Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission (P&RC). Department of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW). Department of Natural Resources (DNR), US Forest Service (USFS), National Park Service (NPS), Lewis County PUD, Tacoma Power & Light, and others to create an effective approach to conservation issues.

Policy 3.1: Wildlife habitat

Identify and conserve critical wildlife habitat including nesting sites, foraging areas, and migration corridors within or adjacent to natural areas, open spaces, and the developing urban areas especially along the Cowlitz, Chehalis, and Nisqually Rivers, Walnut Creek Falls, and Mayfield, Riffe, and Mineral Lakes.

Policy 3.2: Natural areas

Preserve and protect significant environmental features including unique wetlands, open spaces, woodlands, shorelines, waterfronts and other characteristics that support wildlife and reflect the county's resource heritage - especially Schaefer, South, and Rose County Parks.

Policy 3.3: Public access

Provide non-intrusive public access to environmentally sensitive areas and sites that are especially unique to the county and surrounding area.

Policy 3.4: Forestlands

Conserve and restore forest cover and the scenic attributes woodlands provide - especially the remaining old growth woodlands in the Cowlitz River Wildlife Area managed by Washington State Department of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW).

Policy 3.5: Open spaces

Define and conserve a system of open space corridors or separators to provide definition between natural areas and urban land uses in the county.

Policy 3.6: Linkages

Increase natural area and open space linkages within the developed urban areas as well including along the Cowlitz, Chehalis, and Nisqually Rivers, Walnut Creek Falls, and Mayfield, Riffe, and Mineral Lakes.

Policy 3.7: Urban growth preserves

Cooperate with other public and private agencies including Washington State Department of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW) and Department of Natural Resources (DNR), and with private landowners to set-aside land and resources necessary to provide high quality, convenient open space, trail, and park facilities before the most suitable sites are lost to development.

Policy 3.8: Set aside

Preserve unique environmental features or areas in future land developments and increase public use and access. Cooperate with other public and private agencies, and with private landowners to set aside unique features or areas as publicly accessible resources.

Goal 4: Historical resources

Assist where appropriate in the planning, coordination, and preservation of unique archaeological, historical, cultural, scenic, and man-made places, sites, landmarks, and vistas.

Work when appropriate with other public and private agencies, such as the Lewis County Historical Society, Lewis County Genealogical Society, Washington State Historical Societies, Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation (federally recognized tribe of Upper and Lower Chehalis, Klallam, Muckleshoot, Nisqually, and Quinault peoples), and others, to create an effective approach to the following resource conservation issues and proposals.

Policy 4.1: Historical features and interests

Identify, preserve, and enhance the county's heritage, traditions, and cultural features including historical sites, buildings, artworks, views, and monuments within park sites and historical areas especially county, state, and federally recognized sites including the Claquato and Saint Urban Churches.

Policy 4.2: Significant lands and sites

Identify and incorporate significant historical and cultural lands, sites, artifacts, and facilities into the open space, trail, and park system to preserve these interests and provide a balanced social experience - especially including important Native American, homestead sites, and other places of interest in the county.

Policy 4.3: Incorporate into parks

Work with the Lewis County Historical Society, Lewis County Genealogical Society, Washington State Historical Society, and other archaeological and cultural groups to incorporate historical and cultural activities into park developments and recreational programs.

Policy 4.4: Manmade environments

Incorporate manmade environments, structures, activities, and areas into the open space, trail, and park system to preserve these features and provide a balanced recreational experience.

Policy 4.5: Public access

Work with property and facility owners to increase public access and utilization of these special sites and features.

Goal 5: Trail systems

Assume a major responsibility for the planning, development, and operation of a variety of trails including water trails, off-road hike and bike that are directly related to environmental resources that are of most interest to county residents.

Work with other public and private agencies, including Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission (P&RC), and Washington State Departments of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW), Natural Resources (DNR), US Forest Service (USFS), and National Park Service (NPS) to develop and maintain an integrated system of trails.

Policy 5.1: Water access

Support a system of kayak, canoe, and other hand-carry boat access landings and other improvements for appropriate access to the Cowlitz, Chehalis, and Toutle Rivers.

Policy 5.2: Water trails

Where feasible designate a water trail network for hand-carry or cartop craft including canoes and kayaks.

Policy 5.3: Scenic routes and vistas

Develop where practical viewpoints and interpretive exhibits that

integrate scenic routes with specific historical, cultural, environmental, and scenic points of interest - especially including the Claquato and Saint Urban Churches and cemeteries.

Policy 5.4: Artworks

Integrate as feasible artworks into trails, parks, park facilities, and historical sites into county lands and parks including the Southwest Washington Fair (SWWF) grounds and buildings.

Policy 5.5: On and off-road trail systems

Support a comprehensive system of hike and bike trails that access scenic, environmental, historic, and open space attributes in and around the county expanding and linking existing trail systems to create county and area-wide networks - especially the Willapa Hills Trail.

Policy 5.6: Trailheads

Develop a series of trailheads, trailside rest stops, viewpoints, interpretive exhibits, and trail signage systems that integrate hike and bike trails with specific historical, cultural, environmental, and scenic points of interest.

Policy 5.7: Local connections

Integrate continuous trail corridors and local spur or loop routes with parks, schools, other public facilities, historical sites, and Lewis County's city and town commercial districts.

Policy 5.8: Furnishings

Furnish trails with appropriate supporting trailhead improvements that include interpretive and directory signage systems, rest stops, restrooms, parking and loading areas, water, and other services.

Policy 5.9: Joint locations

Where appropriate, locate trailheads at or in conjunction with park sites, schools, and other community facilities to increase local area access to county trail systems and reduce duplication of supporting improvements.

Policy 5.10: Standards

Develop trail improvements following design and development

standards that make it easy to maintain and access by maintenance, security, and other appropriate personnel, equipment, and vehicles.

Policy 5.11: Stewardship

Where appropriate and economically feasible, develop and support an Adopt-A-Trail program for citizens and organizations to help provide trail maintenance and litter pick-up activities.

Policy 5.12: On and off-leash dog areas

Designate a system of on and off-leash dog areas that provide controlled and convenient exercise opportunities for dog owners including appropriate segments of the trail system and parks.

Policy 5.13: Dog parks

Where appropriate, designate and develop off-leash dog parks that provide controlled and convenient exercise and social area opportunities for dog owners in convenient service areas of the county.

Goal 6: Resource parks

Plan, develop, and operate a variety of resource-oriented facilities that include fishing sites, hand-carry boat access, swimming beaches, and picnicking areas that are directly related to environmental resources that are of most interest to county residents.

Work with other public and private agencies, particularly Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission (P&RC), Washington State Department of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW) and Department of Natural Resources (DNR), US Forest Service (USFS), National Park Service (NPS), Lewis County PUD, and Tacoma Power & Light to develop and operate appropriate resource park facilities.

Policy 6.1: Waterfront access and facilities

Acquire and support additional shoreline access for waterfront fishing, wading, swimming, and other related recreational activities and pursuits along Cowlitz, Chehalis, and Toutle River and Mayfield, Riffe, and Mineral Lake shorelines.

Policy 6.2: Picnicking and day-use activities

Acquire and develop additional countywide picnic sites, shelters, and day-use group picnic grounds at major resource parks and along major off-road trail corridors in and around the county.

Goal 7: Playgrounds and fields

Develop an integrated system of playgrounds, courts, and fields that are of most interest to county residents. Assist with the planning of a system of regional athletic park facilities including competitive soccer, lacrosse, softball, and baseball and multiuse fields that are of interest to county residents and league participants.

Coordinate and assist as appropriate other public and private agencies including Centralia, Chehalis, Morton, Mossyrock, Napavine, Onalaska, Pe Ell, Toledo, Vader, and Winlock sports league organizations. Assist where appropriate, with the development of major competitive outdoor and indoor athletic facilities for all age, skill, income, and cultural groups.

Policy 7.1: Playgrounds and tot lots

Support the development and designation of play sites and facilities that meet playing standards and requirements for all age, skill. income, and cultural groups.

Policy 7.2: Recreational courts

Support the development and designation of local park sites that provide a variety of recreational sports courts (such as basketball, sand volleyball, bike polo, pickleball, and tennis courts) that meet the highest quality pick-up and competitive practice and playing standards and requirements for all age, skill, income, and cultural groups and recreational interests.

Policy 7.3: Skateboard parks, pump tracks, disc golf and challenge courses

Support the development of park sites that provide specialized activities (such as skateboard, in-line skating, pump tracks, disc golf, climbing walls, and challenge courses) that meet the highest quality recreation practice and playing standards and requirements

for all age, skill, income, and cultural groups and recreational interests.

Policy 7.4: Athletic fields

Support the development of sites that can be developed for organized sports leagues (such as soccer, lacrosse, softball, and baseball fields) to meet the highest quality recreation practice and playing standards and requirements for all age, skill, income, and cultural groups and recreational interests - such as Centralia's Fort Borst Park.

Goal 8: Recreation facilities

Coordinate and assist as appropriate the planning, development, and operation of specialized indoor facilities including aquatic facilities, gymnasiums, arts and crafts, classrooms, meeting rooms for special populations, children, teens, seniors, and the general population that are of major interest to county residents of all ages, skills, incomes, and cultures.

Seek cooperation from other public and private agencies to realize effective facilities and services within the county.

Policy 8.1: Aquatics centers

Support the development and maintenance of aquatics facilities that provide instruction, aerobics, recreation, and competition facilities for all age, skill, income, and cultural groups and aquatics interests on a seasonal or year-round basis - working with Centralia and Chehalis, among others.

Policy 8.2: Recreation centers

Support the development and maintenance of multiple use indoor recreational centers that provide gymnasiums, physical conditioning, recreational courts, and other athletic spaces for all age, skill, income, and cultural groups and community interests on a vear-round basis.

Policy 8.3: Community centers

Support the development of a system of multipurpose community centers and facilities that can provide arts and crafts, music, video,

classroom instruction, meeting facilities, eating and health care, daycare, latch key, and other spaces for all age, skill, income, and cultural groups including preschool, youth, teens, and seniors on a vear-round basis - including the current and future buildings at Southwest Washington Fairgrounds Park.

Policy 8.4: Meeting facilities

Support the development of special meeting, assembly, and other community facilities that provide general support to county residents and tourists - including the current and future buildings at Southwest Washington Fairgrounds Park.

Policy 8.5: Arts centers

Support the development and maintenance of special indoor and outdoor cultural and performing arts facilities that enhance and expand music, dance, drama, cultural and historical interpretations, and other audience and participatory opportunities for the countyat-large.

Policy 8.6: Equestrian centers

Support the development and maintenance of indoor and outdoor equestrian activities that expand and enhance horsemanship, showmanship, performance, and competition opportunities for the county-at-large at Southwest Washington Fair (SWWF).

Goal 9: Special purpose facilities

Where practical and economically feasible, develop, coordinate, and assist other public and private agencies with the development of special purpose facilities.

Policy 9.1: Special enterprises

Where appropriate and economically feasible, support the development and operation of specialized and special interest facilities, like the Southwest Washington Fair (SWWF) livestock show and judging, rodeo, equestrian events, carnival, expositions, and other annual and year-round activities.

Policy 9.2: Joint planning

Where appropriate and economically feasible, participate in joint

planning and operating programs with other public and private agencies for special activities like equestrian and livestock events at the Southwest Washington Fairgrounds Park.

Goal 10: Design standards

Design and develop Lewis County facilities that are accessible, safe, and easy to maintain, with life cycle features that account for longterm costs and benefits.

Policy 10.1: Outdoor accessibility

Design outdoor picnic areas, trails, playgrounds, courts, fields, parking lots, restrooms, and other active and supporting facilities to be accessible to individuals and organized groups of all physical capabilities, skill levels, age groups, income, and cultural interests.

Policy 10.2: Indoor accessibility

Design indoor facility spaces, activity rooms, restrooms, hallways, parking lots, and other active and supporting spaces and improvements to be accessible to individuals and organized groups of all physical capabilities, skill levels, age groups, income, and cultural interests.

Policy 10.3: Maintenance

Design, retrofit, and develop facilities, including RV sites for park caretaker hosts, that are sustainable, of low maintenance, and highcapacity design to reduce overall facility maintenance and operation requirements and costs. Where appropriate, incorporate low maintenance materials, settings or other value engineering considerations that reduce care and security requirements, and retain natural conditions and experiences.

Policy 10.4: Volunteers

Where practical and appropriate, use an Adopt-a-Trail and Adopt-a-Park programs where volunteer users and citizens can help perform maintenance, collect litter, and other support activities.

Policy 10.5: Pest management

Integrate pest management principles in the management of park landscape resources by utilizing a holistic approach to managing

pests using biological, cultural, mechanical, and herbicide tools.

Policy 10.6: Security and safety standards

Implement the provisions and requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Washington State Building Codes, and other design and development standards that improve park facility safety and security features for park users, department personnel, and the public-at-large.

Policy 10.7: Safety procedures

Maintain safety standards, procedures, and programs that provide proper training and awareness for department personnel.

Policy 10.8: Safety regulations

Maintain and enforce rules and regulations concerning park activities and operations that protect user groups, department personnel, and the general public-at-large.

Goal 11: Financial resources

Create effective and efficient methods of operating, maintaining, acquiring, and developing facilities and programs that accurately distribute costs and benefits to public and private interests.

Policy 11.1: Finance

Investigate innovative available methods, such as dedicated levies, real estate excise taxes (REET), hotel/motel lodging taxes, conservation futures, impact fees, land set-a-side or fee-in-lieu-ofdonation ordinances, and inter-local agreements, for the financing of facility development, maintenance, and operating needs to reduce costs, retain financial flexibility, match user benefits and interests, and increase services.

Policy 11.2: Joint ventures

Consider joint ventures with other regional, state, federal, public, nonprofit, and private agencies including for-profit concessionaires, where feasible and desirable.

Policy 11.3: Public and private resource coordination

Create a comprehensive, balanced open space, trail, park, and

recreation system that integrates Lewis County facilities and services with resources and funding available from the county, nonprofit organizations, school districts, and other regional, state, federal, and private park and recreational lands and facilities in a manner that will best serve and provide for Lewis County resident interests.

Policy 11.4: Joint planning

Cooperate with other regional, state, and federal, public, nonprofit, and private organizations to avoid duplication, improve facility quality and availability, reduce costs, and represent resident area interests through joint planning and development efforts.

Policy 11.5: Cost/benefit assessment

Define existing and proposed land and facility levels-of-service (ELOS/PLOS) standards that differentiate requirements due to population growth impacts, improved facility standards, and regional and local nexus of benefits. Differentiate Lewis County standards compared to composite standards that include the county, cities, state, federal, and other public and private provider agency efforts to effectively plan and program open space, trails, parks, and recreation needs in the county.

Policy 11.6: Public/private benefits

Create effective and efficient methods of acquiring, developing, operating, and maintaining open space, trail, park, and recreational facilities in manners that accurately distribute costs and benefits to public and private user interests.

Policy 11.7: Cost recovery

Develop and operate recreational programs and activities that serve the broadest needs of the population, recovering program. operating, and development costs with a combination of registration fees, user fees, grants, sponsorships, donations, scholarships, volunteer efforts, and the use of general funding.

Policy 11.8: Sponsorships

Where appropriate, support recreational programs, like retreats and conferences for those interested groups who are willing to finance

the cost through user fees, registration fees, volunteer efforts, or other means and methods.

Policy 11.9: Legislation

Pursue legislative changes that provide financial flexibility and innovation such as allowing the use of real estate excise taxes (REET 2) for regular maintenance as well as development, and that eliminates the requirement that fair funds be kept separate rather than be utilized like any other event on Southwest Washington Fairgrounds Park (RCW 36.90.030.

Goal 12: Human resources

Develop, hire, train, and support a professional parks and recreation staff that effectively serves Lewis County in the realization of the above listed goals and objectives.

Policy 12.1: Personnel

Employ a diverse, well-trained work force that is motivated to achieve countywide goals. Encourage teamwork through communications, creativity, positive image, sharing of resources, and cooperation toward common goals.

Policy 12.2: Staff development

Where appropriate, provide staff with education, training, technology, equipment and supplies to increase personal productivity, efficiency, team building, and pride.

Chapter 3: Program elements

The following proposals concerning elements of the recreational programs approach are based on the results of demand analysis. workshop planning sessions, and the open house of resident households.

The proposals outline the vision developed for recreational programs within Lewis County for the next 6-20 years. The program proposals are **CONCEPTUAL**, in some instances, subject to further study and coordination with public and private participants that may modify the eventual program particulars.

Population projections

Lewis County's population - in 1900 was 15,157 persons located primarily In Centralia and Chehalis. The county's population increased to 32,127 persons by 1910 or by an annual rate of growth of 7.8% as railroads extended into Lewis County and the area's logging, agriculture, and fishing industries grew in importance.

Lewis County population increased over the decades due to the advent of World War 1 and 2, and the location of manufacturing in the county. Recent growth rates, however, have been gradual averaging 0.5% between 2000-2010 due largely to the impact of the economic recession on area industries.

Washington State's Office of Financial Management (OFM) expects Lewis County's rate of growth will gradually decline from 0.5% on an annual average basis between 2010-2020 to 0.4% by 2050 due to the aging of the population.

Population components - OFM expects the number of deaths in Lewis County will increase from 4,630 between 2020-2025 to 5,356 by 2035-2040 due to the aging of the county population while births will only slightly increase from 4.886 between 2020-2025 to 5,170 by 2035-2040 due to a declining proportion of the population in child-bearing ages and a stable and low birth rate. Net migration

will decline from 2,949 in-migrating persons in 2020-2025 to 1,915 persons by 2035-2040 contributing to Lewis County's slow resident population growth.

Age distribution - within Lewis County will shift with about the same proportion of the population in child ages 0-19 of 23.9% in 2020 versus 24.5% by 2050 and more in senior ages 65+ of 21.5% in 2020 versus 23.2% by 2050 reflecting the continued aging of the population in the county like the trends nationally.

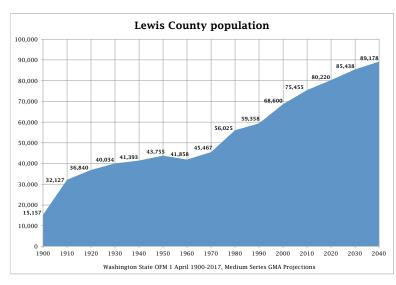
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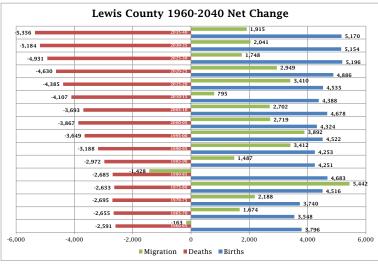
Washington State's Recreation & Conservation Office (RCO) develops a Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP) every 6 years to help decision-makers better understand recreation issues statewide and to maintain Washington's eligibility for federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) funds.

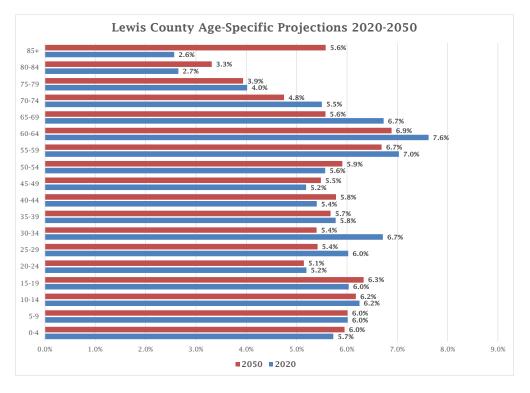
RCO conducted a series of 12-month diary surveys of a random sample of Washington State residents in 2000 and 2006, and an annual survey in 2012 to determine the type of indoor and outdoor recreation activities residents engaged in over the year including the resident's age, gender, ethnicity, income, and regional place of residence.

The RCO SCORP surveys recorded what residents participated in of 140 different indoor and outdoor activities and special spectator events including the participation rate and number of occasions per year by season, month, week, and type of environment (urban, rural, mountain). The surveys did not record the location of the activity.

The 2006 RCO diary-based survey is used in this analysis because it was the most comprehensive and age-specific of the **RCO surveys** and used computer-assisted telephone interviews of randomly sampled persons (with no more than 1 person per







household) during each month of the 12-month survey period from each of the 10 tourism regions.

Lewis County is in the Southwest Region. For projection purposes, Lewis County recreation behaviors are likely representative of the Seattle-King County Region given Lewis County's level of urbanization concentrated along the I-5 corridor.

The 2006 statewide survey was completed by 2,135 persons and collated and weighted by age, gender, region, race, and income of which 300 were completed from the Seattle-King County region and weighted accordingly. The survey is within a \pm 2.5% statewide and +/-6.0% by region. Response by age, gender, region, race/ethnicity, and income varies.

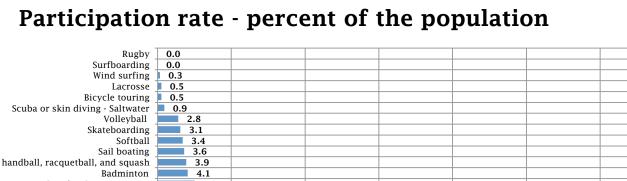
The 2006 RCO survey elicited what participants did for recreational activities but not where the activity occurred. Survey participants from King County may engage in activities but possibly outside of King County, and conversely participants from other regions may travel to engage in activities in King County. The survey did not control for user transpositions between regions.

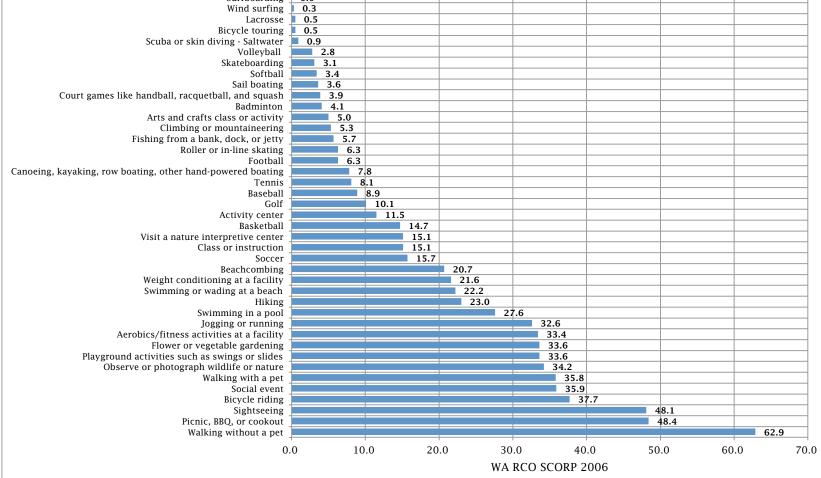
Since the survey was taken in 2006, the survey may not completely reflect recent regional activity trends in some select and emerging activities such as skateboard parks, dog parks, lacrosse, or other niche behaviors.

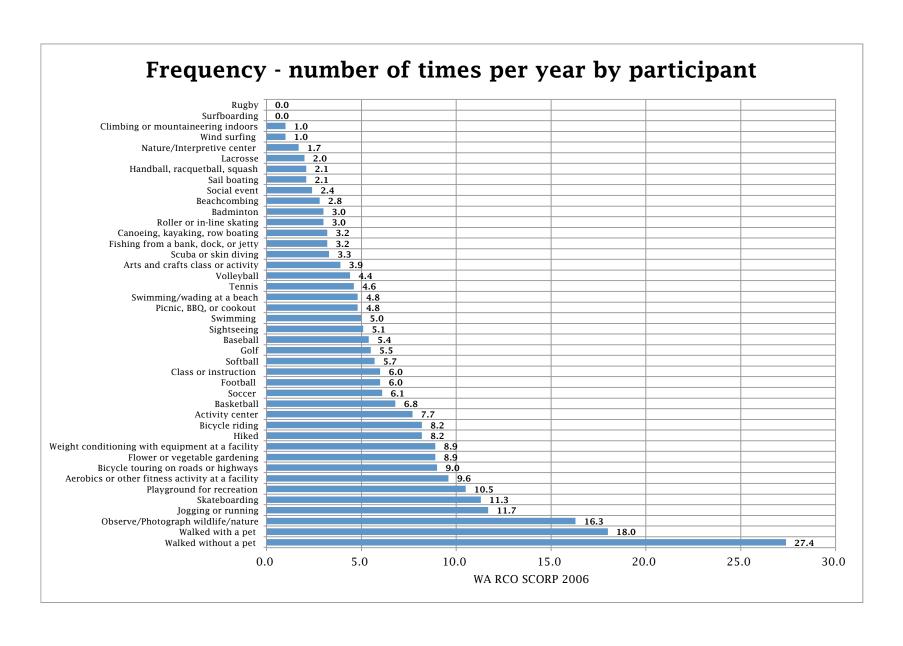
Lewis County (Seattle-King County region)

Annual participation rates	Participation	Frequency
Walking without a pet	62.9%	27.4
Picnic, BBQ, or cookout	48.4%	4.8
Sightseeing	48.1%	5.1
Bicycle riding	37.7%	8.2
Social event indoors	35.9%	2.4
Walking with a pet	35.8%	18.0
Observe/photograph wildlife	34.2%	16.3

Playground activities	33.6%	10.5
Flower or vegetable gardening	33.6%	8.9
Aerobics/fitness activities	33.4%	9.6
Jogging or running	32.6%	11.7
Swimming in a pool	27.6%	5.0
Hiking	23.0%	8.2
Swimming or wading at a beach	22.2%	4.8
Weight conditioning at a facility	21.6%	8.9
Beachcombing	20.7%	2.8
Soccer	15.7%	6.1
Class or instruction	15.1%	6.0
Visit a nature center	15.1%	1.7
Basketball	14.7%	6.8
Activity center indoors	11.5%	7.7
Golf	10.1%	5.5
Baseball	8.9%	5.4
Tennis	8.1%	4.6
Canoeing, kayaking, rowboat	7.8%	3.2
Football	6.3%	6.0
Roller or in-line skating	6.3%	3.0
Fishing from a bank, dock, jetty	5.7%	3.2
Climbing or mountaineering	5.3%	1.0
Arts and crafts class or activity	5.0%	3.9
Badminton	4.1%	3.0
Handball, racquetball, squash	3.9%	2.1
Sail boating	3.6%	2.1
Softball	3.4%	5.7
Skateboarding	3.1%	11.3
Volleyball	2.8%	4.4
Scuba or skin diving - Saltwater	0.9%	3.3
Bicycle touring	0.5%	9.0
Lacrosse	0.5%	2.0
Wind surfing	0.3%	1.0
Surfboarding	0.0%	0.0
Rugby	0.0%	0.0







Participation rate - the percent of the population that participates in a recreational activity

Frequency - the number of times per year those that participate engage in the activity

Source: 2006 SCORP RCO Diary Based Survey

Participation rates

The 2006 RCO survey found significant differences in the statewide population's participation in recreation activities including distinctions for Lewis County (Seattle-King County) participants.

<u>Top 5 activities with the highest percent of the population</u> <u>participating</u> – in Lewis County (Seattle-King County) included walking without a pet, picnicking, barbequing, or cooking out, sightseeing, bicycle riding, and social event indoors.

<u>Bottom 5 activities with the lowest percent of the population</u> <u>participating</u> - in Lewis County (Seattle-King County) included rugby, surfboarding, wind surfing, lacrosse, and bicycle touring.

<u>Organized team sports</u> – involved lesser percentages of the population of the Lewis County (Seattle-King County) ranging from the highest for soccer (15.7%) to the lowest for rugby (0.0%).

<u>Indoor community center activities</u> – involved a varying range of percentages of the population participating from a social event indoors (35.9%), aerobics/fitness activities (33.9%), swimming in a pool (27.6%), weight conditioning at a facility (21.6%), class or instruction (15.1%), activity center (11.5%), and arts and crafts class or activity (5.0%). Generally, indoor or community center related activities engage the population in greater percentages than organized team sports.

Environmental or cultural activities – involved a varying range of percentages of the population participating from sightseeing (48.1%), observe or photograph wildlife or nature (34.2%), beachcombing (20.7%), and visit a nature interpretive center (15.1%). Generally, environmental, or cultural related activities engage the population in greater percentages than indoor or community centers as well as organized team sports.

Annual frequencies

The 2006 RCO survey determined the number of times or the annual frequency that an average participant would engage in each activity. The frequency averages are for all kinds of participants. Enthusiasts or organized team players may engage more frequently than the average indicates but are included within the average, nonetheless.

Activities with the highest annual frequencies of over 10.0 occasions – in Lewis County (Seattle-King County) were for walking without a pet (27.4 times per year), walking with a pet (18.0), observing and photographing wildlife (16.3), jogging or running (11.7), skateboarding (11.3), and playgrounds (10.5).

Activities with the lowest annual frequencies of less than 2.0 occasions – in Lewis County (Seattle-King County) were for rugby (0.0 times per year), surfboarding (0.0), climbing or mountaineering indoors (1.0), windsurfing (1.0), and visiting a nature or interpretive center (1.7).

<u>Organized team sports</u> – in Lewis County (Seattle-King County) ranged from the highest for basketball (6.8 times) to the lowest for rugby (0.0).

<u>Indoor community center activities</u> – in Lewis County (Seattle-King County) were activity center (7.7 times per year), class or instruction (6.0), swimming in a pool (5.0), arts and crafts (3.9), and social event (2.4). Generally, indoor or community center frequencies are similar to the range of organized team sports.

Environmental or cultural activities – in Lewis County (Seattle-King County) were observing or photographing wildlife (16.3 times per year), sightseeing (5.1), beachcombing (2.8), and visiting a nature or interpretive center (1.7). Generally, environmental, or cultural related activities that involve observing or photographing wildlife occur in greater numbers per year than indoor or community centers as well as organized team sports.

Lewis County's annual volumes 2020-2050

Lewis County's total volume of annual recreation activity is determined by multiplying the age-specific participation and frequency or occurrence rates by the number of persons projected to be in each age-specific category for the projection years.

The following table itemizes the projected total annual volume in 2020, 2050, and the amount and percent of volume increase that will occur between 2020-2050.

Activity	2020	2050	Addnl	Pct
Sightseeing - public, cultural	86,456	100,191	13,735	16%
Interpretive center	17,112	19,791	2,678	16%
Observe/photograph wildlife	407,973	468,468	60,495	15%
Gardening - pea patch	6,093	7,081	988	16%
Fishing from bank, dock, jetty	10,812	12,376	1,565	14%
Picnic - site, group facility	46,544	53,467	6,922	15%
Swimming/wading at a beach	82,191	94,162	11,971	15%
Canoeing, kayaking, rowboat	18,686	21,042	2,357	13%
Sail boating	5,104	5,810	706	14%
Walk with pet - on-leash, park	139,327	158,895	19,568	14%
Walk with pet - dog park	47,551	53,408	5,857	12%
Walk - park/trail setting	224,307	258,082	33,775	15%
Hiking - urban/rural trail	95,107	110,714	15,607	16%
Bike riding - roads/streets	122,808	141,141	18,332	15%
Bike riding - urban/rural trails	40,818	46,597	5,780	14%
Bike riding - day trip touring	589	660	71	12%
Playground - park/school site	252,183	290,511	38,238	15%
Aerobics/fitness at a facility	252,455	287,692	35,238	14%
Weight conditioning at facility	151,416	170,776	19,361	13%
Jogging or running - on a trail	69,961	80,374	10,414	15%
Swim - outdoor/indoor pool	103,789	119,439	15,651	15%
Roller/in-line skating - on trail	5,774	6,769	995	17%
Skateboarding - in a park	1,286	1,490	204	16%
Badminton - outdoor/indoor	8,750	9,911	1,160	13%
Handball/racquetball - indoor	4,893	5,650	757	15%
Volleyball - outdoor/indoor	18,720	21,370	2,650	14%
Basketball - outdoor/indoor	74,283	85,505	11,221	15%

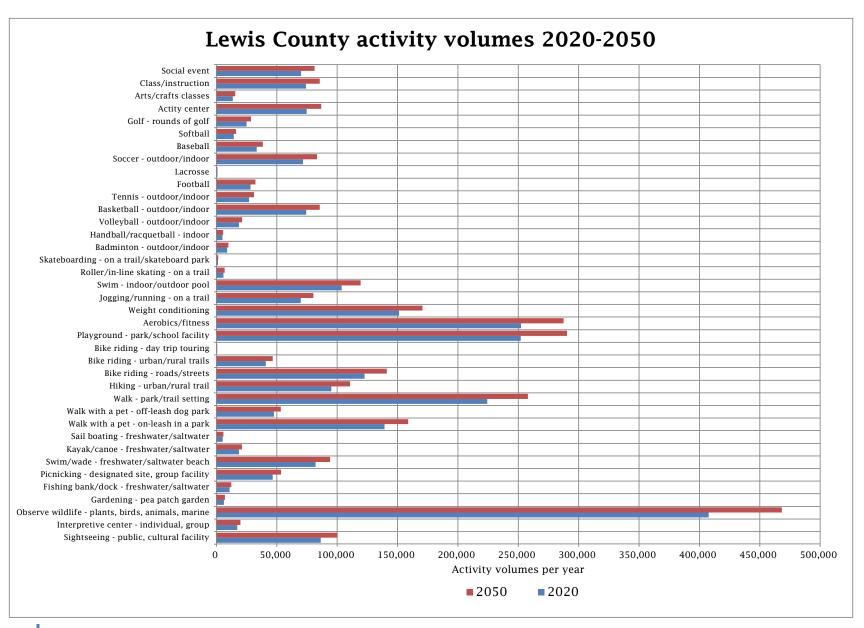
Tennis - outdoor/indoor	27,061	31,011	3,950	15%
Football	28,220	32,345	4,124	15%
Lacrosse	801	880	79	10%
Soccer - outdoor/indoor	71,803	83,342	11,539	16%
Baseball	33,416	38,522	5,106	15%
Softball	14,263	16,234	1,971	14%
Golf - rounds of golf	24,923	28,601	3,679	15%
Activity center	74,721	86,833	12,112	16%
Arts and crafts class/activity	13,522	15,664	2,143	16%
Class or instruction	74,055	85,688	11,633	16%
Social event	70,001	82,332	11,331	16%

2040 - the total volume that will occur in 2040, Additional - the volume increase in volume over 2020 by 2040. Pct - the percent increase the additional volume between 2020-2040 represents Source: RCO SCORP Survey 2006

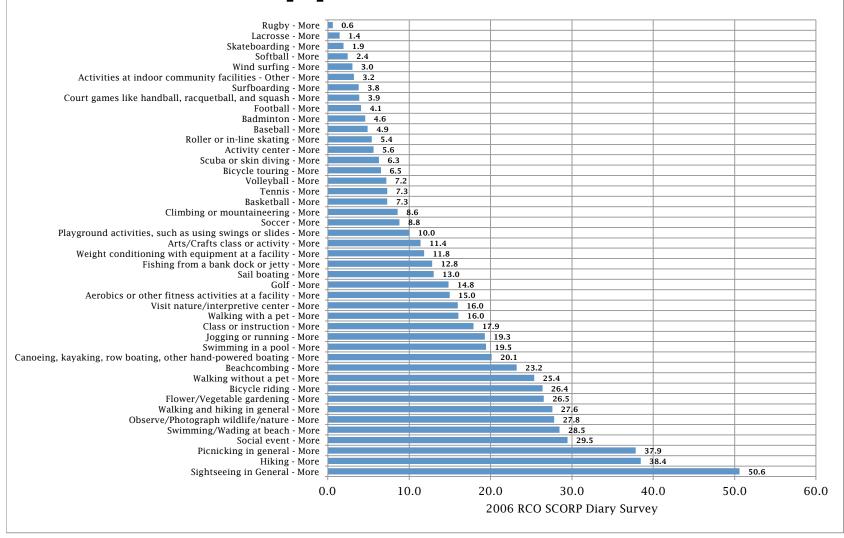
- **Greatest annual volume in 2050** will be observing wildlife (468,468 occurrences) due to the high percentage of the population that engage in the activity and the high number of times or frequencies that they engage per year.
- Significant but substantially less volumes in 2050 will be playground at a park or school (290,511 occurrences), aerobics or fitness at a facility (287,692 occurrences), walking in a park or trail setting (258,082 occurrences), and walking with a pet on-leash in a park (158,895 occurrences).
- Lowest annual volume in 2050 will be for bike riding as a daytrip tour (660 occurrences), lacrosse (880 occurrences), and skateboarding on a trail or in a skateboard park (1,490 occurrences) due to the low percentage of the population that engages in the activity and the low annual frequency.

Percent would like to do more

In addition to participation and frequency, the 2006 survey also asked respondents to indicate their preferences to engage in activities they did not participate in or to engage more frequently in activities that they did. Survey results were collated on a statewide per person basis only due to the smaller respondent sample size.



Percent of the population that would like to do more



Washington State	
Percent would like to do/do more	WA
Sightseeing	50.6%
Hiking	38.4%
Picnicking	37.9%
Social event	29.5%
Swimming/wading at beach	28.5%
Observe/photograph wildlife/nature	27.8%
Walking and hiking	27.6%
Flower/vegetable gardening	26.5%
Bicycle riding	26.4%
Walking without a pet	25.4%
Beachcombing	23.2%
Canoeing, kayaking, row boating	20.1%
Swimming in a pool	19.5%
Jogging or running	19.3%
Class or instruction	17.9%
Walking with a pet	16.0%
Visit nature/interpretive center	16.0%
Aerobics or other fitness activities	15.0%
Golf	14.8%
Sail boating	13.0%
Fishing from a bank dock or jetty	12.8%
Weight conditioning with equipment	11.8%
Arts/Crafts class or activity	11.4%
Playground activities	10.0%
Soccer	8.8%
Climbing or mountaineering	8.6%
Basketball	7.3%
Tennis	7.3%
Volleyball	7.2%
Bicycle touring	6.5%
Scuba or skin diving	6.3%
Activity center	5.6%
Roller or in-line skating	5.4%
Baseball	4.9%
Badminton	4.6%
Football	4.1%

Handball, racquetball, and squash	3.9%
Surfboarding	3.8%
Activities at indoor community	3.2%
Wind surfing	3.0%
Softball	2.4%
Skateboarding	1.9%
Lacrosse	1.4%
Rugby	0.6%

Source: 2006 SCORP RCO Diary Based Survey

Generally, survey participants would like to do and if already participating in, would like to do more of activities with the highest participation rates already including sightseeing (50.6% do and do more), hiking (38.4%), picnicking (37.9%), and so on.

Were survey participants to engage in activities and to engage more in activities they are already participating in they could increase the volume of activity but not change the overall rank order of activity participation.

Park service gaps

An effective park system should provide a park, trail, playground, community center, or other recreation facility within a reasonable commuting distance of any urban residential area measured by actual time-distance required on hike, bike, car, and transit routes.

Accessibility maps are generated by Geographic Information Systems (GIS) that calculate commuting time-distances that account for natural and manmade obstacles as well as population densities from existing park, recreation, school, and other facilities. Park service gaps are populations that are beyond a reasonable 0.5-5.0-mile distance or 15-minute commute from local, state, or federal parks.

The Washington State Recreation Conservation Office (RCO) generates public access maps for the state based on time-distance to local, state, and federal parks. The maps indicate Lewis County cities located along the I-5 corridor and Napavile are within a 0.5-

Access to State and Federal Recreation Areas

Drive time to a state or federal recreation area

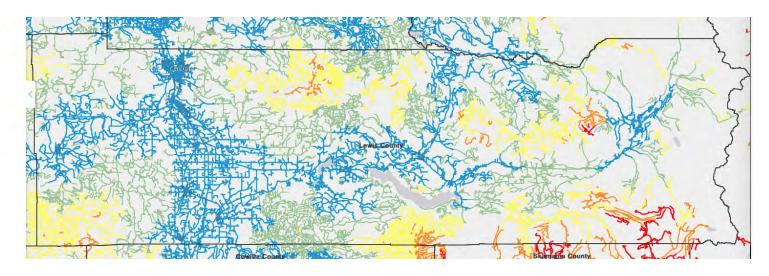
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45 minutes

- 1 hour

Over 1 hour



Gap Analysis Based on Distance to a Park or Trail

No services

25 mile radius from a regional park or trail

5 miles radius from a community park or trail 0.5 mile radius from a neighborhood park or trail

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Areas

Access to State and Federal Recreation

Drive time to a state or federal recreation area

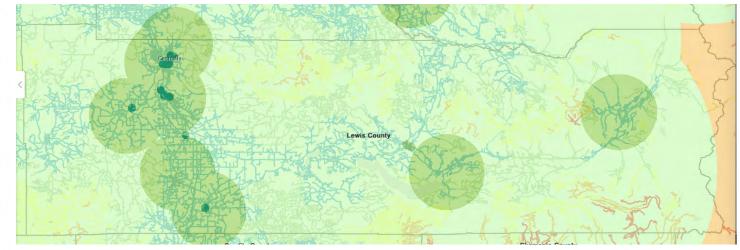
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- 1 hour

- Over 1 hour



mile distance to local parks and the cities along the I-5 corridor, Napavine, Glenoma, and Packwood are within a 5.0-mile distance of local and state parks.

The more rural areas of the county are likely beyond the 0.5-5.0mile distance but are within a 15-minute drive time of local, state, or federal parks.

Chapter 4: Public opinion

Resident outreach survey

An on-line with mail-back option survey was conducted of all Lewis County households using USPS's Every Door Direct Mail (EDDM) postcard notification. Survey questions sought to obtain information on resident household attendance, interests, expenditures, and opinions and priorities for potential future improvements of the Southwest Washington Fairgrounds Park. 446 households, or 1,119 people where an average household is 2.51 people, completed the survey. Following is a summary of the responses to questions related to Southwest Washington Fairgrounds Park.

Where do you live?

Answered: 442 Skipped: 4

Centralia	168	Pe Ell	2
Chehalis	177	Randle	6
Mineral	0	Toledo	1
Morton	4	Vader	1
Mossyrock	12	Winlock	12
Napavine	19	Other Lewis Co	20
Onalaska	23	Other	7
Packwood	1		

What age group are you in?

Answered:	441	Skipped:	5
10-24			

18-24	5%	45-54	18%
25-34	16%	55-64	20%
35-44	19%%	65+	22%

What is your household income?

Answered: 405 Skipped: 41			
<\$20,000	6%	\$50-74,999	27%
\$20-29,999	7%	\$75-99,999	14%
\$30-49,999	19%	\$100,000+	27%

What level of education do you have?

Answered: 430 Skipped: 16

Grade school	1%	Some college	40%
High school	15%	Bachelor's	27%
Technical college	4%	Graduate	13%

Implications

Households who completed the outreach survey:

- Are concentrated primarily in the larger cities of Centralia and Chehalis but are generally distributed proportional to each city and town population.
- Are concentrated in ages 35-65+ but with some representation in younger age groups.
- Earn \$30,000-\$100,000+ but with some representation in the lower income groups.
- Completed some college including graduate degrees.

Has a member or your household ever participated in any of the activities of the Annual Fair? Answers ranked in order of highest participation.

Answered: 436 Skipped: 10

The survey results were numerically weighted for each option depending on the number of options where never was 1, occasionally 2, regularly 3, and always 4 and then divided by the number of responses to determine an average or weighted score where 4.00 was always and 1.00 never.

4-H/FFA livestock exhibits, competitions, and activities Open photography and craft exhibits 1.51 As a volunteer 1.51 Other open animal exhibits and activities 1.41 4-H/FFA photography and craft exhibits 1.35 Demolition Derby events and competitions 1.31 As a food or other vendor 1.29 4-H/FFA equestrian events, competitions, and activities Other equestrian events, activities, and competitions 1.22	Activities	Wght
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Rodeo event, activities, and competitions 1.20 Implications

• Most survey respondents attended the 4-H/FFA events 0.52 times or between never and occasionally during an Annual Fair compared with the Rodeo of 0.20 times.

Has a member or your household ever participated in any of the activities <u>during the rest of the year</u>? Answers ranked in order of highest participation.

Answered: 428 Skipped: 18

Activities	Wght
Festivals and special events	1.64
Entertainment and performances	1.50
As a volunteer	1.33
4-H/FFA livestock exhibits, competitions, and activities	1.26
Demolition derby events, activities, and competitions	1.26
Car, RV, and boat exhibitions	1.23
Other open animal exhibits and activities	
Weddings, anniversaries, and memorials	1.18
Rodeo events, activities, and competitions	1.17
4-H/FFA equestrian events, competitions, and activities	1.16
Other equestrian events, activities, and competitions	1.14
<u>Implications</u>	

• Most survey respondents attended festivals and special events 0.64 times or between never and occasionally during the rest of the year compared with other equestrian events of 0.14 times.

How many times have you attended the Annual Fair and for other events during the rest of the year? Answers ranked in order of highest use.

Answered: 443 Skipped: 3

The survey results were numerically weighted where no times was 1, 1 time 2, 2-5 times 3, 6-10 times 4, 11-15 times 5, 16-20 times 6, and 21+ times 7 and then divided by the number of responses to determine an average or weighted score where 1.00 is no times by any participant and 7.00 was 20+ times by every participant.

	Wght
Times at Annual Fair	4.21
Times other events rest of the year	3.19

Implications

• Survey participants average 6-10+ times for the Annual Fair and 2-5+ times for events during the rest of the year.

What activities did you attend or visit during the Annual Fair?

Answers ranked in order of highest use.

Answered: 443 Skipped: 3

The survey results were numerically weighted where never was 1, occasionally 2, regularly 3, and always 4 and then divided by the number of responses to determine an average or weighted score where 1.00 is never by any participant and 4.00 was always by every participant

Activities	Wght
Food vendors	3.39
4-H/FFA livestock barns – rabbits, pigs, sheep, cattle, horses	3.08
Open category indoor photography, craft exhibits	2.84
4-H/FFA indoor photography, craft exhibits	2.81
Outdoor performers	2.76
Carnival	2.73
4-H/FFA showmanship and competitions	2.24
Demolition Derby competitions	2.00
Rodeo competitions	1.79

Implications

• Food vendors were a regular attraction (3.39) followed by 4-H/FFA livestock (3.08). By comparison, the Rodeo (1.79) and Demolition Derby (2.00) were of lesser interest.

What activities did you attend or visit during the rest of the year? Answers ranked in order of highest use.

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Answered: 431 Skipped: 15

The survey results were numerically weighted where never was 1, occasionally 2, regularly 3, and always 4 and then divided by the number of responses to determine an average or weighted score where 1.00 is never by any participant and 4.00 was always by every participant

Activities	Wght
Festivals	2.10

Commercial events	1.70
Charity and fundraising events	1.67
Car. boat, and RV shows	1.52
4-H/FFA livestock shows and exhibitions	1.51
Other equestrian and rodeo events	1.48
4-H/FFA equestrian activities and events	1.43
Meetings, conferences	1.24
Weddings. anniversary parties, memorials	1.24

Implications

• Festivals were an occasional attraction (2.10) followed by commercial events (1.70). Participation in year-round activities was less than in the Annual Fair.

How would you rate the quality of the following existing facilities on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 is the poorest and 5 the highest quality?

Answered: 443 Skipped: 3	
Fair entry gates and locations	3.36
Street access to the site	3.27
Food vendor area	3.17
Expo Hall, Blue Pavilion, and Community Events buildings	3.07
4-H/FFA livestock barns	2.98
4-H, Floral Hall, Grange, Photo Barn, and Firehouse	2.97
Outdoor performance states	2.96
Public parking on site	2.96
Public parking off-site	2.92
Fairground's tree cover and landscaping	2.76
Arena grounds and surface	2.75
Public restrooms	2.63
Historic wooden grandstand	2.57
Carnival	2.56
Information centers	2.35
Salzer Creek corridor	1.05
Tent camping areas	0.55
RV camping areas	0.54
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Implications

• Fair entry gates and locations (3.36), street access to the site (3.27), food vendor area (3.17), and Expos Hall, Blue Pavilion, and

Community Events buildings (3.07) were given average scores compared to tent camping (0.55) and RV camping (0.54) areas given poor ratings.

How priority would you give the following possible improvements on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 is the poorest and 5 the highest quality?

Answered: 430 Skipped: 16

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Replace wooden bench seat in the grandstands	3.51
Add trees and landscaping in the food vendor areas	3.33
Construct additional and larger outdoor performance stages	3.23
Improve Expos Hall, Blue Pavilion, Community Events buildings	2.96
Construct covered arena for Rodeo	2.90
Improve Floral Hall, Grange, Photo Barn, Firehouse	2.83
Improve 4-H/FFA livestock barns	2.76
Improve public parking on-site	2.74
Improve public parking off-site	2.44
Simplify direct street access to the site	2.36
Landscape Salzer Creek corridor	2.33
Improve RV and tent camping areas	1.96

Implications

Replacing the wooden bench seats in the grandstand (3.51) followed by adding trees and landscaping in the food vendor areas (3.33) and constructing additional and larger outdoor performance stages (3.23) were given moderate and high priorities compared with improving the RV and tent camping areas (1.96) given low scores.

What impact would these facility improvements have on your household's attendance at the Annual Fair from no change, minor increase, to major increase?

Answered: 441 Skinned: 5

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Would recommend to others	2.21
Would come more often	1.90
Would spend more money	1.81

Implications

The improvements would cause households to recommend the fair to others by a minor-major increase and increase attendance and

expenditures by a minor increase over existing behavior.

What impact would these facility improvements have on your household's use of the facilities during the rest of the year from

no change, minor increase, to major increase?

Answered: 437 Skipped: 9

Would recommend to others	2.05
Would come more often	1.88
Would spend more money	1.79

Implications

The improvements would cause households to recommend the fair to others by a minor-major increase and increase attendance and expenditures by a minor increase over existing behavior.

What impact would scheduling the following types of additional events have on your household's attendance at events <u>during the rest of the year</u> on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 is the poorest and 5 the highest quality?

Answered: 435 Skipped: 11

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Outdoor entertainment shows and performances	2.27
Indoor entertainment shows and performances	2.16
Demolition Derby competitions	1.78
Ski, camping, fishing vendors shows and exhibitions	1.78
Rodeo competitions	1.76
RV and boat vendor shows and exhibitions	1.57
Auto dealer shows and exhibitions	1.51
4-H/FFA livestock shows and exhibitions	1.50
Other equestrian events and competitions	1.49
4-H/FFA equestrian events and competitions	1.48

Implications

Adding more outdoor (2.27) and indoor (2.16) entertainment shows and performances would low-moderate impact on attendance during the rest of the year.

What should the mission be for the <u>Annual Fair</u> on a not at all, minor, or major priority?

Answered: 440 Skipped: 6

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Host events and activities of interest to residents and	2.78
tourists	

Host events and activities of interest to Lewis County residents	2.73
Host events and activities that attract tourist dollars	2.44

Implications

Hosting events of interest to residents and tourists was of moderate priority.

What should the mission be for the rest of the year on a not at all, minor, or major priority?

Answered: 436 Skipped: 10

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Host events and activities of interest to residents and tourists	2.73
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residents	
Host events and activities that attract tourist dollars	2.48

Implications

Hosting events of interest to residents and tourists was of moderate priority.

Annual Fair Attendees Survey

Surveys were handed out at the 2021 Annual Fair and completed by 158 attendees.

Where do you live?

Answered: 155 Skipped: 3

47%
30%
13%
5%
3%
2%
1%

Implications

• Chehalis/Centralia (47%) followed by Lewis County (30%), and Thurston County (13%) are the primary market areas for the Fair.

What age group are you in?

Answered: 154 Skipped:

18-24	19%	45-54	12%
25-34	20%	55-64	14%
35-44	17%	65+	18%

How many people are in your party in the following age groups?

Answered: 157 Skipped: 1

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Children under 12	3.36
Adults age 21+	3.18
Teenagers 13-20	2.76

Implications

• Groups with children and adults were the most predominant group.

How have you participated in the Annual Fair?

Answered: 157 Skipped: 1

Attendee	77%
4-H/FFA/Open Exhibitor	34%
Volunteer	27%
Vendor	13%

Implications

 Most survey respondents have attended the Annual Fair (77%) though considerable numbers have also been 4-H/FFA/Open Exhibitors (34%) and volunteers (27%).

What is the primary attraction you came to see or do?

Answered: 153 Skipped: 5

11	
Livestock barns	45%
Carnival	44%
Other	29%
Photos/crafts	25%
Rodeo	16%
Derby	12%

Implications%

• Livestock barns (45%) and carnival (44%) were the primary attractions.

Conclusion

While the surveys were conducted primarily to evaluate Fairgrounds Park activities and improvements, the responses indicate Fairground Park is an important component of Lewis County's park and recreation programs and facilities, particularly the activities related to 4-H and FFA youth for livestock, photography, crafts, and equestrian.

Chapter 5: Plan elements

The following proposals concerning elements of the parks, recreation, and open space plan are based on the results of environmental inventories, field analysis, demand analysis, and workshop planning sessions. The proposals outline the vision developed for parks, recreation, and open spaces in Lewis County for the next 20 years.

The proposals are **CONCEPTUAL**, in some instances, subject to further study and coordination with public and private participants that may modify the eventual project components.

The proposals refer to a site or property that may provide a major type of park, recreation, or open space activity. A particular site or property may include one or all of the described plan features. The proposals in each section describe the improvements that will be accomplished under each major type of plan element.

Conservancies

Resource conservancies or open spaces protect, preserve, and conserve lands that have environmental features of critical area significance (floodplains and landslide hazard), ecological importance (shorelines, wetlands, and watersheds), forestland (old growth, woodland cover, and prime productive), wildlife habitat (threatened and endangered species), and open space.

Resource conservancy lands may provide nature and interpretive trails, exhibits, and interpretive facilities to increase public awareness and appreciation for significant and visually interesting environmental, wildlife, and forest features as well as active recreation facilities on the same site.

Vision

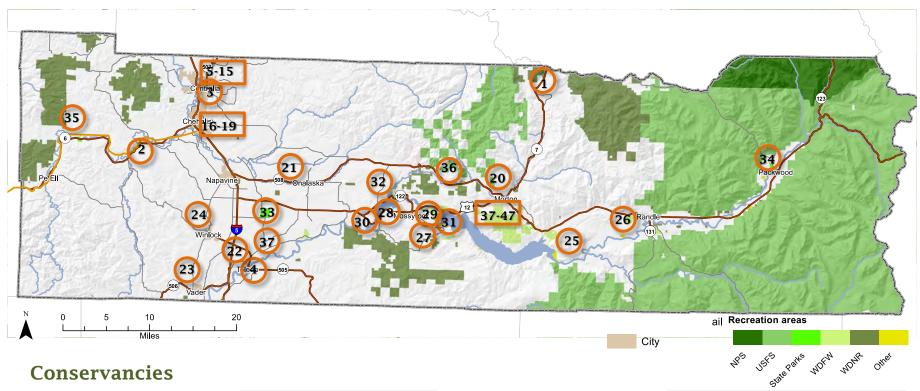
Conservancies may be realized through:

Acquisition of development rights and/or title of resource lands or historical sites - that would otherwise be developed or used for other urban land use:

- Provision for public access and interpretive use that would not be possible if the lands remained in private ownership without such provisions.
- **Provisions for signing and interpretation** subject to appropriate security measures and property owner agreements,

Conservancies

Fuinting compounds	
Existing conservancy Lewis County	256.13
1 Mineral Lake Access	0.13
Located on Mineral Lake on Mineral Lake Road.	0.13
 Open space with water access 	
2 Rose County Park	21.0
•	21.0
Located 5 miles west of Penning Road off SR-6. Extensive woodlands	
3 Schaefer County Park	14.0
•	14.0
Located on Bucoda Highway/SR-507.	
 Skookumchuck River frontage South County Regional Park 	43.0
- 554441 5544114, 115815141 1 4111	45.0
0.5 miles south of Toledo at 212 Ray Road/SR-505.	
• 17.0-acre pond	270 56
Centralia	279.56
5 Agnew Mill Pond	29.03
Located at Gold Street between Marion and Yakima.	
 Natural areas 	
6 Armory Hills Open Space	33.33
Located at the end of Duffy Road below Seminary Hill.	
 Former golf course open space 	
Centralia	217.20
7 Borst Park	121.00
Located west of I-5 of exit 82.	
 Skookumchuck River shoreline 	



Conservancies

			3
Lewis County	14 Washington Street Park	Winlock	35 Rainbow Falls State Park
1 Mineral Lake Access	15 Wilbur Parkins Park	24 Winolequa Park	36 Tilton State Park
2 Rose County Park	Chehalis	Lewis County PUD	WDFW Wildlife Areas
3 Schaefer County Park	16 Lintoff/Alexander Park	25 Cowlitz Falls Park	37 Cowlitz Trout Hatchery Unit
4 South County Regional Pk	17 McFadden Park	26 Leonard Allen-Colwlitz Falls Camp	38 Davis Lake Unit
Centralia	18 National Avenue Wetlands	27 Swofford Pond Boat Launch	39 Kona Creek Unit
5 Agnew Mill Pond	19 Stan Hedwall Park	Tacoma Power & Light	40 Kosmos Unit
6 Armory Hills Open Space	Morton	28 Mayfield Lake Park	41 Mayfield Buffer Unit
7 Borst Park	20 Gust Backstrom Park	29 Mossyrock Park	42 Mossyrock Unit
8 Brick Wagner Park	Onalaska	30 Taidnapam Park	43 Peterman Ridge Unit
9 Bridge Street Park	21 Carlisle Lake	31 Swofford Pond Public Fishing	44 Riffe Buffer Unit
10 Ed S Mayes Park	Toledo	Washington Parks & Recreation	46 Spears Unit
11 Prairie Estates Park	22 Front Street Boat Launch	32 Ike Kinswa State Park	47 Swofford unit
12 Rotary Riverside Park	Vader	33 Lewis & Clark State Park	48 USFS Gifford Pinchot National Forest
13 Seminary Hill Natural Area	23 McMurphy Park	34 Packwood State Park/Skate Creek	49 NPS Mount Rainier National Park

8 Brick Wagner Park	0.38
Located at the end of Tilley Street right-of-way at Plummer L	ake.
 Natural area with water access 	
9 Bridge Street Park	2.69
Located on Bridge Street south of Harrison Avenue.	
 Natural area with water access 	
10 Ed S Mayes Park	0.03
Located at Frist Street and Harrison Avenue.	
 Natural areas 	
11 Prairie Estates Park	2.20
Located at Prairie Rose at Honeysuckle.	
 Natural areas/open space 	
12 Rotary Riverside Park	14.05
Located at Lowe Street north of Harrison.	
 Natural area with water access 	
13 Seminary Hill Natural Area	71.70
Located at 902 East Locust Street 5 blocks east of Tower Ave	nue.
 Natural areas/open space 	
14 Washington Street Park	0.08
Located at Washington Street at Park Street.	
 Natural areas/open space 	
15 Wilbur Parkins Park	5.07
Located at the end of Meridian Avenue at the Skookumchuck	River.
Fishing/water access	
Chehalis	303.8
16 Lintott/Alexander Park	5.80
Located on Chehalis-Claquato Road (1101 Riverside Road We	st) on
the Chehalis River.	
Chehalis River shoreline	
17 McFadden Park	28.0
Located on Park Hill Drive.	
Natural areas	
18 National Avenue Wetlands	66.00
Located on National Avenue south of Southwest Washington	
Fairgrounds.	
• Wetland mitigation area	
19 Stan Hedwall Park	204.00
Located at 1501 Rice Road on the Newaukum River.	
 Extensive woodlands - 104 acres 	

 Fishing/water access on 2.25 miles of river Morton

20 **Gust Backstrom Park**

Located at 750 Main Street on the Tilton River.

• Tilton River shoreline

Onalaska 72.0 Carlisle Lake 21 72.00

Located at Carlisle Lake.

Carlisle Lake shoreline

Toledo Acres

22 Front Street Boat Launch

Located off Front Street and Cowlitz Street in downtown Toledo on the Cowlitz River.

Cowlitz River shoreline

10.5 Vader 23 McMurphy Park 10.5

Located north of Vader on the Olequa Creek on O Annonen Road.

Water access

Winlock

24 Winolegua Park

Located on Olequa Creek ion Rhoades Road North in Winlock.

Olegu Creek shoreline

Lewis County PUD

Cowlitz Falls Park

110.0

110.0

Located at the east end of Lake Scanewa on Falls Road near Glenoma.

Lake Scanewa shoreline

Campground Located at 889 Peters Road 15 miles east of Morton.

Leonard "Bud" Allen-Cowlitz Falls

Woodlands and Lake Scanewa shoreline

Swofford Pond Boat Launch

Located on Green Mountain Road on Swofford Pond.

Swofford Pond shoreline

Tacoma Power & Light

Mayfield Lake Park

Located at Beach Road on the south shore of Mayfield Lake north of Morton.

Mayfield Lake shoreline 29 Mossyrock Park 10.5 Located on Mossyrock Road on the western shore of Riffe Lake adjacent to Mossyrock Dam. Riffe Lake shoreline 30 Taidnapam Park Located 7 miles southeast of Morton on Champion Haul Road. Riffe Lake shoreline **Swofford Pond Public Fishing** Located on Green Mountain Road on Swofford Pond. Swofford Pond shoreline Washington State P&RC 1.278.0 Ike Kinswa State Park 421.0 Located on the Mayfield Lake near the Mossyrock and Silver Creek areas. • 46,000 linear feet of freshwater shoreline on Mayfield Lake **Lewis & Clark State Park** 616.0 Located east of I-5 and south of Chehalis on the historic north spur of the Oregon Trail. Developed by the CCC in the 1930s. Old growth forest **Packwood State Park** 178.0 Located on Lower Skate Creek off Skate Creek Road NF-52. Skate Creek and Cowlitz River shoreline Extensive woodlands 139.0 Rainbow Falls State Park Located on the Chehalis River near the Willapa Hills Trail. Old growth forest 3,400 feet of freshwater shoreline **Tilton State Park** 102.0 Located on the Tilton River at 5535 SR-508 near Morton. Extensive wooded, undeveloped property 46,000 feet of shoreline on the Tilton River including where the Tilton and Cowlitz Rivers once merged **WDFW** 13,602.0 **Cowlitz Trout Hatchery Unit** 283.0 Located off Spencer Road North from Classe Road 12 near Toledo.

38 Davis Lake Unit 24	6.0
Located off Davis Lake Road (Main Street) out of Morton.	
 Riparian forest habitat 	
Pond and wetlands	
Salmonid	
 Waterfowl 	
Black-tailed deer and elk	
	4.0
Located off Savio Road west of Randle.	
Riparian forest and wetland habitat	
Salomon spawning	
 Dabbling ducks Black-tailed deer and elk 	
	6.0
Located on the east end of Riffe Lake off Champion Haul Road.	0.0
 Ponds and 3 perennial creeks 	
 Riparian forest, shrub, and emergent wetland habitats 	
Salmonids	
■ Waterfowl	
Bald eagles	
Black-trailed deer	
41 Mayfield Buffer Unit 71	0.0
Located to buffer the entire shoreline of Mayfield Reservoir and	
accessible primarily by boat. Mitigation for the hydroelectric	
projects on the Cowlitz River.	
 Birdwatching 	
 Waterfowl hunting 	
42 Mossyrock Unit 1,35	9.0
Located from Young Road in Mossyrock.	
Riparian forest corridors Pards and area fields	
Ponds and open fieldsWaterfowl	
 Waterfowl Black-tailed deer 	
43 Peterman Ridge Unit 6,79	16 A
Located Peterman Hill Road south of Morton.	0.0

Beaver

Pileated woodpecker (sensitive species)

Forested wetland habitat

Riparian forest habitat

Black-tailed deer

- Grouse
- Douglas squirrels
- Black-tailed deer and elk
- Black bear
- Cougar

Riffe Buffer Unit

2,351.0

parks.

Located off Champion Haul Road near Mossyrock along the entire shoreline of Riffe Reservoir. Mitigation for Cowlitz River hydroelectric projects. Accessible only by boat.

- Trout and landlocked coho salmon
- Deer and elk game hunts

Spears Unit

434.0

Located off Spears Road south of Randle.

- Riparian forest, shrub, and emergency wetland habitat
- Large pond created for mill operations
- 2 creeks flow through the unit
- Dabbling ducks
- Black-trailed deer

Swofford Unit

323.0

Located off Green Mountain Road southeast of Mossyrock and drains into Riffe Lake.

- Waterfowl
- Black-tailed deer and elk

US Forest Service (USFS)

444,428.0

47 **Gifford Pinchot National Forest**

444,428.0

Located in the east sections of Lewis County but extending into Pierce, Yakima, Cowlitz, Clark, and Klickitat Counties.

 Extensive forest lands, wildlife habitat, watersheds, and mountains

National Park Service (NPS)

35.285.0

Mount Rainier National Park

35.285.0

Located in the northeast corner of Lewis County and extending north into Pierce County.

• Extensive forest lands, wildlife habitat, watersheds, and mountains surrounding Mount Rainier

Total conservancy sites

Total conservancy acres

49

Note - park acreage may include other activities and improvements

in addition to conservancies including trails, resource, and athletic

Resource parks

Resource parkland will be conserved in Lewis County that provide public access to significant environmental features including shorelines, woodlands, and scenic areas. Where appropriate, resource park sites will be improved with a variety of outdoor facilities including group and individual campsites and picnic facilities. Supporting services will include parking lots, restrooms, and utilities.

Vision

As described herein, the resource park vision will be realized through:

- <u>Acquisition of resource parklands</u> that would otherwise be developed for other land uses,
- <u>Provision of public access</u> and use of natural features which would not be possible if the lands remained in private ownership,
- <u>Conservation for public access</u> and use of unique and available natural features that visually define and separate developing urban areas.

Fishing, swimming, and boating

Existing fishing and boating facilities

Lewis County

1 Cowlitz River Public Access Point

Located on Alta Drive adjacent to Skate Creek Road Bridge in Packwood.

- Hand-carry boat launch
- 14 cartop parking stalls

2 Schaefer County Park

Located on Bucoda Highway/SR-507 one mile north of Centralia on the Skookumchuck River.

River access with bank fishing and wading

3 South County Regional Park

Located 0.5 miles south of Toledo at 212 Ray Road/SR-505.

Wading and swimming area beach

- 1 hand-carry boat launch on Ray Road
- 3 fishing piers on Ray Road

Centralia

4 Borst Park

Located west of I-5 of exit 82. The regional park is jointly managed by the city and the Centralis School District.

Public boat ramp

5 Brick Wagner Park

Located at the end of Tilley Street right-of-way at Plummer Lake.

Fishing/water access

6 Bridge Street Park

Located on Bridge Street south of Harrison Avenue.

Fishing/water access

7 Rotary Riverside Park

Located at Lowe Street north of Harrison.

Fishing/water access

8 Wilbur Parkins Park

Located at the end of Meridian Avenue at the Skookumchuck River.

Fishing/water access

Chehalis

9 Lintott/Alexander Park

Located on Chehalis-Claquato Road (1101 Riverside Road West) on the Chehalis River.

Swimming beach

Morton

10 Gust Backstrom Park

Located at 750 Main Street on the Tilton River.

- Fishing/water access
- Swimming beach

Onalaska

11 Carlisle Lake

Located at

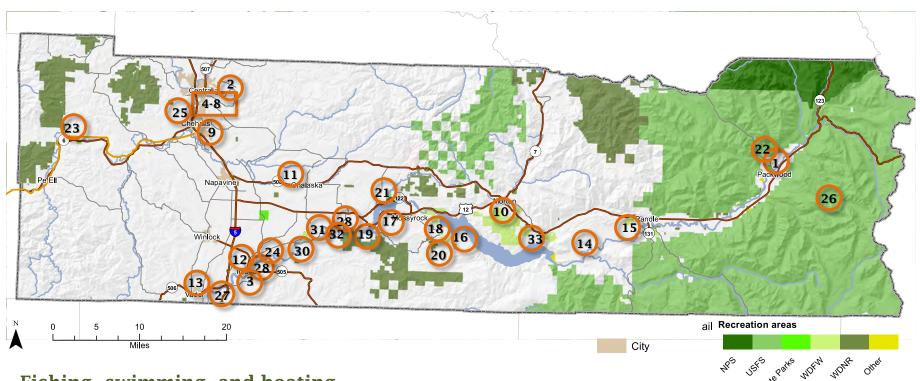
- Fishing/water access
- Hand-carry boat launch

Toledo

12 Front Street Boat Launch

Located off Front Street and Cowlitz Street in downtown Toledo on the Cowlitz River.

Boat launch



Fishing, swimming, and boating

Lewis County	Morton	Tacoma Power & Light	USFS
1 Cowlitz River Public Access	10 Gust Backstrom Park	17 Mayfield Lake Park	25 Horseshoe Lake
2 Schaefer Park	Onalaska	18 Mossyrock Park	26 Walput Lake
3 South County Regional Park	11 Carlisle Lake	19 Taidnapam Park	Chehalis River Public Access
Centralia	Toledo	20 Swofford Pond Public Fishing	27 I-5
4 Borst Park	12 Front Street Boat Launch	Washington P&RC	28 Winters
5 Brick Wagner Park	Vader	21 Ike Kinswa State Park	29 Toledo
6 Bridge Street Park	13 McMurphy Park	22 Packwood State Park	30 Massey Bar
7 Rotary Riverside Park	Lewis County PUD	23 Rainbow Falls State Park	31 Blue Creek/Spencer Road
8 Wilbur Parkins Park	14 Cowlitz Falls Park	WDFW	32 Barrier Dam/Fuller Road
Chehalis	15 Leonard Allen-Cowlitz Falls	24 Cowlitz Trout Hatchery Unit	33 Kosmos Road
9 Lintoff/Alexander Park	16 Swofford Pond Boat Launch		

Vader

12 McMurphy Park

Located north of Vader on the Olequa Creek on O Annonen Road.

Water access

Lewis County PUD

14 Cowlitz Falls Park

Located at the east end of Lake Scanewa on Falls Road near Glenoma.

- Boat ramp with dock
- Swimming beach

15 Leonard "Bud" Allen-Cowlitz Falls Campground

Located at 889 Peters Road 15 miles east of Morton.

Boat launch

16 Swofford Pond Boat Launch

Located on Green Mountain Road on Swofford Pond.

Boat launch for electric motors

Tacoma Power & Light

17 Mayfield Lake Park

Located at Beach Road on the south shore of Mayfield Lake north of Morton.

- Swimming beach
- Boat launch

18 Mossvrock Park

Located on Mossyrock Road on the western shore of Riffe Lake adjacent to Mossyrock Dam.

- Swimming beach
- Boat launch

19 Taidnapam Park

Located 7 miles southeast of Morton on Champion Haul Road.

- Fishing bridge over Riffe Lake
- Swimming beach
- Boat launches

21 Swofford Pond Public Fishing

Located on Green Mountain Road on Swofford Pond.

Boat launch for electric motors

Washington State P&RC

21 Ike Kinswa State Park

Located on the Mayfield Lake near the Mossyrock and Silver Creek

areas.

1

- Fishing/lake access
- Swimming beach
- 2 power boat launch lanes
- 40 feet of handling dock

22 Packwood State Park

Located on Lower Skate Creek 0.5 miles from the last public access to the Cowlitz River in Packwood off Skate Creek Road NF-52.

Fishing access to Lower Skate Creek and Cowlitz River

23 Rainbow Falls State Park

Located on the Chehalis River near the Willapa Hills Trail.

- Fishing sites
- Swimming beach

WDFW

24 Cowlitz Trout Hatchery Unit

Located off Spencer Road North from Classe Road 12 near Toledo.

- Bank fishing
- Boat launch

USFS

25 Horseshoe Lake

Located on 24-acre Horseshoe Lake off Forest Road 2329078 from Randle.

- Fishing
- Boat launch electric motor only

26 Walput Lake

Located on the shores of Walput Lake in the Goat Rocks Wilderness Area off Forest Road 2160 from Randle.

- Swimming beach
- Primitive boat launch

Chehalis River

27 Chehalis River Public Access

The Chehalis River is 105 miles long with dams built by Tacoma Power & Light that create power and resulted in the formation of Riffe and Mayfield Lakes recreation areas. River access:

- I-5 WDFW boat launch and fishing access
- Winters access
- Toledo Augustus Street boat launch
- Massey Bar Buckley Road fishing access
- Blue Creek Spencer Road next to salmon hatchery boat launch

	and ADA fishing access			
	Barrier Dam - Fuller Road boat launch			
•	Kosmos - Kosmos Road fishing access			
Tot	Total fishing/water access sites 13			
Tot	Total swimming beaches 1			
Tot	Total hand-carry boat launches			
Tot	al motorized boat launches	17		

Picnic facilities

Existing picnic facilities

Lewis County

Back Memorial Park

Located next to the sport fields of Adna Middle/High School and adjacent to Washington State's Willapa Hills Trail.

2 picnic tables and shelter in wooded area

Rose County Park

Located 3 miles west of Penning Road off SR-6.

- Covered picnic shelter with restrooms
- 6 picnic tables with shelter
- 3 picnic tables dispersed across park

Schaefer County Park

Located on Bucoda Highway/SR-507 one mile north of Centralia on the Skookumchuck River.

- Picnic tables and shelters
- Group picnic shelter with grills and water

South County Regional Park

Located 0.5 miles south of Toledo at 212 Ray Road/SR-505.

- Group picnic shelter with restrooms
- 18 picnic tables next to group shelter
- 6 small picnic shelters
- 14 picnic tables dispersed across park

Centralia

Borst Park

Located west of I-5 of exit 82. The regional park is jointly managed by the city and the Centralis School District.

- Picnic tables
- Picnic shelters
- Community kitchens

Brick Wagner Park

Located at the end of Tilley Street right-of-way at Plummer Lake.

Picnic tables

Logan Park

Located at Logan Street at Vienna Street.

- Benches
- Picnic tables
- Picnic shelters

Pearl Street Memorial Plaza - Splash Pad

Located at 539 North Pearl Street at the corner of Hansen and Pearl Street.

Picnic tables

Rotary Riverside Park

Located at Lowe Street north of Harrison.

- Picnic tables
- Picnic shelters
- Group picnic areas

Seminary Hill Natural Area

Located at 902 East Locust Street 5 blocks east of Tower Avenue.

Picnic tables

Wilbur Parkins Park

Located at the end of Meridian Avenue at the Skookumchuck River.

Picnic tables

Chehalis

Dobson Park 12

Located adjacent to McFadden Park on Park Hill Drive.

- 2 picnic tables
- Picnic shelters

Gail & Carolyn Shaw Aquatics Center

Located at 221 SW 13th Street in Recreation Park.

Picnic shelter

Henderson Park

Located at 1321 South Market Boulevard.

Picnic table

Lintott/Alexander Park 15

Located on Chehalis-Claquato Road (1101 Riverside Road West) on the Chehalis River.

• 11 picnic tables

• Picnic shelter with central oven

16 Millett Field

Located at Chehalis Avenue and Third Street.

2 picnic tables

17 Recreation Park

Located at 221 SW 13th Street.

- 12 picnic tables
- 2 picnic shelters with built-in tables
- 4 picnic shelters

18 Stan Hedwall Park

Located at 1501 Rice Road on the Newaukum River.

- 20 picnic tables
- 3,264 square foot kitchen with stoves

19 Westside Park

Located at 800 NW West Avenue.

- 6 picnic tables
- 2 picnic shelters

Morton

20 Gust Backstrom Park

Located at 750 Main Street on the Tilton River.

- Picnic tables
- Picnic shelter

21 Jubilee Park

Located on Knittles Way near Morton High School.

Picnic shelter

Mossyrock

22 Klickitat Prairie Park

Located along State Street in downtown Mossyrock.

Picnic tables

Napavine

23 Mayme Shaddock Park

Located at Park Street and Second Avenue.

- 8 picnic tables with barbeque pits
- Picnic shelter

Toledo

24 Kemp Olson Memorial Park

Located off Cedar Street in downtown Toledo.

- Picnic tables with barbeque pit
- Covered kitchen

Vader

25 McMurphy Park

Located north of Vader on the Olequa Creek on O Annonen Road.

Picnic tables with barbeque pits

Winlock

26 Winolegua Park

Located on Olequa Creek ion Rhoades Road North in Winlock.

- Picnic tables
- Pavilion

Lewis County PUD

27 Cowlitz Falls Park

Located at the east end of Lake Scanewa on Falls Road near Glenoma.

Picnic tables

28 Leonard "Bud" Allen-Cowlitz Falls Campground

Located at 889 Peters Road 15 miles east of Morton.

- Picnic tables with barbeque pits
- Picnic shelters

Tacoma Power & Light

29 Mayfield Lake Park

Located at Beach Road on the south shore of Mayfield Lake north of Morton.

- Picnic tables
- Picnic shelter

30 Mossyrock Park

Located on Mossyrock Road on the western shore of Riffe Lake adjacent to Mossyrock Dam.

- Picnic tables
- Kitchen shelter

31 Taidnapam Park

Located 7 miles southeast of Morton on Champion Haul Road.

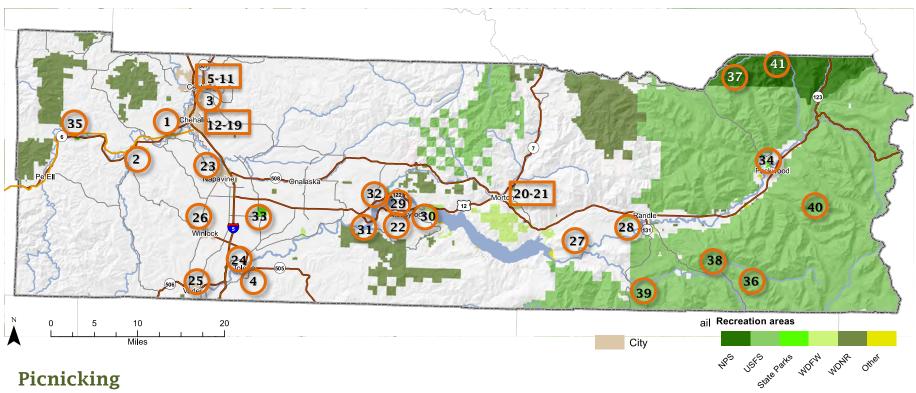
Picnic tables with grills and fire pits

Washington State P&RC

32 Ike Kinswa State Park

Located on the Mayfield Lake near the Mossyrock and Silver Creek areas.

52 picnic tables



Picnicking

Lewis County	13 Gail & Carolyn Shaw Swim	Toledo	33 Lewis & Clark State F
1 Back Memorial Park	14 Henderson Park	24 Kemp Olson Memorial Park	34 Packwood State Park
2 Rose County Park	15 Lintott/Alexander Park	Vader	35 Rainbow Falls State I
3 Schaefer County Park	16 Millett Field	25 McMurphy Park	USFS
4 South County Regional Park	17 Recreation Center	Winlock	36 Adams Fork
Centralia	18 Stan Hedwall Park	26 Winolequa Park	37 Big Creek
5 Borst Park	19 Westside Park	Lewis County PUD	38 Blue Lake Creek
6 Brick Wagner Park	Morton	27 Cowlitz Falls Park	39 Iron Creek
7 Logan Park	20 Gust Backstrom Park	28 Leonard Allen-Cowlitz Falls	40 Walput Lake
8 Pearl Street Memorial Plaza	21 Jubilee Park	Tacoma Power & Light	NPS
9 Rotary Riverside Park	Mossyrock	29 Mayfield Lake Park	41 Longmire Museum
10 Seminary Hill Natural Area	22 Klickitat Prairie Park	30 Mossyrock Park	
11 Wilbur Parkins Park	Napavine	31 Taidnapam Park	
Chehalis	23 Mayme Shaddock Park	Washington P&RC	
12 Dobson Park		32 Ike Kinswa State Park	

33 Lewis & Clark State Park
34 Packwood State Park/Skate Creek
35 Rainbow Falls State Park
USFS
36 Adams Fork
37 Big Creek
38 Blue Lake Creek
39 Iron Creek
40 Walput Lake
NPS

33 Lewis & Clark State Park

Located east of I-5 and south of Chehalis on the historic north spur of the Oregon Trail. Developed by the CCC in the 1930s.

• 2 group kitchen shelters

34 Packwood State Park

Located on Lower Skate Creek 0.5 miles from the last public access to the Cowlitz River in Packwood off Skate Creek Road NF-52.

1 picnic table

35 Rainbow Falls State Park

Located on the Chehalis River near the Willapa Hills Trail.

- 21 picnic tables
- Group picnic shelter with 15 tables, power, water
- Group picnic shelter without utilities

USFS

36 Adams Fork

Located at Forest Road 56 from Randle.

Picnic tables

37 Big Creek

Located at Forest Road 52 from Ashford - OHV use.

Picnic tables

38 Blue Lake Creek

Located off Forest Road 23 from Randle - OHV use.

Picnic tables

39 Iron Creek

Located on Forest Road 25 from Randle.

Picnic tables

40 Walput Lake

Located on the shores of Walput Lake in the Goat Rocks Wilderness Area off Forest Road 2160 from Randle.

Picnic tables

National Park Service (NPS)

41 Longmire Museum

Located on SR-706 10 miles east of Ashford adjacent to the Lewis County line.

Picnic tables

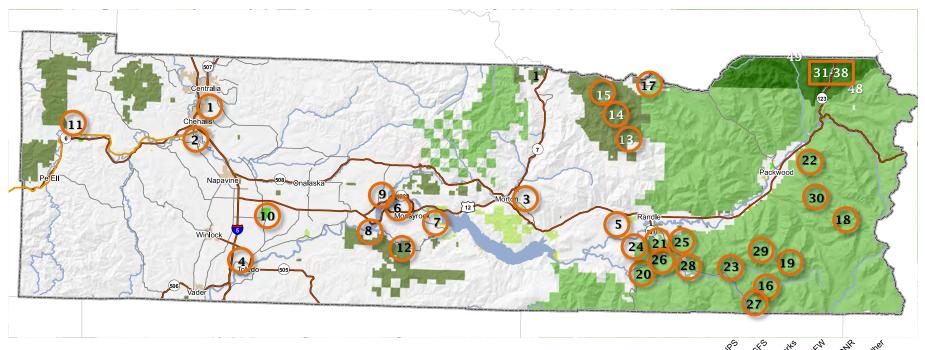
Total sites with picnic tables	37
Total sites with picnic shelters	22
Total kitchens	3

Campsites

		Existing campsites
Lev	vis County	189
1	Southwest Washington Fairgrounds Park	189
Loc	ated on Gold Street between Centralia and Ch	nehalis.
•	6 RV campgrounds - 3.23 acres, 189 campsis	tes
Che	ehalis	
2	Stan Hedwall RV Park	29
Loc	ated at 1501 Rice Road on the Newaukum Riv	er.
•	29-site RV campsites with water and power	
•	RV Park restrooms with showers	
Mo	rton	
3	Gust Backstrom Park	
Loc	ated at 750 Main Street on the Tilton River.	
•	RV Park with caretaker	
Tol	edo	
4	Kemp Olson Memorial Park	
Loc	ated off Cedar Street in downtown Toledo.	
•	12 RV campsites with power and water	
•	Tent campsites	
•	Restrooms with showers	
Lev	vis County PUD	162
5	Leonard "Bud" Allen-Cowlitz Falls	162
	Campground	
Loc	ated at 889 Peters Road 15 miles east of Mor	ton.
•	100 individual campsites	
•	41 single RV sites with power, water	
•	21 single tent sites	
•	6 group tent sites	
•	Dump station	
•	Restrooms with showers	
Tac	coma Power & Light	371
6	Mayfield Lake Park	54
Loc	ated at Beach Road on the south shore of May	field Lake north of
Mo	rton.	
•	54 RV campsites with power and water	
•	12-unit group camp	

•	Restrooms and showers	
7	Mossyrock Park	154
	cated on Mossyrock Road on the western shore of Riffe Lake	
ad	jacent to Mossyrock Dam.	
•	152 individual campsites	
•	48-site group campsite	
•	2 primitive campsites	
•	Store, concession stand, laundry	
•	Restrooms	
8	Taidnapam Park	163
Lo	cated 7 miles southeast of Morton on Champion Haul Road.	
•	96 RV campsites with power, water, sewer	
•	43 RV campsites with power and water	
•	24 campsites for walk-in tents	
•	22 group campsites with hookups	
•	4 group campsites with power, water	
•	12 primitive group campsites	
•	ADA restrooms with showers	
	ashington State P&RC	191
9	Ike Kinswa State Park	. 99
	cated on the Mayfield Lake near the Mossyrock and Silver Cre	ek
	2as.	
•	9 each 288 square foot cabins year-round rental	
•	27 standard campsites	
•	72 RV partial hookup campsites with power and water	
•	RV dump station 4 restrooms and 10 showers	
10		20
10		38
	cated east of I-5 and south of Chehalis on the historic north s	pur
01	the Oregon Trail. Developed by the CCC in the 1930s.	
	25 standard campsites 8 RV campsites up to 45 feet	
	5 equestrian campsites	
	Amphitheater	
	2 fire circles	
11		54
		34
LO	cated on the Chehalis River near the Willapa Hills Trail. 40 campsites	
	3 horse campsites	
	2 HOLSE CHIHASHES	

 3 hiker and biker campsites 8 RV campsites with power, water up to 60 feet Group campsite for 14 units and 60 campers 1 restroom and 2 showers RV dumpsite 	
DNR	14
12 Winston Creek Campground	11
Located on Longbell Road southeast of Chehalis.	
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11 campores	_
13 Mt Tahoma Yurt	1
Located on the Mount Tahoma Trail System.	
Wood stove, oven, and stovetop	
Bunk beds	
 Outdoor pit toilet 	
14 Bruni's Snow Bowl Hut	1
Located on the Mount Tahoma Trail System.	
Wood stove, oven, and stovetop	
Bunk beds	
 Outdoor pit toilet 	
15 High Hut	1
Located on the Mount Tahoma Trail System.	-
 Wood stove, oven, and stovetop 	
 Wood stove, oven, and stovetop Bunk beds 	
Outdoor pit toilet	400
USFS	490
16 Adams Fork	24
Located at Forest Road 56 from Randle.	
 24 campsites 	
2 group campsites	
Toilets	
17 Big Creek	29
Located at Forest Road 52 from Ashford - OHV use.	
 26 single campsites 	
 3 double campsites 	
 Toilets 	
18 Blue Lake Creek	11
Located off Forest Road 23 from Randle - OHV use.	11
 11 campsites Toilet 	
 Toilet 	



Campgrounds

Lewis County	Washington P&RC	21 Killen Creek
1 Southwest Washington Fairgrounds	9 Ike Kinsewa State Park	22 La Wis Wis
Chehalis	10 Lewis & Clark State Park	23 North Fork
2 Stan Hedwall RV Park	11 Rainbow Falls State Park	24 Olallie Lake
Morton	DNR	25 Soda Spring
3 Gust Backstrom Park	12 Winston Creek Campground	26 Takhlakh Lake
Toledo	13 Mt Tahoma Yurt	27 Tower Rock
4 Kemp Olson Memorial Park	14 Bruni's Snow Bowl Hut	28 Walput Lake
Lewis County PUD	15 High Hut	29 Cody Horse Camp
5 Leonard Allen-Cowlitz Falls	USFS	30 Walput Horse Camp
Tacoma Power & Light	16 Adams Fork	NPS
6 Mayfield Lake Park	17 Big Creek	31 Three Lakes Patrol Cabin
7 Mossyrock Park	18 Blue Lake Creek	32 Ohanapecosh Campground
8 Taidnapam Park	19 Horseshoe Lake	33 Maple Creek Camping Area
	20 Iron Creek	34 Mickel Creek Camping Area

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- 35 Olallie Creek Camping Area
- 36 Paradise River Camping Area
- 37 Snow Lake Camping Area
- 38 Three Lakes Camping Area

19 Horseshoe Lake	11	26 Takhlakh Lake 63
Located on 24-acre Horseshoe Lake off Forest Road 2329078 fro	m	Located on Takhlak hLake on Forest Road 2329 from Randle.
Randle.		 10 walk-in campsites
• 11 campsites		 46 single campsites
Toilet		 7 double campsites
20 Iron Creek	98	 Toilets
Located on Forest Road 25 from Randle.		27 Tower Rock 21
 80 single campsites 		Located near Crispus Environmental Learning Center on Forest Road
 18 double campsites 		7600073 from Randle.
Toilets		 21 single campsites
21 Killen Creek	9	 Toilet
Located on Forest Road 2329 from Randle.		28 Walput Lake 42
9 single campsites		Located on the shores of Walput Lake in the Goat Rocks Wilderness
 Toilet 		Area off Forest Road 2160 from Randle.
22 La Wis Wis	115	 39 single campsites
Located on SR-12 from Packwood.		 3 double campsites
 90 single campsites 		 Toilets
 25 double campsites 		29 Cody Horse Camp 16
 Co Ho Group campground 5 vehicles 25-30 people 		Located on the Klickitat Loop Trail (FS5600059) in Randle.
Toilets		 16 campsites with assist ramps and a water trough
23 North Fork	32	 Potable water and vault toilet
Located on on North Fork of the Cispus River on Forest Road 23		30 Walput Horse Camp 7
from Randle.		Located 1 mile west of Walput Lake on Forest Road 2160 in Randle.
 32 single campsites 		 7 single campsites
 Bear Group campsite 8 cars or 6 RVs for 35 people 		 Potable water and vault toilet
 Beaver Group campsite 10 cars or 6 RVs for 50 people 		National Park Service (NPS) 188
 Elk Group campsite for 6 cars or 2 RVs for 25 people 		31 Three Lakes Patrol Cabin 1
Toilets		Cabin was built in 1934 in Mount Rainier National Park as a district
24 Olallie Lake	6	ranger station according to a standard plan.
24 Oldfile Lake		
Located near Olallie Lake on Forest Road 5601 from Randle with		 The one-room cabin is 13.5x24 feet or 324 square feet
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Located near Olallie Lake on Forest Road 5601 from Randle with		32 Ohanapecosh Visitor's Center and 181
Located near Olallie Lake on Forest Road 5601 from Randle with OHV use.		32 Ohanapecosh Visitor's Center and 181 Campground
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Bear can	
34 Nickel Creek Camping Area	1
Located on the Wonderland Trail.	
 Group campsite 	
 Toilet 	
Bear can	
35 Olallie Creek Camping Area	1
Located on the Wonderland Trail.	
 Group campsite 	
 Toilet 	
Bear can	
36 Paradise River Camping Area	1
Located on the Wonderland Trail.	
 Group campsite 	
 Toilet 	
 Bear can 	
37 Snow Lake Camping Area	1
Located on the Wonderland Trail.	
 Group campsite 	
 Toilet 	
Bear can	_
38 Three Lakes Camping Area	1
Located on the Wonderland Trail.	
• Group campsite	
• Toilet	
Bear can	
Horse facilities Table in a minimum and a minimum an	2.4
Total sites with tent campsites	24
Total sites with RV campsites	12 13
Total sites with group campsites Total sites with cabins/yurts	5
Total sites with cabins/yurts	J
	Proposed campsites
Lewis County parks	81
1 Southwest Washington Fairgrounds Park	81
Located on Gold Street between Centralia and	
 RV Park North - 43 RV campsites with club 	house, laundry,

showers, dump station

 RV Park South - 38 RV campsites with clubhouse, laundry, showers, dump station

Total proposed campsites

81

Trails

Park walking trails

Park walking trails will be developed to Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) or US Forest Service (USFS) walking trail standards with a crushed rock, bark, or compacted dirt base. Most trail segments will be ADA accessible and usable by all age and skill groups. Walking trails will be developed in urban park sites with an asphalt or concrete surface, ADA accessible, and usable by all age and skill groups.

Vision

The parks walking trails vision will be realized by providing trail opportunities in Lewis County and the surrounding area that:

- Access natural features within major park sites and open spaces,
- **Serve persons** with varied physical abilities and skills,

Existing parks trail miles

0.25

Lewis County

Back Memorial Park

Located next to the sport fields of Adna Middle/High School and adjacent to Washington State's Willapa Hills Trail.

- 0.25-mile trail around ballfields
- Adjoins but does not provide direct connection between parking lot and Willapa Hills Trail

Cowlitz River Public Access Point

Located on Alta Drive adjacent to Skate Creek Road Bridge in Packwood.

ADA path along waterfront with footbridge

Rose County Park

Located 2 miles west of Penning Road off SR-6.

- Primitive trails
- Exercise trail

Schaefer County Park

Located on Bucoda Highway/SR-507 one mile north of Centralia on the Skookumchuck River.

Primitive trails

5 South County Regional Park

Located 0.5 miles south of Toledo at 212 Ray Road/SR-505.

Paved and crushed rock trail around pond, playground, and group picnic shelter

Centralia

Borst Park

5.85

Located west of I-5 of exit 82. The regional park is jointly managed by the city and the Centralis School District.

- 0.6-mile Borst Lake Trail
- 1.5-mile Sports Loop Trail
- 3.75-mile Park Perimeter Trail

George Washington Park

Located at Pearl at Main Street.

Paved paths

Rotary Riverside Park

Located at Lowe Street north of Harrison.

- Primitive trails
- Paved paths
- Paved exercise trail

Seminary Hill Natural Area

Located at 902 East Locust Street 5 blocks east of Tower Avenue.

Primitive trails

Wilbur Parkins Park

Located at the end of Meridian Avenue at the Skookumchuck River.

Primitive trails

Chehalis

Dobson-McFadden Trail

Located on Park Hill Drive.

Primitive trail connecting McFadden and Dobson Parks

Stan Hedwall Trails

3.0

Located at 1501 Rice Road on the Newaukum River,

3.0-miles of trails with footbridge across the river

Mossyrock

Klickitat Prairie Park 13

Located along State Street in downtown Mossyrock.

Trails



Lewis County	Chehalis	Washington State P&RC
1 Back Memorial Park	11 Dobson-McFadden Trail	18 Ike Kinswa State Park
2 Cowlitz River Public Access	12 Stan Hedwall Trail	19 Lewis & Clark State Park
3 Rose County Park	Mossyrock	20 Packwood State Park
4 Schaefer County Park	13 Klickitat Prairie Park	21 Rainbow Falls State Park
5 South County Regional Park	Napavine	USFS
Centralia	14 Mayme Shaddock Park	22 Gifford Pinchot National Forest
6 Borst Park	Onalaska	MULTIPURPOSE TRAILS
7 George Washington Park	15 Carlisle Lake	Centralia
8 Rotary Riverside Park	Vader	23 Airport Levee Trail
9 Seminary Hill Natural Area	16 McMurphy Park	Washington State P&RC
10 Wilbur Parkins Park	Lewis County PUD	24 Willapa Hills Trail
	17 Leonard Allen-Cowlitz Falls	

ON-ROAD BIKE LANES Centralia

25 Airport Road Bike Trail

Napavine

Mavme Shaddock Park

Located at Park Street and Second Avenue.

Walking trails

Onalaska

15 Carlisle Lake 72.00

Located at

Gravel nature trail around lake

Vader

16 McMurphy Park

Located north of Vader on the Olegua Creek on O Annonen Road.

Walking trail

Lewis County PUD

Leonard "Bud" Allen-Cowlitz Falls Campground

Located at 889 Peters Road 15 miles east of Morton.

Nature trails

Washington State P&RC

Ike Kinswa State Park

Located on the Mayfield Lake near the Mossyrock and Silver Creek areas.

Hiking trails

Lewis & Clark State Park

13.5

Located east of I-5 and south of Chehalis on the historic north spur of the Oregon Trail. Developed by the CCC in the 1930s.

- 5.0 miles of hiking trails
- 8.0 miles of multiuse trails open to horses
- 0.5-mile interpretive trail

Packwood State Park 20

Located on Lower Skate Creek 0.5 miles from the last public access to the Cowlitz River in Packwood off Skate Creek Road NF-52.

- Old Packwood Trail
- Alder Street Entrance Trail
- NE Elk Crossing, Skate Creek, Jim Yoke's, and Confluence Trails

Rainbow Falls State Park

Located on the Chehalis River near the Willapa Hills Trail.

- Interpretive trail
- 3.0 miles of hiking trails
- Spur trail to Willapa Hills Trail

US Forest Service (USFS)

22 Gifford Pinchot National Forest 1,200

More than 1,200 miles of trails of varying difficulty.

- 13 trails are ADA with 4 over 1 mile in length
- 11 miles of trail are ADA with several levels of difficulty
- Trail of Two Forests boardwalk trail through 1900-year-old lava flow

Total sites with primitive trails	11+
Total sites with paved trails	7
Total interpretive trails	2
Total sites with ADA access	15
Total sites with horse trails	1

Multipurpose trails

Multipurpose on and off-road trails will be developed within corridors separate from vehicular or other motorized forms of transportation such as utility easements or in separate property alignments.

Multipurpose trails will be developed to Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and American Association of State Highway & Transportation Officials (AASHTO) trail standards. The trails will be concrete, asphalt, very fine crushed rock base, or dirt, handicap accessible, and usable by all age and skill groups.

Vision

As described, the multipurpose trails vision may be realized by providing recreational trail opportunities that:

- Access natural features that may not be available otherwise,
- **Link open spaces** and other conservation areas into a greenway system,
- **Serve persons** with varied physical abilities and skills,
- Establish high visibility and volume pedestrian routes through the most developed urban areas and park sites,
- **Expand roadway corridors** to provide recreational and commuter trail opportunities,

Existing multipurpose off-road trail miles

Centralia 3.5 1 Airport Levee Trail 3.5

Located around the perimeter of the Chehalis-Centralia Airport.

- 2.0 miles crushed rock on top of the levee
- 1.5 miles of sidewalk and pavement through the retail corridor

Washington State P&RC

56.0 56.0

2 Willapa Hills Trail

Originally acquired by Washington State Parks from the Burlington Northern Railroad in 1993, the 56-mile, 757-acre hike, bike, and horse trail is aligned east/west between Chehalis and South Bend where it intersects US Highway 101.

- Lewis County trailheads include Chehalis, Adna, Rainbow Falls State Park, and Pe Ell.
- Pacific County access points include Lebam, Menlo, Raymond, and South Bend.
- Surface condition varies between the cities of Chehalis and South Bend. Beginning in Chehalis, the trail is surfaced with asphalt through the town of Adna where it transitions to compact gravel at Mile 5 until reaching Mile 27, west of Pe Ell.
- In Pacific County, the trail is unimproved west of Mile 27 to the Raymond city limits near Mile 52 where the trail transitions into asphalt for 5 miles between Raymond and South Bende where it terminates at a small trailhead accessed by Highway 101.

Total off-road multipurpose trail miles

59.5

On-road bike lanes

Bicycling touring routes will be developed to Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) or American Association of State Highway & Transportation Officials (AASHTO) standards with expanded, designated or marked road shoulders and lanes. In the less congested areas, bicycle-touring routes will be simply designated for joint roadway vehicular/bicycle use.

Vision

As described, the on-road bike lane trails vision may be realized by providing network opportunities that:

- Serve persons with varied physical abilities and skills,
- Establish high visibility and volume pedestrian routes linking schools, parks, community facilities, commercial centers, and other destinations,
- Expand roadway corridors to provide recreational and commuter biking opportunities,

Existing on-road biking trail miles

Centralia

1 Airport Road Bike Trail

On-road bike trail parallels Airport Road and 1-5.

- Access from Louisiana Avenue in Chehalis and Mellen Street in Centralia
- Part of the planned TransAlta Trail a trail network that will link
 Stan Hedwall Park in Chehalis with Fort Borst Park in Centraila

Total existing on-road bike miles

Athletic parks

Local or neighborhood parks - will be developed with playgrounds, basketball, volleyball, grass play fields, and other facilities that provide pickup games, youth sports, and leagues of interest to neighborhood children and families. These local park improvements will be combined with picnic shelters and tables, trail systems, natural areas, local schools, and other facilities to create an accessible neighborhood park system in Lewis County.

Community or regional parks - will be developed with competitive athletic court and field facilities to provide the highest quality competitive playing standards and requirements. The competitive regional athletic park complexes will include field activities that satisfy the largest number of organized and older age recreational league participants including skateboard, basketball, pickleball, volleyball, tennis, soccer, football, rugby, lacrosse, softball, and baseball facilities.

Vision

Local or neighborhood athletic parks with playgrounds, courts, and fields will:

- Provide flexible informal activity areas,
- Suited to younger age and local neighborhood game activities,

Regional athletic parks will:

- Provide the highest quality competitive play athletic facilities.
- Of the highest capacity facility improvement designs,

Playgrounds

Existing playgrounds **Lewis County**

Back Memorial Park

5.39

Located next to the sport fields of Adna Middle/High School and adjacent to Washington State's Willapa Hills Trail.

- Playground
- **Rose County Park**

21.00

2

Located w miles west of Penning Road off SR-6.

- Playground
- Exercise trail

Horseshoe pits

3 **Schaefer County Park**

Located on Bucoda Highway/SR-507 one mile north of Centralia on the Skookumchuck River.

- Playground
- Horseshoe pits

South County Regional Park

Located 0.5 miles south of Toledo at 212 Ray Road/SR-505.

- Playground
- Open play field

Centralia

Borst Park

11

Located west of I-5 of exit 82. The regional park is jointly managed by the city and the Centralis School District.

- Playgrounds
- Horseshoe pits

Logan Park

Located at Logan Street at Vienna Street.

- Open play areas
- Play equipment

Pearl Street Memorial Plaza

Located at 539 North Pearl Street at the corner of Hansen and Pearl Street.

- Splash pad
- Playground

Rotary Riverside Park

Located at Lowe Street north of Harrison.

- Playground
- Open play field

Chehalis Chet & Henrietta Rhodes Spray Park

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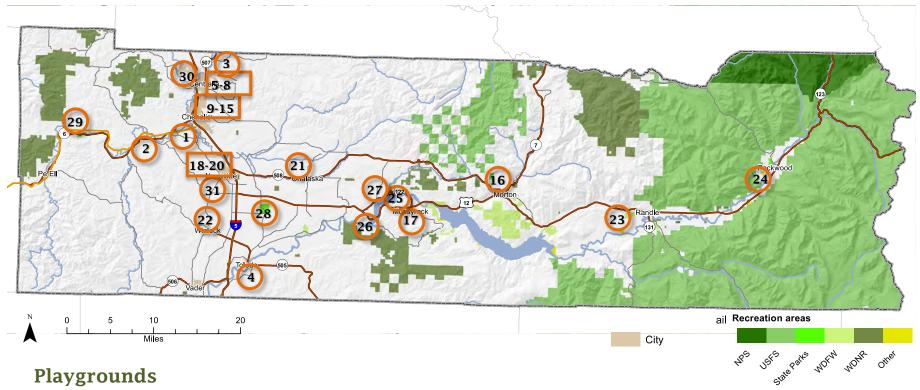
Located at 401 SW Parkland Drive in Recreation Park.

Outdoor spray park

Dobson Park

Located adjacent to McFadden Park on Park Hill Drive.

- Playground
- Horseshoe pits



Playgrounds

Lewis County
1 Back Memorial Park
2 Rose County Park
3 Schaefer Park
4 South County Regional Park
Centralia
5 Borst Park
6 Logan Park
7 Pearl Street Memorial Plaza
8 Rotary Riverside Park
Chehalis
9 Chet & Henrietta Rhodes Park
10 Dobson Park
11 Lintott/Alexander Park

12 Millet Field
13 Recreation Park
14 Stan Hedwall Park
15 Westside Park
Morton
16 Gust Backstrom Park
Mossyrock
17 Klickitat Prairie Park
Napavine
18 Naville Community Park
19 Mayme Shaddock Park
20 Robert Cook Day Park
Onalaska
21 Carlisle Lake

Winlock
22 Winolequa Park
Lewis County PUD
23 Leonard Allen=Cowlitz Falls
24 Packwood Ball Park
Tacoma Power & Light
25 Mayfield Lake Park
26 Taidnapam Park
Washington State P&RC
27 Ike Kinswa State Park
28 Lewis & Clark State Park
29 Rainbow Falls State Park

SKATEBOARD COURT Centralia
30 Rotary Riverside Park
Napavine
31 Naville Community Park

11	Lintott/Alexander Park	1	
	ated on Chehalis-Claquato Road (1101 Riverside Road West) on		
the Chehalis River.			
•	Playground		
•	2 horseshoe pits		
12	Millett Field	1	
Loc	ated at Chehalis Avenue and Third Street. Playground		
13	Recreation Park	1	
Loc	rated at 221 SW 13th Street.		
•	Penny Playground structure		
14	Stan Hedwall Park	1	
Loc	ated at 1501 Rice Road on the Newaukum River.		
•	Playground		
•	Horseshoe pits		
15	Westside Park	2	
Loc	ated at 800 NW West Avenue.		
•	2 playgrounds		
Mo	rton	1	
16	Gust Backstrom Park	1	
Loc	ated at 750 Main Street on the Tilton River.		
•	Playground		
Mo	ssyrock	1	
17	Klickitat Prairie Park	1	
Loc	ated along State Street in downtown Mossyrock.		
•	Playground		
Naj	pavine	3	
18	Napaville Community Park	1	
Loc	ated off Washington Street		
•	Playground		
19	Mayme Shaddock Park	1	
Loc	ated at Park Street and Second Avenue.		
•	Playground		
•	Horseshoe pits		
20		1	
Loc	ated between Grand Avenue and Second Place in Napavine.		
•	Playground		

Onalaska	1
21 Carlisle Lake	1
Located at	
 Playground 	
Winlock	1
22 Winolequa Park	1
Located on Olequa Creek ion Rhoades Road North in Winlock. Playground	
Lewis County PUD	2
23 Leonard "Bud" Allen-Cowlitz Falls Campground	1
Located at 889 Peters Road 15 miles east of Morton. Playground Horseshoe pits Disc golf course	
24 Packwood Ball Park	1
Located on Silver Road in Packwood. Open field area	
Tacoma Power & Light	2
25 Mayfield Lake Park	1
Located at Beach Road on the south shore of Mayfield Lake north of	of
Morton.	
 Playground 	
Horseshoe pits	
26 Taidnapam Park	1
Located 7 miles southeast of Morton on Champion Haul Road. • Playground	
Washington State P&RC	3
27 Ike Kinswa State Park	1
Located on the Mayfield Lake near the Mossyrock and Silver Creek areas. 2 horseshoe pits	
28 Lewis & Clark State Park	1
Located east of I-5 and south of Chehalis on the historic north sput of the Oregon Trail. Developed by the CCC in the 1930s. Playground 3 horseshoe pits	ır
29 Rainbow Falls State Park	1
Located on the Chehalis River near the Willapa Hills Trail.	

•	2 horseshoe pits	
Tot	al sites with playgrounds	25
Tot	al sites with play areas, open fields	8
Tot	al sites with splash pads/spray park	1

Skateboard/pump track facilities

Existing skateboard court

Centralia 2 1 Rotary Riverside Park 1 Located at Lowe Street north of Harrison. Fuller's Twin City Skate Park

Napavine 1 2 Napaville Community Park 1 Located off Washington Street Skate park Total existing skateboard courts 2

Sports courts - basketball/volleyball/pickleball

Sports or multi-use courts combine basketball, volleyball, pickleball, and tennis as well as a variety of other activities in half (25x50 feet) or full court (up to 50x100 feet) flexible layouts.

Existing sports courts

Lewis County

1 Back Memorial Park

Located next to the sport fields of Adna Middle/High School and adjacent to Washington State's Willapa Hills Trail.

- 1 basketball court
- 2 Rose County Park

Located w miles west of Penning Road off SR-6.

- Volleyball court
- 3 Schaefer County Park

Located on Bucoda Highway/SR-507 one mile north of Centralia on the Skookumchuck River.

- Sand volleyball court
- 4 South County Regional Park

Located 0.5 miles south of Toledo at 212 Ray Road/SR-505.

- Sport court (0.5 basketball)
- Sand volleyball court

Centralia

5 Borst Park

Located west of I-5 of exit 82. The regional park is jointly managed by the city and the Centralis School District.

- Volleyball
- Tennis courts

6 Logan Park

Located at Logan Street at Vienna Street.

- Basketball court
- Tennis courts

Chehalis

7 Millett Field

Located at Chehalis Avenue and Third Street.

- 2 tennis courts
- Basketball court

8 Recreation Park

Located at 221 SW 13th Street.

Basketball court

9 Stan Hedwall Park

Located at 1501 Rice Road on the Newaukum River.

Sand volleyball court

10 Westside Park

Located at 800 NW West Avenue.

1 sport court with basketball standards and tennis net

Napavine

11 Mayme Shaddock Park

Located at Park Street and Second Avenue.

Sand volleyball court

12 Robert Cook Day Park

Located between Grand Avenue and Second Place in Napavine.

Basketball court



Sport courts

-			•
Lewis County	Chehalis	12 Robert Cook Day Park	Private
1 Back Memorial Park	7 Millet Field	Lewis County PUD	15 Northwest Sports Hub LLC
2 Rose County Park	8 Recreation Park	13 Leonard Allen-Cowlitz Falls	
3 Schaefer Park	9 Stan Hedwall Park	Tacoma Power & Light	
4 South County Regional Park	10 Westside Park	14 Mayfield Lake Park	
Centralia	Napavine		
5 Borst Park	11 Mayme Shaddock Park		
6 Logan Park			

Lewis County PUD

13 Leonard "Bud" Allen-Cowlitz Falls Campground

Located at 889 Peters Road 15 miles east of Morton.

Volleyball court

Tacoma Power & Light

14 Mayfield Lake Park

Located at Beach Road on the south shore of Mayfield Lake north of Morton.

Volleyball court

Private

15 Northwest Sports Hub

Located west of I-5 of exit 82. Northwest Sports Hub, a partnership between Lewis County PUD, Centralia, Centralia School District, and Northwest Sports Hub LLC.

75,000 square feet of multi-use space for 8 basketball, 10 pickleball, 14 volleyball courts, with mezzanine seating, courtside seating, concessions, and retail space

Total basketball courts 7
Total volleyball courts 9
Total tennis courts 5

Fields - soccer

Existing soccer fields

Rectangular grass fields support regulation (330x360 feet), youth ages 12-13 (300x330 feet), youth ages 10-11 (180x240 feet), youth ages 8-9 (90x150 feet) and youth ages 6-7 (75x120 feet) soccer activities. The larger field areas can be subdivided to support younger age players practice and games. For example, a regulation field of 330x360 feet can be subdivided to support 12 age 6-7 fields of 75x120 feet. Consequently, while the fields are counted by regulation size the actual playing capacity of the fields can increase exponentially depending on the age of the soccer players and thereby their playing field requirements.

Existing soccer fields

	Existing soccer menus
Lewis County	2
1 Schaefer County Park	1

Located on Bucoda Highway/SR-507 one mile north of Centralia on the Skookumchuck River.

- Open fields area usable for soccer
- South County Regional Park

Located 0.5 miles south of Toledo at 212 Ray Road/SR-505.

Open field area suitable for soccer use

3 Borst Park

Centralia

Located west of I-5 of exit 82. The regional park is jointly managed by the city and the Centralis School District.

8

1

7 soccer fields

4 Rotary Riverside Park

Located at Lowe Street north of Harrison.

Soccer/football field

Open play field

Chehalis

Stan Hedwall Park

Located at 1501 Rice Road on the Newaukum River.

- 2 grass 120-yard soccer fields with bleachers
- 14 multipurpose fields

Winlock

6 Winolequa Park

Located on Olequa Creek ion Rhoades Road North in Winlock.

Sports fieldsLewis County PUD

Leonard "Bud" Allen-Cowlitz Falls

Campground

Located at 889 Peters Road 15 miles east of Morton.

Soccer field

8 Packwood Ball Park

Located on Silver Road in Packwood.

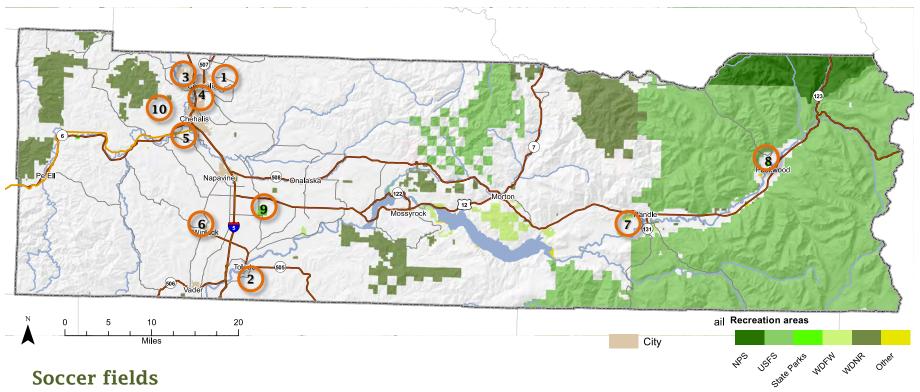
Open field area

Washington State P&RC

9 Lewis & Clark State Park

Located east of I-5 and south of Chehalis on the historic north spur of the Oregon Trail. Developed by the CCC in the 1930s.

Play field



Lewis County	Chehalis	Lewis County PUD	Private
1 Schaefer County Park	5 Stan Hedwall Park	7 Leonard Allen-Cowlitz Falls	10 Northwest Sports Hub
2 South County Regional Park	Winlock	8 Packwood Ball Park	
Centralia	6 Winolequa Park	Washington State P&RC	
3 Borst Park		9 Lewis & Clark State Park	
4 Rotary Riverside Park			

Private

10 **Northwest Sports Hub**

Located west of I-5 of exit 82. Northwest Sports Hub, a partnership between Lewis County PUD, Centralia, Centralia School District, and Northwest Sports Hub LLC.

 75,000 square feet of multi-use space for 2 full-size soccer fields with mezzanine seating, courtside seating, concessions, and retail space

Total sites with multiuse fields Total sites with soccer fields

Fields - baseball/softball

Baseball and softball field dimensions vary considerably by age and league for baseline, infield, pitcher's mound, and distance to left and center field fences. The field-defining dimension, however, is the distance to center field as the infield dimensions can be modified to fit the player's ages and league for baseball and softball.

Center field baseball distances for Pinto and Little League are 200-250 feet, Bonco 250 feet, Pony 300 feet, and high school and college 350-400 feet. Softball center field distances are proportionately less for youth ages 10 and under are 175 feet, high school 225 feet, college and adult 220-250 feet, and adult slow pitch 315 feet.

Baseball/softball fields may be dedicated with fixed skinned infield diamonds and outfield fences or located at the ends of rectangular fields where soccer fields can be overlaid the grass outfield areas.

Existing baseball/softball fields

8

2

2

Lewis County

Back Memorial Park

Located next to the sport fields of Adna Middle/High School and adjacent to Washington State's Willapa Hills Trail.

 2 each 250-foot grass baseball fields with perimeter fencing, bleachers, and dugouts.

Centralia 8 2 **Borst Park** Located west of I-5 of exit 82. The regional park is jointly managed by the city and the Centralia School District. 4 baseball fields 3 softball fields **Rotary Riverside Park** Located at Lowe Street north of Harrison. Baseball/softball field Chehalis 14 **Recreation Park** Located at 221 SW 13th Street. 2 grass lighted 200-foot baseball fields 2 grass unlighted 200-foot baseball fields Stan Hedwall Park 10 Located at 1501 Rice Road on the Newaukum River. 2,000 square foot batting cage 8,500 square foot batting cage 1 grass lighted 200-foot baseball field 3 grass 200-foot baseball fields 4 grass 275-foot baseball fields 1 grass lighted 310-foot baseball field 1 grass 330-foot baseball field Morton 1 6 **Gust Backstrom Park** Located at 750 Main Street on the Tilton River. Baseball field **Napavine** 3 **Napaville Community Park** Located off Washington Street 3 baseball fields **Lewis County PUD** 2 Leonard "Bud" Allen-Cowlitz Falls Campground Located at 889 Peters Road 15 miles east of Morton. Baseball field 9 Packwood Ball Park Located on Silver Road in Packwood. Baseball field

Washington State P&RC	1		
10 Rainbow Falls State Park	1		
Located on the Chehalis River near the Willapa Hills Trail.			
 Softball field 			
Private	1		
11 Northwest Sports Hub			
Located west of I-5 of exit 82. Northwest Sports Hub, a partnership			
between Lewis County PUD, Centralia, Centralia School District, and			
Northwest Sports Hub LLC.			
 75,000 square feet of multi-use space for 8 basketball, 10 			
pickleball, 14 volleyball courts, and 4 baseball or 2 full-size			
soccer fields or mixtures with mezzanine seating, courtside			
seating, concessions, and retail space			
Total sites with softball fields	3		
Total sites with baseball fields	9		



Baseball fields

Lewis County	C.
1 Back Memorial Park	4
Centralia	
2 Borst Park	M
3 Rotary Riverside Park	(
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Chehalis 4 Recreation Park 5 Stan Hedwall Park Morton 6 Gust Backstrom Park Napavine 7 Napaville Community Park



Northwest Sports Hub LLC 11 Northwest Sports Hub

Facilities

Park facilities may provide space for swimming pools (including outdoor facilities), gymnasiums, physical conditioning, arts and crafts, class and instruction rooms, meeting facilities, kitchens and dining, daycare and latch key, teen and senior center, and special population resource activities. Community centers may also incorporate historic museums, interpretive nature exhibits, and other buildings or constructions.

Vision

As described, the community facility vision will:

- Provide a variety of indoor activities,
- Within a convenient and serviceable proximity to using populations.
- In cooperative ventures with other interested and participating public and private agencies.

Historic facilities

Existing sites with historic facilities

Lewis County

560

Historic 1858 church located off SR-6 at 125 Water Street west of Chehalis.

560 square foot historic church

Claquato Church

2 Saint Urban Church

1,632

Historic 1891 church located at 648 North Military Road on the corner of Sargent and Military Road.

- 1,632 square foot historic church
- Historic cemetery

Southwest Washington Fairgrounds 122,918 Park

Located on Gold Street between Centralia and Chehalis.

- Grandstand 34,712 square feet
- Livestock and judging buildings 67,798 square feet
- Exhibits and display buildings 20,408 square feet

Centralia 2

4 **Borst Park**

Located west of I-5 of exit 82. The regional park is jointly managed by the city and the Centralis School District.

- Historic Borst Home & One Room Schoolhouse
- Historic Borst Blockhouse

5 **George Washington Park**

Located at Pearl at Main Street.

- Amphitheater/stage
- Historic structure Carnegie Endowment Library

Chehalis **Scout Lodge**

2.400

Located at 278 SE Adams in Dobson Park and is used by the Boy and Girl Scouts and Civil Air Patrol.

2-story, 2,400 square foot building constructed by the PWA in 1933 with stage, small kitchen, meeting rooms

Washington State P&RC

2

7 Jackson House State Park Heritage Site

Historic facility is located 2 miles north of Lewis & Clark State Park.

- John R Jackson homestead cabin site built in 1850
- Reconstructed in 1915 by a local women's club

8 Lewis & Clark State Park

Located east of I-5 and south of Chehalis on the historic north spur of the Oregon Trail. Developed by the CCC in the 1930s.

Historic landscape

National Park Service (NPS)

Three Lakes Patrol Cabin

324

Cabin was built in 1934 in Mount Rainier National Park as a district ranger station according to a standard plan.

The one-room cabin is 13.5x24 feet or 324 square feet with a simple gable structure

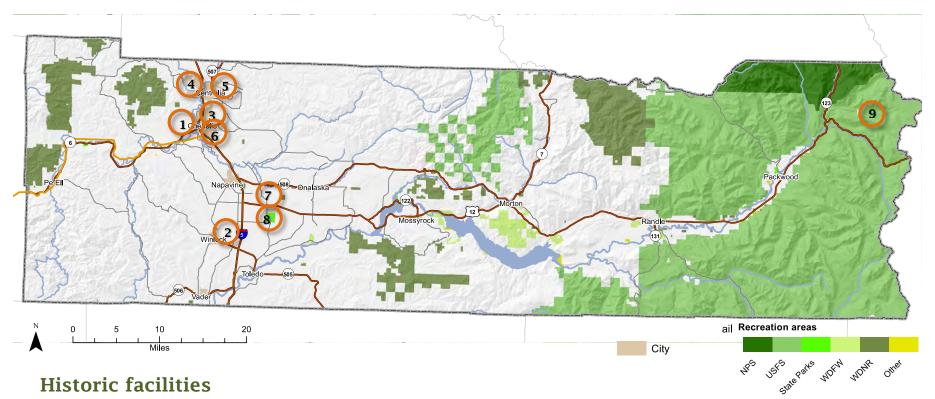
Total sites with historic structures

9

Meeting rooms

Existing classroom, meeting rooms

Meeting facilities including conference rooms, classrooms, assembly rooms, and theaters support a variety of functions including nutrition and health programs, education classes, music



Lewis County

- 1 Claquato Church
- 2 Saint Urban Church
- 3 Southwest Washington Fairgrounds

Centralia

- 4 Borst Park
- 5 George Washington Park

Chehalis

6 Scout Lodge

Washington State P&RC

- 7 Jackson House State Park
- 8 Lewis & Clark State Park

NPS

9 Three Lakes Patrol Cabin

and drama instruction, public presentations, and performances for youth, teens, seniors, adults, and other community members. The facilities may be dedicated spaces, as in theaters, or flexible and divisible spaces that can be subdivided for a variety of activities. The facilities may include kitchens or catering areas, dressing rooms, or audio/visual supporting equipment of multi-use.

Existing sites with meeting facilities

Lewis County	1
1 Southwest Washington Fairgrounds Park 34,1	00
Located on Gold Street between Centralia and Chehalis.	
 Exposition buildings - 34,100 square feet 	
Chehalis	2
2 Henderson Park 2,0	00
 Located at 1321 South Market Boulevard. 2,000 square foot Activity building for multiuse including Emergency Operations Center 	
3 Scout Lodge 2,4	00
 Located at 278 SE Adams in Dobson Park and is used by the Boy ar Girl Scouts and Civil Air Patrol. 2-story, 2,400 square foot building constructed by the PWA in 1933 with stage, small kitchen, meeting rooms 	
Total sites with meeting facilities	3
Proposed meeting faciliti	es
Lewis County	1
1 Southwest Washington Fairgrounds Park 8,0	00
 Located on Gold Street between Centralia and Chehalis. Conversion of Senior Center into Parks offices and meeting facility 	
Proposed meeting facilities	1

Aquatic facilities

Existing sites with swimming pools

Chehalis Gail & Carolyn Shaw Aquatics Center 2,400 Located at 221 SW 13th Street in Recreation Park.

2,400 square foot beach entry outdoor swimming pool

- Lap lanes and diving pool
- Water slides
- Water tovs
- **Benches**
- Picnic shelter
- 1.800 square foot bathhouse and restrooms

Total sites with swimming facilities

1

Other facilities

Existing sites with other facilities

Lewis County Southwest Washington Fairgrounds Park 128,218

- Located on Gold Street between Centralia and Chehalis.
- Livestock and judging barns 67,798 square feet Exhibits and display buildings - 20,408 square feet
- Exposition buildings 34,100 square feet
- Performance and entertainment 5,912 square feet

Centralia Armory Hills Open Space

Located at the end of Duffy Road below Seminary Hill. The former golf course property was acquired with a state grant in 1949 and 1963. The golf course is currently not in operation.

- Wood-framed, 2-story clubhouse
- Restaurant
- Pro shop

George Washington Park

Located at Pearl at Main Street.

Amphitheater/stage

Chehalis **Recreation Park** 900

Located at 221 SW 13th Street.

- 900 square foot Fred Hess Kitchen
- 1,500 square foot VR Lee Community Building with full kitchen

Napavine **Napaville Community Park** 1,600

Located off Washington Street

- Amphitheater with 1,600 square foot stage
- Field house



Other facilities

Other racinties			9.
MEETINGS	AQUATIC	OTHER	Chehalis
Lewis County	Chehalis	Lewis County	7 Fred Hess and VR Lee Kitchens
1 SWWF Exposition Buildings	4 Gail & Carolyn Shaw Swim	1 SWWF Barns & Displays	Napavine
Chehalis		Centralia	8 Napaville Comty Park Amphitheater
2 Henderson Park		5 Armory Hills Golf/Open Space	Washington State P&RC
3 Scout Lodge		6 George Washington Pk Amphitheater	9 Lewis & Clark Learning Center
			NPS
			10 Longmire Museum

Washington State P&RC Lewis & Clark State Park

Located east of I-5 and south of Chehalis on the historic north spur of the Oregon Trail. Developed by the CCC in the 1930s.

- Day use community hall for up to 100 guests with power and water
- Amphitheater
- Lewis & Clark Environmental Learning Center (ELC) Bunkhouse

National Park Service (NPS)	1
7 Longmire Museum	1
Located on SR-706 10 miles east of Ashford adjacent to the Lew	vis

County line. Museum and gift shop

Total sites with other facilities

Proposed facilities

Lewis County Southwest Washington Fairgrounds Park 389,868 Located on Gold Street between Centralia and Chehalis.

- North livestock barn 16,000 square feet
- South livestock barn 17,920 square feet
- Covered equestrian arena with bleachers 52,800 square feet
- Horse stalling barns 4 each 135,600 square feet
- Horse barn/equestrian arena offices 5,760 square feet
- Rodeo arena grounds, chutes 37,500 square feet
- Rodeo holding pens 73,000 square feet
- Bleachers fronting onto rodeo 25,080 square feet
- Expanded north/south grandstands 26,208 square feet

Proposed facilities

1

8

Support facilities

Support facilities include maintenance vards, plant nurseries, and administrative activities necessary to support park, recreation, and open space programs and facilities. Support facilities may be independent properties or portions of other sites that include other park and recreation facilities.

Vision

As described, the support facilities vision will:

- Provide facilities necessary to service park, recreation, and open space programs and activities for the general population,
- In a manner that is functional and cost effective.

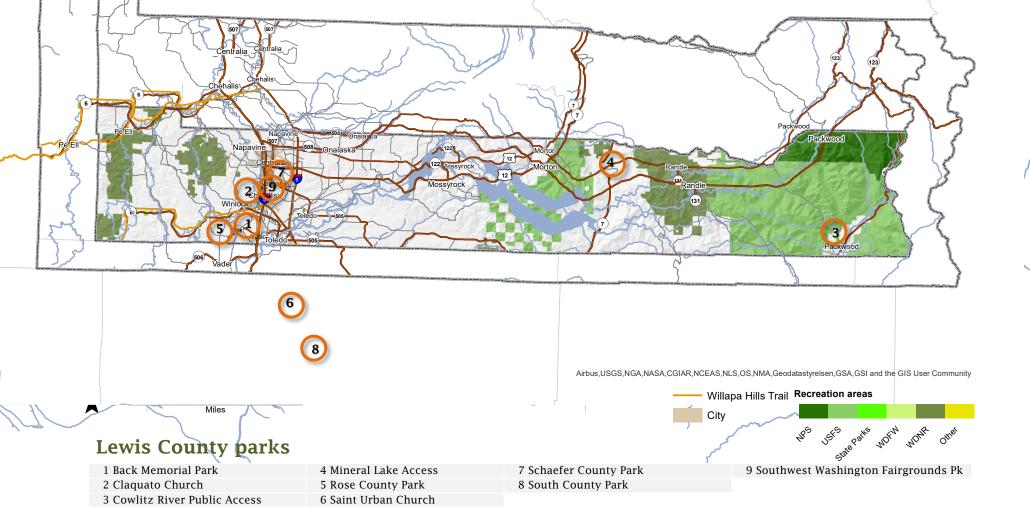
Administration offices/yard

	Existing facilities square	footage
Lewis County		10,372
1 Southwest Washington F	airgrounds Park	10,372
Located on Gold Street between Parks and events support face		
Total existing facilities square	footage	10,372
	Proposed facilities square	footage
Lewis County	Proposed facilities square	footage 8,000
Lewis County 1 Southwest Washington F		_
,	airgrounds Park	8,000
1 Southwest Washington F	airgrounds Park Centralia and Chehalis.	8,000 8,000

Chapter 6: Park plan exhibits

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Back Memorial Park

This 5.39-acre park is located next to the sports fields of Adna Middle/High School (1) and adjacent to Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission's Willapa Hills Trail (2) in Adna. Park access is provided from Dieckman Road by lease agreement with adjacent private property owner. The park is maintained by the Adna Lions Club.

Existing improvements

- 2 picnic tables and shelter in wooded area
- 2 each 250-foot grass baseball fields with perimeter fencing, bleachers, and dugouts.
- 1 basketball court
- 0.25-mile trail around ballfields
- 1,224 square foot storage shed and canopy
- Asphalt access road across leased property from Dieckman Road to field complex and storage shed and basketball court
- Parking lot adjacent to fields and Willapa Hills Trail
- Adjoins but does not provide direct connection between parking lot and Willapa Hills Trail

Proposed improvements

- Acquire property that is currently leased for access from Dieckman Road if possible
- Upgrade basketball to sports court with basketball, pickleball, volleyball, and tennis uses
- Install playground
- Develop trailhead connection between parking lot and Willapa Hills Trail
- Install modular restrooms
- Maintain buildings to ensure longevity



Claquato Church

This historic 1858 church is located off SR-6 at 125 Water Street west of Chehalis. The church is one of the oldest standing churches in Washington State. Members of the original Claquato community built the church.

The County maintains the site and the building is available for small weddings, picnics, and memorial services. The interior of the church may be viewed during summer months by request only.

The church structure straddles the south property line.

Existing improvements

Historic church renovated

Potential improvements

- Repair and repaint roof, exterior siding, and foundation
- Renovate interior
- Upgrade building directory signage
- Upgrade or install restrooms in building or on grounds
- Install security cameras







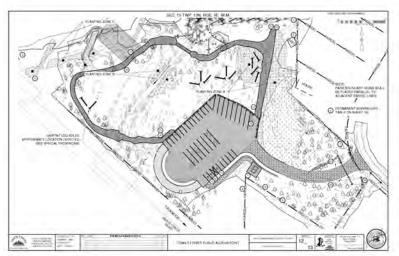


Cowlitz River Public Access Point

This 4.06-acre property is located on Alta Drive adjacent to Skate Creek Road Bridge over the Cowlitz River in Packwood.

Improvements under development

- Cowlitz River waterfront
- Woodlands
- ADA path along waterfront with footbridge
- Hand-carry boat launch
- 14 cartop parking stalls
- 19 vehicle parking stalls
- 2 handicap parking stalls
- Access road from Alta Drive
- Precast concrete restroom





Mineral Lake Access

This undeveloped 0.13-acre property is located on Mineral Lake on Mineral Hill Road adjacent to the 2.24-acre private Mineral Lake Resort (1) and north of the 3.58-acre Washington State Game's Mineral Lake Public Boat Launch (2).

Proposed improvements

Consider surplusing the property because it is too small to be effectively developed and redundant of the Mineral Lake Resort and Washington State Public Boar Launch







Rose County Park

This 21.0-acre park is located 2 miles west of Penning Road off SR-6. The park is currently open weekends Memorial Day through Labor Day.

Existing improvements (day use only)

- Extensive woodlands
- Hiking trails
- Covered picnic shelter with restrooms
- 6 picnic tables with shelter
- 3 picnic tables dispersed across park
- Playground
- Exercise trail
- Horseshoe pits
- Volleyball court
- Multiuse fields above parking lot

- Install park and trail directory
- Install modular single user stall restroom building
- Upgrade playgrounds for ADA, all ages
- Upgrade volleyball to sport court
- Upgrade multiuse fields with soccer standards and baseball backstops
- Install security cameras
- Add RV improvements to support a live on-site park host
- Work toward programming year-round park use





Interior trail bridge

Picnic shelter/restrooms and wash area







Saint Urban Church

This historic 1891 church is located near Winlock on the corner of Sargent and Military Road. The church was originally called Our Lady of the Assumption and was founded by the Catholic Church. Local descendants of the original founders and community members raised money in 2010 to restore the building to near original condition.

The Catholic Diocese owns the property and Lewis County leases and maintains the church that is available for rent for weddings and similar ceremonies.

Existing improvements

- Historic church renovated
- Includes historic cemetery on the east

- Repair and paint exterior siding
- Upgrade building directory signage
- Upgrade or install restrooms in building or on grounds
- Install security cameras







Schaefer County Park

This 14.0-acre park is located on Bucoda Highway/SR-507 one mile north of Centralia on the Skookumchuck River. Lewis County also owns the 19.4-acre property on the pond on the east side of the railroad tracks on Big Hanaford Road (1), the City of Centralia owns the 1.4-acre parcel directly northwest of the park on Downing Road/SR-507 (2). The park is currently open Memorial weekend through Labor Day.

Existing improvements (day use only)

- River access with bank fishing and wading
- Hiking trails
- Picnic shelter and tables
- Group picnic shelter with grills and water
- Playground
- Horseshoe pits
- Volleyball court
- Basketball standard in north parking lot
- Restrooms

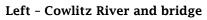
- Install park and trail directory
- Renovate restrooms -or install modular building
- Improve multiuse field in north green space
- Relocate and improve sport court
- Improve playground for ADA, all ages
- Install additional picnic shelters, tables
- Reconfigure and stripe parking area at Downing Road
- Install security cameras
- Consider campground development
- Consider connection, open field use of Centralia parcel across river
- Consider connection, bank and pond use of County Public Works parcel
- Add RV improvements to support an onsite park host
- Work towards programming year-round use













Center - open field area and picnic shelter



Right - Picnic shelter and playground



South County Regional Park

This 43.0-acre park is located 0.5 miles south of Toledo at 212 Ray Road/SR-505. Washington State Department of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW) stocks the pond for year-round fishing. The park is currently open Memorial weekend through Labor Day.

Existing improvements (day use only)

- 17.0-acre pond
- Asphalt trail around pond, playground, and group picnic shelter
- Beach area with wading and swimming area
- 1 hand-carry boat launch on Ray Road
- 3 fishing piers on Ray Road
- Group picnic shelter with restrooms
- 18 picnic tables next to group shelter
- 6 small picnic shelters
- 14 picnic tables dispersed across park
- Playground with 6 picnic tables and 12 benches
- Sport court (0.5 basketball)
- Sand volleyball court
- Storage maintenance building
- Parking lot and wetland east of Ray Road
- Large parking lot southwest of pond

- Install park and trail directory
- Upgrade park entry
- Upgrade playground for ADA, all ages
- Renovate and expand sport court
- Renovate restrooms or install single user modular restroom building with showers
- Monitor pond water quality add aerating fountain
- Install security cameras
- Consider campground development
- Add RV improvements to support an on-site park host
- Protect trees from wildlife destruction
- Protect river overlook from bank erosion









Left - pier and picnic shelter/restrooms



Center - perimeter trail and swim beach



Right - playground and boat launches



Southwest Washington Fairgrounds Park

These 5 parcels of 78.2 acres are located on Gold Street/National Avenue between Centralia and Chehalis.

Existing improvements

- Grandstand 34,712 square feet
- Livestock and judging barns 67,798 square feet
- Exhibits and display buildings 20,408 square feet
- Exposition buildings 34,100 square feet
- Performance and entertainment 5,912 square feet
- Fair support facilities 8,932 square feet
- Twin Cities Senior Center 8,000 square feet
- Activity areas for horse arena, lawns, etc. 20.31 acres
- 6 campgrounds 3.23 acres, 189 campsites
- 8 on-site parking lots 6.02 acres, 874 cars
- 2 leased off-site parking lots 4.72 acres, 686 cars

- Complete and approve Master plan
- Consolidate and expand Senior/proposed Parks parking lot
- Construct barn east of Blue Pavilion 16,000 square feet
- Construct phase 1 barn west of Fair offices 8,960 square feet
- Construct phase 2 barn west of Fair offices 8,960 square feet or both phases are 17,920 square feet
- Relocate petting farm and expand a full lane along the south boundary for improved access
- Locate exits located on the north across from the access road between Quesadilla Factory and Valley View Health Center, and on the south across from a reconfigured NE Exhibitor Road (moved south to parallel the overhead power lines).
- Plant street trees along Midway for shade and aesthetics
- Develop play area for small children
- Create outdoor eating plaza in front of restrooms
- Upgrade infrastructure including water, power, sewer, and drainage
- Consider acquiring property to expand public use buildings and parking





Top - grandstands, Bottom - 4-H barn

- Create outdoor eating and vending plaza in front of grandstands
- Cover and expand equestrian arena with bleachers on the north - 52,800 square feet
- Construct horse stalling barn south of equestrian arena 84 stalls, 39,600 square feet
- Construct horse stalling barn south annex 33 stalls, 15,000 square feet
- Construct horse stalling barn next to rodeo 74 stalls, 32,400 square feet
- Construct horse stalling barn west of equestrian arena 134 stalls, 48,600 square feet = 325 total horse stalls
- Construct horse barn offices 2,160 and 3,600 square feet
- Develop rodeo arena 150x250 with calf roping, bronco and bull riding chutes - 37,500 square feet
- Install bleachers fronting onto rodeo arena 25,080 square feet
- Expand grandstand north and south around rodeo arena -13,104 square feet each or 26,208 square feet
- Designate horse trailer parking area west of rodeo loading
- Develop north RV park on former drive-in movie lot with 40 campsites 90-foot and 3 campsites 60-foot pull-through with power, water, internet - 43 total campsites
- Expand maintenance building to provide showers, laundry, clubhouse, and office for north RV park - 2,400 square feet
- Install sewerage dump station in north RV park
- Develop south RV park south of Senior Center with 37 campsites 90-feet and 1 site 60-feet pull-throughs with power, water, internet - 28 total campsites
- Develop clubhouse with showers, laundry, and office 4,000 square feet
- Install sewerage dump station in south RV park
- Improve groundwater management







Left - Blue Pavilion and Expo Hall



Right - Community Events and Grange

Chapter 7: Implementation

Following is a summary description of the major tasks determined to be necessary to effectively implement the Lewis County Park, Recreation, & Open Space (PROS) Plan.

As shown, several parties may be responsible for the leadership and management, participation, and supporting aspects of each action as described in the following summaries. The tasks are grouped according to subject matter and not priority.

Adopt plan

Task 1: Adopt Lewis County PROS Plan as GMA element

Lewis County Board of Commissioners (BOCC) will by resolution adopt the Lewis County PROS Plan as a stand-alone planning document for compliance with the Washington State Recreation & Conservation Office (RCO) and as a complementary document of Lewis County's Comprehensive Plan in accordance with Growth Management Act (GMA) provisions.

 Participants - Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) with the assistance of the Lewis County Planning Commission, Parks & Recreation Department, and other stakeholders.

Action

- Make Lewis County PROS Plan available on Lewis County website - and distribute copies to appropriate public agencies and interested public and private parties in accordance with GMA adoption provisions.
- Lewis County Planning Commission reviews Lewis County **PROS Plan** - as necessary as part of Lewis County annual comprehensive plan update and provides for public hearing in conformance with GMA.
- Lewis County adopts Lewis County PROS Plan as a component of the Lewis County Comprehensive Plan.
- Lewis County adopts the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) integrating the PROS Plan - as an element of the Lewis County

comprehensive plan, thereby implementing the CIP in accordance with GMA provisions.

Adopt program finance strategies

Task 2: Develop clearinghouse function

Lewis County will consider developing and operating a website that provides recreation program offerings that include a wide variety of activities accommodating the interests of county residents regardless of age, skill level, income, or program provider.

The Lewis County website could provide information related to recreation program activities providing health, education, social, recreational, and other welfare activities for youth, teens, adults, seniors, and special populations. The website could also provide other park provider information pertinent to the county as resources allow.

When practical and consistent with Lewis County's mission statements, Lewis County may conduct park and recreational programs depending on demand, cost, and feasibility. Lewis County may also coordinate with programs conducted by other public, nonprofit, or for-profit organizations and vendors.

Lewis County program offerings may include activities that will be conducted in Lewis County parks, facilities, and trails.

• Participants - Lewis County Parks & Recreation Department, Centralia, Chehalis, Napavine, Winlock, Toledo, Vader, Onalaska, Morton, Randle, Packwood, Pe Ell, Lewis County PUD, Tacoma Power & Light, and other nonprofit and private organizations.

Action

Operate a Lewis County clearinghouse website - for recreational activities.

Task 3: Recruit program vendors

Lewis County Parks & Recreation Department will assess the mission criteria for all prospective program offerings. If programs are not consistent with Lewis County's mission and level-of-service proposals shown in this plan, Lewis County will not offer the program, but may consider a partnership with other providers. This could include offering scholarships or other services or publishing the program offering. Depending on the program activity, other vendors may include:

- Other jurisdictions including Centralia, Chehalis, Napavine, Winlock, Toledo, Vader, Onalaska, Morton, Randle, Packwood, Pe Ell, Lewis County PUD, Tacoma Power & Light, and other nonprofit and private organizations.
- <u>Nonprofit organizations</u> such as the Sports Hub LLC, among others.
- <u>Private for-profit entities and vendors</u> such as Mineral Lake Resort, among others.

Action

• Work in conjunction with other sponsors and vendors - to provide recreation activities as appropriate.

Adopt project finance strategies

Task 4: Update legislation

Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) will work with the Washington State Legislature to make the following changes regarding PROS financing:

Action

- <u>RCW 36.90.030</u> strike "The funds relating to fair activities shall be kept separate and apart from the funds of Lewis County, but...become a part of the funds." This is a holdover statement from when the Southwest Washington Fair (SWWF) was an area fair for multiple counties that is no long necessary. No other fair has this requirement.
- <u>RCW 82</u>.46.035 expand Real Estate Excise Tax (REET) 2 to allow funds to be used for operation and maintenance of parks and

park facilities in addition to construction. This provision was authorized on a temporary basis during Covid but Lewis County (as well as other counties) would greatly benefit by making this a permanent authorization before the temporary authorization expires on 31 December 2023.

Task 5: Allocate capital facility funds as specified in the Capital Improvements Plan (CIP)

Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) will allocate an appropriate amount of the monies received from dedicated park, recreation, open space, and trails-oriented revenue programs to provide funds for PROS Plan acquisition and development projects that reflect the objectives of these programs.

The revenue programs to be coordinated may include Lewis County property and sales tax fund proceeds, Lewis County Real Estate Excise Taxes (REET), and grant applications to the Washington State Recreation & Conservation Office (RCO), among others.

Action

 Allocate a proportional amount from existing park, recreation, open space, and trail-oriented revenue programs to fund the acquisition and development of PROS Plan projects designating monies from Lewis County property tax levy, sales tax proceeds, Lewis County Real Estate Excise Taxes (REET), and RCO grants.

Task 6: Seek a countywide park levy

Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) may consider placing a limited duration property tax levy proposal for voter approval on a countywide basis for the acquisition, development, and operation of parks, recreation, and open space facilities throughout the county.

The funds collected from the levy could be allocated to the appropriate sponsoring agency, which may include cities or nonprofit organizations, for the realization of park, recreation, and open space facilities identified within this plan.

Under Washington State enabling acts, Lewis County may levy a property tax for general governmental purposes at a rate not to exceed \$1.80 per \$1,000 of the assessed value of all taxable property within the county. The total of all property taxes for all taxing authorities cannot exceed 1.0% of assessed valuation, or \$10.00 per \$1,000 of value. If the taxes of all districts exceed the 1.0% or \$10.00 amount, each is proportionately reduced until the total is at or below the 1.0% limit.

In 2001, Washington State law was amended by Proposition 747, a statutory provision limiting the growth of the regular property tax levy to 1.0% per year, after adjustments for new construction. Any proposed increases over this amount are subject to a referendum vote.

The statute was intended to control local governmental spending by controlling the annual rate of growth of property taxes. In practice, however, the statute can reduce the effective property tax yield to an annual level far below a county's levy authorization, particularly when property values are increasing rapidly.

Proposition 747, the statutory provision limiting the growth of regular property taxes to 1.0% per year, can be waived by referendum approval of a simple (50%) majority of Lewis County's registered voters.

Lewis County voters could be asked to approve a resetting of the property tax levy rate that will adjust the amount of revenue the county can generate. (The new total revenue that will be generated by a resetting of the rate will be subject to the same 1.0% limitation. however, and the total amount of revenue and the resulting property tax rate will start to decline again in accordance with the Proposition.)

The adjusted rate and revenue could be used to finance the PROS facility proposals in this plan - or the projects and programs from this plan that involve construction, maintenance, and operations aspects that a majority of the voters are willing to pay for under the adjusted rate.

Lewis County voters could be asked to reset the rate on a permanent basis with the new differential rate dedicated to countywide PROS proposals, subject to the provisions of Proposition 747. Or Lewis County voters could be asked to reset the rate on a temporary basis, where the rate is adjusted until a specific amount of revenue has been generated to finance a specified number of PROS projects or programs - whereupon the rate reverts to the original or a specified amount defined in the referendum.

Participants - Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) with the assistance of the Lewis County Parks & Recreation Department, and other potential providers.

Action

Submit and approve a limited duration property tax levy or a property tax levy rate adjustment (on permanent or temporary basis) to acquire, develop, operate, and maintain facilities allocating the additional revenues for acquisition, development. and operation in accordance with this plan regardless of agency sponsor.

Initiate PROS projects

Task 7: Protect open space and conservancies

As appropriate, using funds generated from adjusted program fees and schedules. REET, and the possible limited duration levy or levy lid lift, Lewis County will acquire fee or use agreements and conserve significant wildlife, forestland, and open spaces indicated within this PROS Plan. Where appropriate, monies will be allocated to and/or combined with monies provided by the cities, state agencies, and non-profit organizations for significant projects.

Depending on schedules and availabilities, initial acquisitions of development rights or fee title may include riverfront, on and offroad trails, dog parks, playgrounds, picnic sites, group picnic shelters and parks, soccer fields, community facility upgrades, and others indicated in this PROS Plan.

• <u>Participants</u> - Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC), Lewis County Parks & Recreation Department, and the participation of other public and non-profit organizations.

Action

• Initiate the acquisition of fee title or use agreements and conservancy of significant open space and conservancy sites – allocating revenues for significant properties in accordance with this Lewis County PROS Plan regardless of agency sponsor.

Task 8: Acquire/develop trail systems

As appropriate, using funds generated from adjusted program fees and schedules, REET, the possible limited duration levy, or levy lid lift, Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) will acquire, develop, maintain, and operate the significant on and offroad trail systems indicated within this Lewis County PROS Plan.

Where appropriate, monies will be allocated to and/or combined with monies provided by the cities, state agencies, and nonprofit organizations for significant projects. Generally, Lewis County Public Works Department will develop and maintain non-motorized trail connections within public road rights-of-way.

Depending on schedules and availability, initial acquisitions and developments may include off-road multipurpose hiking, biking, and horse trails extending within and between environmental areas, parks, schools, community facilities, and cities across the county.

• <u>Participants</u> - Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC), Lewis County Parks & Recreation and Public Works Departments, other public and nonprofit organizations, and property owners.

Action

• Initiate the acquisition, development, maintenance, and operation of significant corridors and on and off-road trail systems - allocating revenues for significant projects in accordance with this PROS Plan regardless of agency sponsor.

Task 9: Acquire/develop parks

Using funds generated from property and sales taxes, REET, program fees and schedules, possible limited duration levy, or levy lid lift, Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) will acquire, develop, maintain, and operate parks indicated within this plan. Where appropriate, monies will be allocated and/or combined with monies provided by the cities, state agencies, and nonprofit organizations.

Depending on schedules and availability, initial acquisitions and developments may include waterfront access, off-road trails, dog parks, playgrounds, picnic tables and shelters, athletic field improvements, and park facility upgrades to be distributed across the county.

• <u>Participants</u> - Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC), Lewis County Parks & Recreation Department, and the participation of other public and nonprofit organizations.

Action

• <u>Initiate the acquisition, development, maintenance, and</u> <u>operation of parks</u> - allocating revenues in accordance with this Lewis County PROS Plan regardless of agency sponsor.

<u>Task 10: Conserve/designate historic and cultural</u> <u>resources in parks</u>

As appropriate, Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) will designate, and conserve significant historic and cultural resources indicated within this PROS Plan where such landmarks are located within park properties. Where appropriate, wayfinding and historic signage, artworks, and streetscape development monies will be allocated to and/or combined with monies provided by cities, state agencies, nonprofit organizations, as well as private developers for significant projects.

• Participants – Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) with the assistance of Lewis County Parks & Recreation and Public Works Departments, and the participation of the Lewis County Historic Society.

Action

Initiate the designation, management, acquisition, development, maintenance, and operation of significant historic and cultural resources - allocating revenues for significant projects in accordance with this plan regardless of agency sponsor.

Task 11: Develop facilities

Using funds generated from property and sales taxes, REET, program fees and schedules, the possible limited duration levy, and possible the levy lid lift. Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) may develop park facilities to accommodate multi-generational activities in Lewis County including exposition, equestrian, rodeo, livestock, display, historical, meeting, campground, administration, and maintenance facilities.

Where appropriate, development and/or lease-to-own monies will be allocated to and/or combined with monies provided by other public, private, and non-profit organizations for significant projects.

 Participants - Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC), the Lewis County Park & Recreation Department, and other public agencies as well as private and non-profit organizations.

Action

Develop and purchase multi-generational recreation/community center facilities - allocating revenues for lease-to-own or purchase and development projects in accordance with this Lewis County PROS Plan regardless of agency sponsor.

Monitor progress

Task 12: Conduct progress assessments

Lewis County and other public agencies will conduct progress assessments reviewing action on the projects and programs identified in this plan and improve methods, assign responsibilities, or take other measures necessary to ensure effective implementation.

Participants - Lewis County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC), Lewis County Planning Commission, Lewis County Parks & Recreation and Public Works Departments, cities, public and nonprofit organizations, private vendors, and citizens at large.

Action

Adjust parks, recreation, and open space vision, strategies, and implementing measures - based on the results of the followup assessments.