SNOWMOBILE PROGRAM

The Winter Recreation Program may consider proposals for funding for new or expanded, Priority 5 and 6, budget commitments for the 2022-2023 winter season in the snowmobile program. However, please be aware that the Committee’s top priorities are to restore previous budget reductions to grooming, snow removal, sanitation and E & E. To apply for funding, please complete the following form. **Please Note: All Proposals must be postmarked by June 1, 2022 to be considered. No late applications will be accepted.** Examples of new or expanded funding requests could include: requests for grooming frequency increases, expanded or new trails, new Sno-Parks, trail improvements, increased enforcement, etc.

### PROPOLENT INFORMATION

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<td>Methow Valley Snowmobile Association</td>
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1) Please give a thorough description of the intended purpose of the proposed funding, including location, and affected Sno-Parks and trail systems. **Please fill out table if you are requesting new trail miles.**

Okanogan County continues to be a very popular spot for winter recreation. The county has six warming/safety huts; Black pine, Sweet grass, Tiffany springs, Starvation mountain, 30 mile meadows and Hunter meadows. These huts have enhanced the local trail systems and provide a destination for its users. Hundreds of logbook entries each season document their popularity and importance. The Methow Valley Snowmobile Association (MVSA) on behalf of all the other clubs in the county is requesting this grant to permit, insure, maintain and transport these huts to their locations annually in Okanogan County. In the Methow Valleys 175 mile trail system these huts are all accessible from the following snowparks; Yellow Jacket, Goat Creek, Eight Mile, Boulder Creek, North Summit, Kerr and the towns of Conconully and Loomis.

a. Does your total request factor in the potential need for Snow Removal, Grooming, Sanitation, Education, Enforcement and possible need for dirt/land work?
   
   No, this request is for a trail enhancement.

2) Amount of funding requested. Please give as much detail as possible and the dollar amount required for each element of the proposal. For new trail grooming requests fill out the Table A. **NEW TRAIL GROOMING MILES REQUESTED FOR 2022-2023** (on the last page of this application)

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<td>Insurance required for three mobile huts. $668.76</td>
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<td>Tabs for 3 trailers $47.25 x 3 = $141.75</td>
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<td>Permit for Starvation and Sweetgrass FS: $120</td>
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This past season the Sweet Grass Hut was stained and the walls/floors of the Tiffany Springs Hut were maintained. All organizations involved were happy to have the funds to keep the huts going in the county. All involved clubs are planning on additional future improvements.

3) What is the estimated target audience (snowmobilers, dog mushers, cross country skiers, snowshoers, others) and what percentage do you anticipate each use at?
   This huts are primarily used by snowmobilers but in recent years there has been increased use by non-motorized users, mostly backcountry skiers.

4) Why is this project essential? (New or expanded area, local economic impacts, recreational demands)
   These huts are well known and well used. These huts provide safety in the mountains and are destinations in their own right. It is hard to measure the economic impact but users from throughout the state and Pacific Northwest sign the registers and comment on how pleased they are to use them.

   Briefly describe the recreational benefits of the proposal. How will this funding improve the recreational experience of visitors? What types of recreational uses will be enhanced?

5) Is the requested funding one-time only, or on-going?
   One Time ☐
   On-going ☒

6) Has Landowner Permission been obtained? (Funding agreements may be approved on condition that Landowner Permission will be obtained prior to the beginning of the project)
   All three mobile huts have been permitted annually for the last three to six years by the Okanogan Wenatchee National Forest. The other three huts are permanent structures. All huts are located on Forest Service land.

7) If adjacent homeowners/housing developments/land owners will be impacted by the proposed action, do they support the proposal?
   N/A

8) Describe what communications were conducted to obtain homeowners/housing developments/land owners support.
   N/A

9) Are there any permitting or environmental review requirements associated with implementation of the proposal? (i.e. NEPA, SEPA, Environmental Assessment, Hydraulics Permit, Building Permit, etc.)
   N/A
10) Is the funding proposal consistent with the elements of the Winter Recreation Strategic Plan (to be found at [http://parks.state.wa.us/149/Strategic-Plan](http://parks.state.wa.us/149/Strategic-Plan))? Explain how:

This hut clearly foster outdoor recreation and education statewide to provide enjoyment and enrichment for all and a valued legacy to future generations.

11) Has the Area Snowmobile Advisory Committee member been advised of this request? Yes.

12) Who will be presenting this proposal at the funding meeting?
Craig Stahl, President MVSA

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See Question 2.

**A. NEW TRAIL GROOMING MILES REQUESTED FOR 2022-2023 (16 week season)**

- List new or expanded miles proposed for next season for each groomed trail system.
- Grooming schedules will be required by **October 16, 2022**.

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<th>Trail Name or Road Number</th>
<th>From which Sno-Park</th>
<th>Map Miles</th>
<th>Trip Miles</th>
<th>Trips per Week</th>
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**TOTAL GROOMING MILES FOR TRAIL SYSTEMS LISTED ABOVE:**

Total funds requested for new grooming miles.
To calculate: Public: $16.25 (average cost per mile) x total miles
Private: $31.75 (average cost per mile) x total miles

| Total | $ |

**Agreement**

*In the event funding is recommended by the Snowmobile Advisory Committee or by the Winter Recreation Advisory Committee for this project and approved by State Parks, either an existing*
Purchased Services Contract will be modified to reflect the approved budget, or a new Purchased Services Contract will be awarded through a public bidding process.

The applicant certifies that, to the best of his/her knowledge, the information in this application is true and correct.

Signature of Applicant

Printed Name and Title of Applicant

Date

Signature of Grooming Council Representative

Printed Name and Title of Grooming Council Rep.

Date