FUNDING PROPOSAL – NEW OR EXPANDED for 2022-2023

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.

PROPOINENT INFORMATION

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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.

Continued funding for the Hanks Butte Sno Park established in 2021. This Sno Park is located in the Mill Creek groomed trail system and is approximately 2 miles SW of lone, WA

a. Does your total request factor in the potential need for Snow Removal, Grooming, Sanitation, Education, Enforcement and possible need for dirt/land work?

Yes

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)

| $ | Continued snow removal. In 2021 $50000.00 was budgeted. |

3) What is the estimated target audience (snowmobilers, dog mushers, cross country skiers, snowshoers, others) and what percentage do you anticipate each use at?

500 snowmobilers (97%), dog mushers, cross country skiers, snow shoers (3%)

4) Why is this project essential? (New or expanded area, local economic impacts, recreational demands)

This Sno Park saw increased use in the winter 2021-2022 as it is now an official location and it has created a favorable economic impact in the community.

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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)*
   Yes. US Forest Service Land Owner Permission has been granted thru March 31, 2025 for this Sno Park.

7) If adjacent homeowners/housing developments/land owners will be impacted by the proposed action, do they support the proposal?
   No impact to other landowners in the area was experienced. This Sno Park was an established parking area prior to being elevated to an official Sno Park.

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.)
   No

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:
   Yes. IAW the strategic plan, this Sno Park offers access to a very large area that is compatible with all winter activities including snowmobiling, snow shoeing, dog mushing, skiing, etc.

11) Has the Area Snowmobile Advisory Committee member been advised of this request?
   Yes. I have been in contact with Norris Boyd, Area 3 rep regarding this project. Additionally, both the Spokane Winter Knights and the Colville Drift Riders wrote letters of support for this project at its inception in 2021.

12) Who will be presenting this proposal at the funding meeting?
   Paul Edgren, President, Selkirk Trailblazers and Bryan Ford, Secretary, Selkirk Trailblazers
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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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

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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

Signature of Grooming Council Representative

Printed Name and Title of Grooming Council Rep.

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List of Landowner Permission Documents

You are required to obtain written permission from all landowners for WA State Parks and Recreation Commission to provide winter recreational services on land which this project will occur. The landowners must include approval of each groomed trail route and verification of the number of miles of groomed trails. Each landowner must complete the *Winter Recreation Use Permit* (see following pages). This must be submitted either with the application or by the due date.

Land owner permission documents are attached from the following landowners:

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I hereby certify that all appropriate landowners have been asked for their permission to use their land for winter recreation activities, and that their permission documents have been signed and they are either attached or received by June 1.

Signed: [Signature of Authorized Representative]

Printed Name and Title: [Name and Title]

Date: 4/15/2022

**PLEASE NOTE:**
COPY OF ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS MUST BE ATTACHED.
ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE CURRENT.
Date: 04/11/2022

Landowner: USFS Colville National Forest
Address: 765 South Main Street
Colville Washington 99114

Land Description: Plowing, signage, and toilet
Maintenance at the Hanks Butte Sno-Park

WINTER RECREATION USE PERMIT

The Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission is required by statute to have
landowner permission for winter recreation activities funded by the Commission on
public and private lands.

RCW 79A.05.225(1) Plan, construct, and maintain suitable facilities for winter
recreational activities on lands administered or acquired by the commission or as
authorized on lands administered by other public agencies or private landowners by
agreement.


RCW 4.24.200:
The purpose of RCW 4.24.200 and 4.24.210 is to encourage owners or others in lawful
possession and control of land and water areas or channels to make them available to the
public for recreational purposes by limiting their liability toward persons entering
thereon and toward persons who may be injured or otherwise damaged by the acts or
omissions of persons entering thereon.

Please sign and date below.

By my signature, I do hereby grant permission for winter recreational activities to occur
on my land, that are funded by the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission,
from date signed below to terminate on the ___ day of ___ of 202025___.

To be completed by applicant.
Project Name: _
RCW 4.24.210

Liability of owners or others in possession of land and water areas for injuries to recreation users—Known dangerous artificial latent conditions—Other limitations

(1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3) or (4) of this section, any public or private landowners, hydroelectric project owners, or others in lawful possession and control of any lands whether designated resource, rural, or urban, or water areas or channels and lands adjacent to such areas or channels, who allow members of the public to use them for the purposes of outdoor recreation, which term includes, but is not limited to, the cutting, gathering, and removing of firewood by private persons for their personal use without purchasing the firewood from the landowner, hunting, fishing, camping, picnicking, swimming, hiking, bicycling, skateboarding or other non-motorized wheel-based activities, aviation activities including, but not limited to, the operation of airplanes, ultra-light airplanes, hang gliders, parachutes, and paragliders, rock climbing, the riding of horses or other animals, clam digging, pleasure driving of off-road vehicles, snowmobiles, and other vehicles, boating, kayaking, canoeing, rafting, nature study, winter or water sports, viewing or enjoying historical, archaeological, scenic, or scientific sites, without charging a fee of any kind therefor, shall not be liable for unintentional injuries to such users.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3) or (4) of this section, any public or private landowner or others in lawful possession and control of any lands whether rural or urban, or water areas or channels and lands adjacent to such areas or channels, who offer or allow such land to be used for purposes of a fish or wildlife cooperative project, or allow access to such land for cleanup of litter or other solid waste, shall not be liable for unintentional injuries to any volunteer group or to any other users.

(3) Any public or private landowner, or others in lawful possession and control of the land, may charge an administrative fee of up to twenty-five dollars for the cutting, gathering, and removing of firewood from the land.

(4)(a) Nothing in this section shall prevent the liability of a landowner or others in lawful possession and control for injuries sustained to users by reason of a known dangerous artificial latent condition for which warning signs have not been conspicuously posted.

(i) A fixed anchor used in rock climbing and put in place by someone other than a landowner is not a known dangerous artificial latent condition and a landowner under
subsection (1) of this section shall not be liable for unintentional injuries resulting from the condition or use of such an anchor.

(ii) Releasing water or flows and making waterways or channels available for kayaking, canoeing, or rafting purposes pursuant to and in substantial compliance with a hydroelectric license issued by the federal energy regulatory commission, and making adjacent lands available for purposes of allowing viewing of such activities, does not create a known dangerous artificial latent condition and hydroelectric project owners under subsection (1) of this section shall not be liable for unintentional injuries to the recreational users and observers resulting from such releases and activities.

(b) Nothing in RCW 4.24.200 and this section limits or expands in any way the doctrine of attractive nuisance.

(c) Usage by members of the public, volunteer groups, or other users is permissive and does not support any claim of adverse possession.

(5) For purposes of this section, the following are not fees:

(a) A license or permit issued for statewide use under authority of chapter 79A.05 RCW or Title 72 RCW;

(b) A pass or permit issued under RCW 79A.80.020, 79A.80.030, or 79A.80.040;

(c) A daily charge not to exceed twenty dollars per person, per day, for access to a publicly owned ORV sports park, as defined in RCW 46.09.310, or other public facility accessed by a highway, street, or nonhighway road for the purposes of off-road vehicle use; and

(d) Payments to landowners for public access from state, local, or nonprofit organizations established under department of fish and wildlife cooperative public access agreements if the landowner does not charge a fee to access the land subject to the cooperative agreement.
Ms. Nan Berger  
U.S. Forest Service  
315 N. Warren Ave.  
Newport, WA 99156

Mr. Jason Goldstein  
Washington State Parks  
1111 Israel Rd. SW  
Olympia, WA 98504

Re: Hanks Butte Snow Park Request

Dear Ms. Nielsen and Mr. Goldstein:

The Spokane Winter Knights Snowmobile Club is in full support of the development of a new sno-park for Hanks Butte off of SR 20 in Pend Oreille County. The Spokane Winter Knights Board of Directors voted unanimously last night to support this request by the Selkirk Trailblazers. The establishment of a sno-park at Hanks Butte would allow very easy access to the expansive groomed trail system in Calispell and Mill Creek area. For years this area has been used as an informal trail head for the local snowmobilers but do to inconsistent maintenance and no signage has limited use. This site would also be very complementary to the Kings Lake Sno-Park to the south, and Floodelle Sno-Park to the west.

If Hanks Butte was brought into the Washington State Parks Sno-Park system, I believe because of its location and area it services it would become a popular sno-park. With the current pandemic we are seeing more people turn to local recreation opportunities and with the monetary investment it takes to acquire snowmobiles we believe this trend will continue.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you should have any questions.

Sincerely

Greg Figg

Greg Figg – President  
Spokane Winter Knights
Ms. Nan Berger  
U.S. Forest Service

Mr. Jason Goldstein  
Washington State Parks

Re: Hanks Butte Snow Park Request

Dear Ms. Berger and Mr. Goldstein:

The Colville Drift Snowmobile club is in full support of the development of a new snowpark for Hanks Butte off of SR 20 in Pend Oreille County.

If you have any questions feel free to contact me.

Steve Fogle-President  
Colville Drift Riders
Selkirk Trailblazers  
Ione, WA

2021/2022 Trail Maintenance Log (Snowmobile Season)

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