

Meeting location 801 88th Ave SE Tumwater  
Date 11/29/2018 Time 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

*If you plan on having an event in 2019 please attend this meeting or send a representative. Attached is the 2018 Event Application some changes were made so please use this version. Please fill in the application as best you can and email (word document is fine) to [barry.godfrey@dnr.wa.gov](mailto:barry.godfrey@dnr.wa.gov) and [phil.wolff@dnr.wa.gov](mailto:phil.wolff@dnr.wa.gov) prior to the meeting. Exact event routes can be determined later. Please bring your volunteer hours*

## Agenda

6:00 – 6:10 Timber Sale leave tree site visit

6:10 – 6:15 Introductions

6:15- 6:30 Update on timber sale status Though this map does not have the very latest updates it is a good source of information [https://www.dnr.wa.gov/publications/amp\\_rec\\_captimbersales17.pdf?9xdgiea](https://www.dnr.wa.gov/publications/amp_rec_captimbersales17.pdf?9xdgiea)

6:30 – 6:55 2019 Recreation & Conservation Office (RCO) Grants New trails, maintenance – including campgrounds / trailheads and Education & Enforcement

6:55 – 7:00 Break

7:00 – 7:10 Maintenance & re-route project accomplished by DNR and Volunteers

7:10 – 7:45 Event scheduling

7:45 – 8:00 Round Table

## RCO Grant Support

We need support letters / emails. The funding board takes a hard look at support from volunteers and forest enthusiasts. There is volunteer match support in each grant proposal. Grants help support the volunteer effort which is instrumental in providing good trails. Ensure the portion of the highway tax on fuel burned comes back to Capitol Forest

Letters can be signed scanned and emailed to me or just a simple email will do. Letters can be addressed to the Recreation Conservation Office

Please contact me with any questions

## **RCO # 18-2464 Capitol State Forest Non-Motorized Trail & Facility Maintenance**

*Folks this grant non-motorized trails and facilities. Without this grant Margaret McKenny, Fall Creek and Mima Falls would close. Trails / bridges would not be maintained or replaced and overtime trails would likely close. There would not be funding for an equipment operator / trail tech , materials or volunteer coordination.*

**RCO # 18-2465 Capitol Forest ORV Trail and Facility Maintenance**

*This grant supports motorized trails, Middle Waddell facilities and Rock Candy. In addition to motorized use the ORV trails are frequently used by mountain bikers and trail runners.*

*Without ORV facilities will close and overtime so would the trails. There would not be funding for an equipment operator / trail technician.*

*Good motorized trails will help keep the ebikers off non-motorized trails.*

**RCO # 18-2463 Capitol Forest Education and Enforcement** Thanks to everyone who has contributed letters of support for this grant! If you haven't done so please do

*I don't know where we would be without Barry. Capitol Forest events would be severely curtailed or eliminated. Gains we have made with controlling target shooting would be lost.*

**RCO # 18-2466 New Capitol Forest Non - Motorized Trails**

*New non-motorized trails ! An additional trail will be built to provide a connection between Mima Falls West and McKenny below the D-4000. Mima Falls and McKenny are becoming increasingly popular places to ride from this new trail would serve these areas. In addition a new mountain bike trail will be built at North Slope. Folks this is a small \$69,000 investment compared to the literal millions which have gone to trails in the I-90 corridor*

**RCO #18-2467 New Capitol Forest Off Road Vehicle Trails**

*New motorized trails in the C-9000 area ! Motorized trails are also popular for mountain biking and trail running. Additionally the trails will provide trail opportunities for electric bicycles (ebikes).*

*Compared to other motorized projects up North this is a small investment*

**RCO # 18-2512 Capitol & Yacolt Forest Facilities Maintenance**

*Have you noticed the bathrooms have been much cleaner in the past couple of years? Should we have equipment operators cleaning bathrooms on a nice sunny day or building new trails? The grant will support continuation of the bathroom cleaning contract which has been very successful. I know many of you do not recreate in the Yacolt forest – that's fine as support letters will also be coming from this forest. Mima Falls, Fall Creek facilities, Porter and McLane Creek are covered under this grant.*

*A tidbit from the web*

A letter of support for grant money begins with an introduction of its writer. Once you've given your name, state the reason you believe the funding is a good idea and present any arguments you have for its benefits to the organization..

Sign the letter by stating your own relationship to the organization / *forest use* , whether as a member or simply as someone who supports the work they're doing. If you have standing in the community or business that's notable, it may make an even better impression if you provide the information on letterhead. If you know a legislator please ask for a letter of support.

Being asked to write a letter of support for a grant request is an honor. By taking the time to first ask the organization questions, you'll have the information you need to create a letter that gets positive results.

Hope to see you at the meeting

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