

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: August 5, 2024

SUBJECT: Grant opportunity to explore the development of a recreational campground on County-owned property at Fort Thompson Lane

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Oregon State Parks and Recreation Department has a County Opportunity Grant Program (COGP) to fund qualified projects for Oregon counties. Staff seeks guidance from the Board on whether to apply for this grant opportunity. If the Board supports a grant application, staff recommends that any awarded grant funds be used to develop a site plan and detailed financial analysis of a potential recreational campground at Fort Thompson Lane.

The grant opportunity opened August 1, 2024. Applications are due by October 1, 2024.

Eligible projects include:

- Acquisition Acquiring property for public camping facilities
- Development Developing new campgrounds and/or support facilities
- Rehabilitation Rehabilitating grounds or structures to meet ADA requirements
- Planning Planning for future development of overnight camping facilities, including park master plans

Counties with more than 30,000 residents are required to provide a 50% match.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

The cost would be 50% of any awarded grant funds.

ATTENDANCE:

Jen Patterson, Strategic Initiatives Manager Will Groves, Planning Manager Stephanie Marshall, Senior Assistant Legal Counsel