

Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission

June 11-12, 2024

Agenda Item: 10 a (ii,iii) **Informational**

Public Comment Allowed: Yes

Topic: Actions taken under Delegated Authority from April 3, 2024 through May 29, 2024.

Presented by: Chris Parkins, Central Operations Resource Manager

Pursuant to a duly adopted delegation order, and acting in accordance therewith, the Director, or her designee, has approved the following actions on behalf of the Oregon Parks & Recreation Commission:

SCENIC WATERWAYS NOTIFICATION

On April 5, 2024, Notification of Intent 4-415-24 was approved to allow the placement of a 10'x20' prefabricated brown batten-sided storage shed at T9S R20E Sec. 33 Taxlot 4202 in Wheeler County. The project area is located along the mainstem John Day designated as a Natural River Area. The shed at its proposed location was deemed nonvisible from the river.

On April 26, 2024, Notification of Intent #17-84-24 was approved to allow the replacement of a garage at 364 Evergreen Ln that was destroyed by fire. The project is located along the North Umpqua River within the Frontier Village Community Area. The material and colors of the structure are of muted tones that will blend into the natural surroundings.

On April 29, 2024, Notification of Intent #14-30-24 was approved for the enhancement of the spawning channel below Trail Bridge Reservoir. The project area is located along the McKenzie River, will be using native materials, and will be screened from the main channel of the river by existing vegetation.

On April 29, 2024, Notification of Intent 2A-298-24 was approved to allow the construction of a 35'Lx20'Wx16'H brown board and batten shop and a 45' long dirt and gravel road. The project area is located within the Middle Fork Deschutes designated as a Scenic River Area. The shop at its proposed location was deemed nonvisible from the river. One of the conditions of the approval was that no new permanent roads shall be constructed; only the 45' gravel/dirt road is approved.

On May 5, 2024, Notification of Intent 07-754-24 was approved to allow in kind cabin to be built at 14725 Galice Rd in the Lower Rogue River State Scenic Waterway. Replacement of structures lost due to natural disasters like wildfires is permissible under the State Scenic Waterway rules, provided the structure is in the same footprint and meets the other requirements as described in rule. Buildings and structures must have an attractive appearance, earth-tone colors, non-reflective finishes and materials and a height no greater than 30' on the river side. Any repairs shall be in-kind and consistent with what existed prior to the wildfire.

Oregon Parks and Recreation Department hereby grants approval for the project outlined in your Notification of Intent application, which was verified as complete on May 6th, 2024.

The project is located within the River Community Area of the Lower Rogue River State Scenic Waterway. For that reason, applicable rules and regulations include general rules for all scenic waterways (736-040-0035 and 736-040-0040(1)(f)) and rules specific to this section of river (736-040-0045). The Oregon Scenic Waterway Act (ORS 390.805-390.925) also specifies that all fill and removal in a state scenic waterway requires an individual removal-fill permit from the Department of State Lands

On May 22, 2024, a retroactive approval was issued for an accessory building that had been constructed without notification to Oregon Parks and Recreation Department. The shed is visible from a designated River Recreational Area of the Lower Deschutes River on T6S R13E Sec.12 Taxlot 5. A NOI application was requested and a retroactive approval was issued due to the facts that the structure is a lesser building and is compatible with existing use (OAR 736-040-0030(5) and OAR 736-040-0015(5)). The SSW Program Coordinator worked closely with Wasco County to align our approach. Wasco County defined the structure as an “accessory building” rather than an “accessory dwelling unit” due to the fact that there are no finished utilities in the structure. Conditions of the retroactive approval include maintenance of the existing native trees and shrubs and planting of new native trees and shrubs so that the building is completely obscured from view of the river in 1-3 years.

On May 22, 2024, Notification of Intent 2A-1963-24 was approved to allow the construction of a new single story home with a septic field and a 250' gravel road at 8070 NW Grubstake Way, Redmond, OR 97756, Deschutes County. The house and septic field, as proposed, should not be visible from the river, a stretch of the Middle Deschutes designated as a Scenic River Area. The house is proposed to be finished in natural tones (browns) so as to blend in with the natural surroundings. Specific conditions of the approval are a setback of at least 20' from the edge of the rimrock and that the proposed gravel road should be screened from view of the river. The septic field as proposed will not be visible from the river.

Timber Related Scenic Waterway Notifications

Coastal Region: Nestucca SSW Timber Harvest, approximately 3 acres of thinning (approved).
NOI# 16-96-24

Coastal Region: Nehalem SSW Road work, no Notification of Intent needed (advised)

Coastal Region: Nehalem SSW Timber Harvest, approximately 4 acres of thinning (approved).
NOI# 23-08-24.

OCEAN SHORES ALTERATION DECISIONS

On April 15, 2024, permit 3043 was issued in Tillamook County to install a new concrete staircase with ramp and rip-rap protection at a publicly owned beach fronting park located within the City of Rockaway Beach, also called “Rockaway Beach Wayside Park”.

TIMBER HARVEST REVENUE

No timber harvest revenue to report.

Prior Action by the Commission: None
Action Requested: None
Attachments: None
Prepared by: Park Resource Program Staff