

Oregon Parks and Recreation Department

Commenter name (if provided): Date comment received:

Barbara Lane August 20, 2024 10:10 AM

Commenter email (if provided):

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Location (if provided): Newport, OR

Public comment:

I do not like that people are charged so heavily for park and beach access. I do not favor an increase.



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Commenter name (if provided): Date comment received:

Alison Dennis August 20, 2024 10:28 AM

Commenter email (if provided):

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Location (if provided): Pacific City, OR

Public comment:

Oregon beaches are the people's beaches. If accessing the beach requires a day use fee, Oregon's beaches won't be the people's beaches any more, but, rather, they will be the privileged peoples beaches.

Overnight fees at camp grounds make sense.

Day use fees at select highest-traffic locations make sense.



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Commenter name (if provided): Date comment received:

Morgan R August 21, 2024 06:32 AM

Commenter email (if provided):

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Location (if provided): Warrenton, OR

Public comment:

Please do not adjust the day use fee for Oregonians to allow all families the ability to access parks. The day use fee can become a barrier to those with lesser income. You could have different day use fee for out of state, which I've seen in other states. Increasing annual passes and fees for all out of state are reasonable.



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Commenter name (if provided): Date comment received:

Pat UNK August 22, 2024 08:29 AM

Commenter email (if provided):

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Location (if provided): , OR

Public comment:

We find the prices in Oregon State Parks to be very fair when compared to other states and private parks and feel increases are justified. However, we feel other areas besides day use and campsite fees should be considered for larger increases.

Yurt/cabin fees should be increased due to what they offer (housing and can frequently put a tent and/or RV on the site). They also require more extensive cleaning and maintenance. The price is way below other agencies and private parks.

Charging more for extra vehicles (and including extra for out of state) would help control the number of people piling into a campsite. (Yes, there is supposed to be a limit, but it is difficult and not normally enforced.)

People who "no show" or decide to leave early should not receive a refund as they have taken the ability for others to use the site and are taking advantage of OPRD.

As for discounts, I am not in favor of it for any group. I support our veterans and appreciate those willing and able to foster children and help them experience the great outdoors. But, I have seen the gift abused, and it allows unfair opportunity. Please do not expand this area causing others to lose out or be unfairly burdened. Instead the number of days given should be decreased.



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Commenter name (if provided): Date comment received:

Rebecca Ambrose August 24, 2024 07:50 PM

Commenter email (if provided):

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Location (if provided): Salem, OR

Public comment:

State park land is allocated for public use and meant to be accessible by all. All taxpayers pay for parks. Paying for parking is a not-so-hidden second tax, making PUBLIC parks accessible to only those who can pay, time and time again, for the right to enjoy publicly-owned space. I object to what is becoming a privitization of state parks by user-fee. Park fees (disguised as "parking fees") keep on increasing. Public land is not meant to be accessed by whoever can afford fees. It is meant to be accessed, quite literally, by the PUBLIC. Stop it!



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Commenter name (if provided): Date comment received:

Brett Kenney August 26, 2024 08:58 AM

Commenter email (if provided):

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Location (if provided): North Bend, OR

Public comment:

Hello, could this rule change clarify that "government vehicles" include vehicles used for work supporting any of Oregon's nine tribal governments?

Also, could the rule expand the current discretionary "traditional tribal activity" exemption to include "authorized tribal government activities" as well?

Thank you.



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Commenter name (if provided): Date comment received:

Susan Garland August 27, 2024 08:00 AM

Commenter email (if provided):

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Location (if provided): Beaverton, OR

Public comment:

Absolutely not. My husband and I are adamantly opposed to these rule and fee changes for Oregon residents. We are already paying enough in use fees and taxes as permits for the parks and anymore needed should be applied to out of state visitors. You will push these opportunities for families and low income residents further from accessibility.