

February NYCU

New Rates Released for 2011

With the start of a new year, many reimbursement rates were updated. The rates below became effective January 2011.

- Donated unskilled labor rate remains at \$14 an hour
- Mileage rates changed from 50 cents a mile to 51 cents a mile.
- All the other per diem rates for travel remained unchanged. [Current per diem map](#).

New ADA Rules

The Department of Justice has revised and updated the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). A majority of these revisions will become effective March 15, 2011. A few items of note:

- There is a new term called “other power driven mobility device.” These devices may include any personal assistive device propelled by electric or gas power. These devices are allowed to travel anywhere pedestrians go. You will want to plan for this type of use.
- Another addition to the regulation is the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design. Park planners and engineers now can find the minimum accessible design standards in one location. These new design standards become effective for alterations and new construction on March 15, 2012. Sponsors are highly encouraged to begin planning and designing current projects to meet or exceed the new 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design. There is a safe harbor clause for existing projects already built or those that already comply with existing ADA standards.

Other important changes include:

- A 36- by 48-inch clear space is required at one end of a player’s bench in a dug out,
- An accessible route of travel is required to all fields of play and to grass seating in amphitheaters and dispersed seating options in assembly areas.
- Providing access to firing lines at gun range.
- Setting rails lower on fishing docks.
- Changes to play equipment and play areas.
- Providing two points of entry onto a pool.

More information may be found at [2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design \(HTML\)](#).

If you have questions or need clarifications please contact RCO’s Recreation Accessibility Specialist [Rory Calhoun](#), 360-902-3022.

New Requirement: Final Reports Filed Online

As you get ready to close a successful RCO project, you’re required to submit a final report before you’ll get that last payment. Now, RCO has made it easier for you. You can file the report online through PRISM. See our [Final Report FAQ](#) for details. If you have additional questions please contact your grants manager.

Manual 18 is now available for 2011 Grant Round

The Salmon Recovery Funding Board adopted [Manual 18](#) at the December 10th meeting for the 2011 grant round is now on the RCO Web site. You will notice several sections of the manual have been rearranged for easier reference. Many of the appendices, containing application forms and materials, are available in Microsoft Word and Excel to easily download and complete.