State Offers Grants for Outdoor Recreation Facilities

OLYMPIA – The deadline is approaching quickly for those who want to apply for state grants to build or improve outdoor recreational facilities, the Recreation and Conservation Office announced today.

Applications are due Jan. 10 for three state programs that award grants for boating facilities, trails and shooting and archery ranges.

“These grants help build recreational facilities, create jobs and give local communities the ability to improve the services offered to residents,” said Kaleen Cottingham, director of the Recreation and Conservation Office. “Without them, many communities couldn’t afford to build these facilities. Investment in Washington’s great outdoors helps ensure Washington remains a great place to live, work and play.”

The grant programs accepting applications are just three of the 15 grant programs administered by the Recreation and Conservation Office. Since 1964, the office has administered nearly $1.5 billion for more than 6,700 projects across the state.

This year, the office is offering grants in the following categories:

- **Boating** – Funding to acquire, develop or renovate public boating facilities, including boat launches and ramps, guest moorage and support facilities.

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• **Firearm and Archery Ranges** – Funding to acquire, develop and renovate firearm range and archery training and practice facilities.

• **Trails** – Funding to maintain and develop backcountry trails and off-road vehicle areas. Environmental education and trail safety programs also are eligible.

For more information on who’s eligible to apply and what projects can compete, visit the Recreation and Conservation Office [Web site](#).

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