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RECREATION AND CONSERVATION OFFICE

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**Item #22a: Youth Athletic Facilities Program
Funding for the Improving Category**

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**Approved by the
Director:**

Proposed Action: Decision

Summary

The Youth Athletic Facilities (YAF) Program provides grants for acquisition, development, and renovation of community athletic facilities. Funds support projects that provide new, improved, and better-maintained outdoor athletic facilities that serve youth and communities. This year, the Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) received and reviewed 20 *YAF-Improving* category projects requesting approximately \$1.3 million. This memorandum describes the results of the evaluation process and staff's funding recommendation.

Staff Recommendation

RCO staff recommends that the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board (Board) approve the ranked list established by the Youth Athletic Facilities Advisory Committee and funding for all projects. Table 1, *Youth Athletic Facilities Improving Category, State Fiscal Year 2008* provides the final ranked list of projects and shows staff's recommendation for distribution of funds.

Resolution #2008-018 is provided for Board consideration.

Background

Policies guiding the Youth Athletic Facilities grant program were adopted by the Board in Manual #17, *Youth Athletic Facilities: 2007-08 Policies and Project Selection*. The policies define YAF-Improving category projects as:



Improving (or renovating) means work done to add playing capacity to an existing athletic facility. This may be done by: 1) changing the athletic facility from one type to another to meet community priorities, 2) extending the time or season of use, or 3) expanding the physical size of an existing athletic facility to accommodate new or extended, seasons or hours of athletic use resulting in more games or events and use by more players.”

Specific program policies for the YAF-Improving category are:

- Applicants may use funds for renovation or expansion of existing athletic facilities.
- Projects that are sized for adults and usable by youth are encouraged.
- Support elements may be funded if these items are part of a larger project that includes a primary athletic facility.
- Cities, counties, and qualified non-profit organizations are eligible to apply.
- The minimum YAF funding support is \$15,000.
- The maximum YAF funding support is \$75,000.
- Applicants must provide at least 50% of the total project cost.
- Applicants must have adequate control of the project site for at least 20 years.

Evaluation

The YAF Advisory Committee, appointed by RCO’s director, includes local agencies, nonprofit organizations, and citizens-at-large who are familiar with community outdoor athletics through professional experience or volunteer efforts. The committee assisted with project review meetings in Moses Lake and Olympia in November 2007. In January 2008, YAF Advisory Committee members scored each project using written evaluation packets and Board-adopted criteria, Committee members who served as evaluators are:

| Name | City | Agency/Organization | Position |
|------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Kirsten Bush | Redmond | Northwest Parks Foundation | Citizen at Large |
| Mike Todd | Mill Creek | Evergreen Soccer Club | Citizen at Large |
| Gerald Baugh | Vancouver | City of Vancouver | Local Agency - City |
| Jessi Richardson | Sammamish | City of Sammamish | Local Agency - City |
| Andrea Clay | Lakewood | Pierce County Parks & Recreation | Local Agency - County |
| James Yap | Snohomish | Snohomish County Parks Department | Local Agency - County |
| Greg Jones | Wenatchee | Wenatchee Youth Baseball | Nonprofit Organization |
| Merle Iverson | Spokane | Spokane Youth Sports Association | Nonprofit Organization |

The results of the evaluation are shown in Table 1, *Youth Athletic Facilities Improving Category, State Fiscal Year 2008*. A summary of the evaluation criteria and composite scores for each project also is provided.

The post evaluation conference held on February 12, 2008, provided an opportunity for evaluators to review the results of the YAF evaluations. Those participating validated the results and recommended funding as many projects as is possible.

Funds Available

Statutorily, YAF funds must be divided equally between the three program categories; *New, Improving, and Maintaining*. The 2005-2007 State Capital Budget included a \$2.5 million appropriation to the Youth Athletic Facility Account subject to the following conditions:

“The appropriation is provided solely for competitive grants for acquisition, development, and renovation of youth athletic fields. The committee¹ shall follow the applicable rules of the youth athletic facilities program, except that grants for maintenance are not eligible. The committee shall accept private donations for youth athletic fields and deposit them in the youth athletic facility account. For every \$500,000 in private donations received, the committee shall match those funds with \$500,000 from the appropriation provided in this section and award grants totaling \$1,000,000 to the highest priority projects. The committee is authorized to expend up to five percent of the appropriation for administration of the program and for publicizing the program, especially to owners, players, and fans of Washington’s major league professional sports teams.”

The 2007-2009 State Capital Budget removed the matching share requirement and reappropriated funds for the New and Improving categories. Other program revenue comes from unused funds from other projects and interest on funds in the YAF account.

Funds available for this grant round are shown below.

| Youth Athletic Facilities – Improving Category Funds | 2008 |
|---|--------------------|
| 50% of the 2005-2007 appropriation for competitive grants | \$1,231,250 |
| Interest | \$91,400 |
| Unexpended ² funds from prior biennium | \$191,338 |
| Funds Available | \$1,513,988 |

Grant requests total \$1,340,068. Funds available exceed the requests by \$173,920. Subject to signing by the Governor, the 2008 Supplemental Capital Budget allows the Board to move unused funds from one category to another. Staff will discuss this further in agenda item #22b and at the Board meeting.

¹ The term committee refers to the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board.

² Unexpended funds include funds not previously committed to other projects or funds from projects that could not be completed or were completed under budget.

Analysis

RCO staff has determined that all projects meet the eligibility criteria for Youth Athletic Facilities Program fund consideration. There are enough funds available to fund all eligible projects. Staff concurs with the Advisory Committee's recommendation to fund all projects.

Next Steps

If approved by the Board, RCO staff will ensure funded applicants complete post approval requirements (e.g., submittal of milestones, verification of control and tenure, etc.), execute project agreements, and begin to monitor project progress to help ensure completion of projects within expected timelines.

Attachments

Resolution #2008-018 *Youth Athletic Facilities Improving Category – State Fiscal Year 2008*

Table 1, *Youth Athletic Facilities Improving Category, State Fiscal Year 2008*

- A. Youth Athletic Facilities – Improving Category Evaluation Criteria Summary
- B. Youth Athletic Facilities – Improving Category Evaluation Scoring Summary
- C. Youth Athletic Facilities – Improving Category Synopses

RESOLUTION #2008-018
Youth Athletic Facilities - Improving Category
Funding for State Fiscal Year 2008

WHEREAS, twenty Youth Athletic Facilities Improving category projects are submitted for State Fiscal Year 2008 funding consideration, and

WHEREAS, all 20 Improving category projects were evaluated against an evaluation instrument approved by the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board (Board), and

WHEREAS, all Youth Athletic Facilities Improving category projects meet program requirements as stipulated in statute and Manual #17, *Youth Athletic Facilities: 2007-08 Policies and Project Selection*, and

WHEREAS, the Youth Athletic Facilities Advisory Committee recommends adoption of the ranked list and approval of project funding as shown in *Table 1 - Youth Athletic Facilities Improving Category, State Fiscal Year 2008 Funding*, and

WHEREAS, adoption of this resolution implements strategy 3.21 of the *Recreation and Conservation Office 2007-2011 Strategic Plan* to provide grants to acquire develop and renovate Youth Athletic Facilities in urban areas;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby approves the ranked list and fiscal year 2008 funding for Youth Athletic Facilities Improving category projects as depicted in *Table 1 - Youth Athletic Facilities Improving Category, State Fiscal Year 2008 Funding (2008-018)*, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director be authorized to execute project agreements necessary to facilitate prompt project implementation.

Resolution moved by: _____

Resolution seconded by: _____

Adopted/Defeated/Deferred (underline one)

Date: March 28, 2008

Attachment A: Youth Athletic Facilities Evaluation Criteria

Applicants provide written responses to team-scored evaluation questions 1- 6 if submitting a grant application for:

- ▶ “New Facilities” or
- ▶ “Improving or Renovating Existing Facilities”

| <i>SUMMARY OF QUESTIONS AND SCORES FOR NEW FACILITIES AND IMPROVING EXISTING FACILITIES</i> | | | | | |
|---|----------|----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Scored by | # | Title | Max. Points | Multiplier | Total |
| Team | 1 | Need | 5 | 3 | 15 |
| Team | 2 | Community priorities | 5 | 3 | 15 |
| Team | 3 | Availability | 5 | 1 | 5 |
| Team | 4 | Facility management | 5 | 1 | 5 |
| Team | 5 | Readiness to proceed | 5 | 1 | 5 |
| Team | 6 | Partnerships | 5 | 2 | 10 |
| RCO Staff | 7 | Preference for outdoor fields | 3 | 1 | 3 |
| RCO Staff | 8 | Multi-generation use | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| RCO Staff | 9 | Matching shares | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| RCO Staff | 10 | Proximity to people | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| RCO Staff | 11 | Growth Management Act Preference | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Total possible points = 62 | | | | | |

KEY:

- RCO Staff = Question scored by RCO staff
- Team = Question scored by the evaluation team
- Title = Question title
- Max = Maximum points given by evaluators
- Multiplier = Multiplier or weight of each question

**Table 1
Youth Athletic Facilities (YAF) - Improving Category
State Fiscal Year 2008**

| Rank | Score | Number | Project Name | Project Sponsor | YAF Grant Amount | Sponsor Amount | Total Amount | Cumulative Request | Recommended Funding |
|----------|--------|----------|---|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1 of 20 | 53.625 | 07-1952D | Civic Sports Fields Renovation YAF | Woodinville City of | \$75,000 | \$3,029,564 | \$3,104,564 | \$75,000 | \$75,000 |
| 2 of 20 | 49.125 | 07-1815D | Ellersick Memorial Soccer Field / Track | Pend Oreille County of | \$75,000 | \$109,717 | \$184,717 | \$150,000 | \$75,000 |
| 3 of 20 | 48.250 | 07-1934D | West Ellensburg Park Softball Lighting | Ellensburg Parks & Rec Dept | \$75,000 | \$175,000 | \$250,000 | \$225,000 | \$75,000 |
| 4 of 20 | 47.625 | 07-1949D | Brannan Park Field Lighting | Auburn City of | \$75,000 | \$108,845 | \$183,845 | \$300,000 | \$75,000 |
| 5 of 20 | 47.375 | 07-1903D | Asotin County Fields Phase II: Field Lights | Asotin County Little League | \$44,630 | \$58,800 | \$103,430 | \$344,630 | \$44,630 |
| 5 of 20 | 47.375 | 07-1647D | Strawberry Multi-Use Community Fields | Poulsbo/N Kitsap Parks & Rec | \$75,000 | \$996,557 | \$1,071,557 | \$419,630 | \$75,000 |
| 7 of 20 | 46.750 | 07-1905D | Des Moines Field House Park Field #1 | Des Moines City of | \$75,000 | \$145,862 | \$220,862 | \$494,630 | \$75,000 |
| 8 of 20 | 46.125 | 07-1920D | St. Edwards State Park Field Improvement | Kenmore City of | \$75,000 | \$231,741 | \$306,741 | \$569,630 | \$75,000 |
| 9 of 20 | 45.875 | 07-1723D | Strawberry Fields Improvement | Marysville City of | \$50,000 | \$58,340 | \$108,340 | \$619,630 | \$50,000 |
| 10 of 20 | 45.375 | 07-1935D | Badger Mountain Park Field Lighting | Richland Parks & Rec | \$75,000 | \$95,000 | \$170,000 | \$694,630 | \$75,000 |
| 11 of 20 | 45.250 | 07-1793D | Battle Point Park Development Phase II | Bainbridge Island Soccer Club | \$75,000 | \$587,351 | \$662,351 | \$769,630 | \$75,000 |
| 12 of 20 | 42.500 | 07-1862D | Sky River Park Sportsfields Drainage | Monroe City of | \$75,000 | \$225,000 | \$300,000 | \$844,630 | \$75,000 |
| 13 of 20 | 41.875 | 07-1958D | Volunteer Park Field # 1 Renovation | Key Peninsula Little League | \$75,000 | \$112,860 | \$187,860 | \$919,630 | \$75,000 |
| 14 of 20 | 39.500 | 07-1780D | Mason County Recreation Area Improvements | Mason County | \$28,000 | \$30,000 | \$58,000 | \$947,630 | \$28,000 |
| 15 of 20 | 39.375 | 07-1818D | Vashon Athletic Field Improvements Phase I | Vashon Youth Baseball/Softball | \$75,000 | \$160,450 | \$235,450 | \$1,022,630 | \$75,000 |
| 15 of 20 | 39.375 | 07-1715D | South Whidbey Soccer Field Improvements | South Whidbey Youth Soccer | \$75,000 | \$273,726 | \$348,726 | \$1,097,630 | \$75,000 |
| 17 of 20 | 39.125 | 07-1778D | Sandhill Park Field Renovation | Mason County | \$44,000 | \$47,000 | \$91,000 | \$1,141,630 | \$44,000 |
| 18 of 20 | 33.125 | 07-1968D | Benton City Community Basketball Court | Benton City of | \$62,500 | \$62,500 | \$125,000 | \$1,204,130 | \$62,500 |
| 19 of 20 | 32.625 | 07-1937D | Bowen Field Lighting | Sumas City of | \$75,000 | \$98,420 | \$173,420 | \$1,279,130 | \$75,000 |
| 19 of 20 | 32.625 | 07-1927D | Beerbower Park Renovation | McCleary City of | \$60,938 | \$60,938 | \$121,876 | \$1,340,068 | \$60,938 |
| | | | | | 1,340,068 | 6,667,671 | 8,007,739 | | 1,340,068 |

YAF-Improving category 2008 funds available are \$1,513,988. This includes the \$1,213,250 appropriation, \$91,400 from interest on funds in the YAF account, and \$191,338 in uncommitted funds. Full funding of projects 1-20 leaves an unused balance of \$173,920. Staff recommends using this balance for YAF New category projects, subject to authority granted in the supplemental capital budget.

Evaluation Scoring Summary Youth Athletic Facilities - Improving Category State Fiscal Year 2008

| Rank | Name/Sponsor | 1 Need | 2 Community Priorities | 3 Availability | 4 Facility Management | 5 Readiness to Proceed | 6 Partnership | 7 Preference for Outdoor Fields | 8 Multi- Generational Use | 9 Matching Shares | 10 Proximity to People | 11 GMA Preference | Total |
|------|---------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|--|------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|--------|
| 1 | Civic Sports Fields/Woodinville | 12.375 | 13.125 | 4.750 | 4.125 | 3.500 | 8.750 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 2.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 53.625 |
| 2 | Ellersick Memorial/Pend Oreille | 12.750 | 12.375 | 3.875 | 2.875 | 4.250 | 9.000 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | -1.000 | 49.125 |
| 3 | West Ellensburg/Ellensburg | 10.500 | 12.000 | 3.500 | 4.250 | 4.750 | 7.250 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 48.250 |
| 4 | Brannan Park Field/Auburn | 12.000 | 10.500 | 4.000 | 4.000 | 4.625 | 6.500 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 47.625 |
| 5 | Asotin County Fields/Asotin | 11.625 | 12.000 | 3.750 | 2.875 | 4.375 | 8.750 | 3.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 47.375 |
| 5 | Strawberry Mult/Poulsbo/ | 10.875 | 11.625 | 3.500 | 2.375 | 4.000 | 8.000 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 2.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 47.375 |
| 7 | Des Moines Field/Des Moines | 9.750 | 11.250 | 3.875 | 4.000 | 3.625 | 8.250 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 46.750 |
| 8 | St. Edwards State/Kenmore | 11.625 | 10.125 | 3.000 | 3.250 | 3.875 | 7.250 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 2.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 46.125 |
| 9 | Strawberry Field/Marysville | 10.875 | 10.875 | 3.500 | 3.625 | 4.250 | 6.750 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 45.875 |
| 10 | Badger Mountain/Richland | 11.250 | 10.500 | 3.625 | 3.750 | 4.000 | 7.250 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | -1.000 | 45.375 |
| 11 | Battle Point Park/Bainbridge | 11.250 | 9.375 | 3.750 | 2.375 | 3.750 | 7.750 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 2.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 45.250 |
| 12 | Sky River Park /Monroe | 11.625 | 9.750 | 3.625 | 2.500 | 3.750 | 5.250 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 42.500 |
| 13 | Volunteer Park /Key Peninsula | 10.500 | 9.375 | 3.125 | 3.125 | 3.500 | 6.250 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 41.875 |
| 14 | Mason County Rec/Mason County | 10.875 | 9.375 | 3.125 | 3.125 | 4.000 | 5.000 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | -1.000 | 39.500 |
| 15 | Vashon Athletic/Vashon Youth | 8.625 | 9.375 | 2.500 | 2.250 | 3.625 | 7.000 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 39.375 |
| 15 | South Whidbey/South Whidbey | 8.250 | 8.250 | 3.125 | 2.625 | 2.625 | 7.500 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 2.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 39.375 |
| 17 | Sandhill Park F/Mason County | 10.875 | 9.750 | 3.250 | 3.000 | 4.000 | 5.250 | 3.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | -1.000 | 39.125 |
| 18 | Benton City Com/Benton City | 10.500 | 7.125 | 3.125 | 2.625 | 3.750 | 5.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 33.125 |
| 19 | Bowen Field Lighting/Sumas | 7.875 | 7.875 | 3.125 | 1.750 | 2.500 | 4.500 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 32.625 |
| 19 | Beerbower Park /McCleary | 7.875 | 6.375 | 3.250 | 2.625 | 3.500 | 5.000 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 32.625 |

Evaluation Score Questions: 1-6

Prescore Questions: 7-11

Grant Request

City of Woodinville **\$75,000**

Civic Sports Fields Renovation

Woodinville will use this grant to complete the construction of a large, lighted, artificial turf, multi-use sports field that will house four softball and youth baseball fields and two soccer and lacrosse fields. These fields, used extensively by Little League, youth soccer, and recreation camps, are limited by poor field surface conditions, lack of lighting, damaged or obsolete equipment such as fencing backstops and bleachers, poor access for people with disabilities and no drinking fountains or covered dugouts. Seasonal closures often are required because of poor drainage. This project will increase the hours of field use from 2,337 to 5,250. Woodinville will contribute more than \$3 million cash, cash donations and two grants. The project was the top ranked project of 20 competing statewide for funding in the improving category of the Youth Athletic Facilities program. (07-1952D)

County of Pend Oreille **\$75,000**

Ellersick Memorial Soccer Field / Track Renovation

Pend Oreille County will use this grant to create a multipurpose soccer and football field and renovate a dirt track. Currently, the site includes a dirt track and a football field with an area for jumping events along one edge of the field. Crews will pave and resurface the dirt track to create an all-weather, eight-lane surface track. They also will move the jumping area out of the field, allowing the field to be striped and used for football and soccer. Newport only has an elementary, non-regulation play field for soccer. The county, along with community groups, have raised more than half the total cost of this project. The facilities are used by all ages throughout the region for activities including rodeo, baseball, soccer, football, track, skate boarding and others. Pend Oreille County will contribute \$109,717 in donations of cash, labor and materials. (07-1815D)

Ellensburg Parks & Recreation Department **\$75,000**

West Ellensburg Park Softball Lighting

Ellensburg will use this grant to install lights at two softball fields in the 72-acre West Ellensburg Park sports complex. The city has no lit softball fields. The light poles will serve the two existing fields and two future fields. More than 30 adult teams, 53 youth teams and the Morgan Middle School baseball program use the park. Ellensburg will contribute \$175,000 in cash and a grant. (07-1934D)

Grant Request

City of Auburn **\$75,000**

Brannan Park Field Lighting

Auburn will use this grant to add six new light poles and fixtures to a Brannan Park baseball field to increase use of that field and a neighboring one. Additionally volunteers from the Auburn Little League will install a pitcher's mound. Currently there is 1,056 hours of available playing time on the field and the improvements will increase playing time by 43 percent, allowing additional time for more than 53 youth and adult teams. The lights will save more than 50 percent in energy from the current lights. Auburn will contribute \$108,845. (07-1949D)

Poulsbo/North Kitsap Parks & Recreation **\$75,000**

Strawberry Multi-Use Community Fields

Poulsbo will use this grant to develop an athletic field for year-around community use at the 9-acre Strawberry Multi-use Community Fields. Work will include grading, landscaping and adding drainage structures, synthetic turf and signs. About 3,600 people actively use North Kitsap community-based recreation programs and compete for field space. The only multi-use fields in the area are owned by the North Kitsap School District, and are closed from November to March, and sometimes in the summer. A unique, multi-member partnership of public agencies and community sports and civic groups has come together to support this project. Poulsbo, the school district, Kitsap Public Facilities District, Rotary, landscaping firms, and soccer, cross-country and lacrosse teams have committed funds and volunteers. Poulsbo will contribute \$996,557 in cash and donated equipment. (07-1647D)

Asotin County Little League **\$44,630**

Asotin County Fields Phase II: Field Lights

The Asotin County Little League will use this grant to install lights on a Little League field. In addition to Little League games, the field complex hosts Babe Ruth and high school games along with other youth events. The lights will allow two games a night instead of just one. They also will increase the flexibility for scheduling practices and games and will make the field more attractive for tournaments, charity events and other public functions. Asotin County Little League will contribute \$58,800 in donations of cash, equipment, labor and materials. (07-1903D)

Grant Request

City of Des Moines **\$75,000**

Des Moines Field House Park Field #1

Des Moines will use this grant to improve a baseball field at Des Moines Field House Park, King County's first park. The work will enlarge the outfield and reposition the infield to increase distance between the playfield and dugouts and spectator seating. Both of these improvements will allow new groups, mainly teen baseball teams and adult baseball leagues, to use the field. This project also will create the only lighted baseball field in Des Moines that can be used by youth as well as adults. Specific improvements include replacing dugouts, re-grading the sloped outfield, moving a light pole, and upgrading drainage and irrigation. Des Moines will contribute \$145,862 in cash, a grant and cash donations. (07-1905D)

City of Kenmore **\$75,000**

St. Edwards State Park Field Improvement

Kenmore will use this grant to expand a 4-acre, open, grass field to allow the configuration of two fields for youth soccer and adult lacrosse and cricket. Work will include renovating a youth baseball diamond, which uses the soccer fields as an outfield, and adding a pathway around the expanded fields and two parking stalls for people with disabilities. The baseball and soccer fields have poor drainage, which limits use in the spring and the early fall. The new fields will accommodate more than 250 youth baseball and soccer players and allow for slightly longer seasonal play. Construction is expected to finish this year with the fields open in spring 2009. Kenmore will contribute \$231,741 in cash and a grant. (07-1920D)

City of Marysville **\$50,000**

Strawberry Fields Improvement

Marysville will use this grant to install a drainage system at three soccer fields, and two net systems to keep balls from entering parking lots and roads. Several months during the past three years, the park has been closed because of standing water. The drainage system is needed to allow year-round use and improve field conditions for the city's only soccer field complex. This project will dramatically improve the quality and durability of the turf and extend playing time annually. Marysville will contribute \$58,340. This grant is from the Youth Athletic Facilities program. (07-1723D)

Richland Parks & Recreation **\$75,000**

Badger Mountain Park Field Lighting

Richland will use this grant to add lighting to a field in Badger Mountain Park used for football, Lacrosse, soccer and ultimate Frisbee. Lighting of the field will increase the field's use. Richland will contribute \$95,000 in cash and donations of cash, equipment and labor. (07-1935D)

Grant Request

Bainbridge Island Soccer Club **\$75,000****Battle Point Park Development Phase II**

The Bainbridge Island Soccer Club will use this grant to renovate a sand soccer field in Battle Point Park. Work will include installing new drainage and an artificial surface. This field and a neighboring field are the only fields open in the winter in all of northern Kitsap County. This project will benefit the 4,761 local players and their visiting teams and will make the fields accessible to everyone. The soccer club is partnering with the Bainbridge Island Metropolitan Parks and Recreation District, the city of Bainbridge Island, Bainbridge Island Lacrosse Clubs and Washington State Youth Soccer Association District IV. The Bainbridge Island Soccer Club will contribute \$587,351 in cash, cash donations and a grant. (07-1793D)

City of Monroe **\$75,000****Sky River Park Sportsfields Drainage Improvements**

Monroe will use this grant to install a drainage system at four baseball and three soccer fields in the 32-acre Sky River Park. The fields are used heavily by youth and adult baseball, softball and soccer teams. The fields have been unusable October through March, and parts of April, May and September because of a lack of drainage. This drainage improvement will allow an additional 300 games and 500 practice hours annually. Monroe will contribute \$225,000. (07-1862D)

Key Peninsula Little League **\$75,000****Volunteer Park Field #1 Renovation**

The Key Peninsula Little League will use this grant to renovate a baseball field in Volunteer Park. Built on clay without any subsurface drainage, the field has flooding problems that have greatly damaged the field and led to the need for a retaining wall to protect the field from further damage. Work will include changing the irrigation system, installing new backstop fencing and increasing and improving access from the parking area to the field for people with disabilities. Volunteer Park harbors the only high school regulation baseball field, as well as the only lit playfield on Key Peninsula. These improvements will make the field more playable and increase its use. Key Peninsula Little League will contribute \$112,860 in labor, cash and donations of cash, equipment and labor. (07-1958D)

Grant Request

Mason County **\$28,000**

Mason County Recreation Area Improvements

Mason County will use this grant to renovate ball fields in the Mason County Recreation Area, a major athletic complex near Shelton. Work will include adding drainage at two fields and installing new foul poles on all seven fields. Completing this project will allow for additional play on the fields during the spring. Last spring, 91 practices and games were lost because of wet fields. Mason County Youth Baseball Association will help with the renovation. Mason County will contribute \$30,000 in cash, equipment and labor. (07-1780D)

South Whidbey Youth Soccer **\$75,000**

South Whidbey Soccer Field Improvements

The South Whidbey Youth Soccer organization will use this grant to improve three fields at the South Whidbey Sports Complex, a 30-acre site for competitive sports. The result will be an increase in playing capacity by 50 percent, as well as increased safety and water conservation. Crews will convert a sand field to a grass, multipurpose field with drainage and irrigation and install drainage systems at two other grass fields. Better grass surfaces will result in easier management and a better experience for players. South Whidbey Youth Soccer will contribute \$273,726 in voter bonds, labor, equipment, materials and donations of cash, equipment, labor and materials. (07-1715D)

Vashon Youth Baseball/Softball **\$75,000**

Vashon Athletic Field Improvements Phase I

Vashon Youth Baseball is partnering with the Vashon Park District to use this grant to expand a baseball field and improve drainage at the Vashon North elementary site. Work will include rough grading and installation of drainage and irrigation systems, new top soils, fencing, backstop, dug outs, concrete, spectator benches and disabled parking. Crews also will relocate a batting cage and plant grass. The Vashon baseball and softball group will contribute \$160,450 in cash, a voter-approved levy and donations of cash, equipment, labor and materials. (07-1818D)

Mason County **\$44,000**

Sandhill Park Field Renovation

Mason County will use this grant to renovate one of seven ball fields at Sandhill Park, a major athletic complex near Belfair. Work will include replacing a backstop, installing a new infield and drainage and improving the outfield. The improvements will nearly triple the use of the field. Mason County will contribute \$47,000 in cash, equipment, labor and donated labor. (07-1778D)

Grant Request

City of Benton **\$62,500**

Benton City Community Basketball Court

Benton City will use this grant to convert an underused tennis court complex to three, regulation size basketball courts. The basketball courts will provide an outdoor exercise alternative where youth and families can come together and gain team building and family unity skills. The project also will provide an additional area for competitive basketball leagues and teams. Benton City will contribute \$62,500. (07-1968D)

City of McCleary **\$60,938**

Beerbower Park Renovation

McCleary will use this grant to renovate Beerbower Park, a 7-acre city park in the middle of town. The park includes a Little League baseball field, softball field, basketball court and skate park. The renovation will upgrade and expand the ball fields, expanding the open grassy area and creating a larger multipurpose field. Crews will grade the fields, install an irrigation system, fix drainage problems and plant grass. Portable fencing, refurbished infields, rollaway bleachers and new basketball goals will be included. The renovations will bring the fields and basketball courts up to an acceptable standard of safe and competitive use. McCleary will contribute \$60,938 in labor, equipment and donations of cash and labor. (07-1927D)

City of Sumas **\$75,000**

Bowen Field Lighting

Sumas will use this grant to install lighting at two, new baseball fields at Bowen Field. The fields will be ready for play this spring. Adding lights will increase the numbers of teams that can use the fields and extend the length of time that tournaments can be hosted. Sumas will contribute \$98,420. (07-1937D)



STATE OF WASHINGTON

RECREATION AND CONSERVATION OFFICE

March 2008

**Item #22b: Youth Athletic Facilities Program
Funding for the New Category**

Prepared By: Marguerite Austin, Manager

Presented By: Marguerite Austin, Manager

**Approved by the
Director:**

Proposed Action: Decision

Summary

The Youth Athletic Facilities (YAF) program provides grants for acquisition, development, and renovation of community athletic facilities. Funds support projects that provide new, improved, or better-maintained outdoor athletic facilities that serve youth and communities. This year, the Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) received and reviewed 25 YAF-New category project applications requesting about \$3.1 million.

There is approximately \$1.3 million available in the YAF-New category. If signed by the Governor, the 2008-2009 Supplemental Capital Budget will allow the Board to move unused funds from one category to another, potentially increasing the amount available to about \$1.7 million. This memorandum summarizes the results of the evaluation process and staff's funding recommendations under two scenarios: one in which the Board moves unused funds to the YAF-New category, and one in which the Board does not move the funds.

Staff Recommendation

RCO staff recommends that the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board (Board) adopt the ranked list established by the Youth Athletic Facilities Advisory Committee and approve funding for the projects.

Staff further recommends approval of the remaining eligible projects as alternates. Alternate projects may be funded if additional dollars become available before the next grant round.



Staff further recommends that the Board delegate to the Director the authority to move excess funds from the YAF-Improving and YAF-Maintaining categories to the YAF-New category if the authority to move funds is approved in the supplemental capital budget.

Table 1, *Youth Athletic Facilities New Category, State Fiscal Year 2008* shows the final ranked list of projects and staff's recommendation for distributing \$1.3 to these projects. Table 2 shows how \$1.7 million would be distributed, subject to authority in the supplemental capital budget.

Resolution #2008-019 is provided for Board consideration.

Background

The Recreation and Conservation Funding Board adopted the policies in Manual #17, *Youth Athletic Facilities: 2007-08 Policies and Project Selection*, which guides implementation of the YAF grant program. Statutory references for the program are found in RCW 79A.25.800-830 and Washington Administrative Code chapter 286. YAF-New category projects are defined in Manual #17, which states:

“New” means the acquisition or development of land or structures to provide an athletic facility or facilities not previously available for youth or community athletic purposes.

Specific program policies for YAF-New category projects are:

- Funds may pay for acquisition of land.
- Property that is purchased must be developed within three years.
- Applicants may use funds for development of new athletic facilities.
- Outdoor athletic facilities are eligible, indoor facilities are not.
- Preference is given for outdoor athletic fields.
- Support elements may be funded if these items are part of a larger project that includes a primary athletic facility.
- Communities are encouraged to agree on priority projects.
- Projects that involve partnerships with “measurable value” are encouraged.
- Cities, counties, and qualified non-profit organizations are eligible to apply.
- The minimum YAF funding support is \$25,000.
- The maximum YAF funding support is \$150,000.
- Applicants must provide at least 50% of the total project cost.
- Applicants must have adequate control of the project site for at least 20 years.

Evaluation

The YAF Advisory Committee includes representatives of local agencies and nonprofit organizations, as well as citizens-at-large who are familiar with community outdoor athletics through professional experience or volunteer efforts. The committee critiqued proposals at project review meetings in Moses Lake and Olympia in November 2007. In

January, the, YAF Advisory Committee members used written evaluation packets and Board adopted criteria to score each project. Committee members who served as evaluators for this category were:

| Name | City | Agency/Organization | Position |
|------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Mike Todd | Mill Creek | Evergreen Soccer Club | Citizen-at-Large |
| Gerald Baugh | Vancouver | City of Vancouver | Local Agency - City |
| Jessi Richardson | Sammamish | City of Sammamish | Local Agency - City |
| Andrea Clay | Lakewood | Pierce County Parks & Recreation | Local Agency - County |
| James Yap | Snohomish | Snohomish County Parks Department | Local Agency - County |
| Greg Jones | Wenatchee | Wenatchee Youth Baseball | Nonprofit Organization |
| Merle Iverson | Spokane | Spokane Youth Sports Association | Nonprofit Organization |

The results of the evaluation are shown in Table 1, Youth Athletic Facilities New Category, State Fiscal Year 2008. In addition, a summary of the evaluation criteria and composite scores for each project is provided.

The post evaluation conference held February 12, 2008, provided an opportunity for evaluators to review the results of the YAF evaluations. Those participating validated the results, but expressed concern about the limited funds available for this portfolio of projects.

Funds Available

The YAF grant program initially was funded with a private donation. The 2005-2007 State Capital Budget included a separate \$2.5 million appropriation to the Youth Athletic Facility account that required the Board to secure matching funds before awarding grants. A proviso in the 2007-2009 State Capital Budget removed the match requirement and allowed the Board to expend the funds through a competitive grant program, with the stipulation that the funds be divided equally between the YAF-New and YAF-Improving categories. Subject to the Governor's signature, a proviso in the 2008 Supplemental Capital Budget will allow the Board to move unused funds from one category to another.

This table summarizes the funds available for 2008 YAF-New category projects, including funds that could be transferred from other categories.

| Youth Athletic Facilities – New Category Funds | 2008 |
|--|--------------------|
| 50% of the 2005-2007 appropriation for competitive grants | \$1,231,250 |
| Interest | \$91,400 |
| Unexpended ¹ funds from prior biennium – New category | \$10,433 |
| Subtotal, New Category | \$1,333,083 |
| Unexpended funds from the Improving category | \$173,920 |
| Unexpended funds from the Maintaining category | \$208,188 |

¹ Unexpended funds include funds not previously committed to other projects or funds from projects that could not be completed or were completed under budget.

Funds Potentially Available \$1,715,191

Analysis

RCO staff has determined that with the exception of the City of Battle Ground's project, Battle Ground Sports Complex (RCO #07-1806D)², the projects meet the eligibility criteria for Youth Athletic Facilities Program fund consideration. There are not enough funds available for all eligible projects. Unfunded projects are identified as alternates, and remain eligible for consideration should additional funds become available. Staff concurs with the Advisory Committee's recommendation to fund as many projects as is possible with available funding.

Next Steps

If the Board approves funding for these projects, RCO staff will ensure funded applicants complete post approval requirements (e.g., submittal of milestones, verification of control and tenure, etc.), execute project agreements, and begin to monitor project progress. If an applicant is unsuccessful in meeting the post approval requirements, or if additional funds become available, the ranked list of alternate projects will remain eligible for funding until the next grant round.

Attachments

Resolution #2008-019, *Youth Athletic Facilities New Category, State Fiscal Year 2008*

Table 1, *Youth Athletic Facilities New Category, Expanded List, State Fiscal Year 2008 (2008-019)*

Table 2, *Youth Athletic Facilities New Category, State Fiscal Year 2008 (2008-019)*

- A. Youth Athletic Facilities – New Category Evaluation Criteria Summary
- B. Youth Athletic Facilities – New Category Evaluation Scoring Summary
- C. Youth Athletic Facilities – New Category Synopses

² The voter bond issue did not pass, so the City of Battle Ground was unable to certify its matching share and withdrew the project from fund consideration.

RESOLUTION #2008-019
Youth Athletic Facilities - New Category
Funding for State Fiscal Year 2008

WHEREAS, twenty-five Youth Athletic Facilities New category projects are submitted for State Fiscal Year 2008 funding consideration, and

WHEREAS, all 25 Youth Athletic Facilities New category projects were evaluated against an evaluation instrument approved by the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board (Board), and

WHEREAS, 24 Youth Athletic Facilities New category projects meet program requirements as stipulated in statute and Manual #17, *Youth Athletic Facilities: 2007-08 Policies and Project Selection*, and

WHEREAS, the Youth Athletic Facilities Advisory Committee recommends adoption of the ranked list and approval of project funding as shown in *Table 1 - Youth Athletic Facilities New Category, State Fiscal Year 2008 Funding (2008-019)*, and

WHEREAS, adoption of this resolution implements strategy 3.21 of the *Recreation and Conservation Office 2007-2011 Strategic Plan* to provide grants to acquire develop and renovate Youth Athletic Facilities in urban areas;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby adopts the ranked list and approves funding for Youth Athletic Facilities New category projects as depicted in *Table 1 - Youth Athletic Facilities New Category, State Fiscal Year 2008 Funding (2008-019)*, subject to statutory authority to move unused funds from other Youth Athletic Facilities grant categories, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director is authorized to shift excess funds from the Improving and Maintaining categories to the New category if the supplemental capital budget, ESHB2765, is signed by the Governor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director be authorized to execute project agreements necessary to facilitate prompt project implementation.

Resolution moved by: _____

Resolution seconded by: _____

Adopted/Defeated/Deferred (underline one)

Date: March 28, 2008

Attachment A: Youth Athletic Facilities Evaluation Criteria

Applicants provide written responses to team-scored evaluation questions **1- 6** if submitting a grant application for:

- ▶ “New Facilities” or
- ▶ “Improving or Renovating Existing Facilities”

| <i>SUMMARY OF QUESTIONS AND SCORES FOR NEW FACILITIES AND IMPROVING EXISTING FACILITIES</i> | | | | | |
|---|----------|----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Scored by | # | Title | Max. Points | Multiplier | Total |
| Team | 1 | Need | 5 | 3 | 15 |
| Team | 2 | Community priorities | 5 | 3 | 15 |
| Team | 3 | Availability | 5 | 1 | 5 |
| Team | 4 | Facility management | 5 | 1 | 5 |
| Team | 5 | Readiness to proceed | 5 | 1 | 5 |
| Team | 6 | Partnerships | 5 | 2 | 10 |
| RCO Staff | 7 | Preference for outdoor fields | 3 | 1 | 3 |
| RCO Staff | 8 | Multi-generation use | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| RCO Staff | 9 | Matching shares | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| RCO Staff | 10 | Proximity to people | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| RCO Staff | 11 | Growth Management Act Preference | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Total possible points = 62 | | | | | |

KEY:

- RCO Staff = Question scored by RCO staff
- Team = Question scored by the evaluation team
- Title = Question title
- Max = Maximum points given by evaluators
- Multiplier = Multiplier or weight of each question

**Table 1
Youth Athletic Facilities (YAF) - New Category
State Fiscal Year 2008**

| Rank | Score | Number | Project Name | Project Sponsor | YAF Grant Amount | Sponsor Amount | Total Amount | Cumulative Request | Recommended Funding |
|----------|--------|----------|---|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1 of 25 | 50.286 | 07-1959D | Blackhills Soccer | Black Hills Community Soccer | \$105,000 | \$115,000 | \$220,000 | \$105,000 | \$105,000 |
| 2 of 25 | 48.571 | 07-1945D | Ravensdale Park Synthetic Sportsfield | King County DNR & Parks | \$150,000 | \$1,675,000 | \$1,825,000 | \$255,000 | \$150,000 |
| 3 of 25 | 48.000 | 07-1753D | Squak Valley Park South | Issaquah City of | \$100,000 | \$875,159 | \$975,159 | \$365,000 | \$100,000 |
| 4 of 25 | 47.571 | 07-1970D | Rainier Vista Playfield | Boys & Girls Clubs of King Co | \$150,000 | \$852,216 | \$1,002,216 | \$505,000 | \$150,000 |
| 5 of 25 | 46.857 | 07-1944D | West Ellensburg Park Field Construction | Ellensburg Parks & Rec Dept | \$150,000 | \$150,000 | \$300,000 | \$655,000 | \$150,000 |
| 6 of 25 | 46.429 | 07-1836D | SPARK Sports Park | Northwest Parks Foundation | \$150,000 | \$563,819 | \$713,819 | \$805,000 | \$150,000 |
| 7 of 25 | 46.000 | 07-1992D | St. Edwards State Park Field New | Kenmore City of | \$150,000 | \$568,259 | \$718,259 | \$955,000 | \$150,000 |
| 8 of 25 | 45.429 | 07-1999D | Asotin County Fields Phase II: T-Ball Field | Asotin County Little League | \$69,846 | \$75,000 | \$144,846 | \$1,024,846 | \$69,846 |
| 9 of 25 | 43.857 | 07-1929D | George Schmid Ball Fields | Washougal City of | \$150,000 | \$173,192 | \$323,192 | \$1,174,846 | \$150,000 |
| 10 of 25 | 43.571 | 07-1850D | Kelso Rotary Skate Park | Kelso City of | \$150,000 | \$255,836 | \$405,836 | \$1,324,846 | \$150,000 |
| 11 of 25 | 43.286 | 07-1711D | Gratzer Ballfields | Orting City of | \$150,000 | \$195,000 | \$345,000 | \$1,474,846 | Alternate |
| 12 of 25 | 42.857 | 07-1951D | Sixty Acres South Soccer Complex | King County DNR & Parks | \$150,000 | \$330,730 | \$480,730 | \$1,624,846 | Alternate |
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| 14 of 25 | 42.429 | 07-1796D | Amy Yee Tennis Center Outdoor Court | Seattle Parks & Rec Dept | \$150,000 | \$317,000 | \$467,000 | \$1,968,643 | Alternate |
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| 17 of 25 | 40.857 | 07-1755D | West Fenwick Basketball Court | Kent Parks, Rec & Comm Serv | \$75,000 | \$251,569 | \$326,569 | \$2,182,607 | Alternate |
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| 22 of 25 | 35.286 | 07-1806D | Battle Ground Sports Complex | Battle Ground City of | \$150,000 | \$209,262 | \$359,262 | \$2,716,063 | \$0 |
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| | | | | | 3,099,063 | 9,455,730 | 12,554,793 | | 1,324,846 |

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Prepared: 02/29/2008

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NOTE: Battle Ground Sports Complex, sponsor unable to provide match.

Prepared: 02/29/2008

Evaluation Scoring Summary
Youth Athletic Facilities - New Category
State Fiscal Year 2008

| Rank | Name/Sponsor | 1 Need | 2 Community Priorities | 3 Availability | 4 Facility Management | 5 Readiness to Proceed | 6 Partnership | 7 Preference for Outdoor Fields | 8 Multi- Generational Use | 9 Matching Shares | 10 Proximity to People | 11 GMA Preference | Total |
|------|-------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|--|------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|--------|
| 1 | Blackhills Socc/Black Hills | 12.429 | 12.000 | 3.571 | 3.857 | 4.143 | 8.286 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 50.286 |
| 2 | Ravensdale Park/King County | 11.571 | 11.143 | 4.143 | 3.286 | 3.714 | 7.714 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 2.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 48.571 |
| 3 | Squak Valley Pa/Issaquah | 12.000 | 11.143 | 3.286 | 4.000 | 4.143 | 7.429 | 3.000 | 0.000 | 2.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 48.000 |
| 4 | Rainier Vista P/Boys & Girls | 12.000 | 10.286 | 4.000 | 2.571 | 4.286 | 7.429 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 2.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 47.571 |
| 5 | West Ellensburg/Ellensburg | 11.571 | 11.571 | 2.571 | 3.857 | 4.286 | 8.000 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 46.857 |
| 6 | SPARK Sports Pa/Northwest | 11.143 | 10.714 | 4.143 | 2.571 | 2.571 | 8.286 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 2.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 46.429 |
| 7 | St. Edwards Sta/Kenmore | 11.571 | 9.857 | 3.143 | 3.286 | 3.714 | 7.429 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 2.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 46.000 |
| 8 | Asotin County F/Asotin County | 10.714 | 12.000 | 3.143 | 2.857 | 4.429 | 8.286 | 3.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 45.429 |
| 9 | George Schmid B/Washougal | 12.429 | 9.857 | 3.143 | 2.000 | 4.286 | 7.143 | 3.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 43.857 |
| 10 | Kelso Rotary Sk/Kelso | 9.857 | 12.000 | 3.429 | 3.143 | 4.143 | 8.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 43.571 |
| 11 | Gratzer Ballfie/Orting | 10.286 | 10.286 | 3.714 | 2.857 | 4.143 | 6.000 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 43.286 |
| 12 | Sixty Acres Sou/King County | 10.286 | 9.000 | 2.571 | 3.857 | 4.000 | 7.143 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 42.857 |
| 13 | Liberty Lake Sk/Liberty Lake | 12.000 | 11.143 | 3.000 | 3.714 | 3.714 | 6.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 42.571 |
| 14 | Lions Park Socc/Wapato | 9.857 | 9.857 | 3.714 | 2.429 | 3.286 | 8.286 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 42.429 |
| 14 | Amy Yee Tennis /Seattle | 11.143 | 9.857 | 3.571 | 3.857 | 4.143 | 6.857 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 42.429 |
| 16 | Malaga Communit/Chelan | 12.000 | 12.000 | 3.429 | 1.857 | 2.429 | 7.429 | 3.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | -1.000 | 41.143 |
| 17 | West Fenwick Ba/Kent | 9.000 | 10.286 | 3.714 | 3.143 | 4.429 | 6.286 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 2.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 40.857 |
| 18 | College Marketp/Poulsbo/ | 11.143 | 8.571 | 3.571 | 2.000 | 3.286 | 5.714 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 40.286 |
| 19 | Ace of Hearts B/Anacortes | 9.429 | 9.000 | 2.857 | 3.286 | 3.143 | 5.429 | 3.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 38.143 |
| 20 | Cheney Hoop it /Cheney | 10.714 | 10.286 | 3.571 | 2.429 | 3.714 | 4.857 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | -1.000 | 37.571 |
| 21 | Lauzier Sports /Quincy | 9.429 | 9.429 | 3.286 | 3.571 | 4.429 | 4.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 37.143 |
| 22 | Battle Ground S/Battle Ground | 10.286 | 7.714 | 3.429 | 2.429 | 2.000 | 3.429 | 3.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 35.286 |
| 23 | Duthie Hill Mou/King County | 8.143 | 9.000 | 3.571 | 2.857 | 2.857 | 5.714 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 35.143 |
| 24 | Benton City Com/Benton City | 9.000 | 9.000 | 2.714 | 1.857 | 3.286 | 6.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 2.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 34.857 |
| 25 | Torguson Park C/North Bend | 7.286 | 8.143 | 4.000 | 1.857 | 3.714 | 4.286 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 1.000 | 0.000 | 31.286 |

Evaluation Score Questions: 1-6

Prescore Questions: 7-11

Youth Athletic Facilities (YAF)

New Category

State Fiscal Year 2008 Projects
(In Evaluation Ranked Order)

Grant Request

Black Hills Community Soccer **\$105,000**

Black Hills Soccer Complex/Lights, Irrigation, Trail

Black Hills Community Soccer will use this grant to complete development of year-round soccer fields at a new soccer complex south of Olympia. Work will include buying and installing irrigation equipment, goals and nets for all ten fields and lighting for two fields. The new fields will relieve the overuse of school fields, which host school use, baseball and football. In addition, the new fields will enable fall and winter evening play for competitive teams. Black Hills Community Soccer will contribute \$115,000 in cash and donations of cash, equipment, labor and materials. This project was the top ranked project of 25 competing for funding in the new category of the Youth Athletic Facilities program. (07-1959D)

King County Department of Natural Resources & Parks **\$150,000**

Ravensdale Park Synthetic Sportsfield Development

King County will use this grant to develop two synthetic turf sports fields at Ravensdale Park for soccer, Lacrosse and football. Work will include adding parking, lights and drainage. Construction is expected to begin this year and be completed in 2009. In the past 15 years, the population of the service area, which roughly covers the Tahoma School District, has more than doubled from to 34,000 residents. Local youth soccer leagues have been forced to limit participation due to lack of available sports fields. The county is partnering with the Ravensdale Park Fund, a consortium of park user groups, which has committed to providing \$500,000. King County will contribute \$1.6 million in cash and donations of cash, equipment and labor. (07-1945D)

City of Issaquah **\$100,000**

Squak Valley Park South

Issaquah will use this grant to develop five acres of a 12-acre site as a community park. The park will have three soccer fields of natural grass with drainage, picnic facilities, a restroom, park furniture, a 72-car parking lot, automatic irrigation and landscaping. The park site will serve an area of the city that has no parks, as well as increase the number of fields for the city's expanding soccer and sports teams, such as Lacrosse and youth football. Issaquah will contribute \$875,159 in cash, a local grant and donated equipment. (07-1753D)

Boys & Girls Clubs of King County **\$150,000**

Rainier Vista Playfield

This project will construct a new multi-sport playfield adjacent to the soon to be completed Rainier Vista Boys and Girls Club. The Rainier Vista Playfield will be a valuable asset to the Seattle Housing Authority's Rainier Vista development and the Southeast Seattle community. Able to accommodate football, baseball, and soccer games, the playfield will be built using artificial turf that makes it accessible and usable

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year-round. The Rainier Vista community is in desperate need of safe places with meaningful activities led by caring adults for our kids, and the Rainier Vista playfield has brought together community partners to make that dream a reality. The Seattle Housing Authority, City of Seattle, King County, and the Boys & Girls Clubs of King County envision a playfield that is constantly filled with youth playing football, soccer, and baseball. Thousands of kids' lives will be transformed through the completion of this vital project. (07-1970D)

Ellensburg Parks & Recreation Department **\$150,000**
West Ellensburg Park Field Construction

Ellensburg will use this grant to build a full-sized baseball field at West Ellensburg Park, the city's 72-acre sports complex. The baseball field will serve youth baseball teams and baseball programs at Morgan Middle School, Ellensburg High School and Central Washington University. By adding a third, full-sized baseball field, Ellensburg hopes to become the baseball tournament capital of Washington. Ellensburg will contribute \$150,000 in cash and donations of cash, equipment and labor. (07-1944D)

Northwest Parks Foundation **\$150,000**
SPARK Sports Park

The Northwest Parks Foundation will use this grant to build a multi-purpose sports field in unincorporated south King County. Providing more than 5,400 new hours of recreation capacity, this field will be one of five fields that will provide custom field configurations for youth and amateur soccer, football, lacrosse, rugby, field hockey and ultimate disk sports as part of a larger destination recreation facility called SPARK. Under the leadership of Northwest Parks Foundation, the SPARK project is the result of the combined efforts of several community groups, youth sports groups, government leaders and businesses. Originally conceived by King County four years ago, SPARK will help address the documented dearth of tournament facilities statewide. Northwest Parks Foundation will contribute \$563,819 in cash, a grant and donations of labor and materials. (07-1836D)

City of Kenmore **\$150,000**
St. Edwards State Park Field New Construction

Kenmore will use this grant to develop two youth baseball diamonds, landscape adjacent areas, expand parking and create pathways to the fields at Saint Edwards State Park. The two diamonds will allow use of the fields by youth baseball. Currently, youth sports organizations use four private fields at Bastyr University, which may be lost to development this year. It is critical that the new fields be added so the youth programs may continue. The new fields will accommodate more than 300 youth baseball players, 150 youth soccer players and softball players, as well as adult cricket and lacrosse. Construction of the fields is set for 2008 with the fields open for play in

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spring 2009. Kenmore will contribute \$568,259 in cash and a grant. (07-1992D)

Asotin County Little League \$69,846

Asotin County Fields Phase II: T-Ball Field

The Asotin County Little League will use this grant to add a T-Ball field with supporting parking and restrooms at its Little League complex. With completion of a T-ball field, the complex will be able to handle the entire Little League program. Currently T-ball, which makes up 25 percent of the program, is played on a local school football field. The completion of an additional field will allow greater flexibility in scheduling games and practices. More than 500 youth will participate at events at this complex. This project has been realized by a continuing partnership with community volunteers, local businesses and the Little League and Babe Ruth organizations. The Little League expects to complete the project using an all volunteer labor. Asotin County Little League will contribute \$75,000 in donations of cash, equipment, labor and materials. (07-1999D)

City of Washougal \$150,000

George Schmid Ball Fields

Washougal will use this grant to develop the second of three little league baseball fields at the George Schmid Memorial Baseball Fields complex. The completion of the fields, and the complex as a whole, is critical to maintain recreational opportunities for children and adults, open Washougal to host regional or statewide tournaments and stimulate civic involvement and pride. Project partners and community support include the Washougal School District, East Clark County Little League and George Schmid Construction. Washougal will contribute \$173,192. (07-1929D)

City of Kelso \$150,000

Kelso Rotary Skate Park

Kelso will use this grant to build a 12,000-square-foot, competitive skate park. The professionally designed skate course will feature bowl and simulated street elements suitable for all levels of skate competition and recreational-level activities. Work will include landscaping, seating and sidewalks. The Kelso City Council endorsed the project, designating it as one of the city's highest development priorities. A community partnership involving the city, the Kelso Rotary Club, local business and local skateboarders has developed. The Kelso Rotary Skate Park will be built next to a city park. Kelso will contribute \$255,836 in cash, equipment, labor, a grant and donations of cash and materials. (07-1850D)

Alternates

City of Orting **\$150,000**
Gratzer Ballfields

This proposal will construct one baseball field and one softball field on approximately 2.5 acres at the city's newest park, Gratzer Park. The ballfields will be sized for multi-generation use and will serve the needs of the people who live in and around the outskirts of the city. Each field will support 25-40 players per team with a number of leagues coming from Orting and neighboring areas. (07-1711D)

King County Department of Natural Resources & Parks **\$150,000**
Sixty Acres South Soccer Complex

King County Parks is seeking a \$150,000 Youth Athletic Facilities grant to support the development of 2 of 7 grass soccer fields on a 35-acre area that will become Sixty Acres South. The project will include the construction of athletic fields, parking, and related infrastructure, such as benches, picnic tables, restrooms, and landscaping. The county's partner on this project is Lake Washington Youth Soccer Association, which manages the 16-field Sixty Acres Soccer Complex and serves more than 500 teams and nearly 7,000 youth players. The development of Sixty Acres South will greatly expand the park's capacity, making it one of the region's largest grass soccer complexes. (07-1951D)

City of Liberty Lake **\$86,197**
Liberty Lake Skate Park

The City of Liberty Lake will partner with the Liberty 5-0 Skate Park Committee to construct an 8,000 sq ft community skate park at Pavillion Park. The site will be a modular park with design elements that will appeal to the beginner and intermediate level riders. The park will provide a safe, fun, free, accessible, family-focused facility for skating/BMX enthusiasts of all ages, diverting young people from using public park amenities and natural features such as benches, trees, and curbs and providing a place for kids to develop coordination and skills improvement. (07-1963D)

City of Wapato **\$107,600**
Lions Park Soccer Fields

The City of Wapato will use this grant to develop two full size soccer fields at its most popular community destination, Lions Park. Lions Park serves over 4,000 people from the City and the lower Yakima Valley Region. Additional athletic fields are needed to support the growing need for organized (league) sports activities and tournament play throughout the region. (07-1779D)

Youth Athletic Facilities (YAF)**New Category**

State Fiscal Year 2008 Projects

(In Evaluation Ranked Order)

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Seattle Parks & Recreation Department **\$150,000****Amy Yee Tennis Center Outdoor Court Expansion**

This project will build two new tennis courts at the Amy Yee Tennis Center (AYTC) in Seattle. AYTC is a regional hub for tennis in Western Washington, providing access to year-round public tennis for Seattle's diverse tennis community. With 10 indoor courts and 4 outdoor courts, it is the largest public indoor/outdoor court facility in the Seattle area. This popular facility is visited an estimated 700,000 times per year. (07-1796D)

Chelan County **\$138,964****Malaga Community Park**

The scope of this project is to build a competitive youth baseball field and restroom facility on a portion of the new community park. This will become the only park in Malaga. Currently, citizens have to travel approximately six miles to the nearest park. Malaga and the surrounding area is home to 4,500 people, approximately 215 kids between the ages of 5-12. (07-1974D)

Kent Parks, Recreation & Community Services **\$75,000****West Fenwick Basketball Court**

This grant will aid in relocating an existing basketball court that is currently in the parking lot of West Fenwick Park to a more safe location approximately 100 yards east of its current location adjacent to a paved walkway. The court will be increased from its current 1/2 size court to a full high school regulation size. A concrete band will border the asphalt court to inhibit grass from encroaching into the court. An all weather sport surface will be applied on top of the asphalt to protect the asphalt and increase its lifecycle. (07-1755D)

Poulsbo/North Kitsap Parks & Recreation **\$150,000****College Marketplace Multipurpose Fields**

The scope of this project is to develop two athletic fields for use by the residents and constituents of Poulsbo. The primary work that will be accomplished during phase 1 includes field improvements such as drainage, irrigation, grass, and landscaping. Future improvements will include parking, a playground and restrooms. These fields will host organized youth and adult soccer and lacrosse programs, which currently serve 1200+ youth and 8 adult soccer teams, three lacrosse teams and a preschool sports program. (07-1860D)

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Anacortes Parks & Recreation Department **\$52,500**

Ace of Hearts Baseball/Fastpitch Field

Anacortes Parks & Recreation would use this grant to construct a baseball/fastpitch field as part of a new park called Ace of Hearts Creek/Rotary Park. The Ace of Hearts Park site has already been cleared and graded through donated labor, material and equipment. This grant would help complete the drainage, field irrigation, grass, and fencing and make the field playable for area youth. (07-1942D)

City of Cheney **\$35,600**

Cheney Hoop it Up

Project "Hoop it Up" is designed to provide the Cheney community with a full sized, paved basketball court located outside of the Wren Pierson Community Center. There are currently no outdoor, full sized basketball courts in Cheney's park system. The purpose of project "Hoop it Up" is to provide an atmosphere for the community that appeal to a variety of needs. This facility will be available for drop-in play to anyone in the community during regular park hours. (07-1924D)

City of Quincy **\$145,356**

Lauzier Sports Complex Tennis Court

This new development project will construct four new tennis courts and install a multi-user restroom at the Paul Lauzier Sports Complex in the City of Quincy. This project is the second phase in the comprehensive plan for the Paul Lauzier Sports Complex, which was developed in part with IAC funds awarded in 2003. The project consists of pouring four concrete courts, applying rubberized court surface, painting the court surfaces for regulation tournament play, installation of poles, nets and handicapped-accessible gate, chain link fencing and lighting. The flush-style restroom is a concrete pre-cast model that will have the capacity for two users of each gender and will be fully handicapped accessible. The proposed courts will double the number of available courts in the City of Quincy, will expand recreational options for current area residents and newcomers, and will be used for school tennis team practices and competitions. (07-1730D)

City of Battle Ground **\$150,000**

Battle Ground Sports Complex

This project proposes the development of a 300' adult baseball field and a 200' youth baseball field. These fields will be part of a larger sports complex that will contain six softball/baseball fields ranging in size from 150' to 300'. The other fields in this complex are not part of this grant request. (07-1806D)

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King County Department of Natural Resources & Parks **\$150,000**

Duthie Hill Mountain Bike Race Park

King County Parks is seeking \$150,000 to support the Duthie Hill Mountain Bike Race Park. Built in the heart of the 120-acre Duthie Hill Park, the race park will be a distinct facility, offering a spectator-friendly course in a true backcountry trail setting. Duthie Hill, which will be the only public site of its kind within 90 miles of Seattle, will provide 3 distinct cycling experiences on nearly 10 miles of free ride trails, a looping cross-country race course, and a dirt jump facility. Parks is partnering with Backcountry Bicycle Trails Club, the state's leading mountain bike advocacy group, to design and construct the course. BBTC will provide with 2,000 hours of volunteer labor and in-kind services, as well as help maintain the facility in the long term. (07-1950D)

City of Benton **\$150,000**

Benton City Community Aquatic Park

This planning, design and construction project will build a 3,350 square foot bathhouse with ADA accessibility and locker/changing areas. A six lane 25-yard outdoor competitive lap pool will include lane markers, starting blocks and lane lines for competitions. Diving board(s) and a slide will be included as well. Additional elements will include parking and landscaping. This is the first phase of completing the community aquatic park master plan. Phase two includes a 4,500 square foot zero depth leisure/wading pool with child friendly play structures and a water slide. The site for this project is a newly acquired community park which will address the community's needs for additional park space that will include a much-needed soccer field. (07-1726D)

City of North Bend **\$83,000**

Torguson Park Climbing Rock

Torguson Park consists of 17 acres of which one acre is designated for this project. The project consists of the design, purchase, and installation of an approximately 30' high outdoor climbing wall. Participants will vary in age, which will increase the participation and enhance the opportunities that can be developed to use the proposed climbing wall as a sport competition throughout the Snoqualmie Valley and regional competition, as well as, national competition. Their objective is to partner with Si View Metropolitan Park District and Pro Guiding (local vendor) to offer instructional classes and sports competition tournaments. (07-1930D)