



## Oregon Statewide Trails Plan

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### STATEWIDE TRAILS PLAN ISSUES WORKSHOPS

#### SOUTHCENTRAL REGION

##### Klamath Falls General Public Session (Evening) 4/15/03 (Southcentral Region includes Klamath and Lake Counties)

##### Motorized Trail Issues

YY. There is a need for interagency cooperation for development of a seamless long-range trail system across jurisdictional boundaries (5 dots).

ZZ. There is a need for increased management (safety, environmental, and regulatory) of OHV riding areas within the region (4 dots).

WW. There is a need for good information on motorized riding opportunities in the region including current information on closures and trail conditions (such as information available for motorized opportunities in central Oregon) (2 dots).

XX. There is a need for close-to-home motorized riding opportunities in the region (1 dot).

YY. Many motorized riding areas in the region (e.g. Prospect) are closed for much of the year due to snow and fire conditions. There is a strong need to keep such riding areas open for longer periods over the course of the year (1 dot).

ZZ. Regarding comment YY—this comment is misguided. Prospect's trails are closed part of the year for numerous reasons including wildlife concerns (Elk) and yes indeed fire concerns. I think OHV users should be confined to roads. If they used roads, especially major system roads, they would not be shut down due to the concerns that restrict them now. Prospect needs to adhere to its soil standards and guidelines and not trouble itself with more OHV use (web-based comment).

AAA. There is a need for a better balance in how we develop, manage and fund motorized riding areas in the region. There is also a need for a wider variety of riding opportunities (1 dot).

BBB. There is a need to make motorized management decisions based on sound scientific information (1 dot).

CCC. Regarding comment BBB, which begs the question...just what science is the State relying on when considering additional motorized recreation trails (on-line comment)?

DDD. There are opportunities for shared multi-use trails/facilities such as winter snowmobile trails used by motorized and non-motorized users during the summer months (1 dot).

EEE. There is a need to prepare policy and management structures to accommodate personal mobility devices (Segways). We need to address the question of what trails will they be allowed on or restricted from use (0 dots).

FFF. There is a need for adequately sized snow parks with sufficient trailhead facility development (0 dots).

GGG. There is a need for new locations for trail grooming equipment and facilities (0 dots).

HHH. There is a concern that designation of motorized areas with rules and regulations results in a loss of riding opportunities within the region (0 dots).

### **Non-Motorized Trail Issues**

III. There is a need for better education/information on the sharing of multi-use trails within the region (e.g. multi-use coalition) (8 dots).

JJJ. There is a need for policies/assistance on properly handling the homeless on trails and trail related facilities within the region. There is a need to consider policies related to law enforcement, need to view trails as a family place and a community resource, and impacts on the availability of trail facilities (e.g. locked restrooms) (3 dots).

KKK. There are opportunities for sharing/multiple-use of trail facilities within the region (e.g. snowmobile, summer motorized, non-motorized- fire season closures) (3 dots).

LLL. There is a need for connectivity of trails systems within the region linking parks, public facilities and communities. There is also an opportunity to build connections between urban and wilderness trails (2 dots).

MMM. There is a need to prepare policy and management structures to accommodate personal mobility devices (Segways). We need to address the question of what trails will they be allowed on or restricted from use (1 dot).

NNN. There is a need to recognize that trails are an economic opportunity for communities because of their contribution of the overall quality of life (1 dot).

OOO. There is a need for trail etiquette information such as leave no trace, tread lightly, tolerance, respect and stewardship information (0 dots).

PPP. Urban trails need to be considered as an important component of the urban transportation system (0 dots).

QQQ. There is a need for a web site containing information on where existing trail opportunities are available within the region (0 dots).

RRR. There is a need for more diverse use (motorized and non-motorized) trails within the region (0 dots).

### **Water Trail Issues**

SSS. There is a need for adequate public properties along water trails to reduce conflicts with private-land owners (8 dots).

TTT. There is a need for public access on some waterways (e.g. Applegate) and information on points of water access (8 dots).

UUU. Due to seasonal water variation, there is a need to provide good seasonal use information for water trails within the region (1 dot).

VVV. There is already a good base of water-related industry and users within the region (0 dots).