

# Oregon Parks accepting applications for 2018 conservation grants

The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) has officially opened the grant cycle for the 2018 Land Water Conservation Fund (LWCF).

More than \$3 million in assistance is available for development and rehabilitation

of public outdoor recreation areas and facilities, as well as land acquisition. Eligible recipients include cities, counties, METRO, ports, park and recreation districts, tribes and state agencies.

The application deadline is March 2. The online grant

application, along with instructions and other forms, are available at [www.oregon.gov/oprd/grants](http://www.oregon.gov/oprd/grants).

Returning applicants should use their account username and password. New applicants must request an account by going to [oprdrgrants.org](http://oprdrgrants.org).

OPRD will conduct two workshops in January 2018 to familiarize applicants with the grant process. The first is an in-person session on Jan. 9, from 10 a.m. to noon in Salem.

The second workshop is a webinar on Jan. 10, 10 a.m. to noon. Content at both work-

shops will be the same.

Registration is required for both.

Contact Michele Scalise, OPRD lead grant program coordinator, at [michele.scalise@oregon.gov](mailto:michele.scalise@oregon.gov).

The Land Water Conservation Fund grants pro-

vide assistance to state and local governments for acquiring and developing public outdoor recreation areas and facilities.

Since 1964, this national grant has awarded more than \$55 million for Oregon recreational areas and facilities.



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Siuslaw junior Alyssa Richards had a double-double in the Crossover Tourney opener, with 15 points and 17 rebounds.

## Viks from 1B

also from the Skyline League, with the Knights ending Siuslaw's winning streak, 56-40.

The Lady Viks, meanwhile, opened the tournament battling Phoenix in what became a hotly contested battle down to the final seconds. Despite a double-double from junior post Alyssa Richards, who scored 15 points

and 17 rebounds along with 9 blocked shots, the Pirates managed a narrow 34-33 win.

Siuslaw also got scoring from freshman Brea Blankenship (5), freshman Lindsey Long (4), junior Madison Reynolds (4), sophomore Mia Collins (3) and senior Carreina Greenburg (2).

Off the boards, Collins had 10 rebounds, along with 5 rebounds each from Blankenship, Reynolds and Greenburg.

Long had 4 rebounds for Siuslaw.

The next day, the Lady Viks managed to get scoring from eight members of their roster, with Blankenship posting a team-high 4 points in a low-scoring loss to North Valley, 18-36.

Richards led the team in rebounds with 9, and Collins had 5 blocked shots.

Friday, Siuslaw will be at home to begin the Far West

League season. The girls will tip off first at 6 p.m., followed by the boys at 7:30 p.m.

That evening, fans will also get a chance to be a part of the official dedication of the court during a special halftime ceremony during the varsity boys game honoring its namesake, past Siuslaw School District Superintendent Glenn Butler.

## Fishing from 1B

there is no wild coho salmon retention in 2017.

**NORTH COAST LAKES:** Trout stocking is complete for the year. Cape Meares, Town, Coffenbury, Lost and Sunset lakes were stocked with "trophy" rainbow trout in late September.

Cedar Creek Hatchery has stocked over 160 surplus summer steelhead in Town Lake near Pacific City so far this

fall. These fish get fairly active in the lake and offer a unique fishing experience. Once in the lake they are considered "trout" and do not require a Combined Angling Tag.

Anglers are reminded, however, that only one trout per day over 20-inches may be retained, and these fish will all be in that size range.

**MID COAST LAKES:** Olalla Reservoir has been stocked with about 100 surplus summer steelhead this season.

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Once in the lake they are considered "trout" and do not require a Combined Angling Tag.

Anglers are reminded, however, that only one trout per day over 20 inches may be retained, and these fish will all be in that size range.

Mid coast lakes been stocked with trout throughout the spring. Trout stocking has ended for the year but there

still should be fish around to catch.

**ALSEA RIVER: Steelhead, Chinook**

Fall Chinook fishing is slow to fair. Anglers are reminded that there is no wild coho salmon retention in 2017.

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# Razor clamming re-opened along part of Oregon coast

The Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) announce the reopening of razor clamming from the south jetty of the Umpqua River, south of Reedsport, to the south jetty of Coos Bay as domoic acid levels have dropped below the alert level.

The harvesting of razor clams remains closed from Cascade Head, north of Lincoln City, to the south jetty of the Umpqua River and from the south jetty of Coos Bay to the California border.

This includes all beaches and bays.

Along with the area just reopened, clamming remains open from the Columbia River to Cascade Head.

ODA will continue to test for shellfish toxins every other week, as tides permit.

Reopening of an area requires two consecutive tests in the safe range.

For more information, call ODA's shellfish safety information hotline at 800-448-2474 or visit the ODA shellfish closures site at [www.oda.direct/ShellfishClosures](http://www.oda.direct/ShellfishClosures).

## Siuslaw from 1B

Jake Stevens of Sisters in the match for third place.

Other wrestlers for the Viks included Gavin Pitcher, who went 2-2 at 126 lbs.; Elijah LaCrosse, who went 4-1 to place fifth at 126 lbs.; Patrick Hill, a 132-pounder who went 1-2; and Sal Sierra, who was 1-2 at 145 lbs.

Mountainview won the meet with 446.5 points, followed by Bend (252), Sisters (124), Summit (117), Madras (104), Ridgeview (102), Siuslaw (87), Sunnyslope

(34), Homedale (24), and Ontario and Thurston, which tied for 10th (0).

"The team is doing very well and the growth is wide spread," said Siuslaw coach Neil Wartnik. "Our leaders are leading and our younger wrestlers are listening and trying hard to apply what they're learning."

This Saturday, Siuslaw will host its annual Nick Lutz Invitational, which will bring more than a dozen teams from all divisions to the mats.

Matches begin at 9 a.m. with the finals expected to begin at approximately 5 p.m.

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**ATHLETE OF THE WEEK**



**Patrick Hill**  
Senior



**BOWLING**

**Siuslaw H.S. BOWLING**

**Highlight:** Siuslaw senior Patrick Hill is Coast Radio's athlete of the week after leading the Vikings' boys bowling team to a second-place finish in Sunday's tournament. Hill also was 4-1 at 132 pounds at the Far West League Duals wrestling meet.

**Honorable Mention**

**Alyssa Richards**  
Basketball

**Highlight:** Vikings junior Alyssa Richards is honorable mention following a 15-point, 17-rebound game against Phoenix.

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