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FUNDING REQUEST 2024-2025



Report and request for continued funding

Motorized Non-Motorized

PATROL AREA – Provide name of Sno-Parks / Trail System(s) patrolled

The Mt. Baker Ranger District on the Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest.

This includes 35 kilometers of non-motorized Sno-Park trails at Salmon Ridge. Occasional non-motorized use is observed at the motorized Sno-Parks on the district.

TOTAL FUNDS REQUESTED						
\$ Motorized \$4,200.00 Non-Motorized						
TOTAL FUNDS / IN-KIND SERVICES / MATERIALS PROVIDED TOTAL VALUE OF PARTNERSHIP						
	\$8,328.00 \$12,528.00					

NAME OF APPLICANT	NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE		
Mt. Baker Ranger District	Nikolai Ferrell		
APPLICANT MAILING ADDRESS	TITLE		
810 SR 20	Recreation Manager		
CITY, STATE, ZIP	E-MAIL ADDRESS		
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TELEPHONE NUMBER & EXTENSION	FAX NUMBER		
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CONTACT PERSON (if different than above)	TITLE		
MAILING ADDRESS (if different than above)	E-MAIL ADDRESS		
CITY, STATE, ZIP	TELEPHONE NUMBER & EXTENSION		

List the Sno-Park, single vehicle capacity and estimated average percentage of vehicle use for each (if additional space is needed, add an additional sheet).

Sno-Park Name		Sno-Park Name	Vehicle Capacity	Estimate Average Percentage of Vehicle Use			
				Weekends/Holiday Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile	Weekday Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile Users		
SA		MON RIDGE	60	60 100/0			
				/	/		
 1.	D	ate enforcement began December	1, 2023. Date enfo	rcement ended March 8, 2024			
2.	а.	How many officer days per seas					
	b.	Of the total days per season, ho education/enforcement?					
		1 Sun 1 Mon 0 Tues 1 Wed 1	Thurs 4 Fri 3 Sat				
		*Officer days – any portion of a day when		g/enforcing (one day/two officers = tw	o officer days).		
3.	Tł	his past season, how many calend	ar days did your ag	ency provide education/enfor	cement? 11		
4.		hat is the average number of Sno-					
5.		verage amount of time spent in ea		I: <u>45 minutes - Salmon Ridge</u>	<u>Only</u>		
6.	W	hat percentage of patrol hours occ					
	a.	Weekends/holidays <u>36</u> %	+ Weekdays	<u>64</u> % = 100%			
	b.	Parking lot patrol <u>64</u> % +	Trail patrol	<u>36</u> % = 100%			
7.	Тс	otal number of personal contacts for	or season. <u>22</u>				
8.	Тс	otal number of users in areas patro	olled for season. <u>30</u>	00			
9.	a.	Total number of vehicles parked	l in Sno-Parks for s	eason. <u>2000</u>			
	b.	What is your formula/method to	determine the cour	nt? Projections from LE log sh	<u>eets Dec 23' – Mar 24'.</u>		
10.		Number of citations issued. 0 O	f this total, <u>0</u> are pa	rking and 0 are on trails/regis	trations.		
		Number of citations for registration					
11.		Number of warnings issued. 10					
		No SnoPark Permit,		,			
12.		Please give an approximate perc <u>10</u> % of personal contacts resulti					
		70% of vehicles displaying a val	id sno-park permit o	during parking lot patrol			

<u>N/A</u> of snowmobiles displaying a valid registration during trail patrol.

- 13. Do the officers employed under the funding provided have the authority to issue citations? Yes
- 14. Provide a brief summary of the 2023-2024 season to include:
 - a) A description of an average education/enforcement day and participation in safety training classes, local

grooming council meetings, area trail council meetings, etc.

Use was below average due to snow conditions. Maintained existing Sno-Park related signs. Enforced regulations at one nor motorized Sno-Park. Contacted users while performing partols to inform and educate users about the Sno-Park Program, permit requirement, regulations, snow safety, rules of the trail and trail ethics and provide education on winter recreational opportunities in the area. Coordinated with Nooksack Nordic Ski Club for management of the area.

b) Describe your complaint process (how are they recorded and tracked), the number and kind of complaints received, recurring themes and issues, and any known conflict between user groups.

Due to the location of the Salmon Ridge Sno-Park being right off the Mt. Baker Highway, visitors arrived in the Sno-Park expecting to play in the snow and did not realize that a permit was required to park there. Many users expressed strong feelings regarding their confusion between the Sno-Park Pass, the Discover Pass, the Northwest Forest Pass, and the America the Beautiful Pass. The fact that yet another pass was needed to recreate on public lands was a of high frustration for many visitors to the Salmon Ridge Sno-park. There were no known conflicts between user groups. Snowshoers were accommodating and mostly stayed off the groomed trails. Visitors with dogs kept them off the groomed trails.

15. How is on the trail enforcement provided? What would you need to make on the trail enforcement more effective?

At Salmon Ridge, all users can be reached at the parking lot and the educational aspect of the program can be accomplished talking to visitors before they begin their ski trip. Field contact provides the opportunity to inform users about common courtesy on the trails.

16. How is Sno-Park enforcement provided? What would you need to make Sno-Park enforcement more effective?

As hosting land management agency, we provide information to winter recreation visitors in person at Sno-Park trailheads, distribute printed material and post regulatory signs. Our law enforcement personnel patrol the SnoPark areas for compliance with SnoPark and Forest Service regulations and issue warnings and citations as needed.

Better signing along the highway before the visitor reaches the Sno-Park would improve the publics' knowledge of the Sno-Park program. Many visitors arrive not knowing Salmon Ridge requires a Sno-Park permit to park and recreate. Grant funds are essential to provide education and enforcement at Salmon Ridge Sno-Park.

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NOTE: THIS APPLICATION IS FOR

ONGOING EDUCATION & ENFORCEMENT REPORT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED FUNDING

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APPLICANT AGENCY

US Forest Service, Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest, Mt Baker Ranger District

(A) TYPE OF COST – ITEMIZE ALL COST TYPES, i.e., salaries, benefits, vehicle operation, supplies, etc.

(B) FUNDS BEING REQUESTED - DOLLAR AMOUNT FOR EACH COST TYPE.

(C) NATURE OF MATCHING, COST SHARING OR VOLUNTEER SERVICES PROVIDED - EXPLAIN SERVICES PROVIDED.

(D) VALUE OF MATCHING, COST SHARING OR VOLUNTEER SERVICES PROVIDED -

(E) **SOURCE OF MATCHING, COST SHARING FUNDS OR VOLUNTEER SERVICES PROVIDED** – IDENTIFY WHETHER THEY ARE COUNTY/STATE GENERAL FUNDS, FEDERAL AGENCY FUNDS, LOCAL CLUB FUNDS, VOLUNTEER HOURS, ETC.

Type of Cost (A)	Funds Requested (B)	Nature of Matching/Cost Sharing Funds or Volunteer Service Provided (C) *	Value of (C) (D) *	Source of Matching/Cost Sharing Funds or Volunteer Service Provided (E) *		
Officer/Ranger Salaries/ Benefits	\$4,080	Forest Protection Officer & Law Enforcement Officer	\$4,032.00	USFS		
Vehicle Operation Costs	\$	Program Manager	\$1296.00	USFS		
Mileage	\$	Agency Vehicles	\$1500.00	USFS		
Snowmobile Fuel/Maint	\$	Agency Vehicles	\$1500.00	USFS		
Administration	\$					
Other (Please describe)	\$120.00					
TOTALS (should match totals on Pg 1)	\$4,200.00		\$8328.00			

Total number of volunteer or donated hours provided for this area last season and type(s) of volunteer or donated work performed. Example: local grooming council participation, safety class training

* Volunteer or donated hours cannot be duplicated in other applications and have to relate to enforcement.

Other: Repair, maintenance, and replacement of signs and bulletin boards.

No volunteer hours are incorporated into this E&E application.

LEO = Law Enforcement Officer

FPO = Forest Protection Officer

Funds Requested		Fund Contributed			
Salaries Ex: GS-11		Salaries			
Days 4 (a) $\$432 - \2160		Position name Winter Rec. Cord. Hourly rate \$54/hr	Days 3 @ \$432= \$1296		
Position name LEO Hourly rate \$60/hr	Days 4 @ \$480= \$1920	Position name LEO Hourly rate \$60/hr	Days 3 @ \$480= \$1440		
Position name Other Hourly rate	Days @ \$ = \$120	Position name FPO Hourly rate \$54/hr	Days 6 @ \$432= \$2592		
Position name Hourly rate	Days @ \$ = \$	Position name Other & Vehicles Hourly rate	Days @ \$ = \$3000		
	Total funds requested \$ 4,200.00		Total Matching \$ 8,328.00		

Agreement

In the event funding is provided by the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Winter Recreation Program, a cooperative or funding agreement of one to five years will be offered to the Applicant that will prescribe how the funding is to be utilized and how to apply for reimbursement for services provided.

The applicant certifies that, to the best of his/her knowledge, the information in this application is true and correct.

Printed Name and Title of Applicant

/s/ Nikolai Ferrell

Nikolai Ferrell / Recreation Manager

07/02/2024

Signature of Applicant

Date

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For State Parks Use Only				
Priority 2nd, 3rd yr. review				
3	Ongoing			

Motorized

Non-Motorized

PATROL AREA – Provide name of Sno-Parks / Trail System(s) patrolled This funding request is for an on-going educatin program for the Outdoor Recreation Information Center (ORIC), the Interagency Ranger Station located inside the Seattle REI store. This will be year eleven of our funding. ORIC is a partnership between the National Park Service, U.S. Forest Service, Washington State Parks, and Discover Your Northwest (DYNW). DYNW is a non-profit partner with all three agencies and provides pass management for ORIC (ordering, inventory tracking, payment). REI provides space and use of facilities to the agency staff, at no cost to the government.

The ORIC desk is focused on providing accurate and up-to-date outdoor recreation information for Washington State public lands. Through DYNW, the uniformed staff at ORIC sell both federal and state recreation passes, including the non-motorized Sno-Park Passes. For the 2023-2024 winter season, which was a low snow year, ORIC sold: 102 Daily Sno-Park Passes, 360 Seasonal Sno-Park Passes, and 254 Special Groomed Trails Permits. This brought-in \$38,330 to the Washington State Parks Winter Recreation Program.

ORIC staff train and work with local agencies and non-profits to obtain the most accurate information to provide to the public, and spend extended time explaining the various recreation pass options. Currently, ORIC sells or issues 14 different recreation passes. Unlike REI cashiers or REI customer service employees, ORIC staff can take the time to validate visitor needs to obtain the correct pass and information for their recreational outings.

TOTAL	FUNDS REQUESTED		ФЕ <u>С</u> 74 ОО		
\$	Motorized	\$	Non-Motorized	\$5,671.00	
	FUNDS / IN-KIND SERVICES / MATERIALS		TOTAL VALUE OF PARTNERSHIP		
\$\$5,0	00 (store space, computers, phor	ies, de	sk)	\$	

NAME OF APPLICANT Discover Your Northwest	NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE Martin Stamat		
APPLICANT MAILING ADDRESS	TITLE		
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CITY, STATE, ZIP	E-MAIL ADDRESS		
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CITY, STATE, ZIP	TELEPHONE NUMBER & EXTENSION 206-220-4281

List the Sno-Park, single vehicle capacity and estimated average percentage of vehicle use for each (if additional space is needed, add an additional sheet).

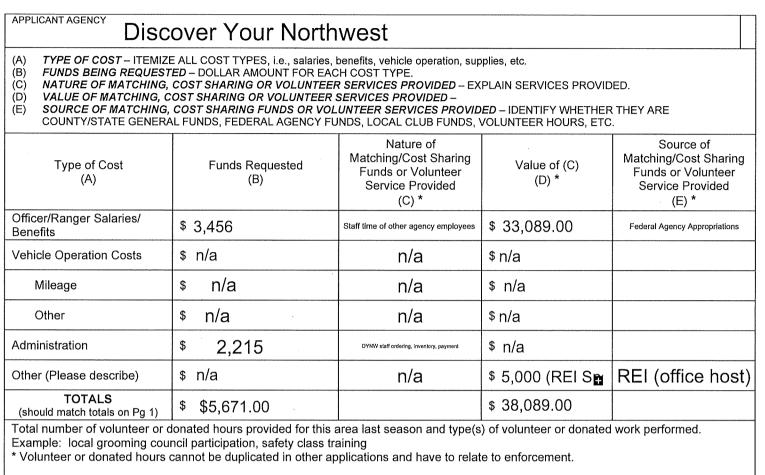
Sno-Park Name		Sno-Park Name	Vehicle Capacity	Estimate Average Percentage of Vehicle Use			
N/A - see description attached		see description attached	N/A	Weekends/Holiday Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile		Weekday Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile Users	
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1.	Da	ate enforcement began <u>Dec 1</u> , 202	23. Date enforceme	nt ended /	^{April 1} , 2024.		
2.	a.	How many officer days per seas	son did your agency	provide e	ducation/enforceme	ent? 120	
	b.	Of the total days per season, he education/enforcement?	ow many officer* day	/s per wee	kday did your agen	cy provide	
		<u>25 _{Sun} 16 _{Mon} 25 <u></u></u>	<u>17 _{Tues} 17</u>	Wed	19	29_ _{Fri} _	33 _{_Sat}
		*Officer days – any portion of a day when					
3.		is past season, how many calend		,		cement? 120	- -
4.		hat is the average number of Sno		,	<u> </u>		
5.		verage amount of time spent in ea		: <u> </u>			
6.		hat percentage of patrol hours oc		n/a 🔬	40004		
	a.	Weekends/holidays <u>n/a</u> %	· ····································		= 100%		
	b.	Parking lot patrol <u>n/a</u> %		<u>11/a_</u> %	= 100%		
7.		otal number of personal contacts f	,	0			
8.	Τc	otal number of users in areas patr		,	~		
9.	a.	Total number of vehicles parked			a		
	b.	What is your formula/method to			pla		
10.		Number of citations issued. <u>n/a</u>		are pa	rking and <u>n/a</u> ar	e on trails.	
		Number of citations for registration					
11.		Number of warnings issued. <u>n/a</u> n/a	ا Reason(s) (ِ n/a	(Top 3 reaso	ns): n/a		
12.		Please give an approximate pero			ing being issued.		
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		n/a % of vehicles displayir	ig a valid sno-park p	permit duri	ng parking lot patro	I	

13.	<u>n/a</u> % of snowmobiles displaying a valid registration during trail patrol. Do the officers employed under the funding provided have the authority to issue citations? <u>no</u>
14.	 Provide a brief summary of the 2023-2024 season to include: a) A description of an average education/enforcement day and participation in safety training classes, local grooming council meetings, area trail council meetings, etc.
	See attached - formatting on the fillable .pdf does not allow full description.
	b) Describe your complaint process (how are they recorded and tracked), the number and kind of complaints received, recurring themes and issues, and any known conflict between user groups.
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14.	How is on the trail enforcement provided? What would you need to make on the trail enforcement more effective?
	N/A
15.	How is Sno-Park enforcement provided? What would you need to make Sno-Park enforcement more effective?
	N/A

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N/A - ORIC volunteer or intern is only planned for the Summer season.

Funds Requested					Fund Contributed				
Salaries Ex: GS-11	Days 5 @\$190	= \$950			Salaries				
Position name Hourly rate DYNW #1	Days 18 @)\$1 92 €	₿3,456\$	-	Position name Hourly rate ORIC #1	Days 65	@\$35	2=day	\$ 22,88
Position name Hourly rate	Days 8 @)\$27 <mark>6</mark> ⁼	\$2,21\$		Position name Hourly rate ORIC #2	Days 41	@\$24	0=	\$ 10,2 0
Position name Hourly rate	Days @)\$=	= <u>\$</u>		Position name Hourly rate	Days	@\$		\$
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	Total funds req	^{uested \$} 5	,671.00			Total Match	^{ing \$} 33,0	89 (inc.	benefits)

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The applicant certifies that, to the best of his/her knowledge, the information in this application is true and correct.

Martin Stamat Digitally signed by Martin Stamat Date: 2024.05.29 17:11:58 -07'00'

Martin Stamat, Executive Director

5/29/2024

Signature of Applicant

Printed Name and Title of Applicant

Date



May 30, 2024

Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission Winter Recreation Program PO Box 42650 Olympia, WA 98504-2650

ATTACHMENT TO FUNDING REQUEST 2024-2025

Overview: The Outdoor Recreation Information Center:

The Outdoor Recreation Information Center (ORIC), is an Interagency Ranger Station located inside the Seattle REI store. ORIC is a partnership between the National Park Service, U.S. Forest Service, Washington State Parks, and Discover Your Northwest (DYNW). As the nonprofit cooperating association of all three public agencies, DYNW coordinates staffing at ORIC and manages pass distribution. REI provides space and use of facilities to the agency staff, at no cost to the government. ORIC provides recreation information including current conditions, safety, leave-no-trace / recreating responsibly. ORIC sells state and federal recreation passes and provides suggestions of outdoor recreation opportunities. ORIC visitors are local, as well as visitors from around the country and even from different parts of the world.

A brief summary of the 2023-24 Sno-Park Season for ORIC:

For the 2023-24 Sno-Park Season, ORIC was open seven days per week, 10am-6pm. We did close on Christmas Day. With many area U.S. Forest Service stations at limited open hours, the public truly appreciated having a consistent ranger station presence inside the Seattle REI Store.

ORIC focuses on education, safety, and recreation pass sales. During the Sno-Park season, most of our contacts have questions about Sno-Park passes, locations, opportunities, and safety. ORIC staff attend the Central Cascades Winter Recreation Council (CCWRC) meetings and stay in direct communication with the chair and several members of the CCWRC.

For the 2023-2024 winter season, which was a low snow year, ORIC sold: 102 Daily Sno-Park Passes, 360 Seasonal Sno-Park Passes, and 254 Special Groomed Trails Permits. This brought-in \$38,330 to the Washington State Parks Winter Recreation Program.

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employees, ORIC staff can take the time to validate visitor needs to obtain the correct pass and information for their recreational outings.

We have good communication on updated conditions, procedures, and suggestions on redirecting some of the overcrowding issues along the I-90 Corridor. In addition, ORIC staff keeps in close contact with area offices and Sno-Parks including the North Bend, Glacier, Cle Elum and Leavenworth US Forest Service offices as well as Lake Easton and Lake Wenatchee State Parks. Others we keep in touch with include the Mount Tahoma Trails Association, the Methow Trails and Winthrop USFS office, and Mount St Helens National Volcanic Monument.

When ORIC staff are available, we assist with recreation programs provided by REI staff as well as outreach events. We are able to provide current safety information including road conditions (including live cameras and current traction requirements), avalanche and weather forecasts. Our local knowledge allows us to direct visitors to safer areas during periods of elevated avalanche danger. We work with the public to recreate safely & responsibly, including etiquette at busier locations and leave-no-trace techniques.

Describe Complaint Process:

ORIC staff receive occasional complaints on the Sno-Park program, primarily on the complexity and variety of pass options. Complaints include the lack of flexibility for two vehicle license plates like the Discover Pass offers and higher price of the pass versus previous years. Visitors are directed to the Sno-Park webpage, winter recreation email address & phone number, and their State Representatives if they choose. ORIC does not take a paper / written complaint, but we would be willing to do so if the Sno-Park program would prefer.

Recurring conflicts between user groups that we try to address prior to the visitor reaching a Sno-Park lot is separation of cross-country skiers and snowshoers, directing those with dogs to avoid set-track / groomed cross-country ski Sno-Park lots, as well as separation of motorized and non-motorized users. ORIC staff offers options that are preferred for snowshoers and snow play, trying to steer away those users from the busier cross-country ski areas, especially on weekends. Hyak, Lake Easton, and Lake Wenatchee are exceptions to this, since all three activities are offered. ORIC staff also directs non-motorized users away from motorized areas as much as possible, or explain shared-use in Sno-Park lots. We spend more time each year directing individuals and families to locations that are open to dogs and snow play.

There is a strong demand for safe locations within a 50-75 mile drive of the densely populated urban areas. The new Asahel Curtis Sno-Park in the 2021-22 season helped with this, as did the additions of Annette Lake Trailhead and Easton Reload. Additional route-finding in safer areas at Annette Lake Trailhead would be helpful. Many Sno-Park users prefer shorter drives during the dark, winter months so it is difficult to redirect Seattle area winter recreationalists much further than Lake Easton / Snoqualmie Pass or the west side of State Highway 410. Once we reach mid-February (more daylight), we have better success directing users to locations that are further away (i.e. Blewett Pass, Lake Wenatchee, Cle Elum River drainage, or the Teanaway Community Forest). The temporary Sno-Park lots that opened for the 2020-21 and 2022-23 seasons helped spread out the demand. We have seen an increased demand for the Mount Tahoma Trail System as well as the Silver Springs Sno-Park related to the Crystal Mountain Ski Area overnight parking restrictions.

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FUNDING REQUEST 2024-2025 Education and Enforcement • Ongoing Report and request for continued funding Motorized Non-Motorized PATROL AREA – Provide name of Sno-Parks / Trail System(s) patrolled

TOTAL FUNDS REQUESTED			
\$7,500 Motorized	\$	Non-Motorized	1
TOTAL FUNDS / IN-KIND SERVICES / MATERIALS $7,500$	PROVID		TOTAL VALUE OF PARTNERSHIP \$7,500

NAME OF APPLICANT	NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE
APPLICANT MAILING ADDRESS	TITLE
CITY, STATE, ZIP	E-MAIL ADDRESS
TELEPHONE NUMBER & EXTENSION	FAX NUMBER

CONTACT PERSON (if different than above)	TITLE
MAILING ADDRESS (if different than above)	E-MAIL ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, ZIP	TELEPHONE NUMBER & EXTENSION

List the Sno-Park, single vehicle capacity and estimated average percentage of vehicle use for each (if additional space is needed, add an additional sheet).

	Sno-Park Name	Vehicle Capacity			ercentage	e Average of Vehicle		
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			30	/	70	30	/	70
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_	Dec. 29th			15th				
1.	Date enforcement began, 202							
2.	a. How many officer days per seas							
	b. Of the total days per season, ho education/enforcement?	w many officer" day	's per week	day d	id your agen	icy provide		
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3.	*Officer days – any portion of a day when This past season, how many calend						10	
3. 4.	What is the average number of Sno-			e euu	cation/enion			
5.	Average amount of time spent in ear							
6.	What percentage of patrol hours occ							
		+ Weekdays	% =	1009	%			
	b. Parking lot patrol %	+ Trail patrol	% =	1009	%			
7.	Total number of personal contacts for	·						
8.	Total number of users in areas patro	olled for season. 35	51					
9.	a. Total number of vehicles parked	in Sno-Parks for se	ason. 263	3				
	b. What is your formula/method to				ily Activity	Patrol Log	js	
10.	Number of citations issued. <u>12</u>							
	Number of citations for registration	-		C				
11.	Number of warnings issued49		Top 3 reasons	s):				
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100	_% of snowmobiles displaying a valid registration during trail patrol.

- 13. Do the officers employed under the funding provided have the authority to issue citations? Yes
- 14. Provide a brief summary of the 2023-2024 season to include:
 - a) A description of an average education/enforcement day and participation in safety training classes, local

grooming council meetings, area trail council meetings, etc.

WDFW Sergeant Ryan Valentine participated in an online preseason meeting with the U.S. Forest Service and other snowmobile interest groups. 12 citations were issued for No Sno-Park Permit. Officers Miller and Andrus participated in the Glacier Cruisers Baker Shootout event this year at the Baker NRA Sno-Park. Many contacts made with several citations issued. One individual likely sustained a broken/arm hand. Officers offered assistance, but the individual declined assistance as the family wanted to drive him to get medical attention.

b) Describe your complaint process (how are they recorded and tracked), the number and kind of complaints

received, recurring themes and issues, and any known conflict between user groups.

Complaints are received in person during patrols, by text, email, or phone message. Most complaints are regarding failure to display a Sno-Park permit or where to purchase a Sno-Park permit. No complaints regarding different user groups was reported.

14. How is on the trail enforcement provided? What would you need to make on the trail enforcement more effective?

On trail enforcement is primarily provided when officers are patrolling by snowmobile. Posting locations along trails where users are required to stop if enforcement is present could be helpful.

15. How is Sno-Park enforcement provided? What would you need to make Sno-Park enforcement more effective?

Sno-Park enforcement is provided on a face-to-face basis or citations are left on vehicles where no individual is present. Automated kiosks where people can purchase permits on site could be helpful.

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APPLICANT AGENCY								
 (A) TYPE OF COST – ITEMIZE (B) FUNDS BEING REQUEST (C) NATURE OF MATCHING, (D) VALUE OF MATCHING, C (E) SOURCE OF MATCHING, COUNTY/STATE GENERA 	ED – DOLLAR AMOUN COST SHARING OR VO COST SHARING OR VOL COST SHARING FUND	FOR EACH DLUNTEER S LUNTEER SE DS OR VOLUM	COST TYPE. ERVICES PROVIDED – E> RVICES PROVIDED – NTEER SERVICES PROVIL	KPLAIN SEF D ED – IDEN	TIFY WHET	HER THE	Y ARE	I
Type of Cost (A)	Funds Reques (B)	ited	Nature of Matching/Cost Sharing Funds or Volunteer Service Provided (C) *		ue of (C) (D) *		atching/C Funds or Service	rce of Cost Sharing Volunteer Provided E) *
Officer/Ranger Salaries/ Benefits	\$			\$				
Vehicle Operation Costs	\$			\$				
Mileage	\$			\$				
Other	\$			\$				
Administration	\$			\$				
Other (Please describe)	\$			\$				
TOTALS (should match totals on Pg 1)	\$			\$				
Total number of volunteer or of Example: local grooming cou * Volunteer or donated hours	ncil participation, safe	ty class trair	ing ications and have to rela	,		ated worl	< perforn	ned.
Funds Requested			Fund Contributed					
Salaries Ex: GS-11	Days 5 @\$190 = \$950)	Salaries					
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The applicant certifies that, to the best of his/her knowledge, the information in this application is true and correct.

Signature of Applicant

Printed Name and Title of Applicant

Date

	QUEST 2024-2025		For State	Parks Use Only
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WASHINGTON STATE PARKS	st for continued funding		3	Ongoing
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PATROL AREA – Provide name of	Sno-Parks / Trail System(s) p	atrolled		
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NAME OF APPLICANT	NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE
APPLICANT MAILING ADDRESS	TITLE
CITY, STATE, ZIP	E-MAIL ADDRESS
TELEPHONE NUMBER & EXTENSION	FAX NUMBER

CONTACT PERSON (if different than above)	TITLE
MAILING ADDRESS (if different than above)	E-MAIL ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, ZIP	TELEPHONE NUMBER & EXTENSION

List the Sno-Park, single vehicle capacity and estimated average percentage of vehicle use for each (if additional space is needed, add an additional sheet).

	Sno-Park Name	Vehicle Capacity			Average of Vehicle L	lse
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	 b. Of the total days per season, how education/enforcement? 					
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	*Officer days – any portion of a day when	one officer is educating	/enforcing (one day/two off	ficers = two	officer days).	
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•	Average amount of time spent in eac		:			
•	What percentage of patrol hours occ		<u> </u>			
	a. Weekends/holidays%	-				
	b. Parking lot patrol%	·	% = 100%			
•	Total number of personal contacts fo					
•	Total number of users in areas patro	led for season.				
•	a. Total number of vehicles parked	in Sno-Parks for s	eason.			
	b. What is your formula/method to o	determine the cour	nt?			
0.	Number of citations issued.	_ Of this total,	are parking and _	are	e on trails.	
	Number of citations for registration	n violations				
1.	Number of warnings issued.					
2.	Please give an approximate perce	entage for the follo	wing:			
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% of snowmobiles displaying a valid registration during trail patrol. 13. Do the officers employed under the funding provided have the authority to issue citations? 14. Provide a brief summary of the 2023-2024 season to include: a) A description of an average education/enforcement day and participation in safety training classes, local grooming council meetings, area trail council meetings, etc. 2023-2024 season our patrol officers lost the ability to write citations due to a change of policy within our FPO program. Our FPOs focused on enforcement through education and the use of warning citations. This issue has been resolved and we expect to be able to resume writing enforceable citations again this season. Patrolers were able to spend more time on trails this year allowing them to meet the trail users where they are and provide a stronger presence in the field. We were also able to support local club events and increase our positive contacts on the forest.U.S. Forest Service Winter Snow Rangers would visit the Pyramid and Suntop Sno Parks twice per day, and the Silver Springs Sno Park once from Fridays through Sundays as part of their winter Education and Enforcement efforts. During Mondays and Tuesdays, these Winter Snow Rangers would visit each of these Sno Parks, and use these days as opportunities to provide Education and Enforcement on the trail as well as accomplish project work and address deferred maintenance items. The Forest Service Law Enforcement Officer duty-located out of Enumclaw would provide additional Education and Enforcement efforts in these areas on Wednesday and Thursdays when our seasonal staffing was off from their routine work schedule b) Describe your complaint process (how are they recorded and tracked), the number and kind of complaints received, recurring themes and issues, and any known conflict between user groups. Outside of the concerns and complaints that staff receive in the field, our internal tracking and recording has not traditionally been well documented. I believe through the winter of 2021-2022 we improved upon these processes. We do receive direct phone calls with concerns and often emails are forwarded to us from our Public Affairs Office email inbox. I would estimate throughout the course of a winter season we receive approximately 50 inquires through these various channels. No significant conflicts between user groups exist outside of non Sno-Park pass holders complaining about seasonal gate closures dictated by the Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM) on U.S. Forest Service publicly managed lands. 14. How is on the trail enforcement provided? What would you need to make on the trail enforcement more effective? Snoqualmie Ranger District's Winter Snow Ranger are trained and certified through Law Enforcement to be Forest Protection Officers. These individuals are noncommissioned Education and Enforcement officers that possess the capability of writing natural resource violations. These FPO's will occasionally use snow shoes or cross country skis to perform trail enforcement on the non-motorized trails of Suntop and Huckleberry Creek as well as the multi-use trail opportunity out of the Silver Springs Sno Park. This previous season we utilized the recently acquired snowmobiles to assist Mr. Rainier National Park Service Law Enforcement with an Education and Enforcement patrol of the White River Campground and White River Sno Park. A few trail patrols were conducted on the Suntop trail network during lower volume weekdays. These efforts are more directed when motorized Sno Park recreation demands have been met and occurs approximately 5-10 times per winter. 15. How is Sno-Park enforcement provided? What would you need to make Sno-Park enforcement more effective?

Enforcement efforts are primarily provided in each of the Sno Park's trailhead parking lots through verbal contacts. Our objective and goal is to provide all forest visitors with the opportunity to purchase the appropriate Sno Park pass for the individual's daily and seasonal recreational needs. The funds generated through our federal citations that our Winter Snow Rangers write go into the U.S. Treasury as opposed to the Washington State Parks Sno Parks program. This is our strategy and approach in assuring that all potential funds are directed to our best ability into the Washington State Park's Winter Recreation program.

In previous years our Winter Snow Rangers have sold day passes in parking lots and at trailheads for cash out of our Forest Service vehicles. This requires extensive Point of Sale, ethics and training courses while presenting an undesirable susceptability of our employees while in the performance of this job. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic we have backed away from this approach as most of these training opportunities necessary for Point of Sale and Collection Officer certification have been temporarily suspended beginning in March 2020 and through these last two winter seasons.

A "Notice of Required Fees (NRF)" program, similar to that in Region 6 of the U.S. Forest Service, could be beneficial to all Sno Parks programs operated on US Forest Service lands throughout the state of Washington. Under this program Forest Protection Officers have the ability and discretion to provide a warning citation that serves as a reminder to purchase a Northwest Forest Pass. In this potential situation it could serve a similar function and remind winter Sno Parks visitors to purchase this Winter Recreation Sno Parks programs. The way in which our Winter Snow Rangers currently operate is to provide written citations and verbal warnings to visitors to purchase their purchase and allows these visitors one week to make the correct purchase before we submit the citation to Law Enforcement for processing. When these individuals inevitably make their purchase and confirm to us through email or phone calls, we will destroy that citation. On the occasion that our staff encounters forest visitors looking to use a Sno-Park for general winter snow recreation on opportunities, we direct them to more appropriate non-fee locations.

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APPLICANT AGENCY USDA Forest	t Service Snoqualmie Ranger District Enumcla	aw Office		
 (B) FUNDS BEING REQUESTI (C) NATURE OF MATCHING, (D) VALUE OF MATCHING, C (E) SOURCE OF MATCHING, 	E ALL COST TYPES, i.e., salaries ED – DOLLAR AMOUNT FOR EA COST SHARING OR VOLUNTEE OST SHARING OR VOLUNTEEF COST SHARING FUNDS OR VO L FUNDS, FEDERAL AGENCY F	ACH COST TYPE. ER SERVICES PROVIDED – E> R SERVICES PROVIDED – DLUNTEER SERVICES PROVIL	KPLAIN SERVICES PROVII D ED – IDENTIFY WHETHEI	R THEY ARE
Type of Cost (A)	Funds Requested (B)	Nature of Matching/Cost Sharing Funds or Volunteer Service Provided (C) *	Value of (C) (D) *	Source of Matching/Cost Sharing Funds or Volunteer Service Provided (E) *
Officer/Ranger Salaries/ Benefits	\$,946 Two GS-6 FPO's	Law Enforcement Officer	\$ ^{12,403.20}	force account
Vehicle Operation Costs	\$	3/4 ton 4x4 Pickup Truck	\$ \$2,000	District Fleet Force Account
Mileage	\$	4,000 Miles X .57/mile	\$ \$1,500	Force Account
Other	 500 Signage for Motor Vehicle Usage and Seasonal Signage Needs. 		\$	
Administration	\$		\$ 5,022.40	Force Account
Other (Please describe)	\$		\$ ^{9,584.00}	Volunteers
TOTALS (should match totals on Pg 1)	\$ 9,446.00		\$ \$30,509.60	
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Funds Requested		Fund Contributed		
Salaries Ex: GS-11	Days 5 @\$190 = \$950	Salaries		
Position name Sno-Park FPO Standard Hourly rate Rate GS-6 Hourly rate \$21.30	Days ₁₅ @ \$ _{170.40} =	\$ Position name Hourly rate	Days (<i>i</i>)\$ = \$
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The applicant certifies that, to the best of his/her knowledge, the information in this application is true and correct.

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Signature of Applicant

Printed Name and Title of Applicant

Date

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	FUNDING REQUEST	2024-2025		For State Par	ks Use Only
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WASHINGTON STATE PARKS	Report and request for con	tinued funding		3	Ongoing
1913	Motorized	🛛 Non-Motorized			
Our prog project a	AREA – Provide name of Sno-Parks gram covers all of Chelan Cour areas and two grooming counc Pass, Lake Wenatchee, and WI	ity to include nine designils. The main Trail system			
TOTAL FU	UNDS REQUESTED				
	Motorized	\$ 2,638 Non-Motori	zed		

NAME OF APPLICANT	NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE
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CONTACT PERSON (if different than above)	TITLE
MAILING ADDRESS (if different than above)	E-MAIL ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, ZIP	TELEPHONE NUMBER & EXTENSION

List the Sno-Park, single vehicle capacity and estimated average percentage of vehicle use for each (if additional space is needed, add an additional sheet).

Sno-Park Name	Vehicle Capacity		Estimate Average entage of Vehicle Use		
		Weekends/Holiday Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile	Weekday Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile Users		
BLEWETT/SWAUK	45	40/60	50/50		
LAKE WENATCHEE	40	10/90	10/90		
FISH LAKE	130	25/75	25/75		
ANTILLON LAKE	45	0/100	0/100		
CLEAR LAKE	175	5/95	10/90		
ENTIAT VALLEY/SHADY PASS	45	10/90	5/95		
LILLY LAKE	50	0/100	0/100		

1. Date enforcement began <u>12-31</u>, 2023. Date enforcement ended <u>3-19</u>, 2024.

- 2. a. How many officer days per season did your agency provide education/enforcement? <u>19</u>
 - b. Of the total days per season, how many officer* days per weekday did your agency provide education/enforcement?

5 Sun 0 Mon 1 Tues 1 Wed 0 Thurs 1 Fri 11 Sat

*Officer days – any portion of a day when one officer is educating/enforcing (one day/two officers = two officer days). 3. This past season, how many calendar days did your agency provide education/enforcement? <u>14</u>

- 4. What is the average number of Sno-Park visits per officer day. 2
- 5. Average amount of time spent in each Sno-Park visited: <u>1.5</u>
- 6. What percentage of patrol hours occur on:
 - a. Weekends/holidays <u>90</u>% + Weekdays <u>10</u>% = 100%
 - b. Parking lot patrol 40% + Trail patrol 60% = 100%
- 7. Total number of personal contacts for season. <u>116</u>
- 8. Total number of users in areas patrolled for season. 152
- 9. a. Total number of vehicles parked in Sno-Parks for season. 76
 - b. What is your formula/method to determine the count? Vehicles X2
- 10. Number of citations issued. $\underline{0}$ Of this total, $\underline{0}$ are parking and $\underline{0}$ are on trails. Number of citations for registration violations $\underline{0}$

12. Please give an approximate percentage for the following:

2 % of personal contacts resulting in a citation or warning being issued.

91 % of vehicles displaying a valid sno-park permit during parking lot patrol

__98___% of snowmobiles displaying a valid registration during trail patrol.

- 13. Do the officers employed under the funding provided have the authority to issue citations? Yes
- 14. Provide a brief summary of the 2023-2024 season to include:
 - a) A description of an average education/enforcement day and participation in safety training classes, local grooming council meetings, area trail council meetings, etc.

The Chelan County Sheriff's Office provided two FTEs for snowmobile education and enforcement. This encompasses 10 designated sno parks, four grooming councils and over 400 miles of groomed and non-groomed trails. Deputies patrol sno parks and contact users, issuing citations and warnings when appropriate. Travel time between sno parks in an issue, as they are located in all four corners of the county. Deputies instructed two snowmible safety classes and attended one grooming council meeting last season. The lack of concistant snow fall this season limited our time on the trails.

b) Describe your complaint process (how are they recorded and tracked), the number and kind of complaints received, recurring themes and issues, and any known conflict between user groups.

Complaints are received through our dispatch center and then dispatched to the appropriate deputy. If our designated snowmobile deputies are not working, a patrol deputy will handle the call. Complaints are also received from the USFS and the local groomers. Those complaints are tracked through our computer dispatch center. The majority of complaints are for parking violations.

14. How is on the trail enforcement provided? What would you need to make on the trail enforcement more effective?

Deputies conduct trail patrols on snowmobiles. Due to our counties large size and the spread out locations of the sno-parks, the majority of the shift is travel time and contacting users in sno-parks.

15. How is Sno-Park enforcement provided? What would you need to make Sno-Park enforcement more effective?

-Sno-park enforcement is provided by commissioned deputies on snowmobiles and marked 4x4 vehicles.

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APPLICANT AGENCY					
Chelan County Sheriff's Office					
 (A) TYPE OF COST – ITEMIZE (B) FUNDS BEING REQUEST (C) NATURE OF MATCHING, (D) VALUE OF MATCHING, C (E) SOURCE OF MATCHING, 	E ALL COST TYPES, i.e., salaries, be ED – DOLLAR AMOUNT FOR EACH COST SHARING OR VOLUNTEER OST SHARING OR VOLUNTEER SI COST SHARING FUNDS OR VOLU L FUNDS, FEDERAL AGENCY FUN	I COST TYPE. SERVICES PROVIDED – EX ERVICES PROVIDED – INTEER SERVICES PROVID	PLAIN SEF ED – IDEN	TIFY WHETHER	THEY ARE
Type of Cost (A)	Funds Requested (B)	Nature of Matching/Cost Sharing Funds or Volunteer Service Provided (C) *		ue of (C) (D) *	Source of Matching/Cost Sharing Funds or Volunteer Service Provided (E) *
Officer/Ranger Salaries/ Benefits	\$2,638.00		\$6,480.00)	
Vehicle Operation Costs	\$		\$		
Mileage	\$		\$		
Other	\$		\$		
Administration	\$		\$		
Other (Please describe)	\$		\$		
TOTALS (should match totals on Pg 1)	\$2,638.00		\$6,480.00	0.00	
Example: local grooming cour	onated hours provided for this an ncil participation, safety class trai cannot be duplicated in other app	ining	•		work performed.
Funds Requested		Fund Contributed			
Salaries					

Salaries Ex: GS-11	Days 5 @\$190 = \$950	Salaries	
Position name Deputy Hourly rate 26.38	Days 5 @ \$268.80= \$ 1,319\$	Position name Deputy Hourly rate \$32.80	Days 30 @ \$328= \$9,840\$

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Position name Hourly rate	Days	@\$	=	\$	Position name Hourly rate	Days	@\$	=	\$
	Total fund	s requested	\$ 2,638.0	00		Total Mate	ching \$ 6,48	0.00	

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Signature of Applicant

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FUNDING REQUEST 2024-2025

Education and Enforcement • Ongoing Report and request for continued funding

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Motorized

Non-Motorized

PATROL AREA – Provide name of Sno-Parks / Trail System(s) patrolled Lake Wenatchee State Park - South and North Parks; Chiwawa See & Ski; Nason Ridge/Kahler Glen

TOTAL	FUNDS REQUESTE	ED		
\$	Motorized	\$9,688 Non-Motorized		
TOTAL FUNDS / IN-KIND SERVICES / MATERIALS PROVIDED TOTAL VALUE OF PARTNERSHIP				
\$7,321			\$17,009	

NAME OF APPLICANT	NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE
Lake Wenatchee State Park	Trevor Wylie
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509 763-3101	n/a

CONTACT PERSON (if different than above)	TITLE
MAILING ADDRESS (if different than above)	E-MAIL ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, ZIP	TELEPHONE NUMBER & EXTENSION

List the Sno-Park, single vehicle capacity and estimated average percentage of vehicle use for each (if additional space is needed, add an additional sheet).

Sno-Park Name	Vehicle Capacity	Estimate Average Percentage of Vehicle Use	
	- here	Weekends/Holiday Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile	Weekday Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile Users
LAKE WENATCHEE-SOUTH PARK	75	90/0	40/0
LAKE WENATCHEE-NORTH PARK	20	90/0	30/0
CHIWAWA SKI & SKI	30	80/0	25/0
NASON RIDGE	30	90/0	25/0
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nforcement began <u>12/8</u>, 2023. Date enforcement ended <u>3/5</u>, 2024.

- a. How many officer days per season did your agency provide education/enforcement? 57 2.
 - b. Of the total days per season, how many officer* days per weekday did your agency provide education/enforcement?

12Sun 11Mon 6Tues 2Wed 2Thurs 13Fri 12Sat

*Officer days - any portion of a day when one officer is educating/enforcing (one day/two officers = two officer days). 3.

This past season, how many calendar days did your agency provide education/enforcement? 47

- 4. What is the average number of Sno-Park visits per officer day. 2
- 5. Average amount of time spent in each Sno-Park visited: 30 minutes
- 6. What percentage of patrol hours occur on:
 - a. Weekends/holidays 75% + Weekdays <u>25</u>% = 100%
 - b. Parking lot patrol <u>100</u>% + Trail patrol 0% = 100%
- 7. Total number of personal contacts for season. 515
- 8. Total number of users in areas patrolled for season. 7014
- a. Total number of vehicles parked in Sno-Parks for season. 2004 9.
 - b. What is your formula/method to determine the count? people=vehicle count x 3.5
- Number of citations issued. 21 Of this total, 21 are parking and _____ are on trails. 10. Number of citations for registration violations 0
- 11. Number of warnings issued. 230 Reason(s) (Top 3 reasons):

no valid permit, improper display, wrong pass displayed

12. Please give an approximate percentage for the following: ____5 ___% of personal contacts resulting in a citation or warning being issued.

85 ___% of vehicles displaying a valid sno-park permit during parking lot patrol

<u>n/a</u>% of snowmobiles displaying a valid registration during trail patrol.

13. Do the officers employed under the funding provided have the authority to issue citations? yes

- 14. Provide a brief summary of the 2023-2024 season to include:
 - a) A description of an average education/enforcement day and participation in safety training classes, local grooming council meetings, area trail council meetings, etc.

On average, park personnel will check the Sno Parks one to three times a day for permit compliance. Compliance is very high in all locations. Park staff were not able to attend any outside trainings or council meetings this season.

b) Describe your complaint process (how are they recorded and tracked), the number and kind of complaints received, recurring themes and issues, and any known conflict between user groups.

Nearly 450 of our most frequent users have access to us via daily emailed conditions reports. We receive next to no complaints, with the exception of the occasional recipient of a Notice of Violation for no valid Sno Park Permit (signage and bulletin boards are very thorough and clear; complaints are usually from those who knowingly opted not to purchase a pass and did not like the result).

The main conflicts we hear about are typically user conflicts. As we look into expanding our non-motorized trail system, motorized users become concerned that motorized trails will be effected. We have ongoing challenges keeping snowshoers off groomed trails, however signage and the creation of designated and maintained routes well away from the Xcountry ski trails has helped.

14. How is on the trail enforcement provided? What would you need to make on the trail enforcement more effective?

Trail enforcement is not provided. Most of our potential conflicts are minor i.e, the occasional walker or snowshoer on the groomed trail. At current staffing levels, it is not feasible for us to dedicate staff time for trail enforcement.

15. How is Sno-Park enforcement provided? What would you need to make Sno-Park enforcement more effective?

Commissioned Rangers and seasonal staff patrol each Sno Park one to three times daily, depending on use. While there, each vehicle is checked for a valid Sno Park Permit. Permits are also sold during patrols to increase compliance. Vehicles without any permit of any sort (Discover Pass, Sno Park, USFS) are cited. Vehicles displaying a valid, but incorrect pass are left a notice explaining the process necessary in order to avoid citation, where to purchase a permit, and the penalty for lack of compliance.

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APPLICANT AGENCY						
	Lake Wenatchee State Park					
(C) NATURE OF MATCHING, (D) VALUE OF MATCHING, (C) (E) SOURCE OF MATCHING	E ALL COST TYPES, i.e., salaries, TED – DOLLAR AMOUNT FOR EAC COST SHARING OR VOLUNTEER COST SHARING OR VOLUNTEER , COST SHARING FUNDS OR VOL AL FUNDS, FEDERAL AGENCY FU	CH COST TYPE. R SERVICES PROVIDED E) SERVICES PROVIDED LINTEER SERVICES PROVIDED	XPLAIN SERVICES PROVI			
Type of Cost (A)	Funds Requested (B)	Nature of Matching/Cost Sharing Funds or Volunteer Service Provided (C) *	Value of (C) (D) *	Source of Matching/Cost Sharing Funds or Volunteer Service Provided (E) *		
Officer/Ranger Salaries/ Benefits	\$8,216	Backup Officer	\$3,687	State Park staff		
Vehicle Operation Costs	\$		\$			
Mileage	\$		\$			
Other	\$350	Additional Education/Public Outreach Assistance	\$2,584	State Park staff		
Administration	\$822	Additional Park Admin	\$500	State Park staff		
Other (Please describe)	\$300 (cell phone, printing, office expenses)		\$550	State Park staff		
TOTALS (should match totals on Pg 1)	\$9,688		\$7,321			
Total number of volunteer or donated hours provided for this area last season and type(s) of volunteer or donated work performed. Example: local grooming council participation, safety class training * Volunteer or donated hours cannot be duplicated in other applications and have to relate to enforcement. Due to poor snow conditions the 2023-24 season was shorter than average. Funding request for 2024-25 is based on an average season. Staff wage increases are also reflected in the 2024-25 funding request. PR3: \$50.80 per hour to PR3: \$53.80 per hour, PR2: \$44.09 per hour to \$47.52, PR1: \$36.92 per hour to \$40.38						
Funds Requested		Fund Contributed				
Salaries Ex: GS-11	Days 5 @\$190 = \$950	Salaries				

Position name Hourly rate	Days @\$ = \$	Position name Hourly rate	Days @\$ = \$	
Position name PR3 Hourly rate \$53.80	Days 2 @ \$430.40= 861\$	Position name PR3 Hourly rate \$53.80	Days 1.5 @ \$430.40= 646\$	
Position name PR2 Hourly rate \$47.52	Days 10 @ \$380.16= 3802\$	Position name PR2 Hourly rate \$47.52	Days 8 @ \$380.16= 3041\$	
Position name PR1 Hourly rate \$40.38 Days 11 @ \$323.04= 3553\$		Position name PR1 Hourly rate \$40.38	Days 8 @ \$323.04= 2584\$	
	Total funds requested \$ 8216		Total Matching \$ 6271	

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Printed Name and Title of Applicant

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Motorized

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PATROL AREA – Provide name of Sno-Parks / Trail System(s) patrolled

Patrolled all non-motorized trailheads - South Summit, Silver Star, Eightmile, Yellowjacket, Twisp River and Black Canyon Snow Parks. During winter of 2023-2024, also patrolled North Summit, Goat Creek, Boulder Creek, and South Fork Gold Creek (motorized trailheads that also receive non-motorized use).

 TOTAL FUNDS REQUESTED

 \$. Motorized
 \$8,450 Non-Motorized

 TOTAL FUNDS / IN-KIND SERVICES / MATERIALS PROVIDED
 TOTAL VALUE OF PARTNERSHIP

 \$8,023
 \$16,473

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List the Sno-Park, single vehicle capacity and estimated average percentage of vehicle use for each (if additional space is needed, add an additional sheet).

Sno-Park Name	Vehicle Capacity	Estimate Average Percentage of Vehicle Use	
		Weekends/Holiday Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile	Weekday Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile Users
SOUTH SUMMIT	20	95/5	95/5
SILVER STAR	35	20/80	20/80
EIGHTMILE	30	25/75	50/50
YELLOWJACKET	40	25/75	40/60
TWISP RIVER	6	25/75	50/50
BLACK CANYON	25	20/80	20/80
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1. Date enforcement began Dec 3, 2023. Date enforcement ended Mar 30, 2024.

2. a. How many officer days per season did your agency provide education/enforcement? 91

b. Of the total days per season, how many officer* days per weekday did your agency provide education/enforcement?

<u>5</u>Sun <u>5</u>Mon <u>2</u>Tues <u>2</u>Wed <u>8</u>Thurs <u>8</u>Fri <u>14</u>Sat

*Officer days – any portion of a day when one officer is educating/enforcing (one day/two officers = two officer days). 3. This past season, how many calendar days did your agency provide education/enforcement? 30

- 4. What is the average number of Sno-Park visits per officer day. <u>3</u>
- 5. Average amount of time spent in each Sno-Park visited: <u>45 minutes</u>
- 6. What percentage of patrol hours occur on:
 - a. Weekends/holidays 56% + Weekdays 44% = 100%
 - b. Parking lot patrol $\underline{58}\%$ + Trail patrol $\underline{42}\%$ = 100%

7. Total number of personal contacts for season. <u>568</u>

- 8. Total number of users in areas patrolled for season. <u>3741</u>
- 9. a. Total number of vehicles parked in Sno-Parks for season. 1069
 - b. What is your formula/method to determine the count? direct count of vehicles in parking lot x % estimate of

vehicles missed (parked on days with no staff presence)

10. Number of citations issued. <u>71</u> Of this total, <u>53</u> are parking and <u>18</u> are on trails.

Number of citations for registration violations 28

11. Number of warnings issued. <u>122</u>Reason(s) (Top 3 reasons):

No Valid Snowmobile Registration, No SnoPark permit, Parking violation (parking in

snowplow turnaround area)

12. Please give an approximate percentage for the following: $\underline{20}\%$ of personal contacts resulting in a citation or warning being issued.

<u>76</u>% of vehicles displaying a valid sno-park permit during parking lot patrol

- 83 % of snowmobiles displaying a valid registration during trail patrol.
- 13. Do the officers employed under the funding provided have the authority to issue citations? <u>Yes, 2 officers can</u> write citations, 3 volunteers are education and warnings only
- 14. Provide a brief summary of the 2023-2024 season to include:
 - a) A description of an average education/enforcement day and participation in safety training classes, local grooming council meetings, area trail council meetings, etc.

This winter was unusual due to the lower than average snowpack. This resulted in certain SnoParks seeing much higher concentrations of use than normal (South Summit and Silver Star, for example) and others receiving far lower (Black Canyon, for example, which mostly did not have snow this past winter). As a result, we altered patrol patterns to visit the busier SnoParks on a more frequent basis. An average education/enforcement patrol day includes checking vehicles at each Sno Park for permits, checking the parking area for garbage, and cleaning and restocking the toilet facilities to ensure public health and safety. Further duties include clearing snow to access toilets and kiosks, updating bulletin board signage, monitoring trail grooming activities and talking with visitors in the parking lot to answer questions and educate the public on winter safety, avalanche awareness, preventative SAR and safe winter travel, and leave no trace. Trail patrols were focused on weekends when more recreationists were present. Trail patrols were conducted via snowmobile or on skiis. Most of the Sno Parks see both motorized and non-motorized use, so we routinely contact both user groups on these trails. Backcountry skis, cross country skis, and snowshoes are also used to patrol trails out of these Sno Parks. The District is an active participant in winter recreation meetings and advisory boards. We meet regularly with the Methow Valley Trails Collaborative (which includes motorized and non-motorized winter recreation groups), as well as Okanogan County Snowmobile Advisory Board Meetings. District staff also work with and participate in trainings with the US Border Patrol, Okanogan County Search and Rescue, and WSDOT (avalanche training along State Route 20). The winter ranger staff also worked with the local winter outfitter and guides and the Methow Valley Snowmobile Association to improve the avalanche signage and beacon checking station at Silver Star and Yellowjacket SnoParks, both of which access terrain that contains avalanche hazards.

b) Describe your complaint process (how are they recorded and tracked), the number and kind of complaints received, recurring themes and issues, and any known conflict between user groups.

Complaints are usually received in person in the field or as calls or emails to the Methow Valley Ranger District front desk staff or recreation staff. Frontliners direct the complaint to the best available resource, which might be the District Ranger, Recreation Staff, Law Enforcement Officer, or Forest Protection Officer (funded by this grant). Depending on the issue, the appropriate staff will either respond to the individual or will adjust field patrols to address the situation if needed.

The most common complaint was about compliance rates and whether all users are either registering their snowmobiles appropriately or purchasing and displaying their SnoPark permit. These concerns were mostly related to a fear over dwindling funds for grooming on motorized trails, which are also used by non-motorized recreationists. As a result, the winter ranger dedicated substantially more effort to checking compliance and writing tickets. This involved planning patrols around busy times at trailheads (start and end of day) which is most likely to result in contacts and compliance checks. The winter ranger also kept detailed records of rates of compliance by user group to assist in further targeting educational efforts. The data gathered showed the average rate of compliance with SnoPark permit was 76%. Rates of compliance for SnoPark permits were lowest amongst snowshoers and backcountry skiers, and highest amongst Nordic skiers, snowmobilers, and fat bikers (note that this information is based only on contacts made by the winter ranger, so data is not reflective of total users but does show interesting use patterns).

This year, a common concern was regarding fatbikers and whether these users were paying into the system appropriately to help support grooming efforts and whether fat bike use would lead to conflicts on the trails. District staff gathered data in the field

regarding use rates compliance by fat bikers and found that use by fat bikers is relatively low and had not resulted in any conflicts in the field. Compliance amongst these users was generally good. The District worked with the local Trails Collaborative, Snowmobile Advisory Group, and community members to share this information along with other efforts underway to increase general compliance rates amongst all users.

Other complaints included: level and amount of grooming (especially for high use areas such as Silver Star), skiing with dogs (complaints about not enough dog-friendly trails and too many dogs on trails), inexperienced skiers in avalanche terrain, adding more winter trails, maintaining roads in the summer season in order to improve winter grooming operations, and concerns about an abandonded vehicle left at one SnoPark. In general, use was more concentrated at the SnoParks with the most snow coverage, which resulted in slightly more complaints than normal regarding visitor conflicts. However, users were also extremely happy with the increased grooming levels at South Summit.

14. How is on the trail enforcement provided? What would you need to make on the trail enforcement more effective?

On trail enforcement is provided by our grant funded Forest Protection Officer (FPO) and our Forest Service Law Enforcement Officer (LEO), plus one additional Forest Service FPO, and our winter ranger volunteers, conducting snowmobile patrols and ski/snowshoe patrols on trails. Forest Service policy requires two or more people for winter backcountry travel for safety, so this grant expands our patrol capacities throughout the season enabling rangers to contact more winter recreationists on the trails. The grant-funded winter ranger recruits and trains interested volunteers, who provide the needed second patrol member and also patrol on ski, snowshoe, and snowmobile.

The current schedule of winter recreation patrols has been effective at enforcing regulations on the trails, with two officers having the ability to write citations and several volunteers adding capacity with education and warnings. For the upcoming winter season, we are planning to expand our winter capacity by adding additional patrol days by a second FPO (match for this grant). Officers are scheduled to work on weekends and holidays which are the busiest times for winter recreation. Cross country ski patrols at the South Summit Sno Park have been highly effective at reaching a large number of winter recreationists. Continuing these enforcement patrols will allow us to be effective at gaining compliance, responding to complaints, and reducing conflict between user groups. Improved trail signage might help ensure all users understand the requirements before heading out on the trails.

15. How is Sno-Park enforcement provided? What would you need to make Sno-Park enforcement more effective?

Sno Park enforcement is provided by the grant-funded FPO, LEO, and volunteers who assist and can be done by one person. The above staff have a rotating schedule to visit all the Methow Valley Sno Parks, with more emphasis going to SnoParks that are busier or have recent issues. Patrols are scheduled to contact the most visitors possible during the busier morning and late afternoon times. Sno Parks with complaints or noted issues are put on the schedule to patrol more frequently. Sno Park enforcement has been highly effective with two officers with the ability to write citations, and 3 volunteers patrolling who are able to increase presence and educate visitors and provide verbal warnings. Most of the time, the presence of any Forest Service staff (volunteer or paid) increases compliance due to educational contacts and informing visitors of the requirements. In person patrols are most effective at ensuring enforcement. Daily presence (midweek as well as weekends) would help. The staff focused their efforts on high-use weekends, but anecdotal information from other recreationists and partner groups indicated reduced compliance mid-week. We do try to vary the schedule, but more staff presence would always help. For the winter 2024-2025 season, we intend to expand our winter ranger coverage by assigning one additional FPO for at least 6 days as match. Other ideas are to improve signage at certain trailheads (reduce redundant signage, make existing signage more eye-catching or clear, re-do signs that are fading or older) and to utilize trailhead or parking lot volunteer ambassadors to increase educational outreach and awareness.

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 (A) TYPE OF COST – ITEMIZE ALL COST TYPES, i.e., salaries, benefits, vehicle operation, supplies, etc. (B) FUNDS BEING REQUESTED – DOLLAR AMOUNT FOR EACH COST TYPE. (C) NATURE OF MATCHING, COST SHARING OR VOLUNTEER SERVICES PROVIDED – EXPLAIN SERVICES PROVIDED. (D) VALUE OF MATCHING, COST SHARING OR VOLUNTEER SERVICES PROVIDED – (E) SOURCE OF MATCHING, COST SHARING FUNDS OR VOLUNTEER SERVICES PROVIDED – IDENTIFY WHETHER THEY ARE COUNTY/STATE GENERAL FUNDS, FEDERAL AGENCY FUNDS, LOCAL CLUB FUNDS, VOLUNTEER HOURS, ETC. 									
Type of Cost (A)	Funds Requested (B)	Nature of Matching/Cost Sharing Funds or Volunteer Service Provided (C) *	Value of (C) (D) *	Source of Matching/Cost Sharing Funds or Volunteer Service Provided (E) *					
Officer/Ranger Salaries/ Benefits	\$8,450	USFS employees	\$4,531	FEDERAL FUNDS					
Vehicle Operation Costs	\$	FS vehicle monthly operating	\$353	FEDERAL FUNDS					
Mileage	\$	FS vehicle mileage rate	\$210	FEDERAL FUNDS					
Other	\$	Training	\$830	FEDERAL FUNDS					
Administration	\$		\$						
Other (Please describe)	\$	Volunteer Hours	\$2,100	RCO Volunteer hourly rate					
TOTALS (should match totals on Pg 1)	\$8,450		\$8,023						

* Volunteer or donated hours cannot be duplicated in other applications and have to relate to enforcement.

Winter 2023-2024 total volunteer hours = 299 hours

We are requesting an increase in funds to account for increased salary costs so that we can maintain 25 days. We are also increasing our matching contribution by assigning one additonal Forest Service Forest Protection Officer who is able to write citations and can ensure additional field time. We have also increased our matching volunteer hours to account for our winter ranger staff who can provide verbal warnings and educate recreationists on the regulations. See attached budget worksheet for details.

Funds Requested				Fund Contributed	
Salaries Ex: GS-11	Days 5 @	\$190 = \$95	60	Salaries	
Position name GS07 Forestry Tech (FPO) Hourly rate 42.25	Days 25	@ \$42.25=	8,450\$	Position name GS09 Forestry Tech (FPO) Hourly rate 42.50	Days 6 @ \$42.50= 2,040\$
Position name Hourly rate	Days	@\$	=	\$ Position name GL9 Law Enforcement Officer Hourly rate 51.89	Days 6 @ \$51.89= 2,491\$
Position name Hourly rate	Days	@\$	=	\$ Position name Hourly rate	Days @ \$ = \$

Position name Hourly rate	Days	@\$	=	\$ Position name Hourly rate	Days	@\$	=	\$
	Total funds	requested	1 \$ 8,450		Total Match	ning \$ 4,531		

Agreement

In the event funding is provided by the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Winter Recreation Program, a cooperative or funding agreement of one to five years will be offered to the Applicant that will prescribe how the funding is to be utilized and how to apply for reimbursement for services provided.

The applicant certifies that, to the best of his/her knowledge, the information in this application is true and correct.

ROSEMARY SEIFRIED	Digitally signed by ROSEMARY SEIFRIED Date: 2024.05.28 13:28:07 -07'00'	Rosemary Seifried, District Recreation Staff	05/28/2024
Signature of Applicant		Printed Name and Title of Applicant	Date

WA State Parks Winter Recreation - Non-Motorized Grant Request	Budget Worksheet	Winter Recreation Grant US Forest Service Explanation of costs Cost	8,450 \$ Daily rate x 25 days of Education and Enforcement	- \$ 2,040 Daily rate x 6 days of Education and Enforcement (supplemental FS staff)	- \$ 2,491 Daily rate x 6 days of Enforcement	- \$ 830 2 GL9 FS instructors for 1 day, training for avalanche awareness	Volunteer patrol rangers, education and O+M, (WA RCO Donated Standard S 2,100 Labor Rate)	- \$ 210 Avg 0.35/mile x 600 miles	- \$ 353 Use rate \$235/mo x 3 months x 50%use for this project							- 69	8,450	\$ 8,023	Project total \$ 16,473
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		Personnel / Item	GS 07 Forestry Technician, Forest Protection \$	GS 09 Forestry Technician, Forest Protection \$	GL 09 - Law Enforcement Officer \$	Training - avalanche awareness	Education volunteer (hourly rate)	Mileage \$	Vehicle use \$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$		Grant RequestTotal	FS Matching FundsTotal	

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FUNDING REQUEST 2024-2025

Education and Enforcement • Ongoing Report and request for continued funding

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Priority	2nd, 3rd yr. review						
3	Ongoing						

PATRO	OL AREA – Provide name of Sno-Parks /	/ Trail System(s) patrolled							
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\$ 94 89	5.36		\$163721.36						

Non-Motorized

APPLICANT INFORMATION

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CITY, STATE, ZIP	TELEPHONE NUMBER & EXTENSION

Ongoing Education & Enforcement Report and Request for Continued Funding Summary Sheet

List the Sno-Park, single vehicle capacity and estimated average percentage of vehicle use for each (if additional space is needed, add an additional sheet).

		Capacity	Estimate Average Percentage of Vehicle Use					
		capacity	Weekends/Holiday Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile	Weekday Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile Use				
SELKIRK LODGE LOT		200	100/0	100/0				
	WER SELKIRK LODGE LOT	25 W/	75/25	80/20				
	WER KIT CARSON	TRAILERS 25	100/0	100/0				
	FRANCE TRAIL LOT	15	100/0	100/0				
EINI	KANUE IKAIL LUI	15	100/0	100/0				
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	Date enforcement began <u>12/1</u> , 2023.	. Date enforcemen	ıt ended <u>3/31</u> , 2024.					
	a. How many officer days per seas	son did your agency	y provide education/enforcem	ient? <u>452</u>				
	b. Of the total days per season, ho education/enforcement?	w many officer* da	ys per weekday did your age	ncy provide				
	<u>84</u> Sun <u>60</u> Mon <u>41</u> Tues	<u>44</u> Wed <u>53</u>	Thurs <u>71</u> Fri <u>95</u> Sat					
3.	*Officer days – any portion of a day when This past season, how many calenda							
	What is the average number of Sno-							
	Average amount of time spent in eac	•	• –					
6.	What percentage of patrol hours occ	our on:						
	a. Weekends/holidays <u>40</u> %	+ Weekdays	<u>60</u> % = 100%					
	b. Parking lot patrol <u>68</u> % +	Trail patrol	<u>32</u> % = 100%					
7.	Total number of personal contacts for	or season. <u>2858</u>						
3.	Total number of users in areas patro	olled for season. <u>76</u>	<u>211</u>					
9.	a. Total number of vehicles parked	l in Sno-Parks for s	eason. <u>23816</u>					
	b. What is your formula/method to	determine the cour	nt? Counting parking lots and	recording on enforcement lo				
10.	Number of citations issued. <u>48</u>	Of this total, <u>90%</u> aเ	re parking and <u>10%</u> are on tr	ails.				
	Number of citations for registratio	on violations <u>33</u>						
11.	Number of warnings issued. <u>339</u> F	Reason(s) (Top 3 rea	isons):					
	No Sno-Park Pass	<u>s</u> ,	speeding ,	pets off leash				
12.	Please give an approximate perce <u>2</u> % of personal contacts resulting							
	90 % of vehicles display	ving a valid sno-na	rk permit during parking lot pa	atrol				

- 75 % of snowmobiles displaying a valid registration during trail patrol.
- 13. Do the officers employed under the funding provided have the authority to issue citations? yes
- 14. Provide a brief summary of the 2023-2024 season to include:
 - a) A description of an average education/enforcement day and participation in safety training classes, local grooming council meetings, area trail council meetings, etc.

Regular duties include: Sno-Park enforcement at the Entrance Trails parking area, Lower Kit Carson Trailhead parking area Lower Selkirk parking lot, Selkirk parking lot, and the Mountaineers parking lot.Checking in with park visitors at each facility (Selkirk Lodge, Nova Hut, Lower Selkirk parking lot bulletin board, Smith Gap, CCC Cabin, Entrance Trails trailhead) to give directions or any other help. Selling Sno-Park passes at the Ranger Station. Cleaning and maintaining facilities located at the Ranger Station, Entrance Trails trailhead CXT, Smith Gap Warming Hut and CXT, CCC Cabin and CXT, Selkirk Lodge and separate CXT, Nova Hut and CXT, Saddle Junction Silo, Burping Brook Silo, Campground Silo, and Junction 5 Silo. Cleaning and maintenance tasks include scrubbing toilets, disinfecting all surfaces, picking up litter and disposing of garbage, removing vandalism, cutting and stocking firewood from wood shets, starting fires, and removing snow from parking lots and facility rooves and entrances using snowblowers, snow rakes, and shovels. Boxes for park maps were installed on bulletin boards at the Ranger Station, Entrance Trails Trailhead, Lower Kit Carson Trailhead, Lower Selkirk parking lot, Trail 131 trailhead, Upper Kit Carson trailhead, and the CCC Cabin. Three separate maps for snowshoeing, snowmobiling, and Nordic skiing were placed in these boxes with each box holding roughly 40 maps. Maps were checked daily and restocked as needed.Hiking most popular trails to enforce most common "on trail" type violation/complaint – dogs off leash. Also snowmobiling or hiking areas near boundaries where snowmobiles cannot go to be seen and prevent violations from off trail motorized vehicles

b) Describe your complaint process (how are they recorded and tracked), the number and kind of complaints received, recurring themes and issues, and any known conflict between user groups.

Complaints are received in person at the Ranger Station, in the field, over the phone, over email, and through the comment section on the Spokane Nordic Ski Association website. All efforts are extended to respond to the complaint when received. Recurring complaints are routinely passed along to the Park Ranger 3 and the Program Manager and were responded to within 24 hours of receipt. Our snow removal capabilities helped keep slide offs to a minimum but would still happen when weather conditions were particularly bad. Our Nordic grooming operation was very successful this season and comments were overwhelmingly positive. Nordic skiers continued to have lots of opinions about our grooming operations. A recurring theme in the grooming comments was about the grooming schedule, which satisfatction has greatly increased with the use of Nordic Pulse. However, users wanted us to groom for longer or start and finish grooming each night at a different time, and did not understand the needs of the machinery and snow level. Our parking lots were staffed each weekend to help ensure the maximum number of cars could fit safely into our lots and parking complaints significantly dropped compared to years past. The Nordic club providing parking attendance for their large events proved to be very effective and helpful.

14. How is on the trail enforcement provided? What would you need to make on the trail enforcement more effective?

Mt. Spokane purchased new snowshoes this year, which helped with foot patrol on trails. We are lacking on proper crosscountry ski gear. New boots don't fit with the current SNS ski bindings that we currently have on most our "older boots". We ended up using/renting from Fitness Fanatics. Having 2 pairs that would fit an average sized park aide would be beneficial. Scotts/Russel's pairs wouldn't fit me or the park aides this year.Snowshoes, snowmobiles, side by side, and cross-country skis were modes of trail enforcement. Our tracked side by side proved to have many reliability issues this season but was useful for medical incidents on trails and search and rescue operations (often, the visitors snowmobiles would break down, or the person would be lost in wet, foggy, conditions making snowmobiling not ideal to keep them warm).

-On trail enforcement can be more effective if there was a plan on how we attacked patroling the trails. For example, if it was assigned to rangers to be at certain areas at specific times during the week. Also, patrol lights and a Law Enforcement Radio or laptop/ tablet to look up snowmobile registrations could make in the field checks clearer as our portable radios have broken signals at most of the snowmobile check locations.

Providing Law enforcement staff with officer dedicated ski's and snowshoes, along with the related training, instead of sharing with other park staff. Snowshoes were purchased for rangers this season which facilitated multi-ranger patrols. A back country style ski that is wider and more stable seems like it would be appropriate than a skinier style xc ski

15. How is Sno-Park enforcement provided? What would you need to make Sno-Park enforcement more effective?

Sno-park enforcement is provided by vehicle and foot. We are able to reach our outer lodges with our snomobiles and side by side (SXS), or by hiking and cross country skiing. To make Sno-Park enforcement more effective we need to have more of a presence on the snow. Like stated before, equipping the SXS with enforcement lights and tools to run registrations in the field when radio service is low would be very helpful. Also, if we found a way to equip a Law Enforcement vehicle with tracks we would be able to get out to these areas with much more of a precence. This will also help with getting people unstuck or stranded. This year we had multiple vehicles drive up the groomed trails and get stuck. Proactively installing barricades in the early season to discourage this mischief and clearly communicated designated patrol trails within the Nordic area so our official Friends groups, stakeholders and users all realize our tracked equipment may slightly damage the trails. This means we need to in essence create this expectation of tracked vehicle patrols on certain trails to counter years of an expectation all Nordic trails will remain pristine. Rangers could set-up at a couple junction points to do education and enforcement. Provide LE officers with training in xc-skiing so that they are not trying to learn while out on the trail and wearing LE gear, with a focus on Officer safety, especially with wearing ski's/removing ski's upon approach.Park Rangers at Mount Spokane State Park issue attention notices, giving the "violator" 24-hours to provide proof to their email address before issuing an infraction. If the violator does not respond within 24-48 hours, the park ranger who issued the attention notices.

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APPLICANT AGENCY

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission

TYPE OF COST – ITEMIZE ALL COST TYPES, i.e., salaries, benefits, vehicle operation, supplies, etc. **FUNDS BEING REQUESTED** – DOLLAR AMOUNT FOR EACH COST TYPE. (A)

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NATURE OF MATCHING, COST SHARING OR VOLUNTEER SERVICES PROVIDED - EXPLAIN SERVICES PROVIDED.

(C) (D) VALUE OF MATCHING, COST SHARING OR VOLUNTEER SERVICES PROVIDED -

È) SOURCE OF MATCHING, COST SHARING FUNDS OR VOLUNTEER SERVICES PROVIDED - IDENTIFY WHETHER THEY ARE COUNTY/STATE GENERAL FUNDS, FEDERAL AGENCY FUNDS, LOCAL CLUB FUNDS, VOLUNTEER HOURS, ETC.

Type of Cost (A)	Funds Requested (B)	Nature of Matching/Cost Sharing Funds or Volunteer Service Provided (C) *	Value of (C) (D) *	Source of Matching/Cost Sharing Funds or Volunteer Service Provided (E) *
Officer/Ranger Salaries/ Benefits	\$68826	salaries	\$94895.36	park budget
Vehicle Operation Costs	\$		\$	
Mileage	\$		\$	
Other	\$		\$	
Administration	\$	25 hrs	\$898.75	park budget
Other (Please describe)	\$		\$	
TOTALS (should match totals on Pg 1)	\$68826		\$95793.75	

Total number of volunteer or donated hours provided for this area last season and type(s) of volunteer or donated work performed. Example: local grooming council participation, safety class training

* Volunteer or donated hours cannot be duplicated in other applications and have to relate to enforcement.

Funds Requested		Fund Contributed	
Salaries Ex: GS-11	Days 5 @\$190 = \$950	Salaries	
Position name pr1 Hourly rate 44.8	Days 52 @ \$358.4=18636.8\$	Position name pr3 Hourly rate 54.89	Days 64 @ \$439.12= 28103.68\$
Position name pr2 Hourly rate 49.54	Days 71 @ \$396.32= 28138.72\$	Position name eo sup Hourly rate 50.36	Days 32 @ \$402.88= 12892.16\$
Position name pa Hourly rate 17.28	Days 66 @ \$138.24= 9123.84\$	Position name pr2 Hourly rate 49.54	Days 68 @ \$396.32= 26949.76\$
Position name pa Hourly rate 17.28	Days 66 @ \$13824= 9123.84\$	Position name pr2 Hourly rate 49.54	Days 68 @ \$396.32=26949.76\$
	Total funds requested \$ 68826		Total Matching \$ 94895.36

Agreement

In the event funding is provided by the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Winter Recreation Program, a cooperative or funding agreement of one to five years will be offered to the Applicant that will prescribe how the funding is to be utilized and how to apply for reimbursement for services provided.

The applicant certifies that, to the best of his/her knowledge, the information in this application is true and correct.

Scott Hupp

Signature of Applicant

Scott Hupp Park Ranger 3

Printed Name and Title of Applicant

6-6-2024

Date

WASHINGTON STATE PARKS 1913

FUNDING REQUEST 2024-2025

Report and request for continued funding

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Priority 2nd, 3rd yr. review			
3	Ongoing		

TOTAL VALUE OF PARTNERSHIP

\$37.521

\Box Motorized \Box Non-Motorized

PATROL AREA - Provide name of Sno-Parks / Trail System(s) patrolled

WDFW Police Detachment 11 covers Stevens, Ferry, and Pend Oreille Counties and for those Counties we have five Officers plus a Sergeant. In Stevens County we patrol Ninebark, Flowery Trail, Mill Creek, Flodell/Tacoma Creek, and Old Dominion. In Pend Oreille County we patrol Kings Lake, Frater Lake, and Geophysical. In Ferry County we patrol Hall Creek, Albian Hill, Empire Lake, Sherman Pass, Deer Creek, and Bulldog.

We routinely patrol by vehicle, snowmobile, and tracked UTV at all sno park areas checking for compliance of parking permits, sno-machine registration, safety equipment, and upkeep of proper signage

TOTAL FUNDS REQUESTED

\$7,854 Motorized

\$5,707 Non-Motorized

TOTAL FUNDS / IN-KIND SERVICES / MATERIALS PROVIDED \$26,770

APPLICANT INFORMATION

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Ongoing Education & Enforcement Report and Request for Continued Funding Summary Sheet

List the Sno-Park, single vehicle capacity and estimated average percentage of vehicle use for each (if additional space is needed, add an additional sheet).

Sno-Park Name	Vehicle Capacity	Estimate Average Percentage of Vehicle Use		
		Weekends/Holiday Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile	Weekday Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile Users	
FLODELL	20	2/13	1/4	
MILL CREEK	20	2/12	1/3	
KINGS LAKE	30	5/20	2/7	
NINEBARK	10	3/3	1/1	
FLOWERY TRAIL	5	2/4	1/2	
SAND CANYON	20	0/8	0/2	
ALBIAN	10	2/4	1/2	

1. Date enforcement began <u>December 21</u>, 2023. Date enforcement ended <u>March 24</u>, 2024.

2. a. How many officer days per season did your agency provide education/enforcement? 38

b. Of the total days per season, how many officer* days per weekday did your agency provide education/enforcement?

<u>5</u>Sun <u>1</u>Mon <u>2</u>Tues <u>3</u>Wed <u>9</u>Thurs <u>4</u>Fri <u>17</u>Sat

*Officer days – any portion of a day when one officer is educating/enforcing (one day/two officers = two officer days). 3. This past season, how many calendar days did your agency provide education/enforcement? <u>38</u>

- 4. What is the average number of Sno-Park visits per officer day. 2
- 5. Average amount of time spent in each Sno-Park visited: 2.5 hours

6. What percentage of patrol hours occur on:

- a. Weekends/holidays 58% + Weekdays 42% = 100%
- b. Parking lot patrol $\underline{70}\%$ + Trail patrol $\underline{30}\%$ = 100%
- 7. Total number of personal contacts for season. <u>18</u>
- 8. Total number of users in areas patrolled for season. <u>30</u>
- 9. a. Total number of vehicles parked in Sno-Parks for season. 29
 - b. What is your formula/method to determine the count? DARs/Spillman logs
- 10. Number of citations issued. $\underline{0}$ Of this total, $\underline{0}$ are parking and $\underline{0}$ are on trails. Number of citations for registration violations 0
- Number of warnings issued. <u>9</u> Reason(s) (Top 3 reasons):
 <u>No Valid Sno-Park Pass</u>, <u>Wheeled Machinery on Tracked Trails</u>, <u>Littering</u>

Please give an approximate percentage for the following:
 <u>30</u>% of personal contacts resulting in a citation or warning being issued.

70 % of vehicles displaying a valid sno-park permit during parking lot patrol

- <u>N/A</u>% of snowmobiles displaying a valid registration during trail patrol.
- 13. Do the officers employed under the funding provided have the authority to issue citations? <u>Yes</u>
- 14. Provide a brief summary of the 2023-2024 season to include:
 - a) A description of an average education/enforcement day and participation in safety training classes, local

grooming council meetings, area trail council meetings, etc.

WDFW Officers provide a service for Washington State Parks in patrolling the Winter Sno-Park Recreation sites for permit compliance. When an Officer observes a vehicle that is parked within the posted parking area stating that a Winter Recreation permit is required and that vehicle does not have a visible/valid permit. The Officer will use discretion on whether or not they will issue a Notice of Infraction or a Written Warning and leave that notice in a visible area for the registered owner to clearly see when they return to their vehicle.

During a contact with a park user Officers often provide education on safety requirements and the illegal use of intoxicants while operating a snow machine. Officers will routinely field questions regarding Fish and Wildlife rules and regulations including trapping laws but more specifically towards the winter recreational grooming/trail maintenance operations. Officers occasionally contact vehicles that are using the area for unintended purposes and provide those individuals information on what the Winter Recreation program is and what the intended uses of the parking areas are for.

There is no average/routine day for a WDFW Police Officer and each contact is going to be different than the last, but by having a Law Enforcement presence at these specially improved sites it helps deter any illegal activity such as vandalism, vehicle their or property loss to both the State of Washington and its recreational users.

b) Describe your complaint process (how are they recorded and tracked), the number and kind of complaints received, recurring themes and issues, and any known conflict between user groups.

Complaints regarding Sno-Park maintenance or trail issues are provided to the WDFW personnel and then routed to the proper contacts for compliance. The typical complaints are unplowed/inaccessible parking area(s) for example; entrances too tight at high snow levels for some trucks with trailers to safely enter and exit the parking area. Another complaint found this year was at the Flowery Trail Sno-Park. Patrons of the 49 Degree North Ski Mountain were parking at the Sno-Park as parking at the mountain was a full capacity. Staff at the resort were contacted and were told this was unacceptable and this violation ceased from this point forward

14. How is on the trail enforcement provided? What would you need to make on the trail enforcement more effective?

WDFW Enforcement has four enforcement snowmobiles used for on the trail contacts. These machines are operated throughout the season and are maintained at the agencies expense. We also use our agency side by side that is equipped with tracks for two man patrols. This cuts down on fuel cost and increases officer safety

15. How is Sno-Park enforcement provided? What would you need to make Sno-Park enforcement more effective?

WDFW Enforcement has four enforcement snowmobiles used for on the trail contacts. These machines are operated throughout the season and are maintained at the agencies expense. We also use our agency side by side that is equipped with tracks for two man patrols. This cuts down on fuel cost and increases officer safety. To make Sno-Park enforcement more effective, signage needs to be replaced at a more frequent basis. Often these signs are destroyed or otherwise removed resulting in the user inadvertently committing a violation.

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NOTE: THIS APPLICATION IS FOR ONGOING EDUCATION & ENFORCEMENT REPORT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED FUNDING ONLY

APPLICANT AGENCY Washington Department	of Fish and Wildlife Polic	e					
 (A) TYPE OF COST – ITEMIZE ALL COST TYPES, i.e., salaries, benefits, vehicle operation, supplies, etc. (B) FUNDS BEING REQUESTED – DOLLAR AMOUNT FOR EACH COST TYPE. (C) NATURE OF MATCHING, COST SHARING OR VOLUNTEER SERVICES PROVIDED – EXPLAIN SERVICES PROVIDED. (D) VALUE OF MATCHING, COST SHARING OR VOLUNTEER SERVICES PROVIDED – (E) SOURCE OF MATCHING, COST SHARING FUNDS OR VOLUNTEER SERVICES PROVIDED – IDENTIFY WHETHER THEY ARE COUNTY/STATE GENERAL FUNDS, FEDERAL AGENCY FUNDS, LOCAL CLUB FUNDS, VOLUNTEER HOURS, ETC. 							
Type of Cost (A)Funds Requested (B)Nature of Matching/Cost Sharing 							
Officer/Ranger Salaries/ Benefits	\$5,707	Worked hours not coded to contract dollars.	\$2040	State General Fund			
Vehicle Operation Costs	\$N/A	Fuel Spent on Vehicles/Snowmibiles/Tra cked Machinery	\$900	State General Fund			
Mileage	\$N/A	N/A	\$N/A	N/A			
Other	\$N/A	Purchase of new snowmobiles/Repair of machines	\$30,000	State General Fund			
Administration	\$N/A		\$				
Other (Please describe)	\$		\$				

TOTALS (should match totals on Pg 1)	\$5,707	\$3	32,940
Example: local grooming coul	lonated hours provided for this a ncil participation, safety class tra cannot be duplicated in other ap	ining	volunteer or donated work performed.
Funds Requested		Fund Contributed	
Salaries Ex: GS-11	Days 5 @\$190 = \$950	Salaries	
Position name Officer Hourly rate 155	Days 36 @ \$155= 5707\$	Position name Officer Hourly rate 110	Days 30 @ \$68= 2040\$
Position name Hourly rate	Days @ \$ = \$	Position name Sergeant Hourly rate 185	Days 10 @ \$85= 1850\$
Position name Hourly rate	Days @ \$ = \$	Position name Hourly rate	Days @ \$ = \$
Position name Hourly rate	Days @ \$ = \$	Position name Hourly rate	Days @ \$ = \$
	Total funds requested \$ 5,707		Total Matching \$ 2890

Agreement

In the event funding is provided by the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission Winter Recreation Program, a cooperative or funding agreement of one to five years will be offered to the Applicant that will prescribe how the funding is to be utilized and how to apply for reimbursement for services provided.

The applicant certifies that, to the best of his/her knowledge, the information in this application is true and correct.

<u>uler Bahrenburg</u> Signature of Applicant

Tyler Bahrenburg, Sergeant Printed Name and Title of Applicant 4-22-2024

Date

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PATROL AREA – Provide name of Sno-Parks / Trail System(s) patrolled Cle Elum Ranger District Snow Ranger Education and Enforcement

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TOTA	L FUNDS REQUES	TED	
\$	Motorized	\$34560 Non-Motorized	
ΤΟΤΑ	L FUNDS / IN-KIND	SERVICES / MATERIALS PROVIDED	TOTAL VALUE OF PARTNERSHIP
\$3675	50		\$71310

APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME OF APPLICANT	NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE
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CITY, STATE, ZIP	TELEPHONE NUMBER & EXTENSION

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List the Sno-Park, single vehicle capacity and estimated average percentage of vehicle use for each (if additional space is needed, add an additional sheet).

Sno-Park Name	Vehicle Capacity	Estimate Average Percentage of Vehicle Use			
3		Weekends/Holiday Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile	Weekday Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile Users		
BLEWETT PASS SNO PARK	30	45%/55%	30%/70%		
CABIN CREEK SNO PARK	250	100%/	100%/		
GOLD CREEK SNO PARK	300	95%/5%	89%/11%		
PIPE CREEK SNO PARK	20	100%/	100%/		
SALMON LA SAC SNO PARK	100	18%/82%	19%/81%		
SWAUK CAMPGROUND	25	100%/	100%/		
KACHESS SNO PARK	100	41%/59%	44%/56%		

1. Date enforcement began December 16, 2023. Date enforcement ended March 24, 2024.

- 2. a. How many officer days per season did your agency provide education/enforcement? 96
 - b. Of the total days per season, how many officer* days per weekday did your agency provide education/enforcement?

<u>36</u>Sun <u>36</u>Mon<u>0</u>Tues <u>0</u>Wed <u>4</u>Thurs <u>40</u>Fri <u>65</u>Sat

*Officer days – any portion of a day when one officer is educating/enforcing (one day/two officers = two officer days). This past season, how many calendar days did your agency provide education/enforcement? 39

- 4. What is the average number of Sno-Park visits per officer day. 3
- 5. Average amount of time spent in each Sno-Park visited: 15 MIN-4 HOURS
- 6. What percentage of patrol hours occur on:

3.

- a. Weekends/holidays 62% + Weekdays 38% = 100%
- b. Parking lot patrol <u>34</u>% + Trail patrol <u>66</u>% = 100%
- 7. Total number of personal contacts for season. 2143
- 8. Total number of users in areas patrolled for season. 31700
- 9. a. Total number of vehicles parked in Sno-Parks for season. 10500
- b. What is your formula/method to determine the count? Number of vehicles counted during 39 days of patrol x 3

people per vehicle= N. N/39 days = average users per day. Average users per day x 99 days (from 12/16/23-03/24/2024)

= estimated visitors this season. Cars is that number/3 people per car.

- 10. Number of citations issued. <u>25</u> Of this total, <u>25</u> are parking and <u>0</u> are on trails. Number of citations for registration violations <u>0</u>
- 11. Number of warnings issued. <u>678</u> Reason(s) (Top 3 reasons):

No Sno Park Permit, No Groomed sticker, Blocking, usually a groomed route access

Please give an approximate percentage for the following:
 <u>14, mostly warnings in parking lot</u> % of personal contacts resulting in a citation or warning being issued.

84 % of vehicles displaying a valid sno-park permit during parking lot patrol

- 92 % of snowmobiles displaying a valid registration during trail patrol.
- 13. Do the officers employed under the funding provided have the authority to issue citations? <u>3 of 6 can issue</u> citations

14. Provide a brief summary of the 2023-2024 season to include:

a) A description of an average education/enforcement day and participation in safety training classes, local

grooming council meetings, area trail council meetings, etc.

-This year the Cle Elum Ranger district had 2 full time Snow Rangers, 2 part time Snow Rangers. 1 Snow Ranger is a Fores Protection officer and can issue citations. We also have two groomers and our Winter Recreation Manager who can issue citations. Days are 10 hours and begin with the Avalanche Forecast and safety meeting in the morning. When possible the crew consulted Sno-Park groomers, NWAC forecasters, Kittias County Sheriff Deputies, Central Cascades Winter Recreation Council, and other partner organization leadership to organize education and enforcement priorities at the various Sno-Parks.

Required training includes AIARE 1 certificatio and yearly Avalanche Safety Refresher Course with a local NWAC forecaster, First Aid and CPR, Snowmobile Operator course or refresher, and Forest Protection Officer Refresher. Rangers practice beacon exercises to ensure proper use of equipment for potential rescue.

-The Winter Recreation Manager (or USFS Groomer operator) tries to attend motorized and non-motorized grooming council meetings.

-Ideally, time is divided equally among the Sno-parks to patrol motorized and non-motorized activity. More active Sno-parks require more attention to prevent user conflicts.

With fewer Snow Ranger positions funded this year, the crew was stretched thinnner to cover the same amount of ground. Snow Rangers work in pairs for patrols. Upon arrival at Sno-parks, parking lot patrols were performed to ensure permit compliance of parked vehicles. Some Snow Rangers were stationed at information kiosks to educate on permit requirements and purchases, snowvehicle registration requirements, trail conditions, and snow safety information. Snow Rangers not stationed at kiosks traveled by ski, snowshoes, or snow machines to perform education and enforcement on both groomed and ungroomed trails. On-Snow Rangers also removed trail hazards such as down trees and low hanging branches when possible and worked to ensure signage was up to date. -Enforcement action and observations were recorded during daily patrols and reported to crew lead, supervisor and LEOs. Upon arriving at parking lots, a compliance check was done for Sno park Permits as well as groomed stickers in Cabin Creek Sno Park. Snow Rangers tried to perform on Snow patrols after parking lot patrols were completed. During on Snow Patrols Rangers talked with visitors about snow safety and trail information, monitored trail conditions and encouraged user group cooperation between Motorized and non-motorized as well as various non-motorized user groups.

CLE ELUM RANGER DISTRICT WINTER RECREATION FACILITIES:

-10 Sno-Parks -8 staging/parking areas where permit is required

-500 miles of groomed snowmobile routes

-65 miles of marked non-motorized routes, 34 are groomed

b) Describe your complaint process (how are they recorded and tracked), the number and kind of complaints received, recurring themes and issues, and any known conflict between user groups.

Complaints are most often received by phone and email to the Cle Elum Ranger District office. The Snow Ranger Crew also recieves complaints in person when patrolling in the field.

Most frequent complaints include:

-crowded parking lots, particularly at Gold Creek, Cabin Creek and Blewett Pass.

-lack of or inadequate plowing at Salmon la sac, Pipe Creek, Swauk Creek and Blewett Pass.

-Tipping porta potties at Cabin Creek and Gold Creek

-Hazardous bridge washout on Kendall Peak Lakes Trail at Gold Creek Sno-park

-Dogs/snowshoes/walkers on groomed trails.

-Lack of clarity about where fat tire bikes are allowed

-Dog waste, particularly bagged dog waste in Sno-Parks.

-Users getting inaccurate information from summer specific recreation resources.

-Non-motorized users walking on groomed trails in Salmon la Sac trails system with no skis or snowshoes

-Non-motorized users parking in turn around or where trailers are intended to park.

-Lack of parking at Blewett pass sno-park

-Hazardous highway crossing at Blewett Pass Sno-park

-All Sno Parks have different user conflicts. At Kachess the biggest conflict is between motorized and non-motorized users sharing the trail for the first few miles of groomed route as well as parking conflicts between snowmobilers and non-motorized users. At Salmon la Sac, the biggest user conflict is between visitors who choose no snow travel method, just on foot and skiers on groomed routes. At Blewett Pass the biggest user conflict is between snowmobile and non-motorized users sharing the two small parking lots. At Erling Stordahl trail system the biggest conflict is between snowshoers walking through groomed tracks as well as both skiers and snowshoers bringing dogs into the groomed ski trails.

14. How is on the trail enforcement provided? What would you need to make on the trail enforcement more effective?

The Snow Ranger program is funded by a combination of state and federal grants where Rangers do education and enforcement everyday out in the field.

-In addition, two Forest Service groomer operators are qualified Forest Protection Officers and can issue citations at Sno-Parks and on trails. They tend to write violations for mostly wheeled vehicles on groomed trails, no Sno Park permits, and parking violations (such as blocking the groomer lane).

Snow Rangers patrolled on skis and snowshoes throught non-motorized trail systems. With a smaller crew this year the crew was only able to be on the snow about 1-2 days per week this year, which is down from last year. Rangers spoke with visitors about shared trail ettiquitte, dog ettiquite and regulations, as well as snow safety and route information.

-Ski/Snowshoe patrol is done in pairs where educational contacts are made, search for any evidence of motorized incursions, dogs on groomed routes, repair/put up signage, and look for other potential issues or hazards for users.

-Snow Rangers consistantly monitor type and volume of use, check and replace singage throughout whole season, listen to user concerns, report hazards in parks/on trails, document resource damage, and find potential solutions to current or future issues.

To break it down by snowpark:

Gold Creek pond remains consistently high in snowshoe traffic, and dog traffic, but we are seeing an increase in backcountry skiers, and snowshoers parking at the north end of the Sno park to access the Kendall peak lakes area. This area is also seeing an increase in AIARE courses, and guided trips. We are also seeing an increase in backcountry skiers parking at the south end of Gold Creek to access the Mt. Margaret area, this is increasing conflicts with motorized users in both on trail and parking areas. We completed on snow patrols at Kendall Peak trail.

Kachess is seeing a growing number of Non-motorized visitors on the groomed routes, many of them stay on the snowmobile routes until they branch off to head to the Kachess Campground which is currently unmaintained in the winter. We mostly patrol Kachess by snowmobile because of the large area to cover.

Salmon la Sac patrols are mostly through the groomed routes to encourage user ettiquitte throughout. This often includes spending some time at the beginning of the route near the 4315 road, and the crossover near the Cle Elum river bridge to encourage users to use snowshoes or skis instead of walking on foot and causing dangerous ski conditions.

Pipe Creek and Swauk are the quietest Sno Parks because of small parking lots, The crew tried to patrol trails by ski to scout conditions, perform some light maintenance and check trail markers. Few user conflicts occur in these parks.

Cabin creek and Erling Stordahl patrols include skiing the route and talking with users, particularly snowshoers about good trail ettiquitte. Many of the visitors at this park are well aware of trail ettiquitte. We do speak with visitors about the best places to recreate with dogs.

Blewett patrols include skiing or snowshoeing on non-motorized trails on both sides of the highway. After departing the parking lot, motorized and non-motorized users have enough separate space to avoid conflicts.

To improve trail enforcement:

-Ideal crew would go back up to 6 snow rangers. We anticipate two more of the current Snow Rangers will be able to issue citations next year.

-Continue to work closely with our Forest Service LEO's and Kittitas County Sheriffs as well as stay connected with WA State Parks, , local Snow Recreation Organizations, and State Patrol in order to work on preventing unsafe conditions for parking at all Sno Park locations.

-This year we were able to rent ski gear for Rangers that did not have nordic skis. Continuing this would allow for even more non-motorized trail patrol. In past years Rangers had to supply their own skis.

-This year we were able to purchase two new avalanche beacons. We antcipate needing to replace two more beacons in the next year due to device ages.

-Build volunteer program in order to assist uniformed rangers in spreading educational awareness of trail ediquette, permits needed, avalanche dangers, ideal routes for all skill sets/activities, and how to prevent user conflicts.

15. How is Sno-Park enforcement provided? What would you need to make Sno-Park enforcement more effective?

Parking lot enforcement is usually most effective mid-morning to early afternoon. Snow Rangers arrive at parks like Gold Creek, Cabin Creek and Blewett Pass mid-morning to try to catch visitors as they arrive and confirm they have a Sno Park permit or educate them on how to find one. There also seems to be a second wave of early afternoon non-motorized visitors, particularly at Gold Creek and Blewett Pass. At Blewett pass Sno Park, encouraging parking in a manner that allows the most cars and doesn't block motorized users or the groomer route is a high priority.

At Gold Creek Sno Park the crew tried to arrive early and speak to visitors as they entered to encourage compliance. Nearly half of users arrive at Gold Creek with no Sno Park permit. Snow Rangers distributed handouts with a QR code taking visitors to the Sno Park purchasing web page, and included a space to write the online purchase information on the back of the handout. The crew coordinated with deputy enforcement schedules to arrive well before the deputies patroled Gold Creek, and speak to as many visitors as possible. After 1-2 hours of greeting visitors at Gold Creek, a deputy would enter the park to patrol and issue violations for any vehicles that chose not to purchase a permit after the Snow Rangers had informed them of the requirement. This has been a highly effective strategy because the amount of citations issued at Gold Creek highly exceeds the amount that a Forest Service FPO could process in a timely manner. The combination of Snow Ranger Education and Kittitas County Deputy Enforcement has been highly successful at the Gold Creek Sno Park.

To make Sno Park enforcement more effective we need to increase our Snow Ranger Crew size back to 6 people. A smaller crew this yearh meant we weren't able to cover nearly as many Sno-Parks at the peak hours to educate users before they leave their vehicles.

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APPLICANT AGENCY USFS Cle Elum Ranger District

A)	TYPE OF COST - ITEMIZE ALL	COST TYPES,	i.e.	, salaries,	benefits,	vehicle	operation,	supplies,	, etc.

FUNDS BEING REQUESTED - DOLLAR AMOUNT FOR EACH COST TYPE. ÌΒ)

NATURE OF MATCHING, COST SHARING OR VOLUNTEER SERVICES PROVIDED – EXPLAIN SERVICES PROVIDED. VALUE OF MATCHING, COST SHARING OR VOLUNTEER SERVICES PROVIDED – (Ċ)

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SOURCE OF MATCHING, COST SHARING OK VOLUNTEER SERVICES PROVIDED – IDENTIFY WHETHER THEY ARE COUNTY/STATE GENERAL FUNDS, FEDERAL AGENCY FUNDS, LOCAL CLUB FUNDS, VOLUNTEER HOURS, ETC. (E)

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Type of Cost (A)	Funds Requested (B)	Nature of Matching/Cost Sharing Funds or Volunteer Service Provided (C) *		ue of (C) (D) *	Source of Matching/Cost Sharing Funds or Volunteer Service Provided (E) *
Officer/Ranger Salaries/ Benefits	\$34650	LEO Salary and Crew Lead	\$11320 + 22120	10800 =	
Vehicle Operation Costs	\$	Vehicle	\$5000		
Mileage	\$	Mileage	\$3700		
Other	\$		\$		
Administration	\$	Winter Rec Manager	\$14630		
Other (Please describe)	\$	Sign materials, labor, tools, equipment, volunteer labor	\$5000		
TOTALS (should match totals on Pg 1)	\$34650		\$50450		
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Funds Requested		Fund Contributed			
Salaries Ex: GS-11	Days 5 @\$190 = \$950	Salaries			
Position name Snow Ranger #1 Hourly rate GS 7 perm	Days 42 @ \$295= 12390\$	Position name Winter R Manager Hourly rate GS 11			18= 14630\$
Position name Snow Ranger #2 Hourly rate GS 5	Days 40 @ \$185= 7400\$	Position name Winter R Hourly rate	Position name Winter Rec Lead		83= 11320\$
Position name Snow Ranger #3 Hourly rate GS 5	Days 40 @ \$185= 7400\$	Position name LEO # 1 Hourly rate		Days 24 @ \$4	50= 10800\$
Position name Snow Ranger #4 Hourly rate GS 5	Days 40 @ \$185= 7400\$	Position name Hourly rate		Days @	@\$ = \$
	Total funds requested \$ 34560			Total Matching	\$ 36750

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offered to the Applicant that will prescribe how the funding is to be utilized and how to apply for reimbursement for services provided.

The applicant certifies that, to the best of his/her knowledge, the information in this application is true and correct.

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3	Ongoing		

PATROL AREA – Provide name of Sno-Parks / Trail System(s) patrolled

Motorized

Yakima/ Green Water:

Goose Egg

Bumping Lake Trail System

North Fork Tieton Trail System

Crow Lake Way/ Hells Crossing/ Pleasant Valley Trail System

TOTAL FUNDS REQUESTED \$ Motorized

\$^{\$5000} Non-Motorized

TOTAL FUNDS / IN-KIND SERVICES / MATERIALS PROVIDED	TOTAL VALUE OF PARTNERSHIP
\$ 7030- Gov Fleet costs/ \$5000- GS-6 FS patrol staff	\$ \$17,030.00

Non-Motorized

APPLICANT INFORMATION

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List the Sno-Park, single vehicle capacity and estimated average percentage of vehicle use for each (if additional space is needed, add an additional sheet).

Sno-Park Name	Vehicle Capacity	Percentage	e Average of Vehicle Use		
		Weekends/Holiday Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile	Weekday Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile Users		
Bumping Lake	20	90 / 10	98 / 2		
Crow Lake Way	14	100 / 0	100 / 0		
Goose Egg	10	95 / 5	100 / 0		
Hells Crossing	18	100 / 0	100 / 0		
North Fork Tieton	15	100 / 0	100 / 0		
Pleasant Valley	10	100 / 0	100 / 0		
Union Creek	8	100 /	100 /		
1. Date enforcement began ^{12/15} , 202	2 Date enforceme	nt ended $03/31$ 2024			
 a. How many officer days per seas 			ent? 22		
 b. Of the total days per season, ho education/enforcement? 					
	2 Tues 3	Wed ³ Thurs	4 _{Fri} 5 _{Sat}		
*Officer days – any portion of a day when					
3. This past season, how many calend	ar days did your ag	ency provide education/enfore			
4. What is the average number of Sno-					
5. Average amount of time spent in each	ch Sno-Park visited	. <u>15 MIN.</u>			
6. What percentage of patrol hours occ					
	+ Weekdays				
b. Parking lot patrol <u>100</u> %	+ Trail patrol	<u>0 % = 100%</u>			
7. Total number of personal contacts for	or season. <u>25</u>				
8. Total number of users in areas patro	olled for season. <u>36</u>	5			
9. a. Total number of vehicles parked	l in Sno-Parks for se	eason. <u>146</u>			
b. What is your formula/method to					
10. Number of citations issued. 0	_ Of this total,	are parking andar	e on trails.		
Number of citations for registration	on violations				
11. Number of warnings issued. <u>13</u> No sno-park pass					
 12. Please give an approximate percentage for the following: <u>0</u> % of personal contacts resulting in a citation or warning being issued. 					
85 % of vehicles displayin	85 % of vehicles displaying a valid sno-park permit during parking lot patrol				
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_	N/A% of snowmobiles displaying a valid registration during trail patrol.
13. E	Do the officers employed under the funding provided have the authority to issue citations?
a S du S T G le L M du e e a (n O g I	 Provide a brief summary of the 2023-2024 season to include: a) A description of an average education/enforcement day and participation in safety training classes, local grooming council meetings, area trail council meetings, etc. inow rangers conduct education and enforcement before they begin grooming and/or after. There was also on crew member edicated to E&E soley. This was the primary employee conducting Saturday partols. Forest iervice LEO and Yakima County Sheriff's deputy would perform patrols on the weekends. raining this year consisted of Verbal Judo, Avalanche Level I, snowmobile rider course, and 1st Aid/CPR. orooming council meetings for both motorized and non-motorized activities were attended the program manager and winter program and. on Describe your complaint process (how are they recorded and tracked), the number and kind of complaints received, recurring themes and issues, and any known conflict between user groups. 1any of the complaints come through phone calls to the main line for the Ranger Station. They are minimal enough that we have not eemed it necessary to develop a complaint process. Some of the complaints were for issues such as grooming not occurring due to guipment failure, complaints about how users are utilizing an area and disposing of trash inappropriately. With the transition to the gency not performing snow removal/plowing services, there was some confusion with signage being installed in the wrong location or ot being installed at all. Missing signs continue to be an issue because people steal them or remove them. iften times complaints received at grooming council meetings and consisted of complaints about housers.
e	How is on the trail enforcement provided? What would you need to make on the trail enforcement more effective? Enforcement on the trail did not occur due to low staffing levels. Lack of quality gear for human powered patrols such as on skis or snowshoes prevented crew members being out on the trail. Before the end of the season, we were able to purchase snowshoes. The desire is to obtain cross country ski gear so that rangers can be out on the trail on weekends when the public is out in larger numbers.
e	How is Sno-Park enforcement provided? What would you need to make Sno-Park enforcement more effective? Sno-park enforcement is performed by visual observation of vehicles either on foot or from the Forest Service vehicle. This is largely dependent on the number of vehicles at the sno-park. Sno-park enforcement would be more effective if we had the opportunity to work longer days, which is difficult in winter due to shorter day light hours. Often times when officers arrive, people are not present at their vehicle, so citations can't be issued, only warnings. Additional training on how to perform enforcement is also needed and a training plan is being developed. We have hired more staffing that possess Forest Protection Officer status that are able to issue citations. To be effective, funding to have more of them working on weekends would be beneficial.

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Type of Cost (A)	Funds Requested (B)	Nature of Matching/Cost Sharing Funds or Volunteer Service Provided (C) *	Value of (C) (D) *	Source of Matching/Cost Sharing Funds or Volunteer Service Provided (E) *			
Officer/Ranger Salaries/ Benefits	\$ 5000.00	FS LEO/County Deputy, Winter Rec Staff GS-6	\$ 25,000	Federal Funds			
Vehicle Operation Costs	\$	2 FS vehicles	\$ 3108.00	Federal Funds			
Mileage	\$	2 FS vehicles @ \$.68/mile	\$ 3921.56	Federal Funds			
Other	\$		\$				
Administration	\$	District Recreation Prog. Mgr GS11 Trails Program Mgr. GS9	\$ 16,369.00	Federal Funds			
Other (Please describe)	\$		\$				
TOTALS (should match totals on Pg 1)							
Total number of volunteer or donated hours provided for this area last season and type(s) of volunteer or donated work performed. Example: local grooming council participation, safety class training * Volunteer or donated hours cannot be duplicated in other applications and have to relate to enforcement.							
Funds Requested		Fund Contributed					
Salaries Ex: GS-11	Days 5 @\$190 = \$950	Salaries					
Position name Hourly rate Snow Ranger/FPO GS-6 rate: \$250/day	Days 20 @ \$ ^{\$250} = 5K 5	Hourry rate GS-6 rate: \$2	Days 20	ℓ) \$ ²⁵⁰ = \$ ^{5000.00}			
Position name Hourly rate	Days @ \$ = 5	Position name Hourly rate	Days (<i>v</i> \$ = \$			
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	Total funds requested \$ 5000.0	0	Total Matching	^{\$} 5000.00			

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The applicant certifies that, to the best of his/her knowledge, the information in this application is true and correct.

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Janie Pardo- District Recreation Program Mgr.

5/31/2024

Signature of Applicant

Printed Name and Title of Applicant

Date

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME OF APPLICANT Ann Freeman	NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE
APPLICANT MAILING ADDRESS	TITLE
992 Park Rd / PO Box 37	Park Ranger 1
CITY, STATE, ZIP	E-MAIL ADDRESS
Anatone, WA 99401	Ann.Freeman@parks.wa.gov
TELEPHONE NUMBER & EXTENSION (509) 256-3332	FAX NUMBER (509) 337-6048

CONTACT PERSON (if different than above)	TITLE
MAILING ADDRESS (if different than above)	E-MAIL ADDRESS
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Ongoing Education & Enforcement Report and Request for Continued Funding Summary Sheet

List the Sno-Park, single vehicle capacity and estimated average percentage of vehicle use for each (if additional space is needed, add an additional sheet).

	Sno-Park Name	Vehicle Capacity		Percentage (kends/Holiday	e Average of Vehicle Use <i>Weekday</i> Non-snowmobile Users/Snowmobile Users
No	orth Lot	50	10%	obile Users/Snowmobile/	5% /
	puth Lot	15	10%	/	5% /
	/ernight Lots/Cabins & Lodges	15	70%	/	10% /
0		10		/	/
				/	
_				/	Ι
1.	Date enforcement began ^{Dec 9} , 20	23. Date enforceme	ent ended F	^{eb 24} , 2024.	
2.	a. How many officer days per sea				ent? 49
	b. Of the total days per season, h education/enforcement?				
	SunMon	<u>1</u> Tues1	Wed	1	<u>1</u>
	*Officer days – any portion of a day whe				
3.	This past season, how many calend			de education/enfor	cement? 61
4. 5	What is the average number of Sno				
5.	Average amount of time spent in ea		1:		
6.	What percentage of patrol hours of		70 %	- 1000/	
			$\frac{70}{2}$ % =		patrol hours on trail for
7	b. Parking lot patrol <u>98</u> % Total number of personal contacts		70 _	2023-24,	blanning for 15% in 2024-25
7. 8.	Total number of users in areas patr		32		sed on counts on enforcement
9.	a. Total number of vehicles parke			days each mon days not logge	th, assumes same count on
5.	b. What is your formula/method to			assumes 2 peo	ple average per vehicle
10.	Number of citations issued. $\frac{0}{2}$			king and ar	e on trails
10.	Number of citations for registrati				
11.	Number of warnings issued. <u>8</u> No Sno-Park Permit displaye	Reason(s)	(Top 3 reason		
12.	Please give an approximate per <u>10</u> % of personal contact	, centage for the follo	wing:	,	
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- 14. Provide a brief summary of the 2023-2024 season to include:
 - a) A description of an average education/enforcement day and participation in safety training classes, local
 - grooming council meetings, area trail council meetings, etc.

On an average day, Park Ranger 1 drives to the North and South day-use lots and each Overnight Lot twice each day to check for permit compliance, educate and assist visitors, check for sanitation/maintenance issues, and receive feedback or complaints. All staff make educational contacts during sanitation, snow removal, and trail maintenance duties. Senior Park Aide leads weekend office hours to educate visitors and sell permits. PR1 leads weekly safety meetings with on-site staff. PR1 and SPA train new and visiting staff in December on winter operations. PR1 or SPA attends area events and visits businesses to publicize the park and educate about the trail system and permit.

b) Describe your complaint process (how are they recorded and tracked), the number and kind of complaints received, recurring themes and issues, and any known conflict between user groups.

There is no formal recording/tracking of complaints. Visitors share issues verbally during contact with staff by phone, at office hours, or around the park. This past year, the most common complaints were about lack of snow, trees down across trails, and heat issues with overnight facilities during extreme cold. Trees down is a recurring complaint across years. In past years we received complaints about parking permits (cost too high, confusion about why Discover Pass isn't accepted in winter, etc). No known user group conflicts.

14. How is on the trail enforcement provided? What would you need to make on the trail enforcement more effective?

On-trail enforcement is presence-based and educational in nature. It is provided during trail maintenance trips on snowmobile when staff encounter visitors who wish to speak with staff. It is also provided on weekend days through a dedicated snowshoe patrol, starting at the summit of the butte and hiking down towards the parking lots at times of day when visitor contact is likely. This past year, almost no on-trail enforcement was performed since few trail grooming trips were taken, riding conditions were often poor, and visitation was low.

15. How is Sno-Park enforcement provided? What would you need to make Sno-Park enforcement more effective?

Sno Park enforcement is provided by the Park Ranger 1 visiting North and South day-use lots, as well as Overnight Lots located at lodges and cabins, once or twice daily. During that time, the PR1 checks for parking compliance, educates visitors about fee/permit requirements, and discusses trail and park conditions. More public outreach/ advertising would make enforcement more effective by educating the public about the permit before they get to the park. If permits arrive soon enough, outreach at local events could also make enforcement more effective by selling permits to visitors early in the season.

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Officer/Ranger Salaries/ Benefits	\$ 25,531.84		\$						
Vehicle Operation Costs	\$		\$						
Mileage	\$		\$						
Other	\$		\$						
Administration	\$		\$						
Other (Please describe)	\$ 150		\$						
TOTALS (should match totals on Pg 1)	\$ 25,681.84		\$						
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STAFF SALARIES: Full-time pay, benefits, and holiday pay for Winter-season Park Aide, 11/1 - 3/15; hourly pay rate times planned hours of E & E activities over 16 wk enforcement season for Senior Park Aide (snow patrol, office hours, business outreach & community events) and Park Ranger 1 (same as SrPA, with addition of 1.5 hr per week parking lot patrol)

OTHER: Funds for entry fees and/or advertisements at winter community events, such as University of Idaho Ski Swap and Asotin and Clarkston Christmas parades

Funds Requested		Fund Contributed				
Salaries Ex: GS-11	Days 5 @\$190 = \$950	Salaries				
Position name Hourly rate PR1 \$27.14	Days \$2,171.20	Position name Hourly rate	Days	@\$	=	\$
Position name Hourly rate SrPA \$21.26	Days \$1,360.64	Position name Hourly rate	Days	@\$	=	\$
Position name Hourly rate WPA \$28.08	Days \$22,000 \$	Position name Hourly rate	Days	@\$	=	\$
Position name Hourly rate WPA \$28.08	Days 0 @ \$ 0 = 0 \$	Position name Hourly rate	Days	@\$	=	\$
	Total funds requested \$25,531.84	1	Total Match	ning \$		

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Printed Name and Title of Applicant

Ann Freeman, Park Ranger 1

Date

Signature of Applicant