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The Legislature recognizes that county parks face significant financial distress and \$80 million in deferred maintenance projects resulting in adverse impacts to the economy and limiting access to outdoor recreation opportunities for citizens of the counties and their visitors. County parks play an important role in providing recreational opportunities in many areas not served by state parks.

In recognition of this, OPRD is directed to participate in a collaborative Oregon Solutions effort with county park providers to in a neutral forum to:

- 1.) Develop recommendations that will:
 - a. Review grant programs and revenue sources that address state and county parks infrastructure needs and develop an equitable sharing of resources,
 - b. Identify gaps in service provision and develop more efficient ways to deliver services, marketing, and recreational opportunities, and
 - c. Identify parks that could be more efficiently managed and result in a net savings if managed by another jurisdiction.

OPRD and AOC will report to the 2014 Legislature in advance of the February 2014 session regarding the outcome of the Oregon Solutions effort and recommendations to address this budget note.

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