House Natural Resource Committee

"Provide and protect outstanding natural, scenic, cultural, historic and recreational sites for the enjoyment and education of present and future generations"



Oregon Parks and Recreation Department

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OPRD

2022 Centennial

Recreation patterns have and will continue to change

Stepping up meet the challenges of today and prepare for the future





OPRD

- Statewide park system
- State Historic
 Preservation Office
 - Federal and State programs
- Land and Water Conservation Fund
- Office of Outdoor and Recreation
 - Private and Public entities
- Ocean Shores administration
- Local Government Grants





OPRD

2019-2021 Projected Revenues





OPRD – Statewide Park System

- Day use and Overnight camping
- Hiker/biker camps
- Conference centers and meeting halls
- Wide array of ecosystems
- 53+ million visitors per year (including international visitors)
- More than 250 park areas statewide
- Over 20 facilities nearing 100 years of age and have historic care responsibility



OREGON STATE PARKS



OPRD

- Only agency reliant on earned revenue to meet basic service needs, up to 50% without general fund support
- Permanent workforce of 400+
- Seasonal workforce of 350+
- Non-profit volunteer support (378 hosts + other volunteers)
- Wide array of stakeholders
- Park foundation
- 26 Friends Groups
- Over 30 Boards and Commissions, some with statutory authority & responsibility

Complexity

24/7 operations
Small town administration
Look for ways to reduce complexity and increase efficiency

Operational Complexity

- Visitation Soaring
 - 12% overall
 - 43% in off season
- Emergency responses
 - Fires
 - Oil spill
- Social service issues impact in operations
 - Houseless population
 - Crime
 - Hazardous cleanup
- Recreational Immunity





Regulatory Complexity

- Scenic Waterways By statute:
 - Governor mandated
 restart of program
 - Designation of State scenic waterways
 - Management of permits
 and plans
 - Regulates land use activities
- Ocean Shores ultimate responsibility and final decision making
 - Land use
 - Litigations
 - Local jurisdiction
 - Permits



State Historic Preservation Office

- National Historic Preservation Act Programs
- State Historic Preservation Programs
- Impact on other governmental entities, including tribal, federal, state, and county
- Grant and Tax benefit programs



SHPO

National Register of Historic Places

Historic Preservation Plan

Archeological Services



MAIN STREET AMERICA[™] Coordinating Program

OREGON MAIN STREET

Community Support

Oregon Main Street

Certified Local Government Program

Special Assessment Program

SB 48



Historic Challenges

Translating federal programs to local communities

Overlapping jurisdictions

Managing process not outcomes

Challenges

Lottery is not endless

Careful balance of resource protection/facility care/visitation 2022 - 2122



Future Starts Today

Discussions about the way that programs work is critical

Ocean Shores Protection

State Scenic Waterway



Thank you

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