



R & E Grant Application 21-23 Biennium

Project #: 21-020

Lake of the Woods Kayak and Fishing Pier

Project Information

Requested Cycle: 21-2
R&E Project Request: \$67,500
Other Funding: \$118,464
Total Project: \$185,964
Spending Start Date: 7/1/2019
Spending End Date: 6/30/2021
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Project End Date: 6/30/2021
Organization: USDA Forest Service - Klamath Ranger District

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Past Recommended or Completed Projects

This applicant has no previous projects that match criteria.

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Location Information

Where is it?

The project will occur on public land owned or managed by another party

Landowner Information

Name: Fremont Winema National Forest
Address: 2819 Dahlia Street
Klamath Falls, OR, 97601
Phone: 5418836714

Site Description

Street Address, nearest intersection, or other descriptive location.

Highway 140W and Dead Indian Memorial Highway

Directions to the site from the nearest highway junction.

From Hwy 140W, exit mile marker 35 following signs to Lake of the Woods. The new location would be just east of the current boat ramp at Rainbow Bay day use area.

Following project completion, public anglers will be allowed the following level of access to the project site:

Full access

Please describe what leases, easements, agreements are in place to ensure angler access to the project site, and what is the length of each agreement.

There is an existing parking lot, from parking lot anglers will be in walking distance of the pier.

There is an existing native surface path from the parking lot to the pier.

Dominant Land Use Type:

Forest

Project Location

General Project Location.

County: KLAMATH
Town/City: Klamath Falls
ODFW Dist: Klamath
Stream/Lake/Estuary Name: Lake of the Woods
Sub-basin: 18010203

Specific Project Location.

Latitude	Longitude
42.37783	-122.21044

Project Summary

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Please provide a couple sentence summary of the proposal.

The project provides a floating pier for launching nonmotorized water craft and fishing. The pier

is needed to address the large increase in number of kayak and paddle board users on Lake of the Woods and the lack of an ADA accessible fishing pier/dock which is not congested with motorized.

Overall Project Goals

Describe the primary goals or outcomes of the entire project, including elements not requesting funding from R&E.

Provide designated, safe locations for launching non-motorized watercraft.

Provide designated, safe location with ADA compliance for fishing.

Primary objectives of R&E funding

Please describe the measurable objectives for the R&E portion of the funding request.

The pier will include placement of : 3 sections of 8ft by 20ft floating dock, 2 sections of 10ft by 20ft floating platforms; ADA guardrails; and 1 concrete abutment along shoreline.

Current Situation/Justification

Please describe the current situation and explain why this funding is needed.

There is no designated, safe location clear of motorized watercraft currently available for launching non-motorized watercraft. Fishing is from shoreline and does not allow good access or conditions for visitors with disabilities to fish. This need has been on-going for the past 19 years, with the need significantly increasing in the past five years with the increase in non-motorized boat popularity at Lake of the Woods.

Recreation and Commercial Benefit

This project will provide benefits to:

Recreational fisheries

Explain how this project will contribute to current (and/or potential) fishing opportunities, access, or fisheries management.

This pier will contribute a safe location clear of motorized watercraft for anglers launching non-motorized watercraft. It will also contribute an ADA accessible pier that is not congested with motorized watercraft. Currently, fishing from shoreline occurs and non-motorized boats are launched from shoreline in the project area. The project area is along a shoreline in a designated Day Use area which includes bathrooms, picnic tables, barbecues, trails and water supply. Future plans do not include additional modifications at the day use area; however, providing an ADA fishing location will allow fishing opportunities from the shoreline for visitors with disabilities.

Percent benefit split between Commercial and Recreational anglers:

0 % Commercial

100 % Recreational

Please explain, or justify, how the percentage split was determined:

The pier will be used to launch non-motorized watercraft used for recreation purposes and to provide an ADA accessible location for visitors with disabilities to fish, recreationally, from the shoreline.

This project has been identified as an ODFW priority for:

Local/watershed

Does this project directly support implementation of the ODFW Strategic Plan and/or current Fish Division priorities?

Yes

Please briefly explain when this was identified as a priority and what process or workgroup was used to identified this as an ODFW priority.

This project was identified as a statewide priority for fishing access during the 2017 prioritization effort.

Identify any plan or other document that identifies this priority.

Is this project part of an approved Salmon-Trout Enhancement Program (STEP) activity?

No

This project is intended to benefit the following species:

Yellow Perch
Other Fish Species
Brown Trout
Rainbow Trout

This project will benefit anglers or fishery by providing:

Angler Access

Angler Access

This project will:

Improve access to existing angling opportunities
Provide new access to existing angling opportunities
Reduce barriers to fishing participation (i.e. ADA access, more parking, family friendly)

Choose the following that best describes the angling access provided by the project:

Dock

Do similar access sites, facilities, or fisheries exist within 10 miles of the project site?

No

Project Description

Schedule

Activity	Date	RE Funding
Project Implementation	05, 22	Yes

Permits

Permit	Secured?	Date Expected
Army Corp of Engineers	No	03/01/2022
Oregon Department of State Lands	No	03/01/2022
	No	

Project Design and Description

Please describe in detail the methods or approach that will be used to achieve the project objectives.

The project is for a pier for launching non-motorized watercraft and an ADA accessible fishing pier that is not congested with motorized watercraft. The pier will include placement of; 3 sections of 8ft by 20ft floating dock, 2 sections of 10ft by 20ft floating platforms; ADA guardrails;

and 1 concrete abutment along shoreline. The Master Development plan (2018) for the Lake of the Woods Resort identifies the need for additional dock space and fishing pier in the general vicinity of the project area. The project is consistent with the goals of the Winema National Forest Land Resource Management Plan goals and objectives for developed recreation management areas.

Engineering

Does the project involve capital improvement, engineering, site grading or other construction?

No

Project Management and Maintenance

What is the life expectancy of R&E funded construction, structures, equipment, supplies, data or fishery?

The useful life of the pier is in excess of 20 years.

Who is responsible for long term management, maintenance, and oversight of the project beyond what is funded by R&E.

Lake of the Woods Resort is the concessionaire who will operate and maintain the dock and fishing pier. The Resort will work with the Forest Service to complete necessary maintenance.

Will the project require ongoing maintenance?

No

Is there a plan to collect baseline data and to conduct monitoring efforts to measure the effectiveness of the project?

No

Project Funding

Funding

Have you applied for OWEB funding for this project?

No

Has this proposal, or similar proposal for this project location, previously been denied by OWEB or other funding source?

No

Other Funding Source	Type	Secured	Dollar Value	Comments
Marine Board		Pending	0	Marine Board is being asked to fund the dock portion of the project. ODFW is being asked to fund fishing pier portion of project.
Lake of the Woods Resort	In-Kind	Secured	10000	Lake of the Woods Resort is providing project coordination and project design.
Lake of the Woods Resort	Cash	Secured	37500	
US Forest Service	In-Kind	Secured	5604	NEPA review
ODFW	Cash	Pending	65000	ODFW is being asked to fund ADA fishing pier of the project (contract labor and materials)
		Total	118104	

Budget

Item	Unit Number	Unit Cost	In-kind or non-cash contributions	Funding from other sources	R&E Funds	Total Costs
PROJECT MANAGEMENT						
NEPA Review	1	5603.53	5604	0	0	5604
Project management	1	2500.00	2500	0	0	2500
		SUBTOTAL	8104	0	0	8104
IN-HOUSE PERSONNEL						
			0	0	0	0
		SUBTOTAL	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTED SERVICES						
Construction Contract	1	45000.00	0	45000	2500	47500
		SUBTOTAL	0	45000	2500	47500
TRAVEL						
			0	0	0	0
		SUBTOTAL	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES/MATERIALS						
Materials Purchased	1	130360.00	0	65360	65000	130360
		SUBTOTAL	0	65360	65000	130360
EDUCATION/OUTREACH						
			0	0	0	0
		SUBTOTAL	0	0	0	0
EQUIPMENT						
			0	0	0	0
		SUBTOTAL	0	0	0	0
FISCAL ADMINISTRATION						
			0	0	0	0
		SUBTOTAL	0	0	0	0
		BUDGET TOTAL	8104	110360	67500	185964

Internal Review Results

Review Score: 2.2 out of 3

(0 = Do Not Fund, 1 = Strengthen Proposal, 2 = Recommend, 3 = Strongly Recommend)

Summary of Review Team Comments

As this site was identified as a priority for fishing facility development, the review team supports this project moving forward. However, as there was limited coordination with ODFW during project development and limited information in the application the team has several concerns and questions that need to be addressed in the revised application. Scores included three 3s, four 2s, and one 1.

Specific Review Team Comments

This project was identified as a statewide priority for fishing access during the 2017 prioritization effort. The prioritization section should reflect that this is an ODFW priority.

This is one of the most popular fisheries in the Klamath District and is in dire need of this fishing and kayak dock. Lake of the Woods is a tough fishery because it is shallow until you get a long way out into the lake. It is hard to fish from shore in the warm months, having a fishing pier extending out into the lake is a great solution. This is also one of the best places for children to fish in the Klamath Basin and this will help those that don't have access to a boat.

The applicant needs to be switched to a USFS staff, a signature page signed by USFS needs to be attached, and a fiscal agent must be identified.

While we can tell generally what is being proposed, the application is lacking project related details. Please make sure to include things like:

- Engineering drawings or a scaled site plan showing the campground, boat ramp, day use area, and proposed improvement would be useful for perspective. Showing how this connects into recent improvements (ADA path, restrooms) would be useful to show how this is interconnected with these associated improvements. How far it is from parking area to new, proposed non-motorized launch and floats. How does the dock connect with ADA-accessibility including trail quality ("native surface") and distance? Is the OSMB funding installation of ADA-accessible kayak launches? If so, where will they be located?
- More detailed information, designs, or engineering plans for the dock and associated amenities (fishing area, kayak launch, boat tie up, etc) would be useful. Fishing docks are required to meet ADA standards from parking to the dock, the information provided does not allow us to confirm those standards are being met. Is this a pier on pilings or a floating dock with gangway? How was the capacity of the end of the pier calculated, based on the photos it may not be sufficient to accommodate the demand and could be at 100% capacity most of the time during peak season. Why was this dock design selected vs other designs that could have potentially reduced costs or increased capacity?
- How was conflict between users evaluated and taken into consideration with design? What type of enforcement will be used to prevent use of the fishing area by non-anglers?
- No permits are identified but may be needed as this is in water work. Please explain or verify.
- We understand that non-marine board funding is needed for the fishing portion of the dock. Please more clearly identify what portions R&E is being asked to fund and how those relate to OSMB and other improvements and funding sources.

While the requested amount seems reasonable, please work on the budget table it is currently lacking in detail and contains errors, including:

- Budget table does not match project funding.
- OSMB is listed on the funding table, but with no amount is listed. How much is the request to OSMB? What line items will OSMB be covering? Make sure to update funding and budget table so totals are equal.
- There is minimal contribution from the USFS. Seems like USDA should contribute additional funds, beyond the NEPA process.
- Clarify what the \$37,500 contribution from the resort will be used for.

Specific Review Team Questions

How does general boater use relate to angler use on Lake of the Woods?

In general, it's variable based on the time of the year. The water at LOW is very cold so you do not tend to see increased ski-boats or jetskis until the weather really start to warm up. Once summer hits the lake is pretty busy with boaters but also kayak and canoe recreationists have really increased. Angler use from the bank is pretty high until the weather starts to warm up and the fish are forced out into deeper waters which makes it harder for bank fishing to be successful. It's not uncommon to see people fishing from all of the boat launches each day as people are trying to reach farther out into the lake to try to catch fish.

Who will be responsible for long term maintenance of the dock?

Long term maintenance responsibilities will be managed by the concessionaire at Lake of the Woods. The concessionaire has been very vocal and anxious to help provide folks with better bank fishing opportunities at the lake. Whenever there are angler/boater conflicts they have to deal with those issues which puts them in a tough place because they are trying to give everyone the best experience possible, but by default the docks are for boating only so the fishermen are forced to go elsewhere.

Will there be signage to recognize ODFW and the R & E fund contribution? ODFW has some fishing related signage for kiosks if there is interest.

There will likely be an opportunity and location for signage to placed to bring awareness to how the fishing dock was funded. It would just need to meet the standards for visual scenic qualities that are standard for USFS campgrounds and facilities, but there should be no issue coming to an agreement. I think it is very important for boaters and anglers to see that their tag/license fees are going to a constructive solution that everyone can utilize.

Additional Files

Budget Information

Maps

[Map](#)

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Photos

Design Information

[Attachments fishing pier](#)

Pictures, drawings, and letters of support

Management Plans and Supporting Documents

Permits and Reviews

Partnerships

Public Comment

Administrative Documents

Completion Report

A completion report has not been submitted for this project.