## **CROOK COUNTY WORK SESSION**

Administration Conference Room 203 NE Court Street, Prineville, OR

Tuesday June 8, 2021 at 9 a.m.

## Members of the public and media are welcome to attend in person with social distancing

or via Webex 1-408-418-9388; Access Code: 623 057 025

Meeting Password: zRNvGMYM286

## **Discussion Items**

	Requester's Name	Matter	Docs in Packet?
1	Katie Plumb	COVID-19 Update (if any)	
2	Seth Crawford	Approve Letter of Support to Oregon Parks and Recreational Trail Grant Application	<b>✓</b>
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## **Executive Discussion Items**

	Requester's Name	Matter	Docs in Packet?
Exec #1		ORS 192.660(2)(h) Consulting with Counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed	<b>✓</b>

Items placed on the Work Session agenda are intended for discussion only, without making decisions or finalizing documents unless an emergency exists.

Requests to be placed on the Work Session agenda are due at 5 p.m. on Thursday before the Work Session

<sup>\*</sup>The Court may add additional items arising too late to be part of this Agenda. Agenda items may be rearranged to make the best use of time.

\*The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. If additional accommodations are required, please submit your request 48 hours prior to the meeting by contacting County Administration at 541-447-6555.



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June 2, 2021

Oregon Parks and Recreation Department **Grants & Community Programs Division** 725 Summer Street NE Salem, OR 97301

Re: Letter of Support

Dear 2021 RTP Grant Committee:

On behalf of Crook County, we would like to extend our support for the City of Prineville's 2021 RTP Grant application for the Barnes Butte Paved Loop Path project. The Barnes Butte Recreation Area is a treasured asset for our citizens as well as an attraction for visitors to Crook County. The Barnes Butte Recreation Area provides both residents and visitors with a unique opportunity for active recreation in a natural setting that is easily accessible from the core commercial and residential areas of the City of Prineville.

The recently created Barnes Butte Recreation Area Concept Plan defines the recreation. interpretation, and education-oriented improvements that will expand the ways citizens can enjoy and learn from the natural environment at the site. One of the key features of the site is the expansive trail network that includes walking, hiking, and cycling trails for a variety of skill and ability levels. The Paved Loop Trail the City will construct with the support of the proposed RTP Grant will provide the backbone of the Barnes Butte trail system. This paved trail will connect the trail heads, parking areas, and natural surface trails that will extend into the more remote areas of the site.

Crook County has a strong history of supporting the development of trails and active recreation opportunities within the region. These recreation assets strengthen our economy by enhancing the attractiveness of our community as a place to live, work and visit. The proposed Barnes Butte Paved Loop Path project will not only provide those active recreation opportunities, but it will also expand access to some of the unique history, ecosystems, and geology of our area.

We wholeheartedly believe this project will be a tremendous asset to our community and we encourage you to join us in supporting the City of Prineville in the development of the Barnes Butte Paved Loop Path project.

Sincerely,

**Crook County** 

