

# Oregon P-R Funding Summary

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

A few state fish and wildlife agencies use a portion of their federal Pittman-Robertson (P-R) Act funding to make grants to nonprofit organizations or local governments for shooting range projects.

To help Izaak Walton League chapters capitalize on this funding opportunity, we have researched and developed the series of P-R Funding Summaries detailing grant programs offered in states where the League has a significant presence.

**Note:** This information is subject to change. Checking with the state contact is always the best way to stay up-to-date.

## **Application, Process, Regulations**

http://www.dfw.state.or.us/education/hunter/docs/2016 Shooting Range Grant Cost
Share Application Fillable.pdf

#### **Relevant Web Links**

http://www.dfw.state.or.us/education/hunter/range\_development.asp

#### **Eligible Grant Recipients**

 Non-profit organizations that provide shooting range access to the general public and participants in hunter education classes.

#### **Eligible Projects**

 Projects eligible for cost share funding include backstops, berms, target holders, benches, baffles, protective fencing, signs, lighting, field courses, platforms,

- roads, parking areas, sanitary facilities, storage rooms, shelter buildings and classrooms.
- All projects must be on lands owned by the applicant or lands controlled by the applicant by a use permit, lease or easement that ensures use for a minimum of 10 years.
- Eligibility criteria:
  - Project applicant is an organization that maintains a non-profit status.
  - Project includes design, construction, and installation of shooting range improvements.
  - Project intent is to provide a significant improvement, prioritize safety and environmental concerns, increase hours and accessibility or implement a "good neighbor" improvement.
  - Project application includes commitment by one or more project operators or sponsors to assume all operation and maintenance costs for the life of the project.
  - Project application demonstrates commitment of at least 30% of total project cost from non-federal funding sources. Applicant cost share may include in-kind match such as labor, equipment, fill material, material disposal areas, land, easements, or rights-of-way.
  - Project application states that federal funding is not being received from any other source for the same specific project purpose.
  - Project application demonstrates coordination with and documents approval by project owner/operator and, if necessary, by adjacent landowner(s) for required construction access.

# **Ineligible Projects**

- Clubhouses
- Employee residences, similar or other facilities not essential to the operation of the shooting range or the conduct of hunter education classes
- Maintenance expenses
- Portable items that are easily stolen or lost
- Items that do not have an expected life of at least 10 years.

#### **Grant Amounts**

- No amount specified. However, a total of \$80,000 per year is allocated for ALL of the grants.
- Grants can cover up to 70% of total project costs.

#### **Public Use Requirements**

- Requirements can vary based on the amount awarded. Contact state agency grant coordinator before applying for specifics.
- Can be met by allowing public to come on certain days, sight-in days, hunter education classes, and other safety classes.
- Non-members can be charged a reasonable fee.

## **Conditions That Apply To Project After Completion**

After grants are awarded and projects are completed, certain conditions continue to apply to range operations and grant recipients, including:

 All range construction must be on lands owned by the applicant or lands controlled by the applicant by a use permit, lease or easement that ensures use for a minimum of 10 years.

## **Matching Funds Requirements**

To be eligible for all grants an applicant must cover a portion of the total cost of the project. The applicant's portion is generally referred to as "match."

- Applicants must finance at least 30% of the total project cost through documented cash expenditures, other non-federal grants, donated materials and/or labor, or other pre-approved in-kind matches.
- Other in-kind match can include equipment, fill material, material disposal areas, land, easements, or rights-of-ways.
- For example: For a project that costs \$10,000 to complete, the grant will cover \$7,000 of it.

# **Application Process and Requirements**

- Application Form
- IRS Form W-9
- "Before" photos of area
- Map or drawing of project plan
- Application starts on page 4 of Application document.

## **Application Schedule**

• Changes yearly, contact state staff for details.

## What Is Involved In The Application Review Process

- State agency will evaluate projects based on the following criteria:
  - Will the project improve accessibility or usefulness for Hunter Education students?
  - Will the project increase accessibility for mobility-impaired people?
  - Will the project increase accessibility for the general public?
  - Will the funds help grant recipient continue to provide access and services to the public?
  - Proposed project techniques and methodology have a high degree of likelihood of achieving proposed results.
  - Project demonstrates cost effectiveness in achieving project purposes compared to similar projects and alternative means of achieving the same proposed result.
  - Project application demonstrates thorough coordination with appropriate federal, state, local, and private entities including local landowners.
  - Project can be completed within the same fiscal year for which the application is made. The fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30.

#### **Staff Contact Information**

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