

- * Exchanges: one planned; the O'Conner exchange continued from 1995; involves exchanging 120 acres of private land for 120 acres of public land (EA#OR-014-95-15).
- * Rights-of-Way: seven currently in the planning stage
- * Road Closures: see Riparian/Wetland/Watershed Management section.

Recreation Management

Public lands in the Klamath Falls Resource Area offer a wide variety of recreation opportunities. The program strives to provide quality recreation while protecting sensitive resources, expanding visitor services and interpretation, and enhancing outdoor recreation through partnerships. Initiatives such as Back County Byways and Watchable Wildlife provide focus and funding to increase recreation opportunities. For further information contact Scott Senter at 541-885-4141.

FY95 Plan Accomplishments

- * Topsy Recreation Site: instituted day-use fee. Repaired/replaced picnic tables and boat dock, cut hazard trees, provided a summer park ranger for improved visitor services and fee collection, and continued law enforcement patrols of the area.
- * Upper Klamath River: issued and monitored about 25 special recreation permits to commercial whitewater rafting companies; finished the ranger office and interpretative sign/registration board at the raft put-in.
- * Upper Midway Reservoir: installed a handicap accessible toilet.
- * Surveyor Recreation Site: developed an interpretive site, trail development, and fencing plan for a proposed 1996 Jobs-in-the-Woods project (EA#OR-014-95-03).
- * Wood River Wetland: installed signs and monitored recreation use.
- * Gerber Recreation site: installed signs.
- * Hamaker Mountain: monitored winter recreation use and provided a report on recommendations for future development.

FY96 Projects Planned or Accomplished

- * Surveyor Snowmobile Trail: project will involve the posting of signs, primarily on tree trunks, delineating snowmobile trails on existing roads. These trails will be groomed during times of sufficient snowfall and will be added to the statewide snowmobile trail network. A temporary plowed "snopark" will be provided on the Spencer Creek hook-up road. All the trail signage, grooming and plowing will be conducted by the Klamath Basin Snowdrifters, a local snowmobile club. Funding for the project implementation is being provided by state snowmobile gas tax and registration fees.