

## Joint Committee on Ways and Means

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To: Ways and Means Subcommittee on Natural Resources  
From: Linda Gilbert, Legislative Fiscal Office  
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Re: House Bill 5034 – Parks and Recreation Department

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The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department manages state parks, acquires additional state park lands, protects Oregon's ocean shores and scenic waterways, and works with the all-terrain vehicles community. The Oregon State Fair was added to the Department's portfolio in 2005. The Department also oversees heritage conservation in the state.

**Budget Notes:** The following budget note was included in Parks' budget bill in 2011.

**SB 5534** (Chapter 584, Oregon Laws of 2011)

The approved budget provides resources for the management, operation, and maintenance of state park lands and facilities. It is the Legislature's expectation that any actions taken by the Oregon Parks Commission regarding land management, including providing access by easement, will take into consideration community issues and concerns, protection of the natural resource, and public values.

**Secretary of State Audits:** There were no comprehensive audits specific to Parks. The following link is to the Parks portion of the annual statewide financial audit.

[http://www.sos.state.or.us/audits/pages/state\\_audits/management/2012/634-2012-02-01.pdf](http://www.sos.state.or.us/audits/pages/state_audits/management/2012/634-2012-02-01.pdf)

**Emergency Board Appearances:**

Date	Description	Amount
May 2012	Expenditure limitation for FEMA storm damage grant	\$293,567
	USFW grant application to acquire coastal estuary and associated freshwater wetlands acreage	\$675,000
Sept 2012	Expenditure limitation for FEMA storm damage grant	\$449,787
	Expenditure limitation for NOAA tsunami debris cleanup	\$50,000
	Expenditure limitation for Nat'l Park Service Native American cultural items inventory	\$82,260

**Additional Materials:**

LFO agency overview

Agency budget presentation

DAS analyst presentation