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Maps and grooming information:
Available December through April 15
www.parks.wa.gov/winter/

To preserve the state's snowmobile program, join the Washington State Snowmobile Association. For information, contact:

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Your Snowmobile **Dollars at Work**



How do your snowmobiling dollars support your winter sport?

Washington state offers unparalleled snowmobiling opportunities. The Blue, Selkirk, Olympic and Cascade mountains, along with seven national forests, state forest lands, state parks and private lands combine to create a vast winter range to explore on a snowmobile.

Exploration of the many winter wonders are made possible by you and the many other snowmobilers throughout the state.

Where does the money come from?

The funds used to operate the statewide Snowmobile Program come from snowmobile registration fees and a percentage of the state's fuel tax (amount based on the number of snowmobiles registered). These dollars are put into the Snowmobile Program dedicated account. The program is administered by the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission with recommendations from the Snowmobile Advisory Committee.

What do you pay?

Snowmobile registration fee: \$30.00 Vintage snowmobile registration fee: \$12.00 Tax on snowmobile fuel: \$27.00

*This amount is a percentage of the fuel tax calculated by multiplying the number of registered snowmobiles x .20 cents x 135 gallons.

What do you get from the Snowmobile Program?

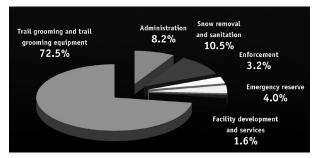
Approximately 97 percent of the registration fees and fuel tax dollars support snowmobiling in Washington state by providing:

- Trail grooming and signing
- Parking lot construction and snow removal
- Sanitary facilities
- Trail grooming equipment purchases
- Snowmobile safety training for all ages
- Law enforcement and education
- Program administration

Who decides how the money is spent?

You do! Periodically, registered snowmobile owners are surveyed to find out where they snowmobile, what types of facilities they use and their priority for spending snowmobile funds. The results help shape the way money is spent for trail grooming and other services.

How is your money spent? Average Budget



How is the money distributed?

Annually, project sponsors and those wanting to be a project sponsor submit an application to the State Parks Snowmobile Program requesting funds for trail grooming, parking lot snow removal, parking lot construction, law enforcement and sanitation facilities. The Snowmobile Advisory Committee reviews the applications and makes funding recommendations to the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission. Once the Commission approves the recommendations, State Parks staff contracts with government agencies, private contractors and clubs to provide the services.

The Snowmobile Advisory Committee consists of:

- Six snowmobilers
- Three non-motorized winter sport enthusiasts and one representative from each agency listed below:

Washington Department of Natural Resources

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Washington Association of Counties

Washington Department of Licensing*

Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission*

*non-voting members

The Snowmobile Program is able to provide an enjoyable snowmobiling experience with the combined efforts of volunteer snowmobilers, the Washington State Snowmobile Association, the U.S. Forest Service, various counties and many landowners. Approximately 95 percent of snowmobiling occurs in national forests, 4 percent on private land and 1 percent on state land.