Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
Shooting Range Grant Information

Grant Program

Funds are available through the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife for the construction, development and improvement of non-profit shooting ranges and associated facilities. The intent of the grant program is to encourage significant improvements, prioritize safety and environmental concerns, increase hours and accessibility to the public. This program is funded by the USFWS and all federal regulations apply. Ranges must provide for some public access.

The grant funding program is managed by the Department's Hunter Education Program.

GRANT ELIGIBILITY

This grant program is available to organizations that maintain a non-profit status and that provide access to the general public and hunter education class instructors and participants.

Projects eligible for reimbursement include backstops, berms, target holders, benches, baffles, protective fencing, signs, lighting, field courses, and platforms, roads, parking areas, sanitary facilities, storage rooms, shelter buildings and classrooms. 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.

Ineligible projects include 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, and items that do not have an expected life of at least 10 years.

Grant Process

Ranges submit the required application by the specific deadline in the application. All applications are than review by the Shooting Grant Advisory Committee. This committee votes on the submitted grants, ODFW than awards these grants pending the approval of the USFWS federal agency.

Shooting Grant Advisory Committee Member Organizations

- National Field Archery Association
- National Rifle Association
- Oregon Association of Shooting Ranges
- Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Oregon Hunter Education Instructors Association
- Oregon Hunters Association
- Oregon State Police Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Division
- Oregon State Shooting Association