

**OREGON CONSERVATION AND RECREATION FUND (OCRF) PROGRAM  
Staff Technical Review on Wildlife Crossing Grant Proposals**

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Staff Analysis and Recommendation for “Trans Pacific Parkway Wildlife Crossing Project” by Coos County

	<b>Yes / No</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<p><b>Does the proposed project meet the restrictions of the <u>Wildlife Crossing Lottery Revenue Bonds</u>? (Yes or No)</b> If the proposal does not meet <b>all</b> of the listed criteria, then the project should be classified as <b>NO FUND</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- funds spent within 36 months</li> <li>- construction or significant improvement of wildlife passage infrastructure</li> <li>- cannot include maintenance or monitoring costs</li> <li>- meets legislative intent for transportation mitigation</li> <li>- must be a capitalizable asset</li> </ul>	Yes	The project meets the criteria, including construction of three new passage structures and one culvert replacement, with anticipated completion of construction by fall 2027 or early spring 2028.
<p><b>Does the proposed project support/fill an identified (conservation and/or recreation) priority for ODFW? (Yes or No)</b> <i>(List in reviewer comments what makes this project a high/low priority for the department)</i></p>	Yes	The project seeks to reduce road mortality risk for Coastal Pacific Marten, a threatened species and one of the top five SGCN within the Coast Range ecoregion. The crossings will be located within PWCA CR-R35, and within the Coos Bay COA (COA #43).
<p><b>As written, would the <u>proposed project methods</u> be effective at meeting the applicant's stated objectives and are considered best used standards of the conservation/recreation/education professionals? (Yes or No)</b> <i>(List in reviewer comments why the proposed methods are/ are not completely adequate to meet project goals and/or timelines)</i></p>	Yes	The addition of three new crossing structures within a high-density marten collision area, along with directional/barrier walls, would help reduce road mortality risk for marten. The replacement of the existing culvert with a larger structure would also help facilitate passage of wildlife under the roadway.

<p><b>Does the project have necessary approvals in place?</b> This could include, but are not limited to, collection permits, access permits, transport permits, building permits, land leases, etc. If no permits are required, applicants need to clearly state this within their proposal. Are permit approvals in alignment with proposed project timelines, so that proposed work will not delay permitting. (Yes or No) <i>(List in reviewer comments what permits are/are not needed to meet project goals and/or timelines)</i></p>	<p>No</p>	<p>The project is still in the engineering design phase; plans are in place for David Evans and Associates and Coos Bay to complete clearances and obtain necessary permits prior to construction in summer/fall 2027.</p>
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**Staff Recommendation:**

ODFW Staff recommend the “Trans Pacific Parkway Wildlife Crossing Project” move forward for approval by the OCRF Advisory Committee.

