



Dallesport School

Proposed DNR Administrative Site Purchase Klickitat County



SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1168

FOREST HEALTH AND WILDFIRES—VARIOUS PROVISIONS

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 25, 2021

... (19) Long-term, sustainable investment in wildfire response, forest restoration, and community resilience is of utmost importance to the health and safety of our environment, our economy, our communities, and the well-being of every resident.

(20) It is the intent of the legislature to take immediate action to fully fund the wildland fire protection 10-year strategic plan. Strategies to accomplish these goals include, but are not limited to:

(a) Upgrading our capability to attack wildfires with critical air and ground resources; ...



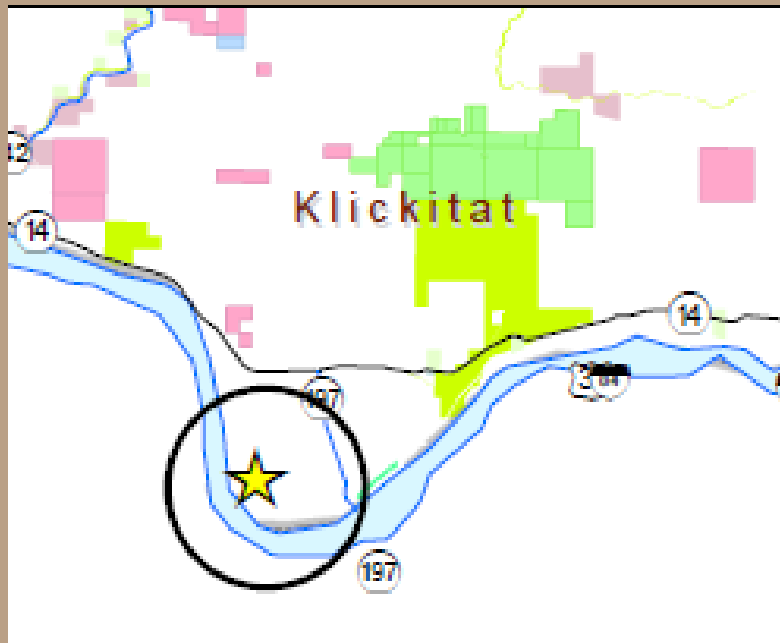
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Location

- 8.5 miles east of Lyle WA
- Directly across the Columbia River from The Dalles OR



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Background and Purpose

- Former elementary school
- Built – 1997
- 3.6 acres
- Two buildings. Main 19,234 square feet, annex 5,460 square feet. Total 24,694 square feet.
- Purpose – Retrofit to become a regional fire response center, including crew quarters, training facility, office space, shop, and equipment storage.



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Purchase Price: \$1,600,000

- Additional \$2.5 million to retrofit the facility.
- Total estimated project cost \$4.1 million.
- Funded by General Fund-State through SSHB 1168.



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Benefits

- Substantial additional wildfire protection resources to the area. Including; crews, radio, administration, training facility, equipment storage and repair.
- Additional 25 - 30 staff positions (permanent and seasonal)
- Lodging space and staging area for seasonal and project crews.
- Proximity to Columbia Gorge Regional Airport, and local communities that can provide housing and goods & services.
- Broad community support.



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Resolution

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