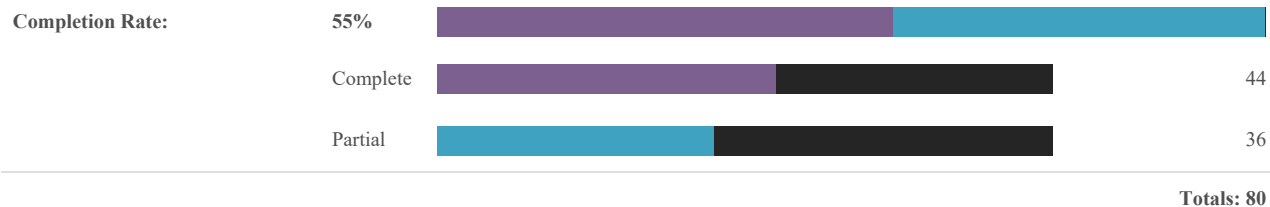


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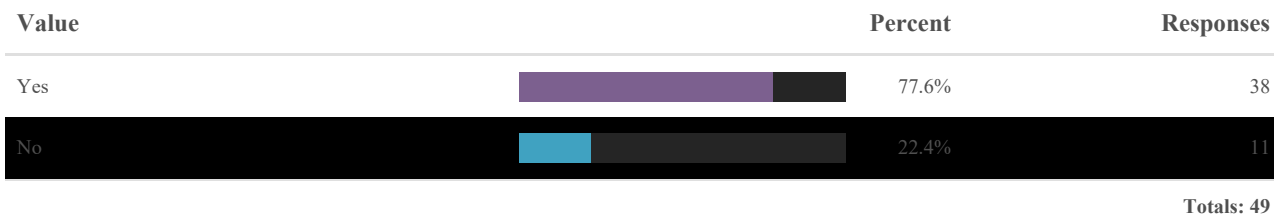
Jan 12, 2021

Response Counts



1. Does the language in section 200-200-193 of the draft provide clarity as to this authority?

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2. Please write out any additional comments you have for us.

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ResponseID	Response
12	It sucks that state employees have to pay to park at work.
13	Ban "RV ranching" along the parkway. It's detrimental to the area.
26	While the rules are clear I disagree with limiting the use of this public space on humanitarian grounds.
28	Add any additional enforcement language you may need.
29	How much are permits? How long are they good for?
30	Good to see a rule put forward. The language is cogent and clear. I have lamented both the peoples circumstances in this public space, but I see this space as public and therefore not for anyone to co-opt for their exclusive use. More so, since the area has ecological sensitivity and was being abused with with human waste, litter and drug paraphernalia accumulating and contributing to runoff into waterways. It was untenable and detracted both from the beauty of the area and its health. At the same time, we need to find a place for indigent folks to go and that should be a dispersed pattern so that no one can claim NIMBY because of a homeless town springing up. It is a management problem. But that is another discussion. In short, I applaud the rule and am glad the haphazard habitats are gone from the parkway. In conjunction with the encampment near the 5ave bridge, it was a bad scene and blight on the town.
35	Does this change need to include occupancy of any Capitol Campus property (temporary structures such as tents or other shelters)? That could cover State property adjoining Deschutes Parkway, the campus proper and Sylvester Park.
43	Unfortunately, due to the tremendous amount of suspicious vehicles and tents along Deschutes Parkway it has become an unsafe place to take a walk. I sure hope our leadership will actually take action.
46	My issue as it pertains to Deschutes Prkwy is that I did not know it was part of the Capital Campus. I see that the language gives allowance for exception to the Director.
53	Special focus should be given due to the fact that the demographic who mostly parks long-term on the Deschutes parkway doesn't worry much about rules and regulations.
59	The homeless should not be able to park where they want and live where they want rent free, littering, creating health hazards, Etc. Working citizens, I mean hard-working citizens are paying for this This needs to discontinue. There are not two sets of laws for people Us and Them. We all need to abide by the same rules and this is not okay and whoever's allowing this needs to be let go
61	I FULLY SUPPORT the proposed changes!!!
64	Setting out a section on penalties and enforcement action authority might also be helpful in marking out the authority of the director. Right now there isn't any clarity as to whether it would be a police enforcement action or simply campus security.
68	The language does not specifically prohibit some of the detrimental behaviors that were done by many of the people that camped in their RVs and other vehicles along Deschutes Parkway. For example: discarding trash and human waste, emptying gray or black

water tanks on the ground, storing personal items in the parking spaces (e.g., bicycles, grills, tarps, etc), doing mechanical work on their vehicles, camping on the ground, open camp fires, burning trash, using drugs, and having vehicles with expired tabs.

70 Controlling parking on capitol campus, including Deschutes Parkway, as the rule proposes is reasonable.

79 And I think it is a bad idea.

80 There is no specification for parking in areas such as the unmarked roadside areas where people have in the past parked and lived in RV's and other vehicles for months at a time.

81 The placing of signs, barriers etc should be in the best interest of all citizens, not just to satisfy the Directors perspectives exclusively.

82 AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 20-05-042, filed 2/12/20, effective 3/14/20) WAC 200-200-351 Impoundment without prior notice. A vehicle may be impounded without prior notice having been made to notify the owner of the possibility of this action in the following circumstances: (1) When in the judgment of the Washington state patrol the vehicle is obstructing or may impede the flow of traffic; (2) When in the judgment of the Washington state patrol the vehicle poses an immediate threat to public safety; ((or)) (3) When a vehicle has violated the regulations within this chapter; or (4) When otherwise allowed by law. Comments: Subsections 1 and 2 require WSP "judgement". Section 3 and 4 provides no judgement to be applied and does not say who issues the impound order. There is no requirement for a warning. While this may be suitable for vehicles used as transportation, in the case at hand, the vehicles are the primary, and generally last resort residence. Removing the vehicle res ([Read More](#))

89 Please do not take punitive measures with houseless people who are our neighbors and friends.



3. What would help, or what is unclear?

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16 Specifying the location where people may park for extended periods, so there is no confusion.

29 A safe area needs to be created for RVers and homeless to go to, before making this change. This is unfair and not morally right.

45 There needs to be a section regarding enforcement -- what happens when individuals blatantly disregard the restrictions?

68 Add text to the WAC that specifically prohibits the activities I've listed in #2 and others that DES found or had reported to them by citizens that were detrimental to the actual purpose of having the Capital Lake area park and parking.

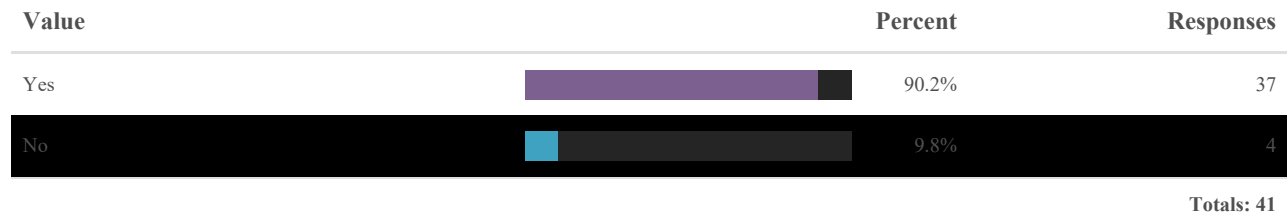
80 There should be specifics that no parking is allowed at any time in any area that does not have marked parking spaces

89 I notice that nowhere does this mention the direct impact on houseless folks who live in vehicles.



4. The definition for “permit” was added. Is the added definition of “permit” clear and easy to understand?

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5. Please write out any additional comments you have for us.

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12	It sucks that state employees have to pay to park at work
15	Need to address how to handle verbal permission given by parking office personnel to park free in pay lots when unauthorized vehicles are parked in your reserved spot.
16	The disabled permit language does not appear to recognize the reciprocity required by federal law for handicapped permits applied for and received in other states.

- 26 This is clear language to me, a person with a Masters Degree, but not to a lay person suffering houselessness.
- 27 I do not see where (or who) one may apply for or receive a permit.
- 28 It's well written if those are all the possible forms of permit. Shouldn't the proper terms like "Capitol Campus" be capitalized?
- 38 Who issues the permit?
- 70 Requiring permits to park is a good solution.

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6. What would help, or what is unclear?

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16	Specify in the definitions section that "disabled" includes permits issued by other states or federal agencies and territories.
26	Easy to access permits for those experiencing homelessness.
27	I do not see where (or who) one may apply for or receive a permit.
65	Some are purchased and some are not.

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7. Updates are designed to clarify that there is a difference between “authorized parking” (e.g. use of a visitor lot) and “permitted parking” (e.g. employee parking permit). Is this aspect clear? If not, what would help, or what is unclear?

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Value	Percent	Responses
Yes	82.5%	33
No	17.5%	7
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8. Please write out any additional comments you have for us.

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ResponseID	Response
12	It sucks that employees have to pay to park at work.
16	It is not clear why the state should discriminate between these two groups. Absent a demonstration that discrimination is lawful, it should be removed.
17	A "YES" or "NO" reply to #6 doesn't make sense....
26	There needs to be exceptions for crises and humanitarian uses for this public space.
28	None
38	The simple fact that you need to provide examples: "authorized parking" (e.g. use of a visitor lot) and "permitted parking" (e.g. employee parking permit)" indicates that the it is not clear.
45	I missed the distinction completely. Perhaps this could be fixed with definitions?
59	This is really getting at the homeless issue. They should not be allowed to park there. We are inviting vagrants to come into our once beautiful state that is now a cesspool
70	Although I agree with the intent, it may be clearer to use one term since the proposed definition of permit is broad.
79	this is not a good time to be placing additional regulations on people who are already struggling. You should be ashamed!

9. What would help, or what is unclear?

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ResponseID	Response
26	Provide unfettered access to this public space.
38	Why not just call things: employee parking and visitor parking?

10. Language was added regarding how permits should be displayed. Is the language in 200-200-210 clear and easy to understand?

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Value	Percent	Responses
Yes	97.5%	39
No	2.5%	1

Totals: 40

11. Please write out any additional comments you have for us.

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12	It sucks that state employees have to pay to park at work.
26	This is not easy to understand for a lay person in crisis.
38	This is kinda clunky... why not "permits must be placed on front windshield or driver's window"?
81	Who serves who here? The permitting language makes it difficult to park without an attorney's review.

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12. What would help, or what is unclear?

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ResponseID	Response
26	Free, unfettered access to public space for humanitarian reasons.

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13. The rulemaking adds language regarding permits related to events on the campus. Is the language in 200-200-265 clear and easy to understand?

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Value	Percent	Responses
Yes	90.2%	37
No	9.8%	4
		Totals: 41

14. Please write out any additional comments you have for us.

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ResponseID	Response
12	It sucks that state employees have to pay to park at work
15	Restricted areas for events on campus should not include employee parking spaces/lots.
16	The right of the people to peaceably assemble shall not be infringed. Requiring permits has the effect of infringing on these constitutional rights.
27	Although parking for conducting a private business is not allowed, vendor parking is. This appears to be a conflict.
38	Here is an example where it is unclear who is responsible for what and the tone makes it less clear. How about: "WAC 200-200-265 Parking permits for events taking place on the capitol campus. The parking office may issue a permit to park in a restricted parking area or other area for vehicles participating as a vendor or sponsor at a campus event or when providing transportation to an event permitted under chapter 200-220 WAC. Permits will be issued to the registered vehicle owner or operator who is participating as an event vendor or sponsor. The Parking office will identify the parking location; specify the duration parking is allowed; and indicate if overnight parking is allowed. Owners and operators are asked to clearly display the parking permit from the front windshield of the vehicle." This does the same thing but makes it clear who is responsible for what in a nicer way.
46	My understanding it that during an event the vehicle will have a permit on the front dash stating the permissions to park, where and the duration.
79	How do these specifically related to parking on Deschutes Parkway?
81	Can not having a place to park your home be considered an "event" since it is a temporary situation and use?

15. What would help, or what is unclear?

No data: No responses found for this question.

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16. Does moving the language to section 200-200-193 make it clear that it is applicable to all types of parkers on campus vs just state employees?

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Value	Percent	Responses
Yes	92.5%	37
No	7.5%	3

Totals: 40

17. Please write out any additional comments you have for us.

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15 Employees should be allowed to register more than 2 vehicles. My spouse and I each have a vehicle we drive to work and a 3rd as a back up if our main vehicles are being serviced, etc.

35 I'm suggesting the amendments need to be extended to occupancy of State Campus land adjoining parking areas so that authority to remove temporary housing would be clarified.

38 You may want to specifically state: no camping.

41 Parking is limited to 4 hours, period. Done. Tax dollars saved from all this bullshit. Now get on to your next job.

59 The homeless and vagrant should not be receiving permit. Again they need to be removed. Our state needs to be cleaned up. This is unacceptable.

81 How about what we as taxpayers get to use what we own?

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18. What would help, or what is unclear?

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64 I think even just adding a line that says it applies to all vehicles parked on the capitol campus unless specifically exempted would go a long way towards making it clear.

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19. Is there any other feedback you would like to provide?

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12	Finally, it sucks that state employees have to pay to park at work
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15	Enforcement of parking violators needs to be a top priority during legislative sessions.
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16	This entire process appears to be proceeding without respect to the Boise decision. The state needs to designate the location where people are allowed to sleep in order to designate locations where they are not allowed to sleep.
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18	I am happy to finally see that employee paid parking is going to be respected and enforced. The rules will make it clear as day that without an employee permit or visitor pass, your car will be towed.
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21	All good changes. They make the rules more clear.
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25	thank u
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26	This whole process does not take into account the important public service that space is serving to house the homeless.
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28	It is imperative that solutions to our homeless problem be addressed by actions and places for the betterment of these people so this type of action is not needed. Please continue to engage community services that will help people overcome these depressing situations. Thanks for all your hard work and efforts to keep the Olympia area one of the finest places in the world to live, I have been to 10 countries and I love it here, but we are severely challenged by our present political and economic strangleholds on income disparity.
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34	Are there any rules regarding enforcement. I appreciate the efforts to update the language of the law. However if authorities do not enforce the laws it will be a waste of tax payer money that needs to be rectified. Thank you.
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35	The current status is unacceptable. Thank you for attempts to change it. The citizens who pay for maintenance of State government deserve consideration over those who pay no taxes. Littering is not acceptable and those who litter should be held accountable.
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38	Generally speaking the rules are well drafted from the perspective of the entity that must enforce the rules. However, the rules are not well drafted from the perspective of the user. I recommend a clear rule writing approach. Based on this draft, I think you will need to have an explanatory document(s) or FAQ to answer basic questions: Where can I park? Do I need a Permit? Where do I get a permit? etc. etc. Please think about your rule making from the perspective of the user and not the enforcer.
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45	I assume that somewhere there is a clear definition of the capitol campus. From a quick read of the proposed rule, it isn't obvious that D. Parkway would be included in this rule.
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47	It would appear from this that DES is prohibiting daytime and overnight parking on Deschutes Parkway. I recommend DES consider regulating parking in this area much like the State Parks Dept .regulates camping. You could designate only certain areas along the parkway with marked parking spots, where an overnight permit is needed. Charge a modest fee to help cover the cost of trash pickup and bathroom cleaning. In other words, manage this like a State Park, not an employee parking area. See https://parks.state.wa.us/179/Rules-regulations
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49	Glad you are addressing this issue. Deschutes Parkway is not an appropriate place for overnight vehicles and it provides a safety, health and economic risk for our entire County.
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53	None other than feedback given.
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54	Zero tolerance for ANY homeless parking/camping at any time and for any reason
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59 Please clean up the state the homeless population is ridiculous and that there's two sets of rules for us and Them is asinine. We hard-working citizens are paying for this mess and that's not okay

61 Again,.... I FULLY SUPPORT the proposed changes!!!

64 If there is going to be enforcement on the parking side, then the large homeless encampment on the other side of the road should be addressed. I have specifically avoided that area when looking for outdoor areas to walk because it no longer feels safe to do so there. The parking aspect is only half the problem. If the other half isn't addressed, then use of the Capitol Lake area will continue to decline as the encampment and activity around it continues to grow.

65 State Employees should not have to pay to park at their primary work location and should be guaranteed a place to park if needed in the course of state business. This policy is shameful social engineering in practice. In addition this policy creates inequity for employees who may not be able to afford to live or do not wish to live in dirty and dangerous downtown Olympia.

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