

# Camp Host Opportunities



## Points of Interest

- Oregon Department of Forestry campgrounds are only a few hours drive from many major attractions from the bustling city of Portland to the picturesque Pacific coastline.
- Hosts enjoy meeting and greeting visitors from all over the world.
- Hosts have a unique opportunity to live in a forest setting.

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## In Search of Fun and Outgoing Host Volunteers

The Oregon Department of Forestry is looking for fun, outgoing folks to volunteer as camp hosts in a variety of campgrounds and at the Tillamook Forest Center.

The Camp Host Program provides an opportunity for people from all walks of life to assist the Oregon Department of Forestry in providing a quality camping and recreation experience for the thousands of people who visit Oregon's State Forests each year.

The Department of Forestry operates traditional tent and RV campgrounds, equestrian campgrounds, and campgrounds for OHV enthusiasts. All of the camping facilities operated by the Oregon Department of Forestry provide a rustic setting of campsites with parking, picnic tables, and fire pits. Each campground is also adjacent or close to a trailhead or staging area.

Hosts provide information to help visitors navigate the miles of trail that traverse the State Forests. Each trail a unique journey through a natural setting for hikers, mountain bikers, equestrians, ATV enthusiasts, dirt bikers, and four-wheel drive operators.

The Tillamook Forest Center gives Camp Hosts the chance to help tell the story of the Tillamook State Forest, the agency, and to introduce nature in new and exciting ways.

All hosts are provided a campsite, firewood, and amenities such as power, water, sewage, and propane. During their stay, hosts help with light facility maintenance, visitor information ser-



Adjacent to the Historic Hiking Trail Loop, University Falls is one of the most photographed scenic features in the Tillamook State Forest.

vices, and provide a point of contact for visitors in case of emergency.

Volunteers in the host program usually stay one or two months at a campground, although longer stays are possible. Volunteers are expected to be on site 5 days a week and will need to be present Friday, Saturday, and Sundays. To best serve the public, hosts generally need to be available from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm and during emergency situations.

Each year the Host Season runs from May to the end of October.



Most campgrounds have a woodshed similar to this one at Gales Creek for storage of firewood and host supplies.

**Gales Creek and Jones Creek Campgrounds are popular family-oriented facilities for campers with tents, trailers, and RVs.**

## Gales Creek Campground Tillamook State Forest

### Hosting Season

- May—September

### Location

- Milepost 35, Hwy 6

### Campground Features

- 21 Campsites
- Drinking Water
- Vault Toilets
- Garbage & Recycling
- Day Use & Picnic Area
- Trailhead Parking Area
- Hiking & Mountain Bike Trails

### Host Amenities

- Spacious Campsite with a fire pit, picnic table, and woodshed
- Drinking Water Tank
- 30 amp Generator & Gas
- Propane
- 2-Way Radios

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The Gales Creek host site can accommodate even the largest of Recreational Vehicles. Bordered by Gales Creek, the site stays cool all summer long.



### Contact:

Stephanie Beall

## Jones Creek Campground Tillamook State Forest

### Hosting Season

- May—September

### Location

- Milepost 22.5, Hwy 6

### Campground Features

- 44 Campsites
- Drinking Water
- Vault Toilets
- Garbage & Recycling
- River Adjacent
- Day Use & Picnic Area
- Trailhead Parking Area
- Hiking & Mountain Bike Trail Access
- Short hike to the Tillamook Forest Center

### Host Amenities

- 2 Spacious Host Campsites, each with a fire pit and picnic table
- Full Hook-Ups
- Propane
- 2-Way Radios
- Access to Laundry and Phone

### Contact:

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Jones Creek Campground has two camp host sites. Both are spacious and enjoy a lovely setting of large trees and lush understory vegetation.

## Nehalem Falls Campground Tillamook State Forest

### Hosting Season

- May—September

### Location

- 10 Miles East of Wheeler at Milepost 7 on Foss Road

### Campground Features

- 21 Campsites
- Drinking Water
- Vault Toilets
- Garbage & Recycling
- River Adjacent
- Day Use & Picnic Area
- Hiking & Mountain Bike Trail Access

### Host Amenities

- Spacious Campsite with a fire pit, picnic table, and woodshed
- Full Hook-Ups
- Propane
- 2-Way Radios

### Contact:

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The Nehalem Falls Host Site is nestled in a forest setting.

***Nehalem Falls  
and Spruce Run  
Campgrounds  
offer anglers  
easy access to  
salmon and  
steelhead  
fishing.***

## Spruce Run Campground Clatsop State Forest

### Hosting Season

- May—September

### Location

- 5 Miles South of Hwy 26 on the Lower Nehalem River Road in Elsie, Oregon.

### Campground Features

- 37 Campsites
- Drinking Water
- Vault & Flush Toilets
- Garbage & Recycling
- River Adjacent
- Day Use & Picnic Area

### Host Amenities

- Spacious Campsite with a fire pit, picnic table, and woodshed
- Drinking Water
- Full Septic
- Propane
- Generator & Gas
- 2-Way Radio

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Campsites at Spruce Run are set among large trees or are adjacent to the Nehalem River.





Seaside  
28 miles

Sunset  
Rest Area

Four  
County  
Point

Beaver Creek

COLUMBIA COUNTY  
WASHINGTON COUNTY

TILLAMOOK COUNTY  
WASHINGTON COUNTY

Timber

Topkill

Banks-Vernonia  
State Trail

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Buxton

Cochran Road

Reeker Camp

Roundtop Mountain  
2,885'

Larch Mountain  
3,449'

Gales Creek

Gales Creek

Clerwood

26

Portlan  
20 mi

Banks

Rogers Peak  
3,081'

North Fork Willamette River

Elk Mountain  
2,798'

Smith  
Homestead

Tillamook Forest Center

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Elk Creek

Seagecoach  
Horse Camp

South Fork Willamette River

Lyda  
Camp

Woods Point  
2,195'

Scoray  
Burns

TH Summit

TH Rogers Camp

TH Deyoe  
Creek

TH University Falls

TH Brower  
Camp

South  
Saddle Mtn  
2,454'

Gales Creek

Gales Creek Road

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Henry  
Hags  
Lake

Forest Grove

**LEGEND**

- Camping
- Trailhead
- OHV Staging Area
- Horse Camp
- Boat Launch
- Hand Boat Launch
- Picnic Site
- Scenic Viewpoint

Caston

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Wendover Ridge  
2,947'

North Fork Trask River

Cobbles Knip  
2,051'

Boney Reservoir

Windy Point  
2,881'

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Camp Host sites are well marked and are usually located near the entrance to the campgrounds.

*The Reehers Camp area provides hours of trail riding for horse enthusiasts.*

*Reehers Camp is also only a short drive from Stubb Stewart State Park. Stubb Stewart has a horse camp and day use trail opportunities for equestrians.*

## Reehers Camp Tillamook State Forest

### Hosting Season

- May—September

### Location

- Milepost 2 on Cochran Road in Timber, OR

### Campground Features

- 10 Campsites with 4-stall Corrals
- 6 Campsites for Campers without Horses
- Drinking Water
- Vault Toilets
- Garbage & Recycling
- Trailhead Parking Area
- Equestrian, Hiking & Mountain Bike Trails

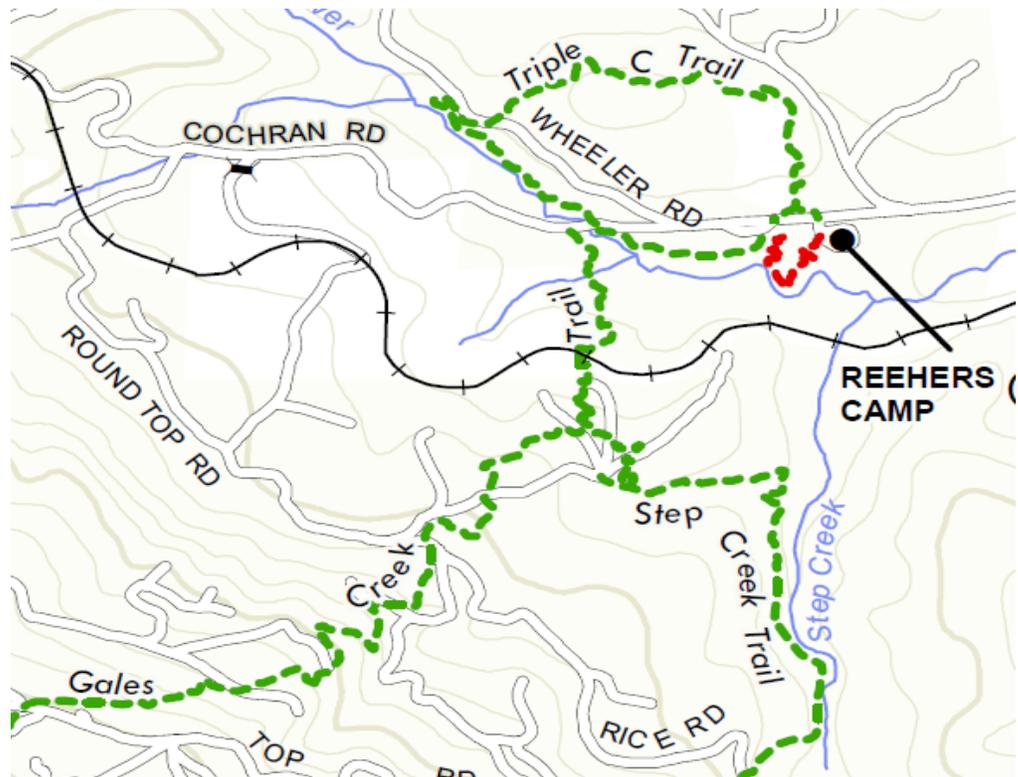
### Host Amenities

- Spacious Campsite with a fire pit, picnic table, 4 stall corral, and woodshed
- Drinking Water Tank
- 30 amp Generator & Gas
- Propane
- 2-Way Radios

### Contact:

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*Interested Parties do not have to own or have horse experience to apply.*



## Rustic Camping in Oregon's State Forests

Oregon Department of Forestry campgrounds in the Tillamook, Clatsop and Santiam State Forests offer visitors a chance to escape today's "plugged-in" lifestyle.

While all facilities are within less than an hour's driving distance of cities or towns with shopping centers, cell phone service and Wi-Fi hotspots, the campgrounds themselves are largely off of the grid giving folks a chance to enjoy nature without the constant interruptions of the communication age.

Each campsite is equipped with a tent pad, a fire pit and a picnic table and most of the drive-in sites have a parking pad large

enough to accommodate a trailer, fifth-wheel, or RV. However, aside from select volunteer camp host sites, there are no water, sewer or power hook-ups available.

Water is available from an old-fashioned hand pump well and bathrooms are provided in the form of simple concrete vault toilet buildings. It is really the "back to basics" experience for camping.

Campers have the opportunity to enjoy nature in some of the most scenic locations in the Pacific Northwest. There are trails for just about every type of enthusiast and easy access to nearby creeks and rivers for wading, swimming and fishing.



*Department of Forestry Campgrounds are designed to be an escape from the hustle and bustle of today's "plugged-in" lifestyle.*

## Northrup Creek Horse Camp Clatsop State Forest

### Hosting Season

- Mid-May—October

### Location

- 4 miles north of Hwy 2-2 on Northrup Creek Rd

### Campground Features

- 8 Campsites with Corrals
- 3 Campsites for Campers without Horses
- Drinking Water
- Vault Toilets
- Trail Access

### Host Amenities

- Spacious Campsite with a fire pit, picnic table and corral
- Generator & gas
- Propane
- 2-Way Radios

***Interested Parties do not have to own or have horse experience to apply.***

**Scheduling 1 month stays.**

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## How to Apply for these Outstanding Hosting Opportunities

Interested in one of these great Camp Host opportunities?  
Simply fill out the enclosed application and return it to:

Stephanie Beall  
Camp Host Program  
801 Gales Creek Road  
Forest Grove, OR 97116

*We're looking forward to hearing from you!*

### Browns Camp OHV Campground and Staging Area

#### Hosting Season

- April—October

#### Location

- Milepost 2 on Beaver Dam Road—Turn Into Forest at Milepost 33 on Highway 6

#### Campground Features

- 30 Campsites
- Drinking Water
- Vault Toilets
- Garbage & Recycling
- Trailhead Parking Area
- Day Use Picnic Tables
- Trail Access for ATVs, Dirt Bikes, and 4-Wheel Drives



Browns Camp is a busy place as it is a favorite campground and day use area for motorcyclists, quad riders, and 4x4 enthusiasts. Browns Camp provides easy access to OHV trails for all skill levels.

#### Host Amenities

- Spacious Campsite with a fire pit, picnic table,
- 30 amp Generator & Gas
- Propane
- 2-Way Radio

**Applicants must have ATV or OHV experience.**

#### Contact:

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**Hosting stays at Browns Camp are limited to 14 days with a 14 day break between stays.**