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**Recreation Guide** 



When you first drive into Milo McIver State Park, the road unwinds through lush landscapes and varied terrain as it slopes toward the Clackamas River.

Situated where the northern Willamette Valley meets the Cascade foothills, the park's meadows, forests, trails and river access provide places for all manner of recreation: fishing, boating, disc golf, hiking, horseback riding, group picnicking and camping.

Anchoring the park's two day-use areas, the Milo McIver Memorial Viewpoint looks out at three prominent Cascade peaks: Oregon's Mount Hood in the foreground and Washington's Mount St. Helens and Mount Adams in the distance.



The scenic **Clackamas River** that borders the north end of the park attracts anglers, boaters, paddlers and waders. Put in at the Riverside upper launch and paddle to the Riverbend lower launch for a half-day excursion. Float times vary with the season, but the Clackamas is always a dependable Class 2+ waterway.

At the far southeast end of the park, River Mill Dam creates tranquil **Estacada Lake**. Access is easy from the boat ramp, the kayak launch and the fishing dock.

Need supplies? Clackamas River Outfitters (**clackamasriveroutfitters.com**) rents kayaks and paddleboards from Estacada Lake.



An easy launch into Estacada Lake makes Milo McIver popular with paddlers.



## **Group Facilities**

The **Riverbend** day-use area, at the north end of the park, has rolling grass meadows dotted with large Douglas-fir and deciduous trees. You'll find trails, a 27-hole disc golf course and a primitive boat launch. Each of the five picnic shelters can be reserved — call 800-452-5687 or go to **oregonstateparks.org**.

**Riverside**, at the south end, offers picnic tables, a boating/rafting access ramp, a large parking lot and a Chinook salmon and winter steelhead hatchery operated by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. A short trail leads to a peaceful spot for riverbank fishing.

Fishing for steelhead, Chinook salmon and cutthroat and rainbow trout is excellent in the Clackamas River and Estacada Lake. Anglers can cast their line from their boat, from the shore, or from an easily accessible fishing dock at the lake.





# **Riverbend Disc Golf Course**

Players love this 27-hole course, and rightly so. Home of the Beaver State Fling, a Professional Disc Golf Association (PDGA) tournament, the course offers a healthy mix of difficulty for both amateurs and professionals. Discs are available to rent or buy at the park office.



Horseback riders love the many trails and training stations in the park.

#### **Boots and Hooves**

Explore nearly 14 miles of hiking and horseback trails winding through the varied terrain. From floodplain to open meadows and up steep slopes, Milo McIver creates new recreation with every visit. The park is particularly welcoming to horseback riders, with its large arena and special training stations developed by Oregon Equestrian Trails. ©JIM KENNEDY, BAT CONSERVATION INTERNATIONAL WWW.BATCON.ORG



Townsend's big-eared bat (Corynorhinus townsendii).

# **Birds and Bats**

Probably the most famous mammal at Milo is the Townsend's big-eared bat (Corynorhinus townsendii), a protected species in Oregon. Over the last decade or so, roosting colonies have reared their young in an old barn at the south end of the park.

The park is also home to many songbird species, both resident and migratory, as well as warblers, sparrows, flycatchers. Grassland nesting birds, such as the western meadowlark, are also common here. Osprey and eagles hunt for salmon and steelhead in the Clackamas. Typical mammals include Pacific black-tailed deer, coyotes, and a variety of other woodland mammals.

# **Park Features**

- Campground with 44 electric sites and 9 primitive sites
- Three group camps for 50 to 100 campers
- Two large day-use areas with reservable picnic shelters for groups
- 14 miles of hiking trails
- 27-hole Riverbend Disc Golf Course
- Two boat ramps on the Clackamas River
- A boat ramp and ADA kayak launch on Estacada Lake. Paddlesport guests: please use the kayak launch.
- Large horse arena with 6 miles of adjacent riding trails
- Horse training stations
- Fishing access, including an ADA dock on

## Fees

Day-use parking permits are required. You can buy a daily permit at the entrance booth, or head to the park office to buy a 12- or 24-month permit. Annual permits are also available at the campground booth during summer months and online at **store.orgegonstateparks.org**. Your camping receipt serves as a daily permit for those days you're registered. Camping fees vary; check **oregonstateparks.org** or call 800-551-6949.



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