

The Clark County Youth Commission Tours Camp Bonneville & The Lewis & Clark Greenway Trail.



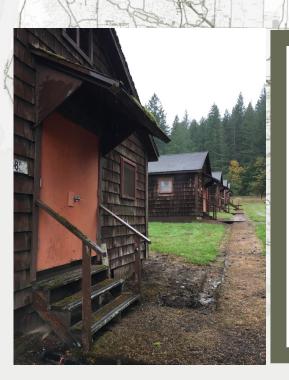
Camp Bonneville was established in 1909 as a military training camp until 1995. Clark County is working to clean up the site and transform it into a regional park. The work includes searching for and removing munitions of explosive concern. The Youth Commission seeks to provide youth voice in the planning and implementation of this cleanup project. They have been asked to generate recommendations on how the site should be used once open to the public.



Examples of leftover explosive artillery items found onsite.



Cleanup has cost over \$60 million so far and will continue into 2019.



Rows of bunkers (left) line the properties two main stations: Camp Killpack and Camp Bonneville. Some were used for housing members of the military. One bunker (right) fit over 40 beds, which haven't been slept on in over 20 years!



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Camp Bonneville

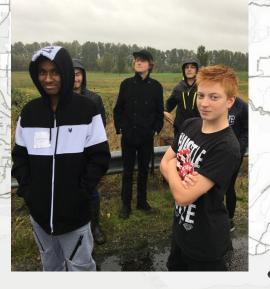
Camp Bonneville has over 46 miles of roads and developed trail systems. Cougar, elk, bear and other wildlife are regularly found navigating them.



The Lewis & Clark Greenway Trail is a project currently under development. The vision is a 50 mile Century Trail traveling along the Columbia River border from Washougal to Ridgefield. The trail will connect existing trails and parks in addition to building new lengths. Once it is complete, it will serve bicyclist, pedestrians and equestrian traffic alike.



The Youth Commission subcommittee braves the rain to observe a stretch of road near Vancouver Lake that is planned to close, be rerouted and turned into a portion of the Lewis & Clark Greenway trail.



Lewis & Clark Greenway Trail



Construction on the Port of Vancouver (right) has begun. The site will boost tourism, the local economy and serve as a main connecting point along the trail. The port is expected to be open as early as Summer 2018.



Bill Bjerke (above) explains plans to expand and connect existing trail systems with the help of Clark County Council Chair Marc Boldt at the Port of Camas-Washougal.





Armed with new knowledge, the Youth Commission will develop recommendations to the Board of County Councilors on how to move forward and build a sense of place in Clark County with these two important projects.