



## **Naming Committee**

Meeting Date: May 13, 2026  
Meeting Time: 2:00pm  
Location: Bend Park and Recreation District Conference Room A, 799 SW Columbia Street  
Virtual Meeting Details: [Join the meeting now \(Microsoft Teams\)](#), Meeting ID: 241 806 337 024 50,  
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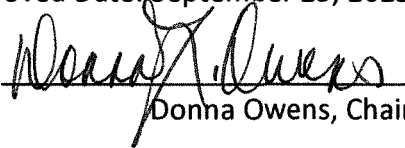
### **AGENDA**

- 1. Welcome and Staff Introductions**
- 2. Naming Committee Member Introductions**
- 3. Boyd Property Site Naming**
  - a. Staff presentation, discussion of the history of the Boyd family, opportunity for public comment, committee discussion and naming recommendation
- 4. Next steps**
  - a. Board review Boyd Property Name Recommendation
    - i. Tentatively scheduled for June 2, 2026

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Park, Facility, Feature and Trail Naming Policy
2. Staff Memorandum – Boyd Property Site



  
Donna Owens, Chair

### **Purpose**

This policy provides guidance in the naming of Bend Park and Recreation District (BPRD) assets inclusive of parks, facilities, features and trails. This policy does not apply to asset naming resulting from sponsorship of parks, facilities, features or trails, which is discussed in the Sponsorship Policy.

### **Definitions**

**Asset:** As used in this policy, a district asset includes a park, facility or trail.

**Business:** A for-profit organization that exists to provide services or goods to the community.

**Facility:** Structure that houses parks and recreational programs, events or operations.

**Gift:** A charitable donation from an individual or organization in the form of financial or in-kind support for a specific district asset. The BPRD Gift Policy defines parameters for gifts to BPRD from individuals, organizations and businesses. In accordance with the gift policy and any associated gift agreement, gifts/donations are provided with no expectation for additional donor benefits or conditions.

**Feature:** A permanent component of park and recreational facilities such as a picnic shelter, courts or playground.

**Naming Rights Sponsorship:** An arrangement between the district and external entity, wherein the external entity provides goods, services, or financial support to the district in return for exclusive, limited duration naming of a facility and/or commercial/marketing/branding affiliation with district assets including district programs, events or services. Such arrangements are defined in a sponsorship agreement and further discussed in the Sponsorship Policy.

**Organization:** A non-profit or civic organization that exists to offer services or goods to the community.

**Parks:** All outdoor traditional designed parks, natural open spaces, historic sites, and specialized parks under the district's jurisdiction or management.

**Trails:** For the purposes of this policy, trails shall include new trails only and shall not include additions to existing trails, connector trails, or sections with easement agreements.

### **Guiding principals**

Naming provides the opportunity to provide an identity for a park, facility, feature or trail that should engender positive emotion and goodwill. As such, naming should be done with careful consideration and with the following in mind:

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Last Review Date: September 2025  
Next Review Date: September 2030  
Review Schedule: 5 Years

- Positive – Names will elicit a strong positive image for all residents and visitors and have a symbolic value that enhances the character of the park, facility or trail.
- Relevant – Names shall be relevant to the district’s mission and community character.
- Welcoming – Names shall be approachable and welcoming to all district residents and visitors.
- Fact Based – Research and evidence shall be used to demonstrate suitability of proposed names.
- Privilege – No special privilege shall be given to any named entity of a park, facility, feature or trail.

Names **shall not**:

- Violate or promote the violation of federal, state or local laws.
- Infringe on copyright or intellectual property rights.
- Use graphic, obscene, explicit, violent, threatening, sexist, racist, or other offensive language or imagery.
- Promote or perpetuate discrimination in any form on the basis of race, sexual orientation, religious beliefs, color, age, gender identity, marital status, national origin, physical ability, or other protected status or class.
- Compromise public safety or security.
- Violate the privacy of individuals or groups in images or via information.
- Provide false, defamatory information.

Naming Categories

Asset names shall be selected from one of the following categories and shall not be duplicative of another asset in the community:

- Geographic – Place-based names (street, subdivision, area of the City, etc.) can help improve ease of locating district amenities and can help establish a sense of place.
- Indigenous, Cultural or Historic reference – References to the past can help educate the community about historical context and preserve memories of key cultural or historic elements, events or peoples within the district.
- Native Flora or Natural Feature – Naming a park after native flora or a natural feature helps illustrate the value the community places upon nature and the natural environment.
- People - Parks, facilities and trails may be named in recognition of a living or deceased individual or family. This naming approach shall only be considered a minimum of 12

months after separation of service from BPRD, or a minimum of 12 months after the date of the death of that person, if applicable. This naming approach requires compliance with the following criterion:

- When 50% or more of the value of the parkland is donated, or
- When 50% or more of the value of the development costs are donated, or
- When an individual/family has made a significant and sustained contribution to the community and/or the district over the course of many years
- Community Organizations – Parks, facilities and trails may be named after an outstanding civic group or non-profit organization in recognition of significant or sustained contribution to the community and/or the district over the course of many years.

### **Procedures**

The Planning and Development Department shall be responsible for managing the naming process for any park, facility or trail. They shall designate a primary contact to manage this process to ensure consistency in the naming approach. What follows are the applicable procedures for interim naming, feature naming, parks, facilities and trails naming, and renaming.

**Interim Naming** – As land is acquired, a temporary name shall be assigned by planning staff for the sake of internal and external communications until such time that the formal naming process can be completed. In general, the naming convention shall be as follows:

- Parcels acquired adjoining to another that are intended to expand the site shall be named for the original site.
- New, free-standing parcels acquired with the intention of future development shall be temporarily named based upon proximate street intersections, significant landmark or subdivision names.
- Natural area acquisition shall be temporarily named for prominent or significant geographic features, if present.

The permanent park naming process may commence simultaneously with the interim naming process in cases where development of the park, facility or trail is imminent. Otherwise, the formal naming process may occur concurrently with the commencement of the planning process for the new park, facility or trail.

**Feature Naming** – Features within parks, such as fields, courts, playgrounds, etc. may be named in recognition of significant involvement or investment by organizations, individuals or businesses in supporting the community's park and recreation system. Feature names should abide by the Guiding Principles of this policy. Names may be approved by the executive director and naming recognition, such as the placement of signage or plaques will be designed to fit the circumstance and must be approved by the district before placement.

**Park, Facility and Trails Naming** - BPRD shall establish a Naming Committee for the purposes of naming parks, facilities and trails. The executive director or their designee(s) shall manage the naming committee process in its entirety. The Board of Directors will direct staff to create a process for selection of Naming Committee members for a four-year term. The Board will be

responsible for appointing an ad hoc Naming Committee to consider and recommend a name to the full Board of Directors. The process is as follows

- Five appointed representatives appointed every two years, with two seats filled in one cycle and three seats filled in the next. Appointees may include individuals from underrepresented populations within the community, members of the BPRD Foundation Board, those with relevant historical knowledge, individuals familiar with the district and community character, or those with a passion for placemaking and community building. Committee members serve a four-year term and may be reappointed by the board for an additional term if they wish to continue.

After formation of the committee, the following process shall be followed for all naming and renaming of district assets covered by this policy.

- Name recommendations – Staff shall use research methods to develop and analyze a list of potential names for applicable district assets. The community shall also have the opportunity to contribute ideas for asset names as follows:
  - Neighborhood parks – requests for potential names shall be solicited from the applicable Neighborhood Association and its membership, and as part of the planning and design process.
  - Community and Regional Parks, Facilities and Trails – media and social media channels will be used to communicate an upcoming naming process and solicit name suggestions from interested community members.

Planning staff shall review all names suggested by the community and do additional research and analysis as necessary. Upon completion of research and analysis, staff shall send a list of a minimum of three potential names to the Naming Committee for review.

- Naming Committee review of name recommendations – The Naming Committee shall review the potential asset names and may suggest additional names for consideration by the committee and staff. If additional names are suggested, a second Naming Committee meeting may be required to allow for research and analysis by staff. The Naming Committee will make a recommendation to the board for consideration and approval.
- Board review and approval of an asset name – The board shall review the full list of potential asset names considered by the committee, along with the Naming Committee’s recommendation at a publicly noticed meeting. The board at its full discretion may select the asset name after taking comments from any interested parties.
- Recognition and Signage – after board approval of the asset name, development of applicable signage shall commence at the appropriate time. Said signage shall comply with all district design standards in force at the time.

Renaming – The district recognizes that names become well known and that changing names can be challenging from a wayfinding perspective for residents and costly for the district. Therefore, renaming a park, facility, feature or trail is not encouraged. Names that have been widely accepted by the community will not be abandoned unless there are compelling reasons and strong public sentiment from the broader community to do so. Historically or commonly used place names will be preserved wherever possible.

The district reserves the right to rename any park, facility or trail if the name is found to be inconsistent with the guiding principles in this policy or the person for whom it is named demonstrates disrespectful behavior or subsequently acts in a disruptive or dishonorable manner.

The process for renaming parks, facilities, or trails shall follow the process for naming defined above, with the exception that a request for renaming shall be initiated by either a community member, the board of directors or staff. The request shall be reviewed for merit, and determination shall be made with regard to whether the renaming process shall proceed during a publicly noticed board of directors meeting. Community requests for renaming should be submitted in writing to the executive director or their designee.

**Policy Exemptions**

For naming requests not otherwise covered in policy, a proposal may be submitted for review by the executive director and final approval by the board of directors.



TO: Bend Park and Recreation District Naming Committee

FROM: Rachel Colton, Park Planner

DATE: May 13, 2026

RE: Boyd Property Naming

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The Boyd Property is located on Boyd Acres Road proximate to the intersection of Boyd Acres Road and Brinson Boulevard. It is located within the [Boyd Acres neighborhood district](#). The site was owned by the City of Bend and purchased by the district in 2025. The site is currently under construction to make improvements to house employees in the Planning and Development and Park Services Departments, and Park the Steward Division. These teams include employees focused on trails, natural resources, maintenance, operations, safety, planning, design and development. These employees are currently located at the Park Services Center located on SW Simpson Avenue and the District Office located at Riverbend Park. The Park Services Center was constructed in 1980 and is now inadequate to meet the district's space needs or support efficient operations, and staff's relocation to this site will address this challenge.

The site totals 5.08 acres and includes four buildings that house office, shop and warehouse space, as illustrated on the site plan (Attachment A). Both site improvements and interior tenant improvements will be completed as part of construction project. The site is rectangular in size and images of the site are included in Attachment B: Site Photos. When operated by the City of Bend, the site was referred to as the Boyd Acres Campus and housed public works staff. Given this history, it may be prudent for the district to consider a different name to distinguish the site from a city facility.

Construction at the site commenced in January 2026 and is expected to be completed Fall 2026. It is anticipated that teams will move onto the site as soon as individual building improvements are completed. As such, the district anticipates that the site will be occupied beginning in late June 2026.

### **Outreach**

The Park, Facility, Feature and Trail Naming Policy requires community outreach for district asset naming. Specifically, for Community and Regional Parks, Facilities and Trails, "media and social media channels will be used to communicate an upcoming naming process and solicit name suggestions from interested community members."

Staff and public outreach were completed to solicit names for the Boyd Property. Staff outreach was initiated the week of March 31, and a survey hosted on Paylocity was used to gather feedback. Approximately one-third of district staff or 227 individuals responded to the survey. Four name options

were provided (Boyd Complex, Boyd Campus, Boyd Services Campus and Northeast Services Campus) as well as an option to write in a suggested name(s). The majority of respondents selected one of the provided names, but 51 individuals provided unique name suggestions.

Given this is a district asset that will broadly serve the community, a press release and English and Spanish social media posts were used to inform the public about the opportunity to take an online survey to provide feedback regarding the site's name. The survey had a similar structure to the internal survey, in that four names were provided (Boyd Complex, Boyd Campus, Boyd Services Complex and Northeast Services Campus), and the respondents had the option to write in a suggested name(s). Numerous media outlets amplified this message, which helped improve the survey's reach. As a result of district outreach and earned media, a total of 54 individuals completed the naming survey over the two weeks that the survey was open. Of those 54 responses, 28 individuals provided unique names suggestions. A summary of the Round 1 outreach, including naming feedback, is included as Attachment C of this report.

### **Potential Names**

When considering potential names, staff worked to determine names that fell into one of the five naming categories identified in the naming policy:

- Geographic
- Indigenous, Cultural or Historic
- Native Flora or Natural Feature
- People
- Community Organizations

Research to determine potential names included:

- Discussion with naming committee members and district staff;
- Multiple site visits to review geographic wayfinding elements; and
- Internet research to better understand the history and context of potential names, as well as additional potential names.

Though this site is subject to the Naming Policy, during both the original drafting of the Naming Policy, as well as the recent update of the policy in 2025, the naming of a district office was not contemplated. Though the Naming Policy allows exceptions, staff felt it was appropriate for this property to go through the expressed naming process. As a result of the nature and use of this site, many suggested names included in Attachment C do not fit into any of the naming categories included in the policy. For example, many of the suggested names that align with a specific district department do not fit within any of the categories. However, staff believes that these names are appropriate for consideration given the nature of the facility. This approach is supported by the Naming Policy which allows policy exceptions with board approval. Meaning, even though some of the potential names do not fit within a specified naming category, they are eligible for consideration by the naming committee and district's board.

Given the unique nature of this site naming, staff is not providing name recommendations to the naming committee. Rather, staff suggests that the committee review all of the suggested names included in Attachment C, as well as the Boyd Family Historical Summary included as Attachment D of this report to

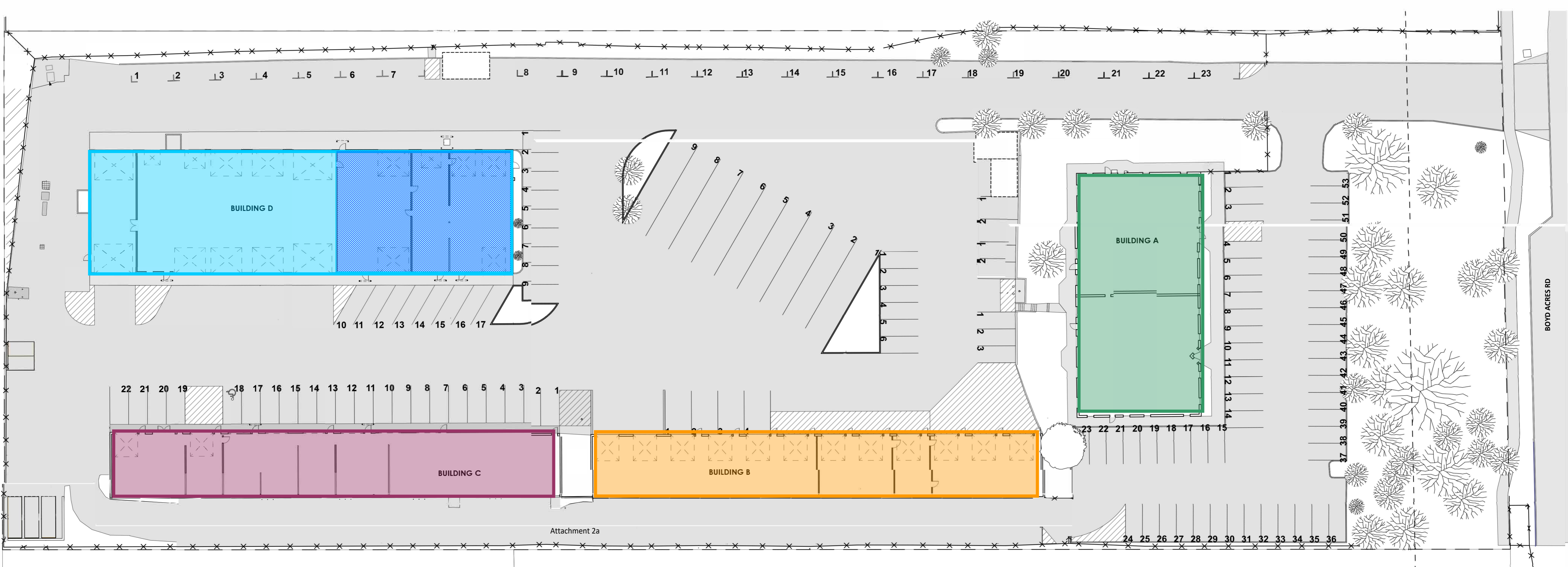
help inform discussions on potential names. At the naming committee meeting staff will facilitate discussion of potential names with a goal of the naming committee providing a preferred name recommendation to the district's board of directors. The board of directors is tentatively scheduled to review potential names for this park site at their regular meeting on June 2, 2026.

Attachment A: Site Plan

Attachment B: Site Photos

Attachment C: Outreach Summary

Attachment D: Boyd Family Historical Summary



BUILDING D

BUILDING A

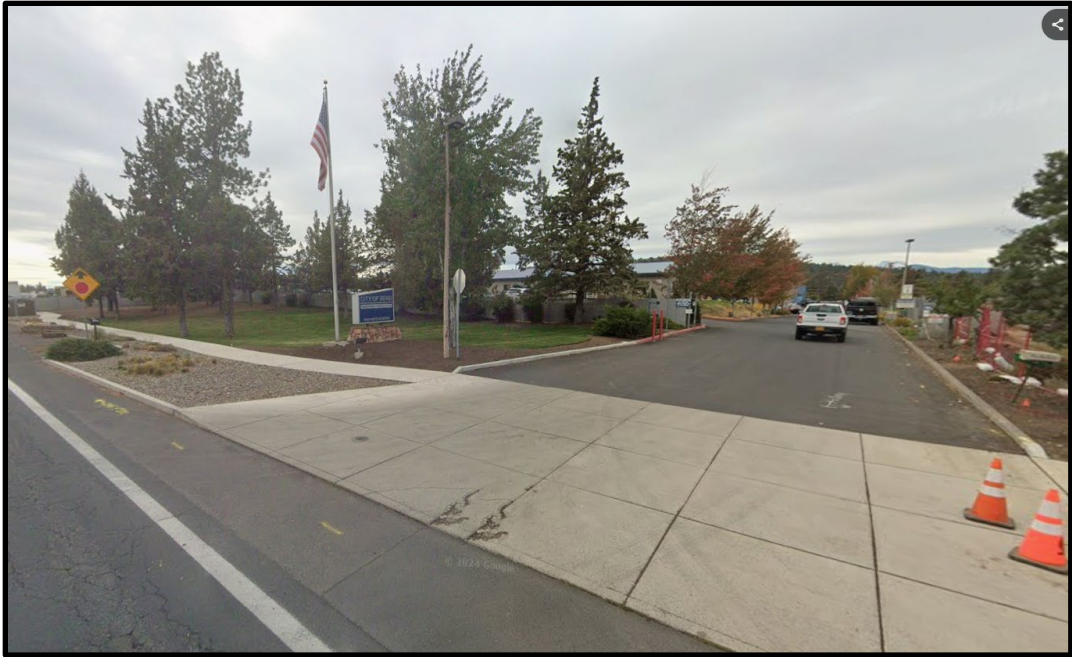
BUILDING C

BUILDING B

Attachment 2a

BOYD ACRES RD

**Boyd Property Photos**



Looking at the facility from Boyd Acres Road



Looking east towards building A

**Boyd Property Photos**



Buildings B and C



Building D

## **Boyd Property Naming Outreach Summary**

### **April 29, 2026**

#### **Project Summary and Background Information**

The existing [Park Services Center](#) located on SW Simpson Avenue in northwest Bend was built in the 1980s on a sloped site and sized to accommodate support services of the district at that time. The facility is now inadequate to meet the district's space needs or support efficient operations. To address these challenges, the district purchased the City of Bend's existing utility shop on Boyd Acres Road in 2025 after years of due diligence and design to confirm the site would meet the district's needs. When occupied by the city the site was referred to as the Boyd Acres Campus. As such, it may be prudent to choose an alternative name for the site to distinguish it from a city facility. This site is comprised of 5.08 acres and includes four buildings that house office, shop and warehouse space.

The district awarded a construction contract to complete tenant improvements at the site in December 2025 and subsequently began construction in January 2026. Construction will be completed in Fall 2026, but it is anticipated that teams will move onto the site as soon as individual building improvements are completed. As such, the district anticipates that the site will be occupied beginning in late June 2026. The site will house employees from the Planning and Development and Park Services Departments, and the Park Stewards Division. These teams include employees focused on trails, natural resources, maintenance, operations, safety, planning, design and development.

Both the district's 2018 Comprehensive Plan and 2024 Comprehensive Plan midterm update identify the Park Service's Complex to be a high priority project. This project is also included in the district's [2026-30 Capital Improvement Plan \(CIP\)](#) for implementation.

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## **Name Suggestions**

The following name suggestions were received as part of the outreach process. The names are roughly organized by naming categories identified in the [district's naming policy](#), acknowledging that many names can fit into more than one category. For names that were suggested more than once, there is a numeric identifier after the name to confirm the number of times it was suggested. Many of the suggested names appear to have been suggested in gest but are included to document all feedback received. Names that were not in alignment with the naming policy's guiding principles due to copyright infringement, offensive language, etc. were omitted from this summary.

Geographic - Place-based names (street, subdivision, area of the City, etc.) can help improve ease of locating district amenities and can help establish a sense of place.

- Empire Outpost
- Northeast Bend Park Campus
- NE Parks Campus
- NE Deschutes Hub
- Park Central
- Park Services East
- Park Services North
- Northeast Services Campus (26)

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- Atta-Boyd
- Bend Parks & Recreations Boyd Campus
- Bippidy Boppidy Boyd Shop Property
- Boyd rec/recreation services
- Boyd Acres Campus (2)
- Boyd and Gloom
- Boyd Backlot
- Boyd Barn
- Boyd Bunker
- Boyd Campus (58)
- Boyd Center
- Boyd Complex (68)
- Boyd in da hood (2)
- Boyd Industrial Spa
- Boyd Mall
- Boyd Operations Center
- Boyd Park Operations Center
- Boyd Park Services Center
- Boyd Park Services & Development Complex
- Boyd Park Stewardship Center
- Boyd Service Campus or Complex (52)
- Boyd Services and Development
- Boyd Services Commons
- Boyd Shop (3)
- Boyd Shopalaka
- Boyd SSPD Complex (SSPD stands for Services, Stewards, Planning and Development)
- Boyd Station
- Boyd Voyage
- Boyds Camp
- BPR Boyd

- BPRD Boyd
- BPRD Operations Center-Boyd
- Hamilton Complex (after Wayne Hamilton, the City of Bend's first Recreation Director)
- Limitless Boyd
- NE Boyd Command Campus Service Complex
- Oh Boyd Oh Boyd Oh Boyd
- Park Services at Boyd (4)
- Pink Boyd (2)
- Scenic Boyd Backlot
- Siegfried and Boyd
- The Shops Boyd
- The Yards at Boyd
- The Ted (after Ted Schoenborn, a prior BPRD board member)

Community Organizations - Parks, facilities and trails may be named after an outstanding civic group or non-profit organization in recognition of significant or sustained contribution to the community and/or the district over the course of many years.

- No names were submitted in this category.

Indigenous, Cultural or Historic Reference - References to the past can help educate the community about historical context and preserve memories of key cultural or historic elements, events or peoples within the district.

- No names were submitted in this category.

Native flora or Natural Feature - Naming a park after native flora or a natural feature helps illustrate the value the community places upon nature and the natural environment.

- No names were submitted in this category.

Other (not aligning with Specific Naming Category): Given this site will be home to a district office and not a park, trail or recreation facility, numerous names were suggested that did not fit within a naming category defined in the naming policy. Many of these names relate to the teams that will be housed within the facility, so they are included here for consideration.

- Acres of Apathy

- Acres of Recreating
- Aster
- Basecamp Bend!
- Bend Park and Recreation Land Management Division
- Bend Parks Services Center
- BPR Hub
- Chicken
- Crater Base
- Crossroad Complex
- Facility 404
- Home Base (2)
- Land Stewardship Office
- Maintenance and Development Services
- Manzanita Campus
- Park Operations Center
- Park Service Reboot
- Park Services (2)
- Park Services and Development (PSD)
- Park Services Annex
- Park Services Center
- Park Services Complex
- Park Stewardship Center Park Planning & Services Hub
- Parks and Planning Powerhouse
- Parks Care and Operations Center
- Parky McParkface (2)
- Planning and Services Complex
- PS Outpost
- Shopocalypse
- SOAP - Services, Operations, and Planning
- The CAN (Combined Action Next)
- The Parks Hub

## Charles Boyd Family Summary

*The following summary was provided by the Deschutes Historical Museum. The text is a passage on the Boyd family from the Deschutes County Book that the museum published in the 1980s. It's a comprehensive summary of the family that was written by a trusted family member.*

Charles Boyd and his brother Bill migrated from Ontario, Canada to Michigan in the late 1870's when they were in their teens. They worked in the Michigan woods as loggers. The physical comforts were limited in those early logging camps. I remember Dad telling how their wet socks would freeze during the nights and in the mornings would have to be held over the stove to limber them up before putting them on.

From Michigan, Dad and his brothers moved to Philipsburg in Western Montana where they eventually went into the cattle and meat business. It was here that my Dad met and married my mother, Anna Wyman. Clarence (1894), Edna (1896), Carol (1898) and Charley were born in Philipsburg which at that time was a bustling silver mining town. Dad was very active in civic affairs and served two terms as mayor.

Becoming disenchanted with the cold, late springs Dad decided to do some exploring and looking around for a new location. In 1904 he headed West and eventually came to Central Oregon. He was impressed with the forests of the area and the potential water power on the Deschutes River. He scouted the area and worked at various jobs before deciding this was where he worked at various jobs before deciding this was where he wanted to continue his meat and cattle business.

Before sending for his family, he purchased a six acre lot from John Steidl. This was on the Deschutes River where the present Riverhouse Motor Inn is located. The Swalley Canal bordered on the south. At the time, Highway 97 was not in existence, and the tract was a continuous piece from the river to Riley Road (the old Bend-Tumalo Rd.)

In the summer of 1905, the rest of the family joined Dad. We came by train to Shaniko and then on to Bend by horse drawn stagecoach. I'll always remember Shaniko as there seemed to be pigs all over the town and several small ones were squealing and running around the horses that were hitched to our stagecoach. We arrived in Laidlaw (now Tumalo) and stayed a short time with an aunt and uncle, Edna and William Hunt. Shortly after our arrival, Edna came down with the measles. All of us took sick and I think we passed the measles around the entire town.

Dad had selected on the site of the river because of the rapids and later built a dam part way across to furnish power. The family home he located on the upper part of the property and this remained in the family for years. On the lower part, the slaughterhouse was located, also a powerhouse beside the river. He installed a huge metal water wheel to furnish power for pumping water and running a refrigeration plant to make ice for the meat market. Before this plant was completed modern refrigeration came into being and that part of the project was abandoned.

In the meantime, dad brought ice from the ice caves when there was no ice on Swalley Pond located just east of the present Truax service station. At the pond, ice was sawed into big blocks and “put up” in the icehouse where it was packed in sawdust. The slaughterhouse, later sold by the family, was used until it was torn down and the Riverhouse Motor Inn construction was begun in 1973. The two large boulders that form a natural entrance to the Inn was a favorite for Charley and his friends to play in earlier days.

The icehouse was later converted into a family garage. Eventually, a corral, feed lot, barn and hay shed were built just north of the family home. The number of cattle varied from a few to many and of course we always had horses on hand. Usually there were one or two men working at the ranch, so a bunk house was built.

Until automobiles became common, the ice and dressed meat were hauled to town with a team and wagon. The runaways Clarence and some of the men had with these horses is a story in itself.

When Dad had a home phone installed in about 1912 or 1913, in order to get a private line, he had to pay for five connections. Our number was 21F4 with one long and two short rings. The phone was hand cranked and battery operated. He paid \$25 a year for this service. Since he paid for five connections and was using only one, Edna, Clarence, and Charley later all hooked on and we could ring and talk with each other without going through the operator. Very convenient but also no secrets.

Dad had meat markets at various locations in Bend. The first one was where Brandis—06) Thriftwise drug store was later located. While the family home was being built (1905-06) we lived in an apartment in the rear. There was a dance hall upstairs and I can still remember going to sleep on Saturday nights with the swish-swishing sound of dancers’ feet above. Other’s locations were in the Boyd Block where trailways bus depot was located for year, and at 135 Oregon Avenue where the First National Bank Parking lot is now located.

In addition to the six-acre tract, which we always referred to as the “Ranch,” Dad later purchased land from the railroad company and others and eventually owned 600 acres. It

fronted the Deschutes River for about one quarter mile north, including the Riverview Trailer Court. It extended east, covering the present Bend Industrial Park and south to Studio Road, including the Boyd acres tract. This land was used for pasture and growing rye hay for cattle feed. At times large numbers of cattle and some horses grazed there.

Dad often bought cattle from Mike Mayfield and early day cattleman. One of these purchases was a small herd of Texas Longhorns that were a part of the last Longhorns to be “trailed” into Oregon from Texas. Edna remembers Dad and Mike discussing the significance of this event and remarking how docile these cattle were because they were so tired from moving such a long distance.

Our mother filed a desert claim of 80 acres east of the present Bend Industrial Park but passed away before proving up on it. In 1915 or 1916, Edna and husband Art (W.A.) Brinson, homesteaded these 80 acres and built a home there. Edna still lives there. Jack Brinson. Jack Brinson (1920) was born in this house, and he and his brother Harvey (1915) grew up there.

Art Brinson was a meat cutter and worked for years in Dad’s shop and later Erickson’s meat department. He passed away in 1963. Edna had been actively involved with the Spencer corset sales. For years she not only sold the garments but traveled in southern Washington and Oregon training women in work.

Harvey married Viola Wheeler from the Ashwood area, and they had four sons all born in Bend: Charles (1940), Jack (1942), Richard (1944), and Gary (1946-47). Harvey worked at various jobs including trucking, which he loved. His last ten years were with the State Parks Service---work that he really enjoyed. He worked in parks on the coast, Tumalo and at Hat Rock State Park on the Columbia River. He passed away in 1978.

Jack Brinson was in the South Pacific all during World War II and experienced some of the heaviest fighting. Shortly after his discharge he married Eleanor Casey and they had two daughters (Janice (1948- Mrs. Carl Alpin) and Diane (1951—Mrs. Mike Reif). After Eleanor’s death, Jack married Ilene Dahl. Their children were born in Portland, but when the children were small, they moved to Bend and built a home on Edna and Art’s homestead. Jack retired in 1982 after working 35 years for Pacific Northwest Bell.

Conducting business was a bit complicated in the early days. Lacking other transportation and needing to go to the county seat of Prineville before Deschutes County was formed – Dad and a neighbor, Adam Kotzman---decided to “ride and tie”. This was done by starting

out, one man on horseback and the other walking. After riding a determined distance, the rider tied the horse and walked on. The first hiker walked to the tied horse and rode past the second hiker, etc. This got them there and the horse got a rest and both men walked about half the distance.

Dad filed on a timber claim on Tumalo Creek a few miles across Shevlin Park. Proving up required living on the land a certain amount of time and making some improvements. Dad built a cabin with bedrooms and a loft for kids, a barn for a cow, a chicken house and a root cellar. In the summer of 1906, all of us except Dad moved there and remained all winter. Dad remained in town and worked. I don't remember just when but one of his jobs that winter was helping build the original telephone line to Sisters. Our only neighbors were the N.P. Smiths and the Dan Heising family, and they were not very close to us. I have many pleasant remembrances of that winter. To trim our Christmas tree, we waded out in the snow that came up to the window sill and gathered red rose hips to string alternatively with popcorn. We had a quarter of beef that Dad hung in a tree and was frozen. We had a root cellar filled with potatoes, carrots, beets, onions, cabbage, turnips, rutabagas and our only fresh fruit, apples. I remember having all the fresh eggs, milk and cream we could use and churning our own butter. Mother and Mrs. Heising went out hunting and killed a deer that fall which was a contribution to our larder. Dad came out in the spring when part of the snow had melted and brought supplies for us on a horse drawn stone boat used as a sled.

Not long after moving back into town in 1907 my younger sister, Anne, was born. My mother passed away ten days later. Although she was attended by Bend's only doctor---Dr. U.C. Coe---medicine had not progressed enough in those days to prevent such losses. These certainly were troubled days for my dad. A few weeks later my sisters and I were sent to Montana to be with Dad's people.

Two Bend women---A Mrs. Ryan and Mrs. Rowe were going east on a trip and they watched over us en route. Dad took us to The Dalles in a two-seat buggy, and we boarded the train there on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

The family was separated for the next few years. Clarence and Charley spent part of this time in Bend and part with relatives in Montana and Seattle. Three or four years later all the family, except Anne, were reunited in Bend. Anne was still very young.

We grew up in Bend and attended local schools. Most of the time we walked nearly two miles to school but at times we used a horse and buggy. The dust was often knee deep. In the winter months we developed chilblains from cold feet. I can remember being in school and scratching one foot with the boot of the other foot until both feet were raw and sore.

These were pretty trying times for Dad attempting to rear a motherless family. He was too busy for much “polish” and laid down a few iron-clad fundamental principles that we were to follow or else. He tried hiring housekeepers, but they never stayed long since we were a handful to manage so he finally gave up on that. Consequently, Edna and I had to do the cooking and housekeeping which must have been pretty rough on the rest of the family and the men working for us. However, we all survived. Dad passed away in 1933.

When Charley was grown and married to Marguerite Hall, they purchased some acreage from Dad and built their home. Their son, Charles William Boyd Jr., known as Bill ---was born in Bend and grew up on this acreage. They remained there until most of the land was sold in 1978. The Bend River Mall-Boyd Center shopping center is located largely on Charley’s land, the present Seats store is located where their home stood, they moved their home to a tract north of Bend.

During Charley’s working years he worked in Brooks-Scanlon, Shevlin-Hixon box factory and in the meat market with Dad. During his last working years, he farmed in the Cloverdale area near Sisters, and on his acreage in Bend. Marguerite taught for years in the Bend schools.

Bill Boyd and his wife, Bonnie McKean Boyd, are both Oregon State University graduates, she in home economics and he with a teaching credential in science. Bill taught in Salem for a few years where their sons John (1971), Jim (1974), and Charles (1977), were born. They later moved to Bend and Bill now teaches here.

Dad often contracted meat for various construction projects. One of these was with the Southern Pacific Railroad when the Willamette Pass cut-off, referred to as the Natron cut-off, was being built through the Cascade Mountains from Oakridge to Chemult. The construction included a long tunnel ending near the west end of Odell Lake. The work began in 1923 and finished in 1926. At that time there wasn’t a road around the lake. The supplies for the camp on the east side of the mountains were barged from the east end of Odell Lake to the west end. It was Charley’s task to deliver the meat to these barges.

Although most of Dad’s land has now passed out of the family possession, Charley and his son Bill still own a few acres in the north part of Charley’s original property. It pleases all of us that Bill and his wife, Bonnie, moved the old house, icehouse and bunk house onto his property and have arranged them there in as nearly the original order as possible. These buildings are now designated as a National Historic Site.