

# Jackson-Washington SF & Starve Hollow SRA

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# Property Overview

## Jackson-Washington State Forest

- Encompasses 18,000 acres in Jackson and Washington counties
- Majority of the land was purchased in the 1930s and 1950s
- 54 primitive family campsites
- Youth camping area
- 4 shelters, which can be reserved
- Fishing
  - 7 lakes (5 in Washington county & 2 in Jackson county)
  - Knob Lake and Spurgeon Hollow have boat ramps
  - All are trolling motor only
  - Knob Lake has accessible docks/fishing pier.
- Archery range featuring target stations and yard ranging area
- Hunting
- Hiking/Horse/Mountain Bike Trails, ranging from easy to rugged
  - 48 miles of hiking trails, including the Knobstone Trail
  - 14 acres of horse trails
  - 12 miles of mountain bike trails



## Starve Hollow SRA

- 280-acre modern recreational property carved out of the Jackson-Washington State Forest
- Property is anchored by the 145-acre Starve Hollow Lake
  - 3 boat ramps
  - Trolling motors only
  - Rowboat, canoe, and kayak rentals available
- Swimming beach (Open Memorial Day weekend thru Labor Day)
  - Sand volleyball court (located on the beach)
  - 2 basketball areas
  - Accessible playgrounds
  - 2 shelters that can be reserved
- Forest Education Center (open Friday- Sunday, May thru October)
- 11 miles of hiking trails ranging from moderate to rugged
- Campground (all sites/cabins can be reserved)
  - 55 full hook up campsites (electric, sewer, and water hookup, 3 sties are accessible)
  - 90 electrical sites (electric hookup and 5 sites are accessible)
  - 18 Rent a Camp Cabins equipped with electric, heat/AC (3 cabins are accessible)
  - Special events (e.g., Earth Day, Smokey's Birthday, Halloween, Family fishing weekend, and more)



# Completed Projects

- Recreational hiking bridge rehabbed
- New water heaters installed in each comfort stations and beach house
- New spigots in full hookup campground
- Fishing pier rehabbed at beach area
- 92 acres of tree planting using oak species (Jackson-Washington SF)
- Water bars installed on main service road behind Starve Hollow
- Pit toilet roofs replaced at Starve Hollow
- Interior walls of Forest Education Center painted



# In progress Projects

- 7 bay garage/shop area
- Replacing decking on fishing piers at Starve Hollow
- Clearing brush/small trees behind dam area of Starve Hollow Lake
- Painting/staining cabins at Starve Hollow



# Upcoming Projects

- Rehab of Pinnacle shelter house
- Address a section of lowland trail in upper region of Starve Hollow Lake (pictured)
- New epoxy flooring and LED lighting in comfort stations at Starve Hollow
- Install heaters in comfort stations at Starve Hollow, funds permitting
- Rehab shop area and upstairs office areas at Jackson Washington



# Resource Management

- 33 acres of in-house TSI was completed in 2020
- 30 acres was treated for invasive species. Species include: Tree of Heaven Princess Tree, Multiflora Rose, Japanese Stiltgrass, Privot, Autumn Olive, Japanese Barberry
- Planning for 300-400 acres of TSI in 2021
- 92 acres of mixed oak species were planted in 2020 (Washington County)
- 24 acres of mixed oak species are schedule for planting in 2021
  - 10 acres Jackson County
  - 14 acres Washington County
- 10.5 miles of boundary lines inspected in 2020

# Resource Management

- Completed 289 acres of forest inventories
- Sold 1,130,034 BF of certified timber in 2020
  - Revenue from timber sales was \$189,176.00
- 966,885 BF of timber marked in 2020
- Planned timber sales in 2021
  - Compartment 9 Tract 10
  - Compartment 10 Tracts 38 & 39
  - Compartment 1 Tracts 10 & 12
  - Compartment 8 Tracts 14 & 15
  - Compartment 11 Tract 5