

## Things to remember

- **Park hours** – Dawn to dusk.
- **Seasonal schedule** –

For a seasonal schedule and information about seasonal closures, visit [www.parks.state.wa.us](http://www.parks.state.wa.us) or call the Blue Mountain Area Headquarters at (509) 337-6457.

- The boat launch fee is \$7 and is in addition to the Discover Pass.
- Pets must be on leash and under physical control at all times.



The **Discover Pass** is required for day visits to state parks and access to other state-managed recreation lands. The pass provides access to millions of acres of parks, wildlife areas, trails, natural areas and water-access sites. The annual pass is transferable between two vehicles.

- Annual pass: \$30 • One-day pass: \$10 (transaction and dealer fees may apply)

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If you would like to support Washington State Parks even more, please consider making a donation when renewing your license plate tabs. You also may place a check in a donation box when you visit state parks.

Donations are a significant part of the State Parks budget and are needed to keep your parks open and operating. For more information, visit [www.parks.state.wa.us/donations](http://www.parks.state.wa.us/donations)

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# Lyons Ferry State Park



# Welcome to Lyons Ferry

Lyons Ferry is a 1,000-acre park situated at the confluence of the Palouse and Snake

ivers. It is the traditional territory of the Palouse Tribes, who encountered the Lewis and Clark Expedition on their way down the Snake River in 1805. The park has more than 5,200 feet of shoreline and offers a variety of activities, including boating, fishing, hiking and swimming.

The park is open for day use only and offers picnic tables, a swimming beach, boat launch and restrooms with showers.

## Park history

Located at the confluence of the Snake and Palouse rivers, Lyons Ferry was the dividing point for the Ice Age floods after they carved the Palouse River canyons more than 13,000 years ago. From the confluence, the flood waters then went west into the Pasco Basin and east (upriver) to Lewiston, Idaho.

The Lyons Ferry area was home to a Palouse (Palus) Indian village. First written accounts of this village were documented by Lewis and Clark and the Corp of Discovery while passing through the area in October of 1805. Lyons Ferry was named for the ferry crossing that operated across the Snake River from 1860 until the late-1960s, when it was replaced by the existing bridge. In the fall of 1914, near present day Lyons Ferry State Park, the first Union Pacific Railroad locomotive crossed the Snake River on one of the largest bridges along the entire transcontinental route.

Lyons Ferry State Park is cooperatively managed by Washington State Parks and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The park opened to the public in 1971, and was operated by Washington State Parks until 2002, when operation was returned to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. In 2015, operation of the park was transferred back to Washington State Parks.

## Park amenities and facilities

Lyons Ferry State Park offers several amenities to make your visit more enjoyable and comfortable, including:

- Sheltered and unsheltered picnic tables
- All day-use facilities are first come, first served
- Watercraft launch with 60 feet of dock space
- 13 boat tie-offs along park bank
- Modern restrooms with hot showers
- Concession building



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