

# Virgil Phillips County Park

## Possible Eagle Scout Projects

Please contact Lee Anne Eareckson at 882-2591 or [earecksl@sd281.k12.id.us](mailto:earecksl@sd281.k12.id.us) for further information about the following projects.

### Trail construction

Design and brush a trail through the SW corner of the Phillips Farm.

### Construction of soil erosion control check dams along intermittent streams

Construct check dams to slow erosion and improve wetland habitat.

Other Contacts: Mike Durham, 882-0507, ext 119

Dr. Jim Peek, Professor Emeritus, Wildlife Biology 882-3694

### Amphibian Monitoring Project

Set up remote sensing equipment to monitor wetlands environmental data. For a REALLY fun project, radio collar and track a spotted frog for several weeks!

Web Sites: <http://www.sd281.k12.id.us/pamp/pampnew/index.htm>

<http://www.pcei.org/education/map.htm>

### Bluebird Nest Box Project

Construct and erect bird nest boxes; monitor boxes April through August, and submit data to the Cornell Nest Box Survey.

Web Site: <http://www.birds.cornell.edu/birdhouse/>

### Native Plant Guide

Construct a guide to the native plants of the Phillips Farm; locate important native plants.

Contact: Palouse Native Plant Society

<http://www.idahonativeplants.org/Chapter.aspx?ChapterId=6>

### Wildlife Guide

Construct a guide to the wildlife at the Phillips Farm, which includes moose, elk, deer, black bear, coyote, cougar, and birds of prey. Construct a guide to identifying animal signs, such as tracks and scat.

### Nature Trail Guide Posts

Construct, number, and place posts for a Nature Trail through the Park.

Contact: Dr. Gerry Wright, UI Dept of Wildlife Biology 885-4006

### Orienteering Course

Map and establish stations for an orienteering course for map and compass and/or GPS personal navigator.

Contact: Eva Strand, Director, UI CNR GIS Lab 885-5779

### Dock Construction

Construct a short dock into one or both ponds, to facilitate access to the pond(s).