

## Parks Maintenance



Meet the dedicated people who care for over 600 acres of Parks properties and natural areas at 36 different sites. Parks Maintenance provides maintenance for the City's developed parks, open spaces, natural areas, wetlands, heritage sites and various trail systems. The Maintenance Division also keeps up the City's and School District athletic fields and facilities of LO Palisades Recreation, Indoor Tennis Center, Adult Community Center, Charlie S Brown Water Sports Center, LO Swim Park, Luscher Farm Park and the Lake Oswego Municipal Golf Course.

Parks Maintenance offices are located at 220 Foothills Rd. Jeff Munro is the Parks Maintenance Superintendent.

**To report any Parks concerns please call 503 675-2549.**

**Here's the scoop about how keep our Park Lands safe and beautiful:**

Maintenance levels vary according to season and facility and include restroom cleaning, litter removal, irrigation operation and repair, mowing, playground inspection and repair, weed control, fertilization, pruning, painting and tree/shrub maintenance.

The athletic field program provides maintenance for 13 athletic field sites totaling 40 acres of both City and School District property. Supporting maintenance varies with the intensity of use at these sites and includes mowing, aeration, irrigation, fertilization, weed control, infield maintenance, back stop repair, goal maintenance, fence maintenance, top dressing and turf repair. This is done, in part, to facilitate both city, school and community-sponsored sports programs. This program is also responsible for permitting athletic field space to organized sports programs. For more on the permitting process [click here](#).

The Lake Oswego Public Golf Course is maintained year-round, with more intensive maintenance required for the period of March through November. During the season, greens are mowed daily, green aprons every other day, tees three times weekly, and fairways twice a week. Rough trimming of the course and driving range are done weekly.

As a staff, we possess a combined 215 years of experience in Lake Oswego alone and over 300 years of experience in the industry as a whole. Our ongoing training gives us capacity to deal with and care for Parks properties with a "best management practices" discipline as our focus. Certifications presently held by staff include

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master gardeners, irrigation specialist, certified arborist, National Playground Safety Inspector, Backflow, Park & Recreation Professional and turf specialists.

Staff maintains active memberships in several professional organizations to stay current with the changes in the park & golf maintenance field & actively participates in the Oregon Recreation & Parks Association. Ongoing maintenance programs, which include computer controlled irrigation, weather stations, innovative control of invasive species, drought tolerant plantings, alternatives to pesticides, and use of "green" products & equipment help insure the department's quality of service while meeting the City's goal towards sustainability.

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