

Park Name: Massacre Rocks		Statute #: 67-4212(19)	First Established: 1968	Acres: 900
Classification: Heritage		Primary Attraction: Oregon and California Trail site/Register Rock		
Secondary Attractions: River access, scenic geology, juniper woodland				
Recreation Activities: Camping, picnicking, hiking, disc golf, mountain biking, cycling, fishing, boating, birding, botany, water sports, basketball				
History				
Local History: Massacre Rocks gets its name from emigrant wagon parties on the Oregon Trail and their skirmishes with native tribes. The Clark Massacre of 1851 occurred just west of Massacre Rocks. Starting in the 1840s, Oregon Trail emigrants left their marks on a rock that would be called Register Rock. During the Oregon Trail period, the emigrants also gave names to narrow gaps in a rock formation, calling them "gate of death" and "devil's gate" as only one wagon could pass through at a time.				
Park History: Massacre Rocks State Park was established as a historic park in 1968 and opened to the public in 1970.				
Natural Resources				
Types of Ecosystems Present: Juniper woodland, Great Basin sagebrush steppe, mixed brush, river, riparian			Environmental Quality: Good	
Significant Fauna: Rabbits, coyotes, muskrats, beavers, Canada geese, grebes, bald eagles, pelicans, herons, trout				
Significant Flora: Utah juniper, sagebrush, rabbit brush, bitter brush, sego lily, primrose, sunflower.				
Invasive/Noxious Species: Russian olive, cheat grass, tumble weed, spotted knapweed, crested wheat grass			Elevation: 4,400	
% Developed: 30%	% Undeveloped: 70%		Non-conforming uses: some temporary grazing	
Visitation				
Day Use: 31,006	Camping: 7,930	Annual Total: 38,936 (2017)		
Economic Impact as provided in 2018 BSU Study: \$735,000				
Recreation Amenities				
Paved Roads (Miles): 3		Gravel Roads (Miles): 1		Day Use Areas: 6
Paved Parking Lots: 5	Gravel Parking Lots: 2	Boat Ramps: 1	Docks: 7	Group Shelters: 0
Miles of trail (paved/gravel): <1		Miles of Trail (unimproved): 8		Visitor Centers: 1
Entrance Stations: 1	Improved Restrooms: 3	Vault Toilets: 7	Campsites Serviced (W,E,S): 0	
Campsites Serviced (W, E, or W&E): 41		Companion Campsites Serviced (W,E,S): 0		Dump Stations: 1
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Camping Cabins: 4	Deluxe Cabins: 0	Yurts: 0	Cottages: 0
Future Plans			
A State park master plan is not available. There are immediate approved plans to use \$70,000 to upgrade the campground electrical system.			
Issues and Remarks			
The park consists of two use areas: (1) Register Rock, and (2) the main park. There are 51 picnic tables available for individual day use.			