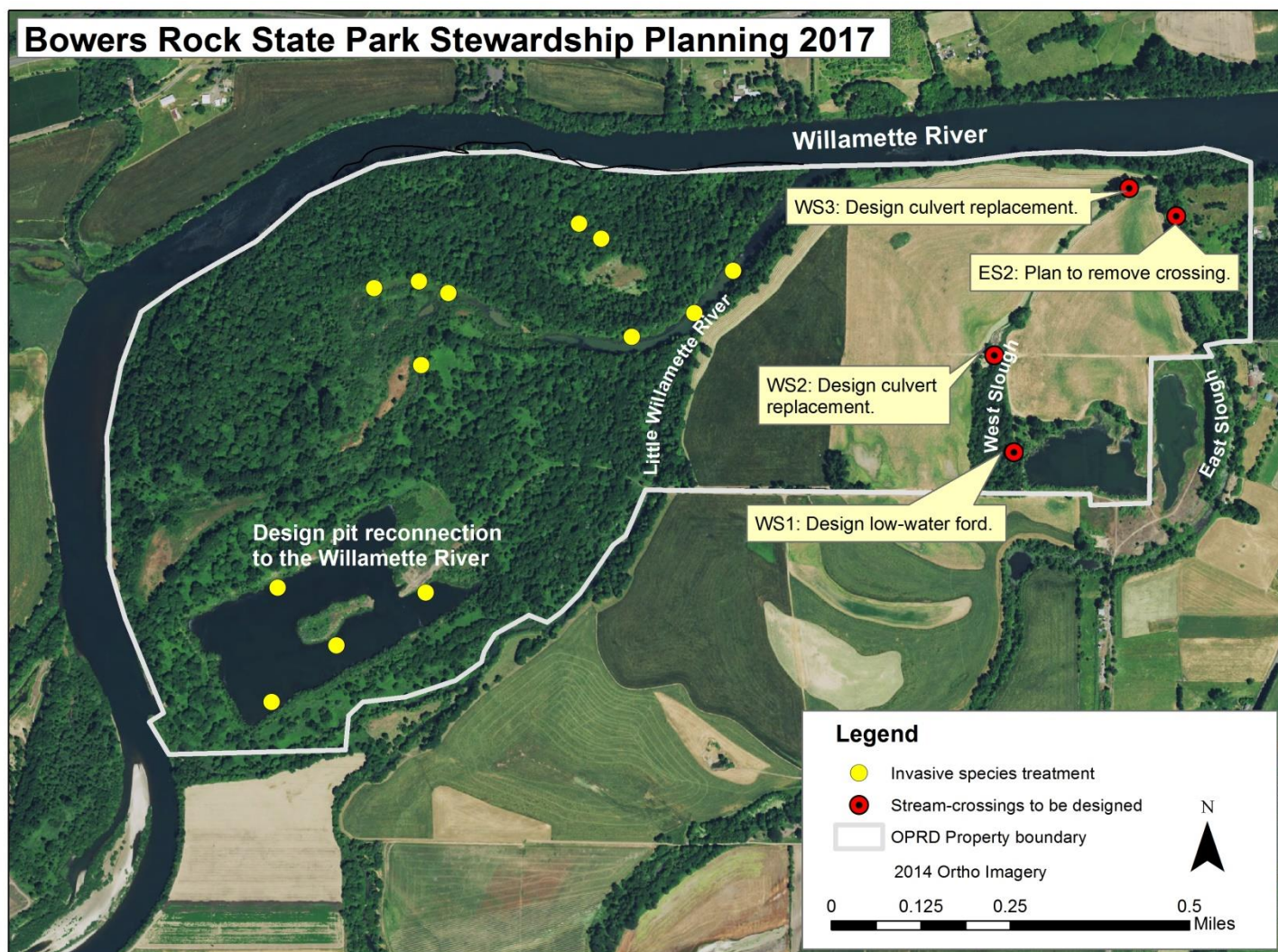


# Bowers Rock State Park

## 2017 Stewardship Projects Planned



The Calapooia Watershed Council, in partnership with Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, is moving forward with the Bowers Rock State Park habitat restoration project. Our next steps to occur in summer, 2017 include contracts for **engineering designs** for selected stream crossings and gravel pit reconnection, and **treatment of priority invasive plant species**. This factsheet describes both of these project components.



### Stream-Crossing and Gravel Pit Reconnection Design

River Design Group Inc. will be accessing the Park several times over the summer, 2017. They are developing engineering designs for the four stream crossings, shown on the map, and reconnection of the gravel pit to the Willamette River on OPRD property.

The resulting **designs** for stream crossings and gravel pit reconnection will be used to plan habitat restoration actions scheduled for summer, 2019. These actions will reduce stagnant water during low flows, discourage non-native species, and will increase native fish passage and access to floodplain habitat.

## Invasive Species Treatment

Selected invasive plant species will receive chemical treatment. Aquatic invasive water primrose *Ludwigia hexapetala* and *Ludwigia peploides*, will be treated in mid summer and again in late summer. Ludwigia will be treated by jet boat, if possible, in the sloughs and by backpack/ATV pump at the gravel pit.

## Accessing the Park

Contractors hired by Calapooia Watershed Council will be accessing Bowers Rock State Park between June and December of 2017 for surveying and invasive species treatment. Invasive species treatment and design surveys will only be completed on OPRD property. Three days' notice will be given prior to any contractor accessing Bowers Rock State Park over the Little Willamette Crossing and 24 hours prior to access for any other work that does not require crossing the Little Willamette.

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