

South Sound CAMP public comment October 2010

KOPACHUCK

- RV hookups  
Interpretive trail for –Schools, School programs - Wheelchair access – Woodland trails/tide pool trail.  
Kayak rental  
Campsite rental, marine buoy rental.
- First, do no harm.
- Assure expanded picnic shelter is implemented, very good draw for park patronage.
- General plan is good.  
Electrification of camping (partial or total) is needed.  
Work closely with school district for more enhanced environmental educational programs.
- Interpretive Center with a herb garden (Botanical)  
Concession/Interpretive storage bldg.  
Turn around area down by the beach restrooms to facilitate drop-offs.
- Consider additions to the artificial reef, to get more divers into the park.
- The posted route to Kopachuck is a bit roundabout, suggest new signage. Willocheta to 40<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup> to Arletta, Ray Nash (arrows from to both following roads) Artondal, Kopachuck Drive. Easier.
- Clear boundaries on the beach/walks area and information is essential.
- Waters can be challenging for kayakers, insure proper information and marking.
- Portion of beach to be “off leash area”. Generally, the beach is unofficially “off leash” anyway.
- Improve access to shoreline by kayakers. Currently, it’s a long haul to and from the parking lot when carrying a heavy kayak. Even a “drop off” access would help.
- Community gardens tie in with environmental education.
- Add RV hookups for some campsites.
- Dog park off leash.
- Improve signs to Kopachuck State Park. Signs on SR-16 (E & W) signs on county roads.
- Consider off leash areas at all parks...where practical. Please apply this note to other parks, too.
- Boat dock for pickup and drop off.
- Farmers market at Kopachuck State Park, Potential for community garden.
- Native animals and fauna need to be protected. No off leash dog park.

- Advertise state parks on public media (KPLN, Community TV, Local weekly papers, etc). Do more press releases on park activities.

#### HALEY PROPERTY

- I like using Haley as the name...somewhat historical.  
No preference between two proposals: both have merit.
- Case Inlet State Park
- Dutcher Cove State Park.
- Surplus uplands. Small kayak campsite.
- Don't give up on Haley. Keep all and get the road to the beach.
- Develop hiking trail.
- Name Haley after the person who donated it, perhaps incorporation their name with park features such as Haley's Olympic Views State Park.
- Madrona Beach State Park, Madrona Cove State Park.
- Name the park Haley State Park.
- Sell upland land to finance a water access park or sell all of the Haley Property and use dollars to finance other South Sound Park improvements or offer Haley property as a conserved land banking natural estuary. Herron State park.
- Sell uplands to improve lower area into a low maintenance boating park with buoys and mooring dock.
- Why move on Haley Property anytime soon? Seems like in these budget times all other options you discussed are money better spent.
- Dog park off leash.
- Offer/consider retaining "Haley" name if family will give easement for road or sell corner.  
Add local park elements to upland: playgrounds, grass play areas.  
Develop parking & trail system.
- Sell off Haley uplands to fund acquisition of expanded Joemma Property.

#### JOEMMA BEACH

- Improve boat launch and day use areas.
- Protect Whiteman Cove, do not open the spit.  
Dollar, dock piling, determine condition on piling, do not replace until structurally necessary.

- Whiteman Cove: protect Whiteman Cove including the property values of private owners on the cove that are directly related to maintaining the current cove water levels. Do not open the spit.
- First, do no harm.
- Sell off Haley uplands to fund acquisition of expanded Joemma Property.

#### PENROSE POINT

- Love the concepts for Penrose.
- Highly in favor of acquiring the marina adjacent to the park.
- A marina will negatively impact the nature of Penrose.

#### MARINE PARK SYSTEM

- Nice job! Good thought put into every property!
- Thoughts on naming properties in the South Sound. Commander Charles Wilks named many of the features in Puget Sound, but never named anything for himself. In addition, his 2<sup>nd</sup> in command, Ringwold, had his name removed from Marrowstone Island and is not memorialized.
- Develop management agreement to allow facilities (docks and buoys) at McNeil Island.
- Add mooring buoys at McMicken to Harstine property.
- Get management agreement for marine access and facilities at McNeil.
- Coin operated hot showers.  
More mooring buoys.  
Pump out stations.  
Dinghy docks.
- Needs more publicity??!
- Increase buoys (mooring) numbers.  
Increase revenue centers to fund parks. 1. Kayak centers 2. Boat launch 3. RV hooks ups 4. Hot showers 5. Small store 6. Camp sites 7. Buoy rentals.  
Create suggested boating routes in South Sounds for: 1. Sailboats 2. Power boats 3. Kayaks 4. Dinghy docks.
- Acquire McNeal run it like Alcatraz. Work with local tour companies to develop tour packages where some of the proceeds fund maintaining and improving it as a destination.
- Enlist local scuba diving groups to explore and photograph offshore environment. Promote best scuba diving areas.
- More boat launches, more boat launches with floating docks.
- Devil's Head, State park or KeyPen Parks would manage best IF developed for public use.

- Coordination among agencies. Need to have various park districts and agencies form coalition to agree on priorities for land acquisitions and park development. It's confusing to citizens to figure out who is responsible for what.
- McNeil Island Coordinate development with Pierce County's investment in Chambers Bay golf course.
- Consider McNeil Island as future state park (a car-free island environment). Lots of marine recreation potential.
- More buoys.
- Devils Head Prop. Would like to hear a presentation on the financial feasibility.
- Encourage BLM, Port of Tacoma, Pierce County, PenMet parks, state, etc. to work together to fix Fox Island Boat Launch.
- Revenue generation  
Coordinate preservation of undeveloped shoreline with Pierce County's Shoreline Protection Plan.  
Perhaps requiring waterfront residences to mitigate property improvements by funding undeveloped shoreline such as Devil's Head.  
Also boating community might support improvements for boaters with funding.
- Look-out drives.

#### SCOTT PROPERTY

- Scott Property: like the idea of access for hand launch.
- Scott State Park
- Call the new parcel Scott State Park.
- No access off Ballow. Ballow dead ends before water. All private owned lands. Must have Scott property patrolled 24/7, to protect private tidelands, commercial shellfish farms, aquaculture farms and uplands owned by private property owner, and com xmas tree farmers.
- Scott property, if camping at Manke property, fire district can they protect? Will fire systems, hydrants, water be available, on-site. Must have fire safety and enforcement
- Col. Wright State Park NO  
The Ballow State Park NO  
A must: Buffer south of sand bar at McMicken to protect private and commercial shellfish beds. Est prior 1957, all south of sandbar is private beach. Buffer 150 feet before private beaches start. NO access on Col Wright.
- In regards to Scott property beach from sandbar south to Glaser north property line needs to appeal private to general public to protect the private shellfish land. No access for public on the south end of Scott property this was agreed with state parks at purchase time. Name Scott property. HA Glaser State Park.

- No access available from Ballow or Colonel Wright without crossing private property. Don't name Ballow or Colonel Wright or visitors will expect an access from those roads. Need buffer at south boundary which abuts private beaches and shellfish beds.
- About Manke property purchase. It will encourage access from south. It takes property off tax rolls at a time when state has trouble maintaining parks they currently have.

#### HARSTINE ISLAND

- Harstine Island State Park

#### MCMICKEN ISLAND

- Hartstine Property: I like bathroom near beach for water trails site.
- Rock Penelope south side of McMicken, identified geographic maps marine map. Sea life, mammals live on around on top of and inground around Penelope. Seals mate, birth young, on rock. Crab, octopus, clams, mussels, barnacles, starfish, urchins, anemones, blood oysters, P. oysters.
- How can any camping on McMicken Isle be possible with established 80 year old bald eagle nest on McMicken, 2 of them. Camping and recreation is limited by law specific distance must be maintain, same as Spotted Owl issue.
- Be nice to have kayak campsite on McMicken Island. No more impact than extensive use by power boaters.

#### STRETCH POINT

- Leave Stretch Island State park boater access only.

#### EAGLE ISLAND

- Be nice to have kayak campsite here.

#### JARRELL COVE

- Don't expand/move campground. Facility is nice as is. Cost too much to fix road. Kayak campsite access is fine as is.
- Fix the docks at Jarrell. Improve shoreline access. Kayak launch at Jarrell Cove.
- Enlarge Jarrell Cove add land and increase dock space.
- Addition of campground in long-term boundary that borders Old Meadow Road needs to have a buffer area large enough to maintain peace and quiet for homeowners along that road. Possible fence. With extra traffic from an enlarged campground the Wingert Rd needs to be improved to a 2 lane road. Extremely dangerous at some existing spots.  
As the Jarrell Cove campground exists now, we cannot hear any activity along Old Meadow Rd, other than the occasional person that gets lost and comes down Old Meadow Rd to find the park.

A fence might be required to prevent intrusions of privacy and a noise ordinance put in place and strictly enforced.

- Jarrell Cove state Park is just fine the way it is. The old saying if it ain't broke don't fix it!
- Water quality in Jarrell's Cove, boat dump, personal waste, random debris, from increased H2O access.
- Ø motor boat access.