

Potlatch State Park Classification and Management Planning (CAMP) Project

Public Comments

Natural Resource Issues

Potlatch Creek restoration (Saltmarsh restoration? Remove restroom and excavate) with Tribe. Could impact marine trail campsite.

Salmon interpretation

Return to natural state

More nature programs for community.

Interpretive signage

Do not restore day use area of the park for salmon habitat, that would be an enormous undertaking and extremely unpopular with the public.

Hope for the Lower Hood Canal is education, demonstration, and utilization to recycle public's waste.

Clearly marked collection bins for specific contents; aluminum, glass, plastic containers, newspapers, food scraps for composts, cans, etc.

Hope for the Lower Hood Canal is education, demonstration, and utilization of a "Stewardship Program" to prevent pollution of streams flowing into Hood Canal.

Would like to go clamming.

Work with Washington Sea Grant.

Reduction in recreation fishing and shellfishing has hurt private resorts and local economy.

My concern is over the trade of 2 miles of tideland for upland property w/out Hood Canal waterfront. This doesn't appear equiv. If additional RV is anticipated it would effect private RV in the area. Also concerned over tribal agreements for access rd. and effects on park.

Establish a marine guide/stewards program – train (University of Washington Sea Grant Program) volunteers to watch and lead groups

To understand marine and upland influences on Hood Canal, etc.

This group could also do some restorative work

Participate up with Hood Canal School environmental curriculum/teachers/tribal members

Continue to participate in BEACH program

Goal to keep shellfish beds open for recreational harvesting

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Cultural Resource Issues

Prehistoric and historic

Interpret and protect as appropriate.

No parking area along Hwy 101 (Tribe and DOT); damaging cultural sites, safety issues

Look for partnership opportunities with the Skokomish tribe and the Hood Canal School District to establish stewardship and educational programs.

Involve local tribes and WRIA's (Watershed Resource Inventory Areas) in this planning process.

Interpretive signage

Recreation Issues

Would like cabins.

Co-management of trail in land trade area.

Fishing pier

Increase shellfish harvest

More camping space

Bike trail all the way to Hoodsport could be great

Regional trail system all the way to Jorstad Creek Port Angeles Discovery Trail

Hoodsport Trail: Can it be connected to Finch Creek? For a trail? Can it be connected to Foothill Park?

Hoodsport Trail: 80 acres; Last stand of mature timber in Lake Cushman; classified "Natural Area"; 1.5 (or 15) miles of trail; .5 mile loop; keep pedestrian trail.

Hoodsport Trail: Port of Hoodsport is focal point for Regional Trail ideas and interpretation.

ADA access to beach

Picnicking is great experience at park.

Boat launch needed (state park got involved with Tacoma Light park)

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Public fuel docks needed.

Windsailing

Kayaking

Diving access is demanded

We need a “wreck” environment to draw “rec” use. Locate in central area for Union, Hoodspout, etc.

Outdoor facilities for divers such as rinse-off showers and tanks are needed.

Need bigger camp space – more places for modern RV’s.

Some concern for RV hookups as private competition.

Tent sites may be ideal for this area.

Concern with building cabins as competition with private sector.

Adjust the ratio of RV to tent sites to fit the current users.

Competing loud music takes away from being outdoors so all music should be banned.

Limit TV viewing to inside RV’s.

Less muddy area for children to swim and play in. State Parks are not designed to accommodate large motorhomes with two to four slides.

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Keep the tent sites separate from the RV sites to accommodate different camping styles.

Management agreement with orange mailbox property for shellfish harvesting; south of park interpretive kiosk.

Lilliwaup: Put bathroom near the parking; stairwell

Would it be possible to set up a labor “account” in exchange for camping fees, i.e. boy scouts, etc.

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Concession?

Assess need for stormwater and septic system upgrades

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Pet Waste stations

Kiosks - materials