FORT FLAGLER STATE PARK AREA
MANAGEMENT PLAN

Fort Flagler State Park
Mystery Bay Unit
Kinney Point Unit
Anderson Lake State Park

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PREFACE

The Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission (Commission) manages a diverse array of 120 parks located throughout the state.

The Commission adopted the Centennial 2013 Plan in October, 2003, thereby creating a focus intended to energize and bring together the agency, state leadership and the public, to work toward a parks system all can celebrate as it turns 100 years old and prepares for a second century of service. The Centennial 2013 Plan blends public and private funding, engages more partnerships and creates greater public ownership of the system.

An important goal of the Centennial Plan is that “All 120 parks have land-use plans supported by the public and Commission (which includes the direction of care of historic buildings and sites and natural resources).”

These land-use plans follow a process that has been used by the Commission since 1996, called the CAMP Project. CAMP is an acronym for Classification and Management Plan. The modifications allow for a simplified and efficient process that can be used by a wider number of staff to complete all 120 plans by 2013.

The important elements of the CAMP project are retained. One of the most important elements is the classification of lands. In 1995, the Commission adopted a land classification system. Application of the system creates zones, or land classifications, within a park (see Appendix A.) Six distinct classifications determine what recreational uses and types of developments are appropriate in different areas of a park. In general, sensitive areas are classified restrictively and allow only low-intensity uses and development of minor facilities. Less sensitive areas are classified to allow higher-intensity uses and more extensive facilities development.

A CAMP brings together the customers, nearby community, stakeholders and State Parks staff in a public process that forges a common vision of what the state park should become (see Appendix B: CAMP Project Planning Principles.) Through a public process that we believe to be as open as any, staff and public participants identify resource management issues, look at alternative approaches for addressing them. The outcome is this plan that will help focus all our efforts to balance resource protection with recreational opportunities in a park. For State Parks’ staff, this document represents policy approval and a means to create a state park that meets the Centennial 2013 Vision:

In 2013, Washington’s state parks will be premier destinations of uncommon quality, including state and regionally significant natural, cultural, historical and recreational resources that are outstanding for the experience, health, enjoyment and learning of all people.
SUMMARY

This document is the result of a multi-staged planning process. The document is divided into six sections, with several appendices:

Section 1: Provides a brief overview of the park including its geography, historical background, major attributes, and public use.

Section 2: Describes both the agency's system-wide park management planning program and its specific application to this park.

Section 3: Outlines management objectives established for the park.

Section 4: Describes the park's land classifications (management zoning) and long-term park boundary.

Section 5: Lists natural, cultural, and recreational/facility resource issues identified through the public planning and outlines general approaches toward addressing them.

Section 6: Lists other plans pertinent to this park.

Appendices contain additional supporting documentation pertinent to this plan.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this document is to: 1) orient readers to the park and the agency's park management planning system, 2) identify park natural, cultural, and recreation/facility management issues, and 3) provide initial direction to park staff (suggested management approaches) to address these issues. The ultimate purpose of this document is to describe how the agency intends to balance recreational use with measures to protect natural and cultural resources.
SECTION 1: PARK DESCRIPTION- FORT FLAGLER STATE PARK

Location: Fort Flagler State Park is located in Jefferson County on the north end of Marrowstone Island, across the bay from Port Townsend.

Acreage: 783.28 acres surrounded on three sides by 19,100 feet of saltwater shoreline.

Acquired: The park was acquired in 5 parcels primarily from the Federal Government; the first in 1956 and the last in 1962, for a total of $36,473.38. The fifth parcel (10.4 acres) was returned to the Coast Guard in 1972, and has a Fisheries Lab operated by U.S.G.S.

Historical: Fort Flagler, along with the heavy batteries of Fort Worden and Fort Casey, guarded the entrance to Puget Sound. These posts, established in the late 1890s, became the first line of a fortification system designed to prevent a hostile fleet from reaching such targets as the Bremerton Naval Yard and the cities of Seattle, Tacoma, Olympia and Everett. Construction began in 1897. By 1900, the initial installation of armament was completed along with barracks for the 3rd Artillery Unit. Final construction was completed in 1907. Fort Flagler was placed on caretaker status in 1937 and many of the original buildings were removed. In 1940, 24 new buildings were constructed. Men from the Harbor Defense of the Puget Sound, including the 14th and the Coast Artillery Regiments, moved in until 1943. From 1945 until 1954, the Fort was used for training engineers and amphibious military units. It was closed June 7, 1953 and purchased as a state park in 1955. The park was named after Brigadier General Daniel Webster Flagler on July 27, 1899.

Facilities: 101 standard campsites, 15 utility sites, 2 group camps, 2 primitive bicycle sites, 1 Cascadia Marine Trail site, an environmental learning center with a total capacity of 261 (camp will accommodate 3 groups at one time), 4 vacation houses (total capacity of 20), museum, two 3” swivel guns, 120 mm mobile antiaircraft gun, interpretive display, reservable kitchen shelter, 59 picnic sites, 19,100 feet of saltwater beach, 256 feet of moorage space at moorage floats, 2 boat launches, 7 mooring buoys, 8 miles of hiking trails, 13.6 miles of roads, 79 buildings of which 28 are non-public, fishing pier (closed to public use), and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service marine lab. There are 9 major gun emplacements open to the public along with 2 searchlight buildings. Concession building with food and gifts open summer season – beach day use area and gift shop through PIA at the Museum.
Activities: Camping, picnicking, boating, beach combing, hiking, biking, scuba diving, bottom and salmon fishing, claming, and crabbing, seaweed harvesting, and wind surfing.

Attendance:

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<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>ELC</th>
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<th>Utility</th>
<th>Other</th>
<th>Day Use</th>
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<td>18,809</td>
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<td>23,782</td>
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<td>8,164</td>
<td>27,181</td>
<td>360,434</td>
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Interpretation: Interpretive trail, interpretive tours, historic structures, interpretive displays, and Junior Ranger Program.

Staffing:

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<th>Position</th>
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<td>C&amp;M Specialist (2)</td>
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<td>Park Aide Senior (ELC)</td>
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<td>Park Aide (1) (ELC)</td>
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MYSTERY BAY STATE PARK

Location: On west side of Marrowstone Island, at Nordland, Jefferson County.

Acreage: 10.09 acres, 685 feet of saltwater shoreline on Mystery Bay.

Acquired: Mystery Bay Marine State Park was acquired in 2 parcels in 1972, for a total of $62,500, from the Department of Natural Resources.

Historical Background: The area once belonged to the U.S. Navy. They had a repair shop and service floats that took care of the naval mothball fleet that was anchored in Kilisut Harbor. The area was named during Prohibition days. Smugglers of alcohol used Kilisut Harbor as a hiding place from the U.S. Coast Guard. Trees overhanging the north end allowed the smugglers, with their shallow draft boats, to hide. The Coast Guard, pursuing the smugglers, felt their disappearance was mysterious. Thus, the bay became "Mystery Bay."

Facilities: 4 picnic sites, boat dock and floats, sewage pumpout station, portapotti dump station, 7 mooring buoys, boat launch ramp, parking for
25 vehicles, 2 vault toilets, 600 feet of road, and covered picnic shelter. Moorage and launch fees collected year-round. 600 feet of dock space.

Activities: Picnicking, boating, clam digging, oyster gathering, crabbing, jet skiing, and sun bathing. Mystery Bay facilities are used year around by boating enthusiasts.

Attendance:

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<td>2004</td>
<td>4,803</td>
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<td>62,873</td>
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<td>2005</td>
<td>5,169</td>
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Interpretation: Environmental Interpretation sign about boat wastes, water quality, & shellfish.

Staffing: Volunteer Marine Host on site year-round.

Administered By: Fort Flagler State Park

ANDERSON LAKE STATE PARK

Location: Anderson Lake State Park is located eight miles south of Port Townsend, off Anderson Lake Rd, in Jefferson County.

Acreage: 410 acres with 8,250 feet of freshwater shoreline on the 70-acre lake.

Acquired: The Park was acquired in two parcels: the first in 1966 and the last in 1969, for a total cost of $470,000.

Historical Background: Two Anderson families, not related, have in the past, owned Anderson Lake and the surrounding property. Amanda Anderson, descendent of the original Anderson, sold the lake to Wm. F. Anderson in 1947. He used the land around the lake for cattle grazing.

Facilities: Boat launch, 2 vault toilets, 4 picnic sites, and a parking area. A host camp site and storage. Anderson Lake is open to the public.
seasonally. YDCC (Youth Development Conservation Core) built the 4.4 miles of trail in the 70s. With cooperation with Quimper Trail Association and Buckhorn Backcountry Horsemen that total has increased to nine miles of trail.

Activities: Fishing for rainbow trout (only Electric motors are allowed on the lake.) Hiking, biking and horseback riding

Attendance:

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<td>2001</td>
<td>33,216</td>
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<td>2002</td>
<td>58,384 (calendar)</td>
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<td>2003</td>
<td>36,339 (calendar)</td>
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<td>2004</td>
<td>36,800</td>
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<td>2005</td>
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Interpretation: The Savage Memorial and bulletin board with information on fauna, the Aeration System and proper fishing gear and release methods

Staffing: Serviced by Fort Flagler State Park
Volunteer Host for on-site assistance/ surveillance
PFD program

KINNEY POINT STATE PARK

Location: Kinney Point State Park is located in Jefferson County on the south end of Marrowstone Island, off Baldwin Road.

Acreage: 76 acres with approximately 3,500 feet of saltwater shoreline.

Acquired: The park was acquired in the three parcels from DNR in September 1990 for the sum of $1,582,000.

Historical The property was held by DNR under their Public School Funding Program.

Background: Facilities: Four Cascadia Marine Trail campsites with vault toilet. Wooded acreage with various evergreen and hardwood species.
Activities: Occasional hiking, kayaking, visitor overnight camping

Attendance:  

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<td>2004</td>
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Interpretation: None

Staffing: Serviced by Fort Flagler State Park.
Figure 1. Fort Flagler Area Vicinity Map
Table 1. Summary of Fort Flagler State Park Issues – main park.

| Natural Resource Issues | ♦ Preservation of native plant and animal communities.  
| ♦ Shellfish  
| ♦ Protection of threatened, endangered, and sensitive species  
| ♦ Control of noxious weeds and non-native plants  
| ♦ Protection/management of Rat Island and the spit  
| ♦ Geologic / hydrologic activity – bluff recession |
| Cultural Resource Issues | ♦ Protection of archaeological and historical sites and resources  
| ♦ Long-term plan for historic structures  
| ♦ Public access to historic structures  
| ♦ Impacts of vegetation encroaching on historic structures  
| ♦ Preservation of historic structures  
| ♦ Wharf/pier - replacement |
| Recreational Resource Issues | ♦ Recreation facilities development – camping  
| ♦ Recreation facilities development - adequacy of current facilities  
| ♦ Recreation facilities development – new facilities  
| ♦ Recreation facilities development – scope  
| ♦ Recreation development – marine activity support  
| ♦ Trails – opportunities  
| ♦ Trails – development / maintenance  
| ♦ Seasonal operation  
| ♦ Retreat Center – facilities condition  
| ♦ Retreat Center – fees  
| ♦ Staffing – parkwide  
| ♦ Long-term boundary  
| ♦ Visitor safety  
| ♦ Natural/Cultural Resource interpretation |

Mystery Bay

| Natural Resource Issues | ♦ Preservation of natural plant and animal communities  
| ♦ Protection of threatened/endangered/sensitive plant communities – Nootka Alkaligrass  
| ♦ Control of noxious weeds and non-native plant species |
| Cultural Resource Issues | ♦ |
| Recreational Resource Issues | ♦ Recreation – facilities and development scope  
| ♦ Recreation – inappropriate use of facilities  
| ♦ Staff presence  
| ♦ Partnership with boating community |
### Kinney Point

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<td>♦ Preservation of natural plant and animal communities</td>
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<td>♦ Protection of threatened/endangered/sensitive plant communities – old growth forest</td>
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<td>♦ Protection of threatened/endangered/sensitive animals – Bald Eagle</td>
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<td>♦ Noxious and invasive weed control</td>
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<td>♦ Wildfire</td>
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<td>♦ Access – upland and water</td>
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<td>♦ Trails – control of social trails</td>
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<tr>
<td>♦ Trespass on neighbors</td>
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<td>♦ Facilities – scope</td>
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<td>♦ Blue-green algae contamination</td>
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<td>♦ Preservation of natural plant and animal communities</td>
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<td>♦ Protection of threatened/endangered/sensitive animals – Bald Eagle, Western Toad</td>
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<td>♦ Protection of threatened/endangered/sensitive plant communities – Vancouver Ground Cone</td>
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<td>♦ Control of noxious weeds and non-native plant species</td>
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<td>♦ Acquisition and interpretation of Tamanowous Rock</td>
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<td>♦ Need for archaeology investigation</td>
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<td>♦ Recreation – development and facilities</td>
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<td>♦ Trails – trail plan needed</td>
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<td>♦ Trails – inappropriate/illegal use</td>
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<td>♦ Trails – Trailhead and hub for regional trails</td>
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<td>♦ Recreation – seasonal closure</td>
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<td>♦ Long-term boundary</td>
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<td>♦ Loss of opportunities associated with algae contamination</td>
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<td>♦ Interpretation</td>
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SECTION 2: PARK PLANNING PROCESS

The CAMP planning processes at Fort Flagler State Park began in September 2006 with the assembly of key agency staff to act as a core planning team. This team consisted of the Park Manager, a Park Ranger, Region Planner, Region Steward, 2 Region Environmental Specialists, park construction and maintenance staff, and the Agency Historic Preservation Officer. The planning team also consulted other agency technical specialists as needed.

Starting in November 2006, the Fort Flagler Area staff planning team held a series of public meetings and posted planning information on the project’s website (Table 2). The initial public workshop was designed to gain some insight as to what issues currently face the park, and, in very general terms, what features are important to park stakeholders. Next, the team crafted a set of park objectives and three planning alternatives for each site to help structure public input. Drawing on public input, the team then developed a set of preliminary recommendations that blended individual elements of the alternatives together. On November 13, 2007 the staff planning team held a public workshop at Fort Flagler State Park to present and receive specific input on the preliminary recommendations.

Table 2: Key Public Workshops and Information Release Dates

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<th>Title/Purpose</th>
<th>Date</th>
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<td>Initial Public Outreach Meeting</td>
<td>Nov. 14, 2006</td>
<td>Port Hadlock, WA</td>
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<tr>
<td>Examining Land Use Options Meeting</td>
<td>April 4, 2007</td>
<td>Fort Flagler State Park</td>
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<td>Staff Recommended Options</td>
<td>Nov. 13, 2007</td>
<td>Fort Flagler State Park</td>
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SECTION 3: PARK OBJECTIVES
During initial stages of planning, staff worked with stakeholders to craft a series of objectives to guide future management of the park. Management objectives are outlined in table 2, below.

Table 3: Park Objectives

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<th>Natural Resources</th>
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<td>♦ Provide adequate and continuing protection to high quality habitats, rare, endangered and threatened species</td>
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<td>♦ Provide adequate and continuing protection to intertidal and marine resources</td>
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<tr>
<td>♦ Recognize and plan for geological and hydrological processes</td>
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<th>Cultural resources</th>
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<td>♦ Prepare for and provide appropriate care for historic structures</td>
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<td>♦ Identify contributing structures and define their role at Fort Flager and within the Agency</td>
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<td>♦ Protect and preserve archaeological and historic sites</td>
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<th>Recreational Resources</th>
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<td>♦ Provide an array of compatible, quality day-use and overnight recreational opportunities that are inspired by and in harmony with the park’s natural and cultural resources.</td>
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<td>♦ Provide park visitor services through public/private partnerships and other entrepreneurial programs that are clearly compatible with other park management objectives.</td>
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<td>♦ Enhance interpretive efforts through continued use of volunteers and staff</td>
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<td>♦ Enhance the quality of interpretation and environmental education through staff training</td>
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<td>♦ Utilize interpretation and visitor education as essential approaches to managing visitor impacts on the park’s natural and cultural resources</td>
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<td>♦ Recognize the social and economic importance of the park to Jefferson County and the State.</td>
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<td>♦ Actively solicit citizen participation in park planning and management efforts.</td>
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<td>♦ Participate in other regional and community planning efforts as advocates for the park, its resources, and its visitors.</td>
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<td>♦ Rehabilitate, maintain, and, where appropriate, develop durable, functional, and attractive administrative facilities and infrastructure to maximize operational and cost efficiency, as well as attract and retain high-quality park employees.</td>
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<td>♦ Make careful and well thought decisions about adaptive reuse of historic structures</td>
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<td>♦ Support and advocate for improved concession facilities</td>
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<td>♦ Actively seek new opportunities to improve visitor services through new enterprise efforts</td>
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SECTION 4: PARK LAND CLASSIFICATIONS AND LONG-TERM BOUNDARY

Land Classification
An important part of the planning for the Fort Flagler area involves the zoning or classification of park lands. State Parks has developed a system of six land classifications. When assigned to a specific area within a park, each classification sets an appropriate intensity for recreational activity and development of facilities. Classifications are aligned along a spectrum ranging from low to high-intensity recreational uses and developments. By classifying park lands, the agency is able to consciously strike a balance between protecting park resources and providing an appropriate variety of recreational opportunities to park visitors.

The agency’s land classification system includes six classifications: Natural Area Preserves, Natural/Natural forest Areas, Resource Recreation Areas, Recreation Areas, and Heritage Areas. Detailed definitions of each land classification are available from the agency on request. Through critical analysis of natural and cultural resource inventories and evaluation of future recreational facilities needs park lands have been classified as shown in Figures 2 thru 5.

Land Classifications – Fort Flagler Main Park Area
Through analysis of future program direction, public comment, facility needs, and the existing natural and cultural resource basethe main park area of Fort Flagler State Park has been classified as a combination of Heritage, Recreation, and Resource Recreation Areas (Figure 2).

Heritage Areas
To reflect the park’s status on state and Federal Historic Places Registers the Commission classified the significant contributing landscape and structures of the park as a Heritage Area. This includes the area containing the existing pre WWI structures, the WWII era structures embedded within the older cultural landscape, all gun emplacements and batteries and the road system that loops around the peninsula to connect observation stations and batteries, and the area adjoining and encompassing the wharf. Two small Heritage polygons occur, one along the Flagler Campground Road and one along the south park boundary. The former acknowledges and delineates the historic mortar battery, Battery Bankhead. The latter is intended to add a layer of protection to three WWII era anti-aircraft battery sites. Activities permitted in Heritage Areas include:

- Filming/Special Events
- Harvesting (edible fruits, mushrooms, shellfish)
- Off-Trail Hiking
- Wood Debris Collection
- Water: Kayaking/Canoeing
- Water: Sailing
- Water: Swimming
- Haying
- Off-trail Cycling

Activities conditionally permitted under the agency’s land classification system may be permitted at specific sites only with the concurrence of the Commission. Activities conditionally permitted in Heritage Areas include:

- Farming/orchards
- Off-trail Cycling
• Grazing
• Metal Detecting
• Technical Rock Climbing
• Off-Trail Equestrian
• Paragliding
• Orienteering
• Water: Windsurfing

Of these, the Commission chose to only permit orienteering and paragliding (through an approved plan) within Heritage Areas designated at Fort Flagler. Metal detecting is not allowed in Fort Flagler State Park as a result of previous a Commission decision.

Recreation Areas
The upper and lower campgrounds at Fort Flagler State Park include 15 full-utility sites and 101 standard sites. These campgrounds provide an extremely popular camping experience, with use extending well into the shoulder season. In response to staff recommendations, the Commission classified both campgrounds as Recreation Areas to permit camping opportunities to continue. The lower campground Recreation Area encompasses the existing campground in its present configuration, and the beach front day-use area extending out to the current property boundary on the spit and above the ordinary high water mark. This polygon also extends up to the top of the bluff east of the lower campground and extends back 150’ from the top of the bluff. This bluff top area is one site considered for future cabin placement.

The upper campground is located in an area that could accommodate expansion without adverse impact on historical integrity or significant natural resources. Areas immediately south and east of the upper campground have limited historical significance and afford the opportunity to expand camping in the future. Therefore, staff recommended the Commission classify the upper campground as a Recreation Area including existing sites and an expansion area south and east of the present campground. This eastward inclusion, following the south park boundary to the Fort Flagler Road, is intended to provide sites for future staff housing and other administrative facilities. This will remove the currently occurring residential use from historic structures in the Heritage Area. This polygon also includes both sides of the Fort Flagler Road in order to accommodate development of an entrance station for the park.

Another Recreation polygon occurs at the intersection of the Fort Flagler Road and the Flagler Campground Road. This polygon encumbers the area around the existing “Scout Camps” and the RV Group Camp and includes a buffer of 50 feet around all these facilities.

Within the park’s long-term boundary, an area encompassing the clear-cut property located on the Southwest corner of the park (Jefferson County parcels # 021184003 and 021173001) is classified as Recreation within Long-term Boundary. This classification would allow additional campground and trail expansion if the property is acquired.
The property currently held by NOAA at the tip of Marrowstone Point is included in the long-term boundary (Jefferson County parcel #021090000) and classified as Recreation. This acquisition could support future recreational facilities at this low bank beach access area.

Activities permitted in Recreation Areas

- Filming/ Special Events
- Grazing
- Harvesting edibles (shellfish, fish, algae, mushrooms, berries)
- Haying
- Orienteering
- Ocean Beach Driving
- Metal Detecting
- Off-Trail Hiking
- Technical Rock Climbing
- Water: Kayaking/Conoeing
- Water: Jet Skiing
- Water: Power Boating
- Water: Skiing
- Water: Wind Surfing
- Wood Debris Collection
- Paragliding

Activities permitted in Recreation Areas applicable to Fort Flagler include filming/special events, Harvesting edibles, Orienteering, Off-Trail hiking, paragliding and metal detecting. The Commission has not included Fort Flagler as a site suitable for metal detecting through its statewide program of designating sites for this purpose. The Commission therefore currently does not permit metal detecting at Fort Flagler.

Activities conditionally permitted in Recreation Areas under the land classification system include:

- Farming/orchards
- Grazing
- Off-Trail Equestrian
- Off-Trail Cycling

None of these conditional uses were approved for Recreation Areas at Fort Flagler State Park.

Resource Recreation Areas

The core area of the park is protected within a large block of Resource Recreation Classification. Much of this area has been identified by the DNR Natural Heritage Program as a high quality and globally threatened plant community. Additionally, remnants of the historic landscape remain within this block and help to tell the story of fort history. Therefore, limiting development within this core area is desirable from a resource protection standpoint as well as being a common desire identified in public comment.

Beaches and tidelands fronting the park provide an extremely popular recreation attraction. Visitors access these areas on foot from upland parking areas and by private boats – both hand propelled and motor powered – to harvest shellfish, beach comb,
picnic, fly kites, birdwatch and enjoy other traditional beach activities. During the spring summer season, large numbers of people use the park’s beaches and in some locations visitors harvest algae for personal consumption. Beaches and tidelands also form an important element of the Fort’s historic cultural landscape, providing the coastal marine context to the site’s military fortifications and supporting garrison post. Washington State Parks also has a bedlands withdrawal for an area extending approximately ¼ mile offshore from the southeast corner of the park to the tip of the spit on the northwest corner of the park. A 1/8 mile wide withdrawal extends from the northwest corner of the park to the southwest marine corner of the park. This withdrawal removes this property from DNR commercial leasing and gives management responsibility to Washington State Parks. The Commission classified these tidelands and bedlands, as Resource Recreation Area, to permit existing uses in these areas to continue and to permit future shellfish enhancement activities.

Activities Permitted in Resource Recreation Areas, by land classification include:

- Filming/Special Events
- Harvesting (fruits, mushrooms, algae, fish, and shellfish)
- Haying
- Metal Detecting
- Orienteering
- Off-Trail Hiking
- Paragliding
- Water: Kayaking/Canoeing
- Water: Sailing
- Water: Swimming

As indicated earlier, the Commission currently does not permit metal detecting at Fort Flagler through other Commission action.

Activities conditionally permitted in Resource Recreation Areas include:

- Farming/orchards
- Grazing
- Off-Trail Equestrian
- Off-Trail Cycling
- Water: Jet Skiing
- Water: Power Boating
- Water: Skiing
- Water: Wind Surfing

Of these conditional uses, the Commission only approved power boating, jet skiing, water skiing and wind surfing activities in saltwater tideland/bedlands Resource Recreation Areas at Fort Flagler.

Within the long-term boundary, and classified as Resource Recreation Area, is a small property (part of a larger parcel) at the southeast corner of the park (Jefferson County parcel # 021201001). This property would provide a trailhead location, protection for a historic structure (searchlight emplacement), and consolidation of the park boundary along an easily defined border (existing roadway). Additionally, staff will pursue a bedlands withdrawal that would connect the existing bedland withdrawals bracketing the NOAA in-holding at Marrowstone Point. This withdrawal will be classified as Resource Recreation Area.
Figure 2  Fort Flagler State Park Staff Recommended Land Classification and Long-term Boundary
Land Classifications – Fort Flager – Mystery Bay Unit

Through analysis of future program direction, public comment, facility needs, and the existing natural and cultural resource base, staff and the Commission classified the Mystery Bay Unit of Fort Flagler State Park as a combination of Recreation, and Natural Areas (Figure 3).

Recreation Areas

All of the park outside of the wetland delineation is classified as Recreation. This includes the tidelands and bedlands. This classification will facilitate current and future recreational uses of this site including boat launching, dock moorage, buoy moorage, picnicking, and other shoreline related leisure pursuits.

Two adjoining parcels have been classified as Recreation for inclusion in long-term boundary (Jefferson County parcel #s 021294015 and 021294022). These parcels are intended to consolidate park boundaries, and provide a residence location for easier administration of the facility.

Natural Area

The wetland that comprises the central portion of the property is classified as a Natural Area to facilitate ecological processes in this fairly healthy coastal wetland.

No conditional uses were approved for the Mystery Bay Unit of Fort Flagler State Park.
Figure 3  Mystery Bay Unit – Fort Flagler State Park
Land Classifications – Fort Flager – Kinney Point Unit

Through analysis of future program direction, public comment, facility needs, and the existing natural and cultural resource base, the Commission classified the Kinney Point Unit of Fort Flagler State Park as a combination of Resource Recreation, and Natural Areas (Figure 4).

Resource Recreation Areas

Two small polygons within the current park boundary are classified Resource Recreation Areas. The polygon in the northeast corner of the park is requested to establish an upland parking area / trailhead access to the property at the end of State Parks easement off Baldwin Road. The second polygon is deployed around the existing Washington Water Trails boat in campsite.

In the long-term boundary a small Resource Recreation Polygon is created to facilitate trailhead facilities should the larger parcel be acquired to provide upland access to Kinney Point. DNR held tidelands abutting Kinney point will be classified as Resource Recreation Area to facilitate boater access, shellfish harvest, and staff access if acquired.

Natural Areas

The majority of the Kinney Point Unit of Fort Flagler State Park is classified as Natural Area in support of the excellent quality of the habitat, existing natural resources and the desires expressed by the public and neighbors.

One undeveloped parcel and the undeveloped portions of three other adjoining parcels are included in long-term boundary and classified as Natural Area. The totally undeveloped parcel (Jefferson County parcel # 921093025) is referenced above with a small inclusion of Resource Recreation classified property to accommodate trailhead facilities. The remaining three partial parcels (Jefferson County parcel #s 921093005, 921093014, and 921093012) would serve the park equally well by either acquisition or conservation easement as they are intended to support habitat protection.

Within the Resource Recreation Areas power boating is the only approved conditional use.

Within the Natural Area no conditional uses will be permitted.
Figure 4  Kinney Point Unit – Fort Flagler State Park
Land Classification - Anderson Lake State Park

Through analysis of future program direction, public comment, facility needs, and the existing natural and cultural resource base, the Commission classified Anderson Lake State Park as a combination of Natural, Recreation, and Resource Recreation Areas (Figure 4) and declared Anderson Lake State Park consistent with the 2013 Vision.

Natural Area

The shoreline area (200’ wide delineation) from 400 feet north of the existing boat launch completely around the lake to a point 400’ south of the existing boat launch and including the island in the lake, is classified as a Natural Area. This classification is requested to protect important riparian habitat, lakeshore view-shed, wetlands and other natural resource elements and processes.

Recreation Area

Most of the area that was historically used as farm fields, and pasture, as well as some upland forested area, is included in a fairly large area of Recreation classification. This classification was approved to facilitate future development of the site which might include trailhead facilities for regional trail systems, limited camping, possible overnight equestrian use, equestrian support facilities, parking, staff residence and other recreational infrastructure.

Resource Recreation Area

The majority of the park is classified as Resource Recreation Area. This classification allows significant natural resource protection while facilitating the multi-use trail system that Anderson Lake State Park is becoming well known for.

The property in the northeast corner of the park and along the eastern border of the park is classified as Resource Recreation within the long-term boundary (Jefferson County Parcel #s 975000001, 975000002, 975000003,975000004, 975000005, 975000006, 975000007, 975000008, 975000009, 975000010, 901103003, and 901102004). These properties accommodate trail system expansion to include significant viewsheds and protect Tomanous Rock – a site important to local tribes and listed on the State and National Registers of Historic places.

Sailing, and canoeing/kayaking are the only conditional uses that are approved for the Natural Area at Anderson Lake State Park.

Grazing (to accommodate future equestrian use only) is the only approved conditional use of the Recreation Area at Anderson Lake State Park

No conditional uses were approved for the Resource Recreation Area at Anderson Lake State Park
Figure 5 Anderson Lake State Park – Land Classification and Long-term Boundary
Long-Term Park Boundary

Delineation of long-term park boundaries is a relatively new and often misunderstood aspect of park planning. In short, the purpose of a long-term boundary is to take a big picture look at what lands, independent of ownership, might advance the vision and goals of the park. This process not only considers whether an adjoining property would make a suitable addition, but also considers whether agency-owned property should be retained or might appropriately be considered surplus to park needs. Including a privately owned property in a long-term boundary does not necessarily mean the agency wants to purchase it. It simply means that it would be in the park’s best interest if the property were managed in a condition that complements development and operation of the park. Any of the following possibilities could apply:

The agency might:

- Seek to formalize an agreement with an adjacent property owner to advance a shared property management goal.
- Solicit a conservation easement from an adjacent property owner to protect certain natural or cultural features.
- Readily accept a donation of all or part of a private property.
- Consider exchanging agency-owned property for a private property.
- Consider purchase of a private property in fee.
- Figures 2 thru 5 also delineate the parks' long-term boundary where darker shaded colors indicate properties already in agency ownership and lighter shaded colors indicate properties not in agency ownership but desirable for long-term boundary inclusion. The lighter and darker shaded areas together represent the long-term park boundary.

The following properties were included within the Fort Flagler State Park and Anderson Lake State Park’s long-term boundary:

- Kelley/Sewall property (Jefferson County parcel # 021184003) and the Sargent/Harris property (Jefferson County parcel # 021173001) located at the southwest corner of Fort Flagler State Park
- Secord property in the Southeast Corner of Fort Flagler (part of Jefferson County parcel #021201001)
- NOAA property at the tip of Marrowstone point and adjoining tidelands and bedlands consistent with existing bedland withdrawals (Jefferson County Parcel # 021090000)
- Glenn Family Trust property (Jefferson County Parcel # 021294015) and the Fox Family Trust property (Jefferson County parcel # 021294022 –partial) located at Mystery Bay.
- Mattson property (Jefferson County parcel # 921093025) and the undeveloped portions of the Mattson property (Jefferson County parcel # 921093005), the Roger Jackson property (Jefferson County Parcel # 921093014), and the Michael
and Carol Pagonis property (Jefferson County parcel # 921093012) located at the Kinney Point Unit of Fort Flagler State Park.
• DNR tidelands that abut the Kinney Point Unit of Fort Flagler State Park
• Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe property (Jefferson County parcel #s 97500001 – 975000010), and the George and Jacalyn Heidgerken property (Jefferson County parcel # 901102004) located on the northeast and east boundaries of Anderson Lake State Park.

The above listed properties would only be acquired if the current owners desire to divest these holdings. State Parks will not actively pursue the acquisition of these properties without the full consent of the owners.

SECTION 5: PARK ISSUES AND MANAGEMENT APPROACHES

This section of the document outlines the principle natural, cultural, and recreation / facility resource issues identified by the public and staff during the CAMP and master planning processes, and suggested management approaches to address them (see Tables below). As in any real world situation, some issues do not neatly fit into any one of these three categories, while others may span more than one. Some license has been taken for the sake of consistent presentation. Addressing these issues will in almost all cases involve park staff working with Regional Stewardship, Environmental, and Planning staff. Additional stakeholder involvement is also anticipated, and may include (but not be limited to): HQ service centers, sister natural resources agencies (including the Department of Natural Resources, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, Washington Department of Ecology, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation), local government institutions (weed control boards, permitting), non-profit organizations (Washington Native Plant Society, The Nature Conservancy, Audubon), the tribes, institutions of higher education, and adjacent land-owners and interested citizens. All management actions will be consistent with the laws and policies^{1} governing the agency, in addition to all federal, state, and local regulations. As the issues and their management approaches are addressed in the future, associated materials are addressed in the future, associated materials (e.g., inventories, plans, monitoring records) will be added as appendices to this document.

Readers should note that the issues presented below represent a significant staff workload and may also create very high expectations among agency staff and park stakeholders. Clearly, completing or even beginning all the suggested management approaches in the short-term is not realistic. The issues should be seen as a "to do" list where items will be prioritized as staff and financial resources permit.

^{1} Specifically, for natural resources: Protecting Washington State Parks' Natural Resources – A Comprehensive Natural Resource Management Policy (Commission Agenda Item F-11, December 2004); and for cultural resources: Cultural Resources Management Policy (Commission Agenda Item E-1, October 1998 + three amendments).
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| Protection of natural plant and animal communities | Designation of much of the park as Resource Recreation Area reduces development intensity and reduces the recreational activities to those most compatible to healthy plant and animal communities. Additional actions should include:  
  o Development of a park vegetation management plan is highly recommended  
  o Remove non-native plant species from undeveloped areas and rehabilitate natural plant communities  
  o Retain dead standing trees in areas where their failure wouldn’t threaten visitor safety  
  o Follow best management practices for work around tree root zones  
  o Allow materials from the bluffs to recruit onto the beaches to provide large woody debris |
| Shellfish                          | o Classification of tidelands and bedlands as Resource Recreation allows continued management of shellfish resources for recreational harvest  
  o Continue to work with Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife to set shellfish seasons, explore enhancement opportunities, and enforce harvest regulations. |
| Protection of threatened, endangered, and sensitive species | o Work with the Natural Heritage Program, WDFW, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Marine Fisheries Service, or other appropriate agency to protect and monitor any threatened, endangered, or sensitive species.  
  o Work with Regional Steward and Agency stewardship staff to develop management plans for individual species |
| Control of noxious weeds and non-native plants | o Work with the Region Steward to develop an inventory of noxious weeds and develop an IPM (integrated pest management) plan for the park as part of the Vegetation Management Plan |
| Protection/management of Rat Island and the spit | o Classify as Resource Recreation in Long-term boundary to support resource protection and possible shellfish enhancement  
  o Work with WDFW to develop signage to identify ownership and management responsibility until the property can be acquired. |
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| Geologic / hydrologic activity – bluff recession | - Work with WDFW to increase their enforcement efforts at the site  
- Agency Critical Areas policy dictates that we will not intervene to change natural geologic processes in the normal course of business  
- Staff work to assure that wetlands and hydrological processes are protected |
| Fort Flagler State Park – main park – Cultural Resource Issues | **Cultural Resources**  
Classify the largely intact cultural landscape with contributing structures as Heritage. The large inventory of historic structures at this park requires an organized management and treatment approach. To facilitate this approach a Cultural Resources Management Plan should be developed for the entire park. A Contributing Building and Structures Report has been prepared for this CAMP plan and is attached as Appendix ?  
**Public access to historic structures**  
- As part of a comprehensive Cultural Resources Management plan public use and access to historic structures should be examined and planned for.  
- Structures not safe for public access will be closed to access by appropriate means and signed accordingly  
**Protection of archaeological and historical sites and resources**  
- The comprehensive Cultural Resources Management plan should address protection of archaeological sites as well as guidance for protection of historic resources  
- Park staff will work with the agency Archaeologist to assure that ground disturbing activities are not within known archaeological sites  
- Park staff will attend Principles of Historic Preservation and Cultural Resources Training to assure basic understanding of the protection of cultural resources  
**Long-term plan for historic structures**  
- A Contributing Structures Report has been prepared to guide prioritization of preservation treatment for historic structures within the park  
- The comprehensive Cultural Resources Management plan should call out future use and preservation treatments for each structure  
**Impacts of vegetation encroaching on historic structures**  
- Park staff should work with the Region Steward and Agency Stewardship staff to develop a Vegetation Management Plan. This comprehensive plan should address vegetation management throughout the park with specific direction on treatments around historic
structures. The IPM plan mentioned above could serve as a chapter or appendix to the Vegetation Management Plan.

**Preservation of historic structures**
- Park staff are limited in their ability to effect significant preservation treatments on the large inventory of structures at Fort Flagler. The comprehensive Cultural Resources Management Plan should address tasks staff can include in routine maintenance to help preserve structures. This plan will also use the Contributing Structures Report to determine priorities and treatments that might range from full restoration to management as a ruin.

**Wharf/pier - replacement**
- The historic pier on the east side of the park figured prominently in public comment at Fort Flagler. Research revealed that it had been derelict too long to retain its rights as a non-conforming structure in the shoreline management zone for Jefferson County. Loss of that right means that there is no permitting value in retaining the structure as a place holder for a new structure that would be built later on. The pier will be removed as part of a creosote abatement project sponsored by DNR – an important environmental protection action.
- Washington State Parks will apply for grants to build a new pier at the site of the old pier in a future biennium

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<td>Natural / Cultural resource interpretation / environmental education</td>
<td>The current Park Interpretive Plan would benefit from a major revision and upgrade.</td>
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<td>o The Stewardship Program will provide a contract for upgrading/rewriting the park’s interpretive plan in 2008</td>
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<td>o Park Interpretive Plan should be updated to include themes based on natural history, intertidal ecology, forest ecology, and beach creation processes.</td>
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| Recreation facilities development – camping | Elements of the Coast Defense Interpretive plan designed for Fort Flagler State Park should be implemented.  
Park staff will continue to use volunteers and docents to assist the interpretive efforts of the park. |
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| Recreation facilities development – adequacy of current facilities | Classify the existing lower campground and day-use area as recreation and include in this polygon the area at the top of the bluff over looking the campground.  
Classify the upper campground area and a large polygon to the east and south as recreation to facilitate future recreation expansion.  
Consideration should be given to increasing the number of utility sites in the lower camp area and improving the services to these sites.  
There is strong support among the clientele to not make major changes to the lower camp area. However, some improvement to site aesthetics should be considered including: vegetative screening between the sites and improvements to the grey water disposal system.  
The upper camp area may require some reconfiguration as bluff erosion eats away at the west side of the camp area. Staff will monitor the situation and close sites as necessary.  
The upper camp area was identified as needing some minor improvements for visitor convenience. These include: well defined pathways to the restroom, maintenance and preservation of the large sites, and improved access to the lower area and beach. |
| Recreation facilities development – new facilities | Emphasis should be placed on replacing / remodeling existing restroom facilities which were universally considered to be inadequate.  
Many facilities should be evaluated and where practical improved to allow improved access in compliance with the ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act). All improvement projects will consider ADA compliance as part of their feasibility analysis. |
| Recreation facilities development – scope | Create a Master Facilities Plan  
Classify the area around the Wagon Wheel Camp and the Scout Camps as Recreation and include a modest amount of room for expansion of these facilities.  
Consideration needs to be given to improving restroom facilities for the group camp areas.  
Cabins and yurts were identified as desirable additions to the accommodations at Fort Flagler. Efforts are underway to address this desired outcome.  
Strong sentiment exists to not make major changes to Fort Flagler State Park. Increased camping opportunity in the upper camp area is supported by Recreation Area classification.  
Additions to facilities and activities in the lower |
| Recreation development – New activities and marine activity support | campground and day use area should be kept to a modest scale.
  - Group camping facility improvements and increase in opportunity were considered desirable and should be sited in either the current group camping locations or within the Recreation Area in the southwest quadrant of the park.
    - Classify most of the upper bluff face area as Heritage and approve paragliding as a conditional use (with plan and approval).
    - Paragliding was proposed as a potential new activity at Fort Flagler State Park. Should the paragliding community bring a request to initiate this activity at Fort Flagler, park staff, region staff and headquarters staff should analyze the request to assure that the proposal includes appropriate take off and landing zones, pilot rating requirements, flight safety guidelines, and other appropriate safety requirements. The activity should be reviewed for potential impact to historic structures and currently permitted recreational activities.
    - Create a Recreation Management Plan to address new uses, and management of existing uses
    - Marine facilities should be upgraded and restored
    - Analysis should occur to determine the amount and configuration of moorage to better serve boaters
    - Park staff should work with local SCUBA groups to determine the desirability of For Flagler as a dive site and then plan support facilities accordingly
    - Clear signage and enforcement needs to occur to remedy conflicts between recreational fishers and boaters. |
| Trails – opportunities | Trails are an important and popular infrastructure within Fort Flagler State Park. There is strong public desire to see the trails properly designed and maintained. There is also awareness on the part of all user groups about the potentially harmful and negative outcomes of user conflicts. This awareness creates a perfect climate for the development of a Comprehensive Trails Plan for the park.
  - Classify the central core of the park as Resource Recreation and approve mountain biking as a conditional activity
  - Park staff and the Region Stewards should convene a trails advisory committee to immediately begin drafting a comprehensive trails plan for Fort Flagler State Park
  - Trails planning should acknowledge the need for a variety of visitor experiences. Accommodation should be made for quiet contemplative experiences as well as more active activities like biking or trail running. |
<p>| Trails – development / maintenance | Within the framework of the Comprehensive Trails Plan and understanding the strong mandate for environmental stewardship envisioned by the adoption of a large area of |</p>
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<td>Past closure of camping at Fort Flagler during the winter was intended to conserve resources and reduce staffing requirements in the off season. During the CAMP process it became obvious that there is a fairly significant level of interest in camping at Fort Flagler during the off season – especially by visitors that camp in RVs. Staff should open the park on a trial basis for two winters and track utility costs for comparison to previous closed winters. Additionally, they should track revenue generated and the number of visitors served in order to be able to judge whether there is enough interest and revenue to justify the additional utility costs and staff time.</td>
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<td>o It was commonly acknowledged by those commenting on Fort Flagler that the park could benefit from an increase in staffing. Policy and decision makers should carefully analyze current staffing and investigate means to improve the staffing level at Fort Flagler.</td>
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To address these concerns at Fort Flagler, the staff should work with the U.S. Coast Guard, local Sheriff's Department, Visitor Protection and Law Enforcement Program, Programs and Services ARM, and other stakeholders to develop a comprehensive Safety Plan. This plan should include site-specific hazard identification, a hazard signing plan, emergency plans for various rescue scenarios, and a hazard abatement component.

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| **Protection of threatened/endangered/sensitive plant communities – old growth forest** | o Manage the area for natural resource values ahead of recreational values.  
   o Limit development to a limited number of pedestrian trails 
   o Provide interpretation at trailheads to aide visitors in understanding and respecting the rare qualities of this forest |
| **Protection of threatened/endangered/sensitive animals – Bald Eagle** | o Work with WDFW to create a Bald Eagle Management Plan for Kinney Point  
   o Consider seasonal closure of trails when eagles are nesting |
| **Noxious and invasive weed control**                           | o Monitor the site on a regular basis – especially trail corridors for new infestations of invasive weeds  
   o Develop an IPM for the site |
| **Wildfire**                                                   | o Work with DNR, local fire district and staff to develop an emergency response fire plan for Kinney Point  
   o Close the water trails campsite to open fires when fire danger is moderate or higher  
   o Provide ample signing warning of fire danger at trail heads and at the water trails site.  
   o Consider doing a fuel reduction project in the immediate vicinity of the water trails campsite |

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| **Access – upland and water**                                 | o Classify a block of property off the end of Baldwin Road as Resource Recreation to accommodate a small parking area and trailhead facilities  
   o Long-term boundary identifies a 10 acre property that extends from Robbins Rd. to the north park boundary as Natural with a small block of Resource Recreation embedded to facilitate a trailhead and parking area  
   o Maintain the existing Washington Water Trails campsite for boater access  
   o Classify tidelands as Resource Recreation in Long-term |
Boundary and approve power boating as a conditionally approved activity

### Trails – control of social trails
- Use local citizens and staff to develop a trail plan for Kinney Point
- Obliterate and restore with native vegetation social trails that do not fit in the trails plan
- Work with neighbors to limit access points to the park

### Trespass on neighbors
- Clearly sign park boundary and assist neighbors when they have trespass problems. Signs should indicate that people are leaving public property and entering private property where private tidelands abut the park

### Facilities – scope
- Except for modest parking and trailhead facilities to accommodate upland access no additional development should occur at Kinney Point

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| Blue-green algae contamination                                       | - Washington State Parks is working with Jefferson County Public Health to monitor and research the cause of the algae blooms  
- Staff should continue to work with JCPH to monitor algae species and toxin levels to assure public safety |
| Preservation of natural plant and animal communities                  | - Classify the riparian edge (200’ buffer) of Anderson Lake, the lake itself and the island in the lake as Natural Area. (Excluded from this is a 800’ stretch of shoreline centered on the boat launch which will be classified as Recreation)  
- Classify the majority of the park as Resource Recreation to minimize intensity of development and protect natural resources |
| Protection of threatened/endangered/sensitive animals – Bald Eagle, Western Toad | - Work with WDFW to develop a Bald Eagle Management Plan for Anderson Lake  
- Lakeshore where Western Toad spawning verified to occur by 2006 investigation classified as Natural Area  
- South shore Western toad spawning area should be monitored every 5 years to confirm continued presence  
- Classification of most of the shoreline as Natural Area and county shoreline/wetland protection ordinances provide significant habitat protection |
| Protection of threatened/endangered/sensitive plant communities – Vancouver Ground Cone | - Work with the University of Washington Rare Care program to monitor the distribution and abundance of Vancouver Ground Cone *Bosniakia hookeri* |
| Control of noxious weeds and non-native plant species                 | - Develop an IPM (Integrated Pest Management Plan) for weed species encountered at Anderson Lake  
- Restore infestation sites with native species after removal |
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| Acquisition and interpretation of Tamanowous Rock  | - Classify the property around Tamanous Rock as Resource Recreation in Long-term Boundary and pursue acquisition of the site  
|                                                   | - Work with the Jamestown S'Klallam tribe to develop a management plan for the property if acquired  |
| Need for archaeology investigation                | - Any projects including ground disturbing activities should seek archaeological clearance before proceeding |

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<td>Natural / Cultural resource interpretation / environmental education</td>
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| Recreation – development and facilities                | - Classify a large block of the previously farmed area of the park and some upland forest as Recreation Area to enable development of recreational facilities to support future trail, camping, and day use needs as well as existing facilities and a staff residence.  
|                                                      | - Classify most of the remainder of the park as Resource Recreation |
| Trails – trail plan needed                             | - Staff should work with the Backcountry Horsemen of Washington, regional trail planners from the Olympic Discovery Trail, local mountain biking groups, local hiking groups, their regional steward, neighbors and other stakeholders to assemble an advisory committee to develop a Comprehensive Trails Plan for Anderson Lake. |
| Trails – inappropriate/illegal use                     | - Staff will monitor for illegal activity on trails and actively pursue prosecution of violators  
|                                                      | - Unauthorized trails entering the park will be obliterated and restored with native vegetation |
| Trails – Trailhead and hub for regional trails         | - State Parks NW Region Planning staff should work with local government trail planning staff to identify opportunities to partner on grants and other efforts to enhance the regional trail network  
|                                                      | - Park staff should work with local trail advocates to advance regional trail network connections to Anderson Lake |
| Recreation – seasonal closure                          | - Significant public desire for year round access to Anderson Lake was expressed and the need for low elevation trail opportunities in the winter certainly supports this desire. |
| Long-term boundary                                                                 | o  Staff should evaluate and report to the Regional Programs and Services Assistant Regional Manager on justification for continuing seasonal closure of the site. |
| Long-term boundary                                                                 | o  Expansion to the northeast and east is considered desirable and property in that area is identified and classified as Resource Recreation in Long-term Boundary |
| Loss of opportunities associated with algae contamination                       | o  Park staff will continue to work with Headquarters Stewardship staff and Jefferson County Public Health to determine the cause and any possible remediation for the toxic algae problem |
| Loss of opportunities associated with algae contamination                       | o  Park staff will work with Jefferson County Public Health and agency Risk Management staff to determine scenarios where the park might be opened to limited use during episodes of toxic algae bloom |

**SECTION 6: OTHER PARK PLANS**

Previously prepared plans provide additional guidance for the management of specific resources or activities in a park. Examples of these types of plans, and trail use and development plans. Park master plans are generally oriented toward capital facilities development, but also commonly provide policy direction. The relationship between this plan, other existing plans, and recommended future plans should be seen as iterative. As new information is derived from more detailed resource-specific planning, existing plans should be reviewed and modified to reflect changed circumstances. No single plan should be vested with ultimate authority, but rather, the ongoing process of creating new plans and revising exiting plans should be seen as forming an increasingly comprehensive base of policy direction. The role of this document is to serve as an 'umbrella' under with all park-related plans are referenced. A listing and location of existing plans prepared for the Fort Flagler State Park Area is included in Appendix D: List of plans for Fort Flagler State Park Area. The Glossary in Appendix F provides expanded definitions of terms used throughout this document.


APPENDIX A: WASHINGTON STATE PARKS LAND CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

Washington Administrative Code Establishing Land Classification System

WAC 352-16-020 Land classification system. State park areas are of statewide natural, cultural, and/or recreational significance and/or outstanding scenic beauty. They provide varied facilities serving low-intensity, medium intensity, and high intensity outdoor recreation activities, areas reserved for preservation, scientific research, education, public assembly, and/or environmental interpretation, and support facilities. They may be classified in whole or part as follows:

(1) Recreational areas are suited and/or developed for high-intensity outdoor recreational use, conference, cultural and/or educational centers, or other uses serving large numbers of people.

(2) Resource recreation areas are suited and/or developed for natural and/or cultural resource-based medium-intensity and low-intensity outdoor recreational use.

(3) Natural areas are designated for preservation, restoration, and interpretation of natural processes and/or features of significant ecological, geological or paleontological value while providing for low-intensity outdoor recreation activities as subordinate uses.

(4) Heritage areas are designated for preservation, restoration, and interpretation of unique or unusual archaeological, historical, scientific, and/or cultural features, and traditional cultural properties, which are of statewide or national significance.

(5) Natural forest areas are designated for preservation, restoration, and interpretation of natural forest processes while providing for low-intensity outdoor recreation activities as subordinate uses, and which contain:
   (a) Old-growth forest communities that have developed for one hundred fifty years or longer and have the following structural characteristics: Large old-growth trees, large snags, large logs on land, and large logs in streams; or
   (b) Mature forest communities that have developed for ninety years or longer; or
   (c) Unusual forest communities and/or interrelated vegetative communities of significant ecological value.

(6) Natural area preserves are designated for preservation of rare or vanishing flora, fauna, geological, natural historical or similar features of scientific or educational value and which are registered and committed as a natural area preserve through a cooperative agreement with an appropriate natural resource agency pursuant to chapter 79.70 RCW and chapter 332-60 WAC.

WAC 352-16-030 Management within land classifications. (1) The director shall develop management guidelines for each land classification listed in WAC 352-16-020. The guidelines shall provide specific direction for each classification, outlining the philosophy of each classification, its appropriate physical features, location, allowed and prohibited activities, and allowed and prohibited developments. (2) Nothing in this section shall be construed to allow uses that are otherwise prohibited, nor prohibit uses that are otherwise expressly allowed, by the commission, this code, or by statute.
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<td>State Parks Recreation Areas are to respond to the human needs for readily available areas for outdoor recreation and facilities to congregate for education, artistic expression and other ennobling pursuits. They are to provide a variety of outdoor recreational, educational, artistic, and cultural opportunities to large numbers of participants. Primary emphasis is on the provision of quality recreational services and facilities with secondary recognition given to protection of the areas natural qualities.</td>
<td>State Parks Recreation Areas physiographic features such as topography, soil type, drainage, etc., shall be adaptable to varied types of intensive uses and development. An attractive natural setting is desirable, however, human-made settings are acceptable. There are no specific size criteria.</td>
<td>State Parks Recreation Areas generally are made, not found. They shall be located throughout the state with primary emphasis to service major centers of urban populations and/or outstanding recreational tourist attractions. Scenic and inspirational values shall be considered but are secondary to the site adaptability and population criteria. When part of a large diverse park, recreation areas should be sited in proximity to public roads and utilities.</td>
<td>State Parks Recreation Areas may allow and provide for a wide variety of indoor and outdoor day, weekend and vacation activities. Provision may be made for high intensity participation in camping, picnicking, trail use, water sports, winter sports, group field games, and other activities for many people. Off-trail equestrian and/or bicycle use may be appropriate in selected areas if approved by the commission. Activities requiring high levels of social interaction are encouraged.</td>
<td>State Parks Recreation Areas shall provide appropriate facilities and services for the participation and enjoyment of high concentrations of outdoor recreationists and/or participants in indoor educational, cultural and artistic activities. A high degree of development is anticipated. Facilities may include road and parking networks, swimming beaches, full service marinas, trails, bathhouses, artificial lakes and pools, play fields, large sanitary and eating facilities; standard and utility campgrounds, stores, picnic grounds, group shelters, conference centers, environmental learning centers, hostels, and administrative support facilities.</td>
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### Resource Recreation Areas

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<td>State Parks Resource Recreation Areas have a variety of physiographic features. While they may contain areas of environmental sensitivity, most portions of each area will be able to withstand low- to medium-intensity recreation use without significant environmental degradation.</td>
<td>State Parks Resource Recreation Areas may be located anywhere in the state where natural or cultural factors produce land and water sites particularly suited for recreation in a natural setting. Access to these sites should be reasonably proximate to major urban centers, but some access restriction may be necessary to avoid overuse of resources. Within large diverse parks, these areas should be located at least a moderate distance from public roads and high use intensity areas, while still maintaining reasonable public access for their intended use.</td>
<td>State Parks Resource Recreation Areas provide opportunities for low- and medium-intensity recreational experiences including, but not limited to, picnicking, primitive camping, a variety of recreational trail experiences, interpretive facilities, historic/cultural exhibits, nature observation, photography, orienteering, kayaking, canoeing, floating, and fishing. Off-trail equestrian and/or bicycle use may be appropriate in selected areas if approved by the commission. Basketball, tennis, organized group sporting activities requiring formal sports fields, commercial-sized piers and docks, standard and utility camping, indoor accommodations and centers, developed swimming areas, and other similarly intense uses are not appropriate. Scientific research is permitted.</td>
<td>State Parks Resource Recreation Area development shall be permitted to the extent necessary to serve allowed activities. Parking, sanitary facilities, and other ancillary developments and support facilities should be constructed in a manner that is consistent with the site's ability to manage environmental change.</td>
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**State Parks Natural Areas** are designated for preservation, restoration, and interpretation of natural processes and/or features of significant ecological, geological or paleontological value while providing for low-intensity outdoor recreation activities as subordinate uses.

## Definition

State Parks Natural Areas are to respond to the human need for readily available "conservatories" of nature and open spaces. Emphasis is directed toward nature and the conservation of native flora and fauna, special geologic or paleontologic resources, and the natural amenities of the area. Human wants for other than naturally existing educational and recreational opportunities are considered secondary to nature's requirement for the sustained maintenance of its natural balances, or the preservation of special geologic or paleontologic features.

State Parks Natural Areas have a variety of topography and features to provide a diversified natural environment with interesting but not necessarily unique flora and fauna, or geologic or paleontologic features. Where classification is based on biological considerations, sites should consist of land areas large enough to maintain natural biological processes in a nearly undeveloped state and provide users with a feeling of solitude and tranquility, and an opportunity to view nature in its "uncontrolled" form. They may be partially or wholly on land, subterranean, or part of the marine environment.

State Parks Natural Areas are not "made", but rather currently exist due to historical circumstances that have resulted in little or no human interference in the natural environment. Those areas most desirable in terms of physical features and size usually are "found" and "held" against creeping encroachments and raising land values. They often become over used and "lost" as populations spread around them. As a part of the overall system, these areas should be geographically spread throughout the state. When classifying specific park areas, consideration must be given to the ability to adequately manage the areas against undesirable human encroachment.

State Parks Natural Areas provide opportunities for outdoor recreation on designated trails. Those trails may be developed and used only to the extent that they do not significantly degrade the system of natural processes in a classified area. Hiking, non-groomed cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, or other trail uses of similar impact to natural systems and providing a compatible recreational opportunity, may be permitted, after consultation with appropriate local, state, federal and tribal resource management agencies, and upon a finding by the agency that such trails are not likely to significantly degrade natural processes. Relocation of existing equestrian, bicycle, Nordic track or other similar trails into a natural area may be permitted upon a finding by the director that such relocation is for the purpose of reducing overall resource impacts. All trails may be moved, redesigned, closed and/or removed upon a finding that their use is causing significant degradation to the system of natural processes. Technical rock climbing requires authorization by the commission. Off-trail use for nature observation, photography, cross-country skiing, harvesting of mushrooms and berries and similar uses are permitted to the degree that they do not significantly degrade natural processes. Scientific research is permitted.

State Parks Natural Area development shall be limited to facilities required for health, safety and protection of users and features consistent with allowed activities. Facilities to enhance public enjoyment shall be limited to primitive items such as trails, trail structures and minor interpretive exhibits. All improvements shall harmonize with, and not detract from, the natural setting. Parking and other trailhead facilities should be located outside of a classified area.

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<td>State Parks Heritage Areas vary in size and physiographic makeup according to their location and reason for existence. Historic landscapes may require relatively large acreage while archaeological sites may be measured in square feet.</td>
<td>State Parks Heritage Areas usually are located where they are found or the feature exists. However, in some instances relocation or re-creation of artifacts, resources or facilities is possible. In these situations they may be located in appropriate settings and concentrated near major population centers and along primary travel routes.</td>
<td>State Parks Heritage Area activities shall generally be limited to those directly associated with the interpretation of the area or feature, and the education of the patrons. Picnicking, recreational trails, and other low- to medium-intensity recreation uses may be allowed if they do not detract from the principal purpose of the area, its setting, structures, sites and objects.</td>
<td>State Parks Heritage Area development shall generally be limited to that necessary for the protection and interpretation of the area or feature, and the education and safety of the patrons. Sanitary facilities, recreation trails, and picnicking facilities may be provided in a manner which does not detract from the aesthetic, educational or environmental quality of the area, its setting, structures, sites or objects, or, if applicable, its value for scientific research.</td>
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<td>State Parks Natural Forest Areas are designated for preservation, restoration, and interpretation of natural forest processes while providing for low-intensity outdoor recreation activities as subordinate uses, and which contain: (a) Old-growth forest communities that have developed for 150 years or longer and have the following structural characteristics: Large old-growth trees, large snags, large logs on land, and large logs in streams; or (b) Mature forest communities that have developed for 90 years or longer; or Unusual forest communities and/or interrelated vegetative communities of significant ecological value.</td>
<td>State Parks Natural Forest Areas have a variety of topographic and vegetative conditions. They are generally large enough (300 or more acres) to contain one or more distinct and relatively intact vegetative communities. Smaller areas may be appropriate if representative of a unique or unusual forest community. Desirably, they are part of a large system of open space, wildlife habitat, and vegetative communities that provide a good opportunity for long-term ecosystem sustainability.</td>
<td>State Parks Natural Forest Areas may be located anywhere in the state where natural factors produce forest vegetative cover. These areas are not &quot;made&quot;, but rather currently exist due to historical circumstances that have resulted in little or no human interference in natural forest progression. As a part of an overall system, these areas should be geographically spread throughout the state; recognizing that maintenance of bio-diversity is one of the primary functions of their classification. When classifying specific park areas, consideration must be given to the ability to adequately manage the areas against undesirable human encroachment.</td>
<td>State Parks Natural Forest Areas provide opportunities for outdoor recreation on designated recreation trails. Those trails may be developed and used only to the extent that they do not significantly degrade the system of natural forest processes in a classified area. Careful design of recreation trails should match intended uses, to maintain consistency with the purpose and philosophy of the classification. Hiking, non-groomed cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, or other trail uses of similar impact to natural systems and providing a compatible recreational opportunity, may be permitted, after consultation with appropriate local, state, federal and tribal resource management agencies, and upon a finding by the agency that such trails are not likely to significantly degrade natural forest processes. Relocation of existing equestrian, bicycle, Nordic track or other similar trails into a natural forest area may be permitted upon a finding by the director that such relocation is for the purpose of reducing overall resource impacts. All trails may be moved, redesigned, closed and/or removed upon a finding that they are causing significant degradation to the system of natural forest processes. Technical rock climbing requires authorization by the commission. Off-trail use for nature observation, cross-country skiing, photography, harvesting of mushrooms and berries and similar uses are permitted to the degree that they do not significantly degrade natural forest processes. Scientific research is permitted.</td>
<td>State Parks Natural Forest Areas development shall be limited to facilities required for health, safety and protection of users and features consistent with allowed activities. Facilities to enhance public enjoyment shall be limited to trails, trail structures, and minor interpretive exhibits. All improvements shall harmonize with, and not detract from, the natural setting. Parking and other trailhead facilities should be located outside of a classified area.</td>
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<td>State Parks Natural Area Preserves are sites where human access is limited to educational and scientific purposes. The principal function of these areas is to preserve natural ecosystems or geologic features of statewide significance. Public access for recreation must be subordinate to the principal function of the classification.</td>
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<td>State Parks Natural Area Preserves provide opportunities for scientific research and education about natural systems, geologic features, sensitive, rare, threatened or endangered species or communities. Recreational use of existing or relocated trails may be permitted, provided that it can be clearly demonstrated that such use does not degrade the system of natural processes occurring in the preserve. Otherwise, trails are limited to administrative, scientific and organized educational activities and uses. No other activities are permitted.</td>
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APPENDIX B: CAMP PROJECT PLANNING PRINCIPALS

The seven basic principles used in the CAMP Project to ensure the long-term value of the end product to both the agency and the public stakeholders:

1) **Park management plans use a statewide format:** For efficiency and consistency among park management plans, State Parks has standardized management plans to include information that is applicable throughout the agency and a standard format for presenting park-specific information.

2) **Members of the public participate in development of park management plans.** Directly involving park stakeholders in producing and revising plans fosters better understanding of how their particular interests fit into the larger resource management context, while also giving them a stake in the plan’s success. Public constituencies should be encouraged to participate in management planning both during the initial CAMP planning process and thereafter during annual open house meetings at the park.

3) **Park managers and park staff play an integral role in producing and revising park management plans.** Participation by park staff in planning is an essential part of ensuring that staff responsible for implementing this plan has a vested interest in making it succeed.

4) **Park management plans are the primary documents for communicating park resource management information.** Plans should be written to communicate clearly and concisely stewardship-related issues -- and the steps the agency should take to resolve them -- to the rest of the agency and to the public.

5) **Key administrative functions are incorporated into the park management planning process.** To ensure that park management plans are kept up to date, a process for proposing and justifying park capital and operating program requests has been incorporated into the management planning process.

6) **The Director approves park management plans.** Park management planning is an on-going process and plans should never be considered finished. Plans should however be considered “mature”, ready to be published, and acted upon when they have been reviewed by the agency and approved by the Director or his/her designee.

7) **The review and approval process for future plan revisions will remain flexible.** After initial park management plans have been approved subsequent environmental, social, and political changes will necessitate that plans be revised. To ensure that revisions don’t become mired in lengthy full agency review, a variable level approval process should be used. Staff at each level of the agency – park, region, division, and directorate -- must make a critical
judgement as to whether a proposed plan revision requires review and approval at the next higher level.
APPENDIX C:
LISTING OF FORT FLAGLER STATE PARK AREA RESOURCE INVENTORIES AND OTHER DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION

Under Construction! Listing of resource inventories and other descriptive documents will be expanded as information is gathered.

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Appendix E  
Contributing Buildings Inventory  
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Historic Registry Documentation 

The following is a guide to the Fort Flagler National Register of Historic Places District contributing and non-contributing buildings and structures, and coastal fortifications. All contributing elements will form the heritage boundary for the CAMP process. Management recommendations are included for the threatened or deteriorated historic properties. Treatment as a ruin for interpretation must be considered for historical archaeological sites to manage them as interpretive assets that can demonstrate how coastal erosion may be taking place due to global warming.

**Fort Flagler Contributing Buildings and Structures-**  
National Register of Historic Places Historic District

All information based on Grulich, 1997 and NRHP nomination (Hansen, 1975)

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| **Battery 12-inch gun** | Fort Flagler  
Battery Wilhelm  
Two 12-inch guns | Poor-but one of four extant 12-inch gun in Puget Sound system  
Recommend HAER recordation | Important but deteriorated-Best examples at Fort Worden (Ash, Quarles, Randol)  
Original Endicott Period |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| **Coincidence Range Finder** | Fort Flagler  
Battery Wansboro CRF 1918 | Good but filled with debris-retain | Easily located which differs from other Parks |
| **Coincidence Range Finder** | Fort Flagler  
Battery Downes CRF 1918 | Excellent condition-retain | Retain |
| **Data Booth** | Fort Flagler  
Two data booths  
1905 construction associated with Battery Henry Bankhead | Poor | Range and target data, retain if possible rare property type with only other examples at Forts Worden and Casey |
| **Emergency Position Finding Station (4)** | Fort Flagler  
Four constructed 1917-1920s  
Three located in bluff between Batteries Downes and Revere, isolate near Battery Lee | Last examples of this property type in Washington State-retain | GPS Point if possible (bluff erosion) |
| **F '9 Station** | Fort Flagler  
1905 construction for target acquisition | Good-Retain | Better example at Fort Casey (Lower Fire Control Stations) (3) |
| **Group Station** | Fort Flagler  
1943 seaside of Battery Revere used for target acquisition for anti-torpedo battery, Batteries | Fair-Retain | Important |
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Appendix F
Public Meeting Comments
And
Email Comments to the Fort Flagler Area CAMP

Comments From the November 14, 2006 Fort Flagler CAMP Planning Meeting:

Fort Flagler:
As a long time user group of the ELC/Retrofit Centers:
   We would like to upgrade and maintain all of the "yellow" buildings for continued use by many large user groups.
Or
If these buildings are to be removed ensure that the funding is dedicated and a concrete project plan is in place for the replacements.

As a starting point:
   Identify facilities and their status, i.e. mothball not maintained
   Identify the most popular/profitable programs and activities
Identify park needs/desires for additional services and programs
Selection Criteria:
Do not duplicate services provided by other parks or entities in the local service area
Maintain and enhance the parks environment
In sync with land use regs and zoning
Balance revenue and expenditure
Identify long term uses for historic structures, i.e. hospital, power house, mule barn, coal shed.

As owners of the Fort Flagler “Beachcomber Concession” business, we have heard many, many requests for more campsite electrical and water hook-up sites at the lower beach campground; and also year-round access is desired by RV-ers.

Replace the dock to the east side. At the least reuse remains of the old dock.

Can you consider opening the trails to horses?

The concession store is old + small and if it was expanded with inside seating and a view of the panoramic “million dollar” view towards Port Townsend and Olympics + shipping lane etc. Have you considered turning your boar ramps (which seem neglected) over to the Port of Port Townsend

I’m interested in a fair balance of recreational use of all areas of the Fort Flagler Area. I would like to have areas set aside to paraglide on the north and east bluffs. Several parks are now open but not close enough to enjoy for our specific areas.

I would like Flagler State Park to allow paragliding on the north and east bluff

Fort Flagler and Anderson Lake Park need a full time backhoe for adequate maintenance of Roads, trails and other related construction work

State not preserving historic gun line. Concrete is spalling away. Metal doors are rusting and falling apart.
State has allowed historic dock on east side of park to deteriorate to present state of shambles. Dock should be repaired and used again for fishing & viewpoint. Was once a community gathering place.

I would like to see the n. & East bluffs of Ft. Flagler opened to paragliding as it is at Fort Ebey St. Park

It would be nice to keep the cascadia marine trail boat-in campsites open year round (Flagler currently closed in winter)

Maintain the nature trail system
Create trail-access opportunities for physically impaired people

Protect the historic content and enhance the interpretation of the Fort’s contribution to regional history.

State not preserving historic buildings i.e. – Hospital Building

As it is or within similar constraints

We enjoy the use of the marine park aspects of Fort Flagler and Mystery Bay, plus the use of the extensive trail system. Enjoy development.

Continue with plan to develop 1913 building remodel
Keep development about as it is

Fort Flagler is lovely as it is. We ….. and ……..(names), call it our summer home. Our children learned to row, crab, and splash on the beach at Fort Flagler. It’s a great quiet place that should be allowed to maintain it’s simple grace.

ELC users are curious exactly what the “Retreat Center” renaming entails? What will re-naming do? Will it provide more funding from the stat for improvements? Restrict what sort of activities are allowed? Cause rental rates to go up? Result in more staff and budgeting to support its new goals? Create an elite cabin camping zone in those parks with ELCs? Allow for Heritage buildings to be supported? Cause a tear down of some buildings? Will retreat center re-naming change the way the “commercial side” of Ft. Flagler is run?

I have heard many park users say that they wish that parks would replace the dock (on the E. side of the park) and ensure it is built for long term. suitable for boats and for recreation of all kinds. We agree with a well executed new dock to replace the old ruins.

Users of th ELCs want to see funding for the sites be returning to the site that earned the income

Whatever future decisions are made for Ft. Flagler please dedicate the funding and support necessary to actually achieve the goals of those decisions

The ELCs are great places for groups and we appreciate how hard the park personnel work to make them what they are
Fort Flagler needs a lot of love and attention, and the funds/budget $ to support the work that is needed there. Please review all of requests that you’ve heard

A summer only water taxi / foot ferry between Port Townsend and Flagler Campground could make the park a more popular day-use site without the impact of more cars on Marrowstone.

**Mystery Bay:**
We use the water access at both Fort Flagler and Mystery Bay at all times of the year. This includes buoys and launching plus the beach.

Follow through with plans for new Rest Room

Turn Mystery Bay over to the County

Acquire the lagoon and spit to the northwest of the park boundary
Avoid the temptation to build more permanent toilet facilities and showers.

Reduce the abuse of the dock and buoys by local boat owners using dock facilities as semi-private moorage.

**Anderson Lake:**
I would like to see more back country style trails at Anderson Lake

Anderson Lake State Park should remain as a State Park. Of utmost importance is the expansion of the park to include Tamamamus Rock. Jefferson Co. cannot afford to manage the parks it has.

Would like to see State maintain State ownership of Anderson Lake with trail system

Expand park boundary east to top of cliff along with cliff-top trail

My main concern is that technically challenging trail is kept open to mountain bike use (As well as other use)
As a long term QTA member I would be happy to see more trail open to mountain bikes in all state parks, and would be happy to be involved in new trail building at Anderson Lake
I would like to keep mountain bike access to all trails at Anderson Lake

As a member of Backcountry Horsemen, our local chapter has enjoyed a close relationship with Anderson Lake staff in maintaining the trails system there. We were excited to be allowed to create a new parking area for horse trailers this last Spring & kiosk was installed for our use as well.
I very much want to see horse riding on these trails to continue, & to continue our help in maintaining these trails in the future.

Continue State Park management
Don’t get rid of it

Support trails for all non-motorized users, inc. horses
Support development of the O.D.T. trail through Anderson Lake
Can you please keep the trails open to horses all year?

Please keep Anderson Lake open. We use it (the trails) all year.

I wished that Anderson Lake trails had stayed open even when the lake itself was closed this summer. It deprived users of recreation choices that were not effected by the water toxicity

Special needs & rehabilitation companion animal sanctuary

**Kinney Point:**
Provide for road/trail access w/associated parking

The forest in Kinney Point is a unique old growth forest that has not been logged. What steps will keep this feature intact?

Owner of Robbins Road frontage is inclined to be cranky. Wait 20 yhears and speak to his heirs.

Kinney Point S.P. should be our minimally developed- trails, outhouses, limited access. A small picnic area with a couple of tables an no more

Would appreciate land/ road access at some point in time

As a personal preference, my family would be opposed to volumes of motorized vehicle use; Kayak access only has so far been a very enjoyable option. The south end of Marrowstone is a peaceful, quiet (except coyotes!) haven.

If entrance fees are instituted at some point, property owners with neighboring beach access will want assurance there will be no park users trespassing to get to the park and avoid the fee

Beaches to the west of the park are privately owned to the low tide line. How will park users be informed of this and how will no trespassing issues be enforced?

Keep natural but open up to day use hiking with primitive trails and perhaps tent camping by permit. Provide for parking on site by purchase of access road from end of Baldwin land to the NE corner for parking use. Access by land is important but don't see purchase of large block of land. Natural attributes area do dictate limited use.
Comments from the April 4, 2007 Planning Options Meeting

Dugan Foundation Proposal Comments

I applaud the objective of the Dugan Foundation and their desire for a comprehensive facility. However, I would not favor impacting existing high value recreation use and potential for additional recreation in the future. Much better to establish facility where there are no existing uses.

Anderson Lake Option 1

Manage to top of bluff

Great!

This is definitely the preferred alternative. I strongly support the acquisition to the Rock.

Adjacent land owner - No on Dugan Proposal

Anderson Lake Option 2

State Parks or DNR NOT Private (Pointing to south parcel)

The animal rehab facility as proposed should be given consideration. It looks like a win-win proposal!

Anderson Lake should not be used for an animal hospital. There are many locations for such a mission.

Allow lease to Dugan Foundation conditional that there is free access to lake and trails.

Would like to keep park land across road for trail access.

Please no animal shelter at Anderson Lake. Hiking and camping only.

I agree – no animal sanctuary; it is still not clear to me why they need a lake!! Also Option 3 is not favorable to me. Go with #1 or #2.

Anderson Lake Option 3

This alternative is too intense. Disposing of state park land is preposterous in these times of increasing demand for public spaces.

As an adjacent property owner I do not feel this is the best location for the sanctuary. I am concerned about the environmental impact the facility may have on the proposed site.

Kinney Point Option 2
Kinney Point State Park – continue to try to obtain land for access from main roads – but until then make the parking lot in option 2.

Whatever the development of Kinney Point, I think it is important to isolate the WWTA site; that is, keep it as a primitive site; this would also be important from the security aspect of boaters staying on the site.

I favor Option 2 for the resource protection, though the WWTA campsite should stay and maybe limited access by trails – maybe have 0.75 of the area natural and put some trails thru the other 0.25.

Yes!

**Kinney Point Option 3**
This alternative gives too much emphasis to upland access, which is available abundantly elsewhere on Marrowstone Island. This park’s primary access should be from the water.

**Fort Flagler Option 1**
Buy Rat Island and keep park as shown in option 1.

Our preferred option. Preserve spectacular landscape.

I prefer option 1 because of the minimal impact on natural resources.

Please try to purchase the spit/rat island. Keep campgrounds as they are (maybe some yurts on or near site #12 – upper campground)

Replace dock on east side

My desire, due to: acquisition of rat island, acquisition of Marrowstone Pt., emphasis on natural designation.

I agree with the above suggestion. I too would like you to consider Rat Island and the Coast Guard property.

**Fort Flagler Option 2**
This should be preferred option since it allows greatest possible benefits to greatest number of people with least natural impact.

Definitely would not like to see a larger campground because of the natural resource impact.

In the proposal for recreational activity areas, specific to a launch site for paragliding, I do not see an areas set aside on the bluffs for launching or identified as recreational. Will there be?

Option 2 seems to be the best for us paragliders. All we need is a very small areas which is already cleared in front of this gun emplacement. All feedback I’ve had from other users has been positive. No one has ever objected to my ? activities here.
Prefer option #2 for paragliding from north and east locations.

We would like to see the concession at Fort Flagler have a picnic shelter of aesthetic material logs and stone and glass in place of the fence and storage metal shed overlooking the panoramic view out of the wind.

Option 2 would give the most flexibility for public use while still maintaining sensitive natural areas. As a paraglider pilot it seems to be the most natural fit.

This proposal may remove future opportunities to visualize the interconnection between specific historic sites (Similar concern for option 1 and 2).

**Fort Flagler Option 3**
Fort Flagler is a prime location for steady winds for kite flying and paragliders – allow it zero impact to State Parks.

The preservation and presentation of the cultural (military) resources can be accomplished without so much land being dedicated solely to that purpose.

Preferred option. Maintain existing recreation, retreat center, and vacation housing. Emphasis heritage area objective, but reduce size by ½ shown in option 3. Natural Forest designation to make up remainder with existing trail footprint plus enhanced wildlife habitat improvement.

Include engineering dock in historic area.

**Mystery Bay Option 1**
One of the best destinations for pleasure boaters south of the San Juans. Must continue public ownership and management.

**Mystery Bay Option 2**
I think having Connie and Mike on site at Ft. Flagler is more to State Parks advantage (than off-site) in case of emergencies because Mystery Bay has less people and facilities than Ft. Flagler and we know emergencies happen at night!

Acquisition only if truly necessary and cost effective. Might it not be less expensive to reserve some residential structures at Fort Flagler?

**Mystery Bay Option 3**
This should be a County Park – It doesn’t seem to be a State Park!

Important for State Parks to continue to manage this site.

It is such as well used day facility – I would not dispose of Mystery Bay.

No! Jefferson County can't afford the parks it currently tries to manage – Mystery Bay SP is a prime public recreation area.
Comments from the Nov. 13 Preliminary Recommendations Meeting

Fort Flagler
I’d like some Natural designation but otherwise I like it.
I like it! Good work. Please protect the plant communities
Mountain bike trails currently exist in Resource Recreation area of the park. Since mountain
biking is a conditional use under Resource Recreation, suggest the status quo be maintained,
i.e. mountain bikes permitted.
The heavily timbered areas of portions of the Resource Recreation areas have a high degree of
ecological significance. Suggest that the narrative accompanying the plan speak to this
significance and the importance of limiting development to trails.
I would prefer very limited uses – only appreciating the view – at the most northerly point at the
top of the bluff.
Rat Island – a few paraglider pilots use this to tow from. If you acquire this area – would you
please either preserve this activity or provide an alternative site to still allow this to happen.
I like it! Good work.
Looks good to me.

Mystery Bay
Glad you’re keeping!
This is the only public access for locals to Mystery Bay, there is a need for dingy space for
islanders as well as others. Thanks.

Anderson Lake
I strongly endorse including the small triangle of land south of Anderson Lake Road in the long-
term boundary of Anderson Lake State Park. Jefferson County is very likely to seek use of this
parcel as a trailhead for the Olympic Discover Trail as it extends southward toward Discovery on
DNR land.
Good luck with the Tomanous Rock acquisition!
Does including the Tomanous Rock property in the long term boundary work against its
acquisition, considering the present will never be a willing seller at a fair price? Might there be
some other means of acquisition that would not require its inclusion in the official long-term
boundary.
I like it!

Kinney Point
The 2 eastern most properties (5 acres each) have been clear cut!
I like this proposal with one concern. That is the potential “fire” danger thru an unlawful or
vandalism type of use of one of the parking lots. I am an adjacent landowner.
Yes!
Looks good to me.
Increased access = increase in fire potential and increase environmental degradation.
Hiking trails would be wonderful as well as Baldwin Road access easement clearly marked (if
subtly) so we can walk without worry of trespass. Thanks.
Concerned with the fine line between increased use and environmental issues.
Glad you’re keeping!
**Email comments:**

Subject: Public Comment: Anderson Lake State Park
Dear Ted Smith,
I have reviewed the 3 proposed Options for Anderson Lake State Park and strongly support continued State ownership and management of this unique gem on the Quimper Peninsula. I take this view for several reasons, 1) that Jefferson County citizens consistently desire more trails and trail-linked systems, 2) volunteer groups have spent much sweat equity on building and maintaining trails therein, and 3) the Park affords a destination and natural turn-around for users of the eventual Olympic Discovery Trail once developed. Taking up the last item, the Pacific Northwest Trail Association seeks a multi-purpose trail through Quimper Peninsula for it's multistate thru-hikers. A safe alternative to walking along Highway 20 with the trucks barreling down the serpentine roadway has been part of our plan for years. We seek a route that offers some of the scenic beauty of Anderson Lake. If Anderson Lake were compromised in some way through surplussing for instance, this would jeopardize future trail linkages with the Olympic Discovery Trail and would cause trail developers/planners to consider trail corridors on existing utility easements which are less favorable for hikers and amenity seekers.
Option number 3 would not serve our mutual ends.
Thank you for your consideration.
Daniel Collins, Olympic Regional Coordinator
Pacific Northwest Trails Association

Subject: Mystery Bay Park
Dear Mr Smith,
Please DO NOT even consider closing Mystery Bay State Park. Our club has been using the park for get togethers for the 9 years we have belonged and many years before that even. It is a vital part of our lives here in the Port Townsend Bay area. The PT Yacht Club has partnered with the park every spring for clean up and for gatherings through the year. This would be a huge loss to this community.
Mary Ann Verneuil

Subject: RE: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning
Just returned from the barracks at Ft. Flagler and one of our party is disabled. The building we were in is accessible but most - like the museum aren’t. Restrooms are ADA in campground but nasty outhouses in Wagon Wheel are not.

Subject: RE: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning
Sorry, we’ll be in the barracks this weekend but can’t be there the 4th. The outhouses in Wagon Wheel should be converted to regular facilities. They were awful when our group camped there Aug. ’05. I wish there were more trees in the lower loop. There are a few down by the end campsites but not many.
Please keep me posted.
Thank you,
Anne Rosenfeld, Seattle
Subject: Re: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning

Thank you Ted for including me in the Ft. Flagler future planning information/input session. My siblings and I, and our families) have been going to Ft. Flagler 1 to 2 weeks a year for the past 20 years. Our children have grown up there, literally, and have very fond memories of all of the cousins climbing "their" tree, doing night visits to the bunkers, beach combing and crabbing. As recently as last night, they dads (50 years old +) have begun then skeeming for our August trip and their annual night water fight at the bunkers with the kids (now 14-21 years old), and believe me, the kids have begun their skeeming as well.

Ft. Flagler to us is one of the most beautiful parks in Washington State, and honestly, I don't know too much you could do to improve it. Probably, if you are looking at expanding the park to accomodate more people, that would certainly be one improvement - as it is extremely difficult to get in there during the summer, especially as a group (we now total 7-9 families).

Certainly adding more electrical sites would be beneficial. Although we have always "dry camped" in the past, we are finding it necessary to have electrical for health reasons for several of the people we camp with. Adding an additional dock or a larger dock would be nice if it could be done. We enjoy crabbing from the dock and it has become increasingly challenging as more and more boats are mooring at the docks. In addition to somehow being able to "reserve" dock space - as we would like to bring a boat over at times, but it is a hassle to pull it in and out each time if the dock is full. As our parents are ageing, they still enjoy camping with us, but are unable to drive any longer. Having Yurts or Cabins with toilets and sinks in them would be awesome - I don't know if this is feasable or not, but it would be great. I wouldn't be surprised if others aren't making these same suggestions.

I would love to be kept informed of the progress. Thank you once again for including me.

Karen Atkins

Subject: Re: Mystery Bay State Park

I was recently informed of the possible closure of Mystery Bay State Park. This would be very unfortunate for those of us who have enjoyed this little jewel for many years. I am a member of the Port Townsend Yacht Club and our club has helped maintain this park for 16 years. Please do not close this beautiful park.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,
Barbara Hager

Subject: Re: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning

Thanks for the E mail. What we would like to see done at fort flagler is the pier to be rebuilt and the bathrooms repaired .This park has the worst showers of any park we have ever been to.

Keep us posted .......
Subject: Re: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning

Ted,

I am sorry that I did not respond to this sooner. I see now that April 4th has come and gone.

My husband and I frequent our state parks and just love them. When we were at Fort Flagler the thing that we found most disappointing was the lack of trees in the trailer camping area. It just felt like an open field that we decided to put our trailer on. The views were great but, no privacy whatsoever. I do believe that other than that, we truly enjoyed our stay. Thank you for asking for input from those of us who use our parks. It is much appreciated.

Shawna Roberts-Crosson

Subject: Re: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning

Good day Mr. Smith,

Thank you for this opportunity to participate in the Fort Flagler Planning Effort. I have been a user of Fort Flagler State Park since 1888 when my family first camped there. We have been frequent visitors ever since and sincerely enjoy this wonderful State Park.

As a landscape architect and urban planner for the past 26 years, I have become more and more convinced that the citizens of the State of Washington should preserve as many of our publically-owned natural spaces as possible. Encroaching urbanization is occurring at an alarming rate and areas where we can escape from the concrete jungle are becoming harder to find and use.

Comments:
My preference is Option 1 (Natural Resources emphasis) with a close second being Option 3 (Cultural Resources emphasis).

I plead with the State Parks Department/Commission while the Fort Flagler planning effort takes place to remember the importance of natural open space, paths and trails, and the simple act of sitting by a water body doing nothing. Uses such a paragliding, motorboating, and expanded campgrounds which permit large RV's are not always conducive to such uses and can (are) be accommodated in many other locations both private and public.

Please restore and maintenance the critical cultural resource buildings located in the Park.

Please repair the east dock.

Upgrade and repair the existing 116 camp sites currently at the park, including the upper campground.

Please consider year-round use of the campground.

Do not expand permitted uses beyond that currently established.

I would appreciate receiving additional information on this effort.

Thank you

Bruce Blackburn

Washington State Resident

Subject: Re: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning
Ted,

Thanks for your email, sorry for the late reply. Just wanted to say we do care about Fort Flagler State Park; we make our family pilgrimage there every year. We love it!!! We wouldn't change much about the park anyway. The only negative we have had is sometimes the smell of the garbage receptacle near our campsite has been horrid. An issue, I'm sure can be easily corrected.

Again thanks for your efforts to make this a great park; it has been wonderful for us.

Carl Banks

Subject: Re: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning
Dear Ted - I would appreciate receiving future emails regarding this project. Fort Flagler is our favorite spot to camp and we make several trips there each year. We also rent Camp Wilson as part of a kayak club that makes a yearly September visit to Fort Flagler. Our hope is that you don't make many changes at Fort Flagler. It is such a lovely place just as it is!! Some work on the restrooms is all that I see that is needed.

A few years ago we were told RV utilities would be expanded in the Fort Flagler beach campground. We have a trailer and could use the utilities, but would prefer that you not expand them. The lower campground is difficult to get into most weekends now. Catering to the high-end RV's will make it all the more impossible, especially when the golf course opens. I envision the beach area becoming a haven for full-time golfing retired folks and no longer available on weekends for those of us who want to spend the weekend at Flagler for the quiet beauty of the area. It will also make the beach campground more expensive then many of us in the middle class can afford on a frequent basis.

Carole

Subject: Fwd: c/o Ted Smith, re Mystery Bay and Lake Anderson
Please preserve these two beautiful, natural parks. Although I do not live there, I often visit my sister-in-law, Yvonne Otterness. We have enjoyed raising our kids and being able to easily access these two parks since 1976. Our children enjoy visiting these 2 parks on return visits home. How to find public access to waterfront remains difficult on the east side of Puget Sound.

Please protect free public access to these two undeveloped, and hopefully to remain undeveloped, gorgeous natural parks!

Sincerely,
Carolyn Otterness

Subject: Re: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning
Dear Mr. Smith,

Thank you for your letter about Ft. Flagler.

Yes my husband and I are frequent visitors to this park and have been for many years. We have seen some improvements and some areas of concern. Our concerns are the decrease in the presence of the park rangers. We understand this is due to the general park funds decrease.

We have often wondered why the fees that are collected are not used primarily for the park in which they are paid.

As far as Ft. Flagler goes we would love to see more electrical sites made available. There are so few of them.

We do want to say thank you to the resident camp host couple.
They have always been very helpful and comforting to know you have someone there to help out with most anything we have needed. Even in the case of a family emergency a few years ago.

I would appreciate being kept informed of what information comes out of the meeting this week. Thank you for letting us know there are changes in the works.

Sincerely
Chris Axlen

Subject: Mystery Bay Park
Hello,
My name is Brad Clinefelter, my wife Suzi, and I have grown to appreciate and love Mystery Bay Park as our main and favorite destination from the rigors of the big city Portland, Oregon. We commute to Nordland on a regular basis and truly believe Mystery Bay Park is a wonderful gem that must be kept as is, providing an incredibly beautiful public access to the Puget Sound and all the things that folks like us can not afford nor have much opportunity to experience, because most of the Puget Sound has been developed by private people who put up “No Beach Access and No Trespassing” signs severely limiting access to the wonders of the Puget Sound for average persons like us.

We heard that you are considering selling Mystery Bay Park to developers and just hearing that may happen breaks our hearts.

Please let me know if there is anything we can do to convince you to keep the park as it exists today, because it is perfect for all the values a park is meant to be. Any “improvements” would just be counterproductive to maintaining a public asset that would just be criminal to loose.

Thanks for your considerations.
Sincerely,
Brad Clinefelter
Lake Oswego, Or 97034

Subject: Re: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning
Dear Ted, Thanks for e-mail. I read through some of the planning proposals and endorse suggestions for preserving as much as possible the historic sites and adding exhibits to them where possible. I also support the concept of increasing the RV hook ups - A water taxi to Port Townsend would be a great idea! David J Steward.

Subject: Re: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning
while we can't attend the april 4th meeting, we are interested in future changes and would like to interject comments on changes at our favorite camping park. While we're to late to change the placements on the 3 or 4 yourts coming to the park...we still have a comment...campsite #51 was our
favorite...we just purchased a new trailer to better make use of this spot and were saddin to find out that a yourt was planned for that campsite.

Subject: Re: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning

Frank and I appreciate your asking for input. We already sent a reply, but just thought of another suggestion...
Have a parking lot set aside for the self-contained RV's, and the original campgrounds for tents, and small campers only with no generators allowed. The big class A's should be in a parking lot so that their generators won't bother the rest of us who want to hear the waves, the birds and the wind. While we were there, we were closed in by these huge RV's, we couldn't see past them, and were subject to the noise and exhaust constantly. They should be in a separate parking area.

Subject: Re: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning

Thank you for including us in this request for suggestions. First, we want to say that our stay at Fort Flagler was one of the best camping experiences we have ever had, and that includes Yosemite and Grand Canyon. It was just beautiful there, to stay so close to the shore of the Strait, we had a wonderful time. Here are our suggestions:
1. Add Yurts. Although we have our own pop up camper, the yurts we've seen were so nice and convenient. All one has to do is bring bedding, food, and personal items, and the rest is there for them without hauling a trailer or whatever.
2. Restroom improvements. Perhaps another restroom should be added. the shower didn't work for me at the center of the campground, and the host said it was working fine.....
3. The water accessibility was a little stretched, we had to use two hoses to connect to the nearest spout in order to fill our tank.
4. We observed a man who emptied his portable potty water into the drain under the water spigots - he was too lazy to take it to the dump station. How disgusting that was. I guess the host needs to make the rounds more often than he did. We seldom saw the host, even when we knocked on his trailer...
5. We were there at the end of the season, and the first come, first served policy just went into effect. Well, it was a free for all. there was little order, the ranger had to be called because people were parking everywhere they shouldn't have. So, maybe you should have reservations only for a longer period of time so that there isn't this chaos.
6. We liked that there were some rough camping spots and some with hookups, because we've been to campgrounds with all kinds of hookups and they just looked like parking lots for big huge RV's. These "campers" just run their tv's, generators, martini makers, all day long. That's not our idea of camping. We appreciate the closeness to nature and the lack of noisy machinery. Please, please try to preserve the natural state of Fort Flagler as much as you can. Do not pave over the place and turn it into a parking lot.
Again, thank you so much!!!
Thank you for your e-mail. I cannot attend the April meeting.
I have been at Fort Flagler starting 1967 - how much has changed for the better!
I would like more power & water at more sites. Sewers would be nice too.
I was sorry that the dock had to be closed..
Frank Amann

Subject: Re: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning

Thank you, Mr. Smith, for soliciting input. We are grateful for the camping opportunities we've had at Ft. Flagler. The beauty of that area can be matched by few other parks. And we are quite happy with things the way they are--with perhaps one exception, concerning which I will broach a remedy.

We enjoy the lower campground, and have never camped on the upper level. The view of the bay, of Admiralty Inlet and of Port Townsend, etc. is always a delight. Of course, we spend most of our waking hours outside our little pop-up, so we can take it all in. People in large motor homes or fifth wheels, on the other hand, generally stay inside (check it out) and are able, if they like, to look out over the lower-to-the-ground modest tents and pop-ups. I suppose some of these larger RVs rise ten or twelve feet into the air. On our most recent outing, we found that they blocked much of the view we might have had. When one is there to enjoy the beauties of nature, a big RV can be experienced as a bullying thief. Is it possible to restrict camping in the front row (along the water) to tents and pop-ups? Larger RVs would lose little by being restricted to the second row. With their height they may still enjoy a view of the water and the town. If this is feasible, perhaps management should review more thoroughly the question of whether these larger RVs might be assigned to a special places which would be available only to them.

Thanks for asking. And do keep me on your email list.
Henry M. DeRooy
Snohomish WA 98290

Subject: land-use planning project comments

Good Evening Ted,
My husband and I could not attend the meeting at the park tonight due to the commute on a weeknight, but wanted to share a couple comments or wishes for the park planning.

I have enjoyed the park since childhood as my grandmother's family grew up in Port Townsend. Though she is gone we have made an annual trip on Memorial Day weekend to camp and SCUBA dive from the park's shores.

We both believe though the diving does require experience and careful planning is incredible! Each year we discover a new creature and have a wonderful experience. A couple added features that would appeal to the diving community include; gear showers on a timed shut-off, stable entry points, and a site map of sorts with general rules and guidelines. The park already has great restrooms near the entry points.

Secondly, preserving those building is very worthwhile. Their construction is timeless and complete the time-travel trip with the complement of the bunkers and other military installations. When the veterans of the time have passed, places like Flagler, Casey, and Warden will be the only ties to a time and generation. Gathering their stories and perspective is dear to current and future generations.

Thank you for the chance to comment and all the best to your efforts and works at the fort - it is one of my favorite places to go.
From: Jann Struthers [jann.struthers@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, April 01, 2007 3:22 PM
To: Smith, Ted (PARKS)
Subject: Re: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning

Fix the old fishing dock over by the goats. That dock was awesome when we first started going there. That part of the beach is no longer utilized. Also we need more camping spots down below on any of the beach areas. Those spots always go first.
Thank you for asking.
Jann and Nick Struthers

Subject: Fort Flagler Retreat Center

My family has been coming to the Retreat Center at Fort Flagler for over 30 years and I personally have not missed a year. As a matter of fact, I spent at least a dozen years as camp director for our group, the Port Gamble Historical Society.
We have had, in the past, three families that bring RVs and three or four families that tent. Some of these do this out of necessity, some because of preference. We have not been a strain on the facility, have not used utilities, have not had more people than the building limit, and have paid the full charge whether people slept in their RVs, in tents or in the BOQ.
Now we are told that we cannot bring RVs or tents. We were told about the RVs last year during our retreat, but not the tents, so that part is new to us. I can understand that abuse of the center by some groups has caused a problem for the park, but we really would love to see some nearby area set aside for dry camping for RVs and maybe for limited tent camping for those of us who have treated the park with respect and consideration. Please don't punish us all because of the inconsiderate actions of some.
Thank you for your consideration.
Jim Albrecht
Centralia, WA 98531

Subject: Re: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to give you input. Fort Flagler is a beautiful park and on a clear day, the view is spectacular! The only suggestion we have is more full (water, electric and sewer) sites. BUT, if you can't, water & electric is better than nothing at all.
Thank you!
Kathy DiPietro

Subject: RE: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning
Fort Flagler is a wonderful resource. I have talked to people who have claimed 30 years of camping there. I have been there a few times to tent camp. One upgrade that might be a benefit would be to add electricity only to some of the lower flat sites; say sites 84-104. I think the whole local area is just so refreshing. I would like to be on your e-mail list.

Ken Koken

Subject: Re: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning

Hi and thanks for your note. In addition to my letter, I'd like to add 2 more points: The current reservation system has a negative effect on Fort Flagler (and prob. other parks as well). Though it's an improvement over the previous system, it's still complicated, time consuming and worst of all... People come out there, see vacant sites, want to stay... and can not book right away. We all favored booking directly at the park. It also gave the parks more control. The other point is, I read in my Sierra Club "Cascade Crest" an article titled SOS for State Parks. We hope this is not a trend, to use property in State Parks for private business, sold or leased. We favored the day use fee, though it was a bit high at $5.00, maybe $3.00 or $3.50 would be better. At Fort Flagler it was enforced by the camp host, and it helped keeping people away, who wanted to illegally harvest seaweed and shell fish. But it would help increase income. Our state has surely enough money to maintain healthy State Parks for the common good. Thank you.

Margaritha Leuenberger
Tacoma WA 98419

Subject: Re: Fort Flagler CAMP Planning Meeting

Hello Ted,

Thanks for your email. I'm sorry, but with the short notice on this, no one from our Association will be able to attend. I trust that the issues that I'd voiced at the first meeting will be carried through at this second meeting. Will you please send me a synopsis of this new meeting?

I am, of course, most interested in the disposition of the ELC / Retreat Centers aspect of the park, and hope that budget allocations can be directed towards their maintenance and improvement. I'm also very interested in what kind of funding the region can provide Ft. Flagler for "Centennial Projects".

Thanks in advance, and,

Best regards,
Mark Hurston
President
Fort Flagler Group Camp Association

Subject: Marrowstone parks

Mr. Smith: Please consider the loss to future generations if Mystery Bay and Anderson Lake parks cease to be available to the public on Marrowstone Island. Already there's so little waterfront access available within reasonable distance of human habitation, as evident on Whidbey and Camano islands. Yes, there's the expense of maintenance and competing demands for limited resources, but once public lands are given up, they can't be retrieved. Please weigh your recommendations carefully.

Thank you,
Mary Evitt

Subject: RE: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning
Ted,
We can't make it to the meeting, however, our one concern about the park is the need for more hook up sites for RV camping down on the beach. So many more of those sites could be easily transferred to hook up/full service sites.
The problem is that with the ability to make reservations a year in advance, you have retirees hogging up all the spaces and when a family wants to go out there for a weekend over the summer, all the sites are taken by people who have been there for 2 weeks or longer. We tried in January to make reservations for any time over the summer and were shocked to find out that there was nothing left. Please take this into consideration at your meeting tonight.
Thank you,
Mike and Kerri Johnson
Bremerton, WA 98310

Thanks so much for including me in your announcement. We live in Arizona now but do get up to Washington from time to time with our motorhome. We have always loved Ft. Flagler State Park and would like to see more hook-up sites there.
Thanks, again, Nancee and Carl Guthrie

Subject: RE: Ft. Flaggler...

Fort Flagler Planners,
I'd heard that there is a possibility of flying paragliders, hanggliders, and RC planes from the North and East bluffs of Fort Flagler. I think this is a wonderful idea and would provide the flying community in that region an excellent place to fly as well as being a great thing for spectators to watch. And I'm sure that a nominal fee to fly would not be out of the question to pay for maintenance of the launch and landing areas as well as general wear and tear of the ground in respect to parking, garbage removal, etc. We pilots are very environmentally friendly, respecting the lands that we fly and I'm sure that we would meld well with management of the park.
I urge you consider making this area available to pilots. If there is anything further that I can do to ensure this process, please let me know...
Thanks,
Rod Fox
Everett, WA 98203

Subject: RE: Fort Flagler State Park CAMP Planning
Ted, I and my family have been hiking, swimming, and camping at Fort Flagler for nearly 20 years. In the winter I go out probably every 2 weeks or more and hike with my autistic son (now 13). You get the picture, despite being an hour away in Silverdale, Fort Flagler is a place where my kids hold a lot
of childhood memories. So, I appreciate the opportunity to provide comments.

1. Keep the trail system as it is. Don't make it smaller. Don't authorize motorized vehicles or horses.
2. The upper level camping area could really be improved. Many of the sites are sitting right on top of each other and aren't really suitable unless you have a group. I would completely redo the upper camping area and provide sites that have separation from each other and are a reasonable size. This would mean expanding the upper campground to keep the same amount of sites which is fine. Maybe add a playground for the little kids. Basically, it just needs to be redesigned - it wasn't done that well in the first place.
3. Improve and maintain access from upper campground down to the beach. That is quite an adventure now.
4. Do not provide a transportation link between Flagler and Port Townsend. If I wanted the crowds of Fort Worden, then I would drive there (and sometimes I do). It takes some effort to get to Flagler and that is fine.
5. Maintain the historical items (buildings, embankments, guns, etc.) in the park. They are what give the park its character.
6. Add a real bathroom/shower to the group camp.
7. Not sure that maintenance items are included here, but the usefulness of Flagler would be greatly enhanced if the grassy area adjacent to the concession, playground, and bathroom (between parking lot and water) was maintained as a nice park-like grass area. Sure you can run around on it and fly kites, but if it was maintained as a lawn area if you will, then better for picnics, little kids, etc. And it would really enhance the look and feel of the park.

Again thanks for the opportunity. Jim

Dear Mr Smith,

Please DO NOT even consider closing Mystery Bay State Park. Our club has been using the park for get togethers for the 9 years we have belonged and many years before that even. It is a vital part of our lives here in the Port Townsend Bay area. The PT Yacht Club has partnered with the park every spring for clean up and for gatherings through the year. This would be a huge loss to this community.

Mary Ann Verneuil

Hello,

As an annual user of the current facilities at Fort Flagler, yearly since 1988, I would like to strongly urge you NOT to tear down the dorms & replace them with more costly option. This becomes an equity issue which puts our parks in peril of being used by only a more affluent class of people. Our group, for example, can come together to use the facility because it is so affordable. Revamping the facility will may it cost-prohibitive. This in turn, greatly reduces the likelihood of the facility being used by a whole lat of people who could not afford the new set-up. Think EQUITY and wide usage!!

Ann Wolfe, A FOTOG attendee for nineteen years.

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Subject: Mystery Bay State Park

Please reconsider the closure of Mystery Bay Marine Park. For 27 years we have been boating in this area and Mystery Bay has been the source of many fond memories of boating with the Port Townsend Yacht Club beginning in the
early 1980s until present day. We have celebrated Opening Day every year with a Clam feed at Mystery Bay. In the fall, an Oktoberfest celebration. And in between, boating trips with the grandchildren or visitors into Mystery Bay to the park dock where they can walk along the shore and put their feet in the water and enjoy the peace and quiet complete with mountain views.

Too many Marine Parks are going by the wayside so I speak for the children growing up now who will miss out if you close Mystery Bay facilities. Port Townsend Yacht Club has adopted Mystery Bay Marine Park and performs the annual maintenance for the park. Most of our members purchase annual stickers for use of this and other parks.

Please reconsider the closure of Mystery Bay State Park.
Bob & Anne Reeves

Subject: Parks

I really hope you do not "do away" with Anderson Lake park or Mystery Bay park. A lot of local people use these two parks for some peace and quiet, picnics, fishing and just to unwind, and most of all they are safe. Safe for the kids, for the older foks and a safe place to sit and ponder. They are also clean and unpoluted. Why do we keep having to get rid of parks that the locals have fought to keep over the years. Don't we count for anything? We need these parks...please do all you can to keep them.
Thank you
Averil J Lawson
Hadlock

Subject: Mystery Bay Marine State Park

Dear Mr. Smith:
I learned today from the Port Townsend Yacht Club Commodore that there is apparently a future closure of the Mystery Bay Marine State Park being considered. I am writing to urge that this park be kept in operation. As a boater in the Port Townsend area, I have often used this park for overnight or weekend stays, or even just a lunch stop. The dock at the park seems to me to almost always have a good number of boats alongside, demonstrating its popularity. It is a great resource for the local boating community. The PTYC has done volunteer cleanup and maintenance at Mystery Bay for the past 16 years as our contribution to Earth Day and to the Washington park system, so we feel a sense of ownership in the park. I am confident that if the Club had known of the recent meeting to discuss possible closure, there would have been a large presence from Club members to express their opinion and to discuss the park's value.
I appreciate your attention to this matter.
Sincerely,
William C. Rothert
Past Commodore, Port Townsend Yacht Club

Subject: Fw: Mystery Bay State Park
Dear Mr. Smith...

We have just become aware of the planning process currently underway which includes Mystery Bay. Although we live in Port Townsend, we use the boating facilities at Mystery Bay often as members of the Port Townsend Yacht Club and as owners of kayaks, a small sailing vessel and a cruising trawler. We
have participated in the annual work parties there with the Yacht Club for at least 15 years, and value the opportunity to use the park very highly. It is an unusually desirable location both for the proximity to the boating areas of greater Puget Sound and because of the protection that it offers to all types of boaters. We feel that it is extremely important to keep this park within the state system and would like to have any further information that you have available as the planning process continues.

Sincerely,
Carl and Sue Sidle
Port Townsend, WA 98368

Subject: Flagler comments
Ted,
I would like to add several ideas to the future planning of Fort Flagler.
1. I would like to see the park open to camping all year round.
2. Add power, water and sewer to those sites without.
3. Build mooring docks for boats, enough individual ones to cut down on rafting.
4. Add a dock at the launch on the west side of the park (between snack shack and existing pier).
5. Add a Wi-Fi service to the park grounds.
Dan Snow

Subject: Fort Flagler - Planning
Dear Mr. Smith,
My family has been part of a large group who have used the Ft. Flagler facility on an annual basis for almost 30 years. I understand that the state parks is reviewing the possibility of changing (tear it down and upgrading) the facility at Fort Flagler. This will result in more expense for the users of the present facility and may make it too expensive for families and middle income groups. We love it the way it is. The present facility has historical significance. It is important to have places that do not change over the years so families can grow and come back to share something of the past. Please consider this in your decision. Spend the budget money on maintenance or other projects in the park system.
Thank you,
Charles Hardy and family

Subject: Mystery Bay State Park
Hi Ted,
I'm writing to tell you how important Mystery Bay State Park is to the community of people living on Marrowstone Island, and to the many other visitors. I've lived on the island 26 years and married into a family that has been here since 1892. We play with our children and grandchildren there. We gather there for celebrations and every evening in the summer hot weather there is a group there swimming and having dinner. It is the place we keep our dinghies to access our boats, and we enjoy many boating visitors every year. It is an important center for the island. I've never seen it "empty" in 26 years and I stop by often. Anderson Lake State Park is yet another quiet gem that many people in Jefferson County enjoy. I urge you to keep both of them as State Parks.
Thank you,
Subject: Comments on Fort Flagler project

Hello Mr. Smith,

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to comment about the Fort Flagler project.

We have travelled around considerably over the years and stayed in numerous state parks as well as the ritzy fitzy resorts. Fort Flager is truly one of the most beautiful and natural settings. It is always a pleasure to be there. At Fort Flagler....less is more!

To change Fort Flagler would be a downright shame and a crime. The drive into the park is gorgeous and when you turn down the hill around the final corner it is always still breathtaking.

Some of the things we heard were being considered is electrical and water in the sites closer to the water. Please don't. That is what makes Fort Flagler unique...the sense of "roughing" it. We've also heard comment that yurts were being considered to appeal to a different type of customer. We've witnessed the type of customers the yurts bring. We don't want them at Fort Flagler. When you rent a yurt, the appreciation for ownership and consideration for what others own is lost. There are plenty of facilities at the buildings available at the upper end of the park. To put yurts spoils the rustic nature of the park.

We hope Fort Flager will remain the same for generations to come.

Thank you!

Chris and Cyndie St. John

Hi Ted,

My name is Courtney Thompson, and I have been to for flager two times for a weekend with friends...we call it FOTOG. The present facilities are exactly what we need to include families from all over to come and enjoy a weekend together. I am afraid that if the facilities were more expensive, many of the families would not be able to attend. We love the way the camp is set up now, and appreciate its accessibility.

Thank you for your consideration of our opinion.

Courtney Thompson

To whom it may concern,

I am writing in support of Fort Flagler State Park opening both the north and southeast facing bluff for Paragliding use. I am very excited about the prospects of flying at Fort Flager.

The bluffs at Fort Flagler would provide safe flying, much like Fort Ebey, but with more consistent summer flying conditions. Once open, because of it's uniqueness, it would be a popular site drawing pilots from beyond our region.

I am a business owner, residing in Port Townsend for 14 years, and feel that opening this site will enhance usership of the Park and benefit our local economy.

Please add my comments to the main documents for public record. Thank you for your consideration.

David M. Griswold

Subject: Mystery Bay

Mr. Smith,

We urge you to maintain Mystery Bay State Park. As a member of the Port Townsend Yacht Club, we have helped maintain and improve the
park over many years. We have also used the park as part of the general public since 1995. It is a precious part of the marine shoreline in this area. It requires preserving.

Don and Sylvia White

Subject: RE: Mystery Bay State Park
This is a note to let you know how much we appreciate and use Mystery Bay State Park. For many years we have used the boat launch to launch small sail boats to recently my husband's small motor boat. We often go down to the park to board our friend's large motor boat. It is a wonderful place to spend the evening watching the sunset. It is the park that is the most used and the most meaningful for my family that is on the island. I would like to see it remain just as it is, a small not-too-developed park that is a quiet place to gather without large crowds to enjoy the great outdoors.

Joyce Johnson
176 Plute Road
Nordland, WA 98358

Subject: Fort Flagler Usage
Dear Ted,
We have been users of Fort Flagler facilities for the past 27 years. We are writing to express our appreciation of the facility as is. It has served our family & friends beautifully in it's current condition and we are thrilled each year to come back. We enjoy participating in it's upkeep and leaving Ft Flagler in better condition each Memorial Day. Thank you for standing with us and for passing along our position that Fort Flagler should not be upgraded but is perfect as is!

Sincerely,
Rikki & Stefan Boehmer
Pennsylvania

Subject: Mystery Bay
TO: Ted Smith, Washington State Parks Planner
From: Frank Boyle, Vice Commodore, Port Townsend Yacht Club
Subject: Mystery Bay
Dear Mr. Smith,
I have reviewed the information on the parks web site and wanted to let you know the importance of the Mystery Bay Park to many of us. The Mystery Bay facilities are not duplicated any where else in the local area. It offers a convenient location for activities involving small boats, large boats, and automobile access. PTYC has supported the Mystery Bay facility every year with an all volunteer annual clean up and maintenance. Please give Mystery Bay a high priority in your future plans.
Thank You,
Frank Boyle

Subject: Mystery Bay
Mr. Ted Smith;
It has come to my attention that there are possibly some plans to close Mystery Bay Park. I am not able for find any corroboration of this on your web site, and would like to know where to find information about that park and its status.
Subject: Mystery Bay State Park

Dear Mr. Smith,

I understand that consideration is being given to the possibility of closing Mystery Bay State Park. I am writing to voice my strong opposition to this course of action. Mystery Bay is not only a beautiful and precious place, but is unique to the boating community as the only park offering highly sheltered anchorage in the vicinity of Admiralty Inlet. As a member of the Port Townsend Yacht Club, I have demonstrated my commitment to maintaining and improving Mystery Bay State Park by participating in our annual cleanup and grooming activities. The club has adopted maintenance of Mystery Bay State Park as its special contribution to the state park system for the last 16 years. I can assure you that members of the PTYC will oppose the closing of Mystery Bay State Park in the strongest terms.

Sincerely,

Ron Gentry
Port Townsend, WA  98368

Subject: Mystery Bay

Yes we do like and want to keep the use of Mystery Bay. It's wonderful for the area boaters.

Gary & Kittie, PTYC

Subject: Kinney Point

Ted,

Kinney Point has that quality that many people love to find -- getting away from it all. We strongly suggest NO improvements to the site. The latest "improvements" have greatly hindered the aesthetics of that special place.

Hank Snelgrove, John Snelgrove, Brian Snelgrove

Subject: Mystery Bay and Kinney Point

Dear Ted,

I am writing to let you know I want to keep our public parks on Marrowstone Island. My family and I live on Marrowstone (I have lived here for 23 years) and use these parks frequently. My children swim and sail at Mystery Bay State Park in the summers. We have picnic dinners after work and use the beach and dock. I bring my boat to Mystery Bay and tie up at the dock at times during the year to stay overnight or just for the day. We enjoy the sense of community at our "swimmin' hole" and would hate to lose this very treasured place.

As for Kinney Point, we walk and kayak there and have dug clams, and beachcombed the area. Its pristine quality is special and major changes to access or other development will be a loss for island residents, visitors, and wildlife. As a part of Washington kayak trails, Kinney Point is unique and should not be changed. Marrowstone residents pay higher property taxes to live in this special place, and we should not forfeit our special natural
places. Thanks for your concern. I know you will do the right thing for our community.
Sincerely,
Hank Snelgrove, DVM
Nordland, WA 98358

Subject: Mystery Bay State Park

Mr. Smith,

My name is Zoe Ann Dudley and I am the Commodore of the Port Townsend Yacht Club. I just returned from Mystery Bay State Park where twenty six of our members spent 56 man-hours cutting back brush and weeding. We have been doing this annual maintenance for 16 years. We treasure this Park not only for the grounds but the water access. We come to the park often in our boats and hope to continue this for years to come. We regret that we were not represented at the meeting last week. That was due to lack of information not lack of interest. We request that Mystery Bay State Park NOT be closed and the State retain the property. The Port Townsend Yacht Club is committed to the support of the facility by our attendance and our annual maintenance. We will try to stay informed of any further input opportunity, as keeping Mystery Bay State Park open and in the State Park system is very important to us.
Thank you,
Zoe Ann Dudley
Commodore Port Townsend Yacht Club.

Subject: Comments for planning meeting

Hello,

Since the meeting is on a week night and I am in the Kirkland area - could you please include my comments in your list?
I have visited Fort Flagler nearly my whole life of 30+ years as my family grew up in Port Townsend. Please maintain it's rustic style and basic amenities. I believe it is important to protect treasures such as Flagler especially considering the pace of development around and the resource limitations of the island in general. I would like to see the parks facilities lend themselves to activities that illustrate the need for overall preservation. For example, kayaking, nature and history interpretive programs, SCUBA, hiking, horseback riding, picnicking, field sports and the like. Most of these sports are enjoyable because of where they take place and Flagler lends itself so well. One of the most awesome thrills is at night on the bluff when there are long moments of such silence one doubts their ears. The generation who built the fort will soon be gone and places like Flagler will be the icons future generation go to learn, reflex, and remember. Like a living and interactive museum. Lastly, camping spots are filling up faster each year and so are the quiet retreats close to the urban areas. Please control the developments of amenities and infrastructure - too much could spoil a good thing and stray from the reason Flagler, Warden, and Casey were designated.
We just became aware of the potential closing of Mystery Bay and wanted to let you know of our strong disapproval of this action. This is a favorite mooring location for us and one we frequently take visitors to visit. Please let me know what I can do to prevent the closing of Mystery Bay.

Subject: Mystery Bay
Mr. Smith,

My boss, Larry Jones, asked me check out the validity of an email he received stating that Mystery Bay State Park was slated to be decommissioned and/or sold. I understand that is the job of the Washington State Parks & Rec Commission to "De-commission" properties according to the Parks 2013 plans and goals, and often parks are transferred to other government entities and may still be available for community recreation.

Please provide an update on the status of Mystery Bay and Anderson Lake recreation areas in Jefferson County. Thank you. Your assistance is appreciated.

Jeanette Stengel
Paralegal
Law Office of Larry A. Jones

Subject: FW: fort flagler camp letter regarding paragliding attached

Dear sirs,

Attached is a letter to include in your CAMP process for Fort Flagler. Please contact me if I can do anything else to support this process. Thank you.

Dear Sirs,

First of all, thank you for including us in your CAMP process. We appreciate the opportunity to discuss how to maintain and enjoy our state parks. As a father with a family of five, Fort Flagler is one of my favorite destinations.

My family has been coming to Fort Flagler for over 12 years. My kids love to camp, bike, hike, swim, and explore the historic sites. Our church hosts a retreat there every summer. And when I began paragliding in 2000, the parade grounds at Fort Flagler are where I practiced "kiting" my wing. While I've never flown there, the smooth, consistent breeze has been a great help to me. I have often practiced with my glider, while my boys ride around on their bikes. It's been a way to have family time while I practice a sport that takes a lot of practice.

I believe that paragliding is an activity that should be allowed at Fort Flagler. It is a silent, non-intrusive activity; and the participants are a responsible, respectful group. We appreciate the quiet serenity of foot-launched flight, and spectators enjoy watching our colorful wings riding invisible currents of air. Our group works to maintain and support local flying sites. We participate regularly in work parties at places like Fort Ebey, and we would offer to do the same for Fort Flagler.

Thanks again for considering our activity in your CAMP process. Fort Flagler is a special place for my family, and adding non-motorized flight would allow us to spend even more time there with our friends. Please contact me if I can answer any questions about our sport, or help advocate on behalf of our flying community.

Respectfully,
Subject: mystery bay state park

I am a member of the Port Townsend Yacht Club and have been for 6 years. During that time I have had many occasions to take advantage of Mystery Bay State Park, as have many of my colleagues in the yacht club. The park is a real treasure and a wonderful place to tie up and/or anchor and enjoy the loveliness of the area. It would be a shame if we were to lose this valuable resource. The yacht club has adopted the park, and for years, each spring, we go over and do a clean up, paint up, fix up at the park. I urge you to find a way to keep this park as an active park in the state park system. Thank you.

Cheerio, John Bodger

Subject: Mystery Bay Property

We received your letter of March 28th regarding the long-term boundary of the Mystery Bay State Park, which indicated that the long term boundary in Option 2 includes our roughly-two-acre property north and east of the current park area. We were not planning on selling or donating our property, however, we would consider any proposals the state might wish to make. One idea the state might wish to explore would be an exchange of properties, if the state possessed a property that we would value at least as much as our current Marrowstone property and could structure the exchange to mitigate tax consequences. We would consider potential exchange properties within a reasonable distance from Port Townsend that would be suitable for a residence. If you wish to pursue that concept, please contact us by E-Mail at the addresses in this communication, by telephone at 562-426-5029 (until May 15, then 562-884-9747 until September 1 while we are in Washington), or by mail at the address in your March 28th letter.

Subject: A P.S. to the Mystery Bay/Anderson Lake potential closures

Dear Mr. Smith,

In the letter I wrote you yesterday I forgot a matter that I believe is important and about which I’d like you to know. I mentioned my husband’s and my association with the Port Townsend Yacht Club, of which my brother still is a member. Annually, the PTYC set aside an entire day where they spruced up the grounds of Mystery Bay Park. It was dependent on volunteers, but always quite a number showed up. When we left late in the afternoon, the grounds looked much better. It was the least the Yacht Club felt that they could contribute because of use of the park and moorage at the docks. My husband and I wanted to be part of the group, too, just because we were Island residents.

Sincerely, again,
Joyce Cassill, Nordland
Subject: Mystery Bay State Park

Dear Sir:
Mystery Bay is a wonderful park for boating, picnicking and getting together with family. It is small enough to keep track of children and large enough for a fairly large gathering. And it is conveniently located and easily accessible.
We are members of the Port Townsend Yacht Club. Every year we (the club) volunteer to help with clean up and maintenance. And we are glad to do it. Mystery Bay is a gem for everyone, but especially appreciated by people with boats.
Thank you for considering our comments.
Sincerely,
Morris Whitney
Fleet Capt. Port Townsend Yacht Club
and
Katherine Buchanan

Subject: Mystery Bay State Park
Dear Mr. Smith,
My husband and I are members of the Port Townsend Yacht Club. Every year our club helps with the park maintenance. We enjoy the docks, the picnic area and the open green space. It is a wonderful place tucked away on the island, but very accessible.
We also enjoy the park as individuals. We have been there for small picnics. We have enjoyed watching families with small children play in the water on the beach. It is a "just the right size" park for the area. Small groups and families can enjoy the day without crowds of people. Please keep Mystery Bay as a park.
Our family camps at Fort Flagler, which is a wonderful park, also, it is just a lot bigger.
Thank you for listening.
Sincerely,
Katherine Buchanan and Mori Whitney

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Subject: Mystery Bay State Park
Dear Mr. Smith;
Just a brief note to you regarding our understanding that there is some consideration in play for the possible closing of Mystery Bay State Park. My wife and I would like to state for the record that we support the Park as a valuable asset to the local community and region. Mystery Bay is one of the few parks that offer local park amenities with the added value of boat related access/use. Please consider our concerns in keeping this wonderful park open and available to all.
Sincerely,
Fred and Ilona Bell
Port Ludlow

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Subject: Mystery Bay State Park
I am a boater living in Port Townsend
I am a member of Port Townsend Yacht Club. We as a
club support the park and for the past 15+ years have given it our support on Earth Day Cleanup. We also participate in using the park for our annual Opening Day Celebration (of boating season) I don't go for long cruises...I like having a park nearby that I can go to and tie up for a beachburger and an oyster. Please do whatever you can to keep this park open. Thanks

Subject: Mystery Bay and Anderson Lake

Please do not consider closing either Mystery Bay or Anderson Lake State Parks. I first used Mystery Bay State Park in 1974 when I came from Seattle by sailboat to what I considered a mystic, beautiful and romantic destination in a snug, safe harbor. I still feel that way about it. I now live on Marrowstone Island, see constant use of the dock and boat moorings by others, and use the dock and launch ramp myself. The existence nearby of Fort Flagler State Park does in no way diminish the importance of Mystery Bay State Park. It is unique in the security of its harbor, its accessibility, and the attraction it has to boaters of all sorts. ALSO - I think it a crime that $5 overnight parking is charged at Mystery Bay Park. Many boaters begin their cruises at this park and leave a car there for the duration — many, but not so many that parking becomes congested. WA State clearly expressed its opinion of the now abandoned $5 entrance fee, and this $5 overnight fee should go too. I personally use Anderson Lake less than Mystery Bay but many friends do. I oppose any thought of closing it. Thanks for your attention,
William C. Kepner
Nordland WA 98358

Subject: To Ted Smith: Comments on options for the future of area state parks.

Dear Mr. Smith,
I have been a resident of Marrowstone Island for 18 years. During this time I've watched and been involved in multiple issues regarding the state parks on our island. I am continually dismayed how a public resource is managed as if it is a private for-profit business. The surplusing of our state parks would be the final blow which I see as innately misguided and inappropriate.

I have watched as unnecessary improvements have been made which I knew would only lead to imposed user fees. I have seen how the administration of our parks sees "improvement" of natural public lands as a career-building feather-in-the-cap. The proposed changes at Mystery Bay State Park are ill advised. Why does anyone feel a floating dock at the boat ramp needs to be built? It will just mean more expense and more maintenance. The advantages it may offer to the few is not worth the losses it represents to the many. With such a dock, more boats will put swimmers and waders at risk and limit the flexibility of a natural beach area which needs no maintenance. Please don't turn Mystery Bay State Park into a marina or surplus it to private development! It is the last remaining public land on Mystery Bay, and an
integral part of our island's social fabric, offering a place for neighbors to meet and enjoy the bay.

Kinney Point is a fairly recent addition to the state park collection. As it was once school timberland, it was mostly ignored and left in it's pristine natural state. I was once again appalled when the State Park administration installed an extremely expensive and almost impossible to maintain outhouse facility, the access to which is only by water. Why anyone thought a kayak rack was needed is completely beyond me. What folly! Has anyone in state parks ever kayaked? Such a structure is not only useless and an eyesore, it cost precious funds to build. Again, here is a perfect example of how "improvement" is anything but. Why can't the land be left in it's natural state? I suspect someone's resume needed padding.

Anderson Lake is one park I rarely use. I have no comments on it other than it seems a shame to maintain such a park for the primary use of fishing. I've never understood why swimming is banned.

Finally, Fort Flagler State Park; it gets even more complicated due to the mixed use nature and size of the park. Rather than going into all of the issues with the proposed options, I'd like to emphasis my desire to minimize development and refrain from building a high-maintenance resort facility. One unbelievable addition to the park recently was a huge ugly cannon next to the administration offices. I understand the historical nature of Fort Flagler, and can appreciate value in preserving and interpreting that history. Still, I'm unsure why this cannon, which will now need to be maintained, was installed. The blatant representation of militarism and symbol of aggression and war is inconsistent with the present peacefulness the park now should represent.

Thank you for reading my comments. I would appreciate acknowledgement of some of my concerns if you care to respond.

Kurt Steinbach
Nordland, Washington 98358

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Subject: possible park closures
Friend Mr. Smith,

It comes to my attention that the state is considering closing Mystery Bay and Anderson Lake Parks in E. Jefferson County.

How COULD YOU???
The world is getting blacktopped faster than we can take note; the best, most arable land goes under as McMansions, golf courses, or -- worst of all -- Big Box Malls.

It is our government's OBLIGATION to preserve public open spaces. There is no second-guessing this! The value of open spaces is NOT based on the number of visitors. Open spaces need to exist above all so that the natural world remains in some tiny part intact. We are not the only goddamn species on this planet, and we've got to stop acting as though we are.

And next to most of all, there need to be open spaces where people can go and be quiet and AWAY from other people.

Mystery Bay, simply in human terms, has value as a place where boaters, swimmers, picknickers, berry-pickers, birthday-partiers and neighbors gather.

Anderson Lake has some of the area's loveliest walking trails, plus access to Chimacum Rock -- a.k.a Tomanowas Rock in local Indian legend, a geologic marvel in its own right.

The State of Washington absolutely must honor its duty to preserve what little is left that the developers can't turn to hideousness and profit.

Who came up with this ludicrous idea, anyway? Because I would personally like to berate him/her for prize-winning shortsightedness and failure of stewardship.
Gods. As if there weren't enough ugliness in the world. These are two of our tiny precious gems.
Yours for common sense and long-range thinking,
paula lalish

Subject: c/o Ted West

Dear Mr. West. Thank you for the invitation to the Nov. 13 meeting at Fort Flagler. We were out there in Oct., the campground is closed now, and we'll not go back till April. We have enjoyed Fort Flagler for over 33 years. The atmosphere, natural setting and excellent staff. Now, that we are retired, we find the summer rates a bit high... but still manage to come in July for 10 days. We looked at the map and hope, Rat Island will be added to the park, so that the ranger staff can have jurisdiction over that area. There are enough trails in the woods, please leave the natural setting. We expect a few yurts down near the concession. For spring and fall campers it would be nice to have a few more electric hook-up sites (in the top row, across the road from the existing el. sites) We advise against sewer hook-ups, as all waste has to be pumped over the top. The system has been stressed before. Also, that kind of hook-up leads to water waste. (We take standard sites in the summer and use the solar panel) It would be nice to add some land at Mystery Bay, so that some of the park staff could move over there. Thank you for the invitation and information (we enjoyed the previous meeting) Sincerely Margaritha and Fred Leuenberger.

Subject: Mystery Bay State Park

Please try to keep Mystery Bay State Park open. Port Townsend Yacht Club has a dedicated group of volunteers who perform annual maintenance and will continue to do so. It is a heavily used dock and boat ramp and we would hate to see it fall into disrepair.
Thank you for your consideration.
Marilynne Gates

Subject: Re: environmental learning centers

Ted Smith,
I'm a member of a group that has used Fort Flagler Environmental Learning Center facilities two times every year for the past 33 years. Our children, now grown, and their children continue to appreciate the beauty and fragility of the environment and our duty to protect it.
I'm wanting you to know that we support having the low cost option of dorm facilities and camping for big groups, non profits and families...often with several children. Our members could never afford a resort type experience to explore the shore, forest, and sustain a 3-day event focused on intergenerational relationships through play.
Please speak for our needs as the State Parks planning process proceeds.
Kay Abramson

Subject: Potential closing of Mystery Bay Park

Dear Mr. Ted Smith;
Mystery Bay State Park is often the destination for my Sea Scout unit and Marine Education Classes sailing out of Port Townsend's NW Maritime Center and Wooden Boat Foundation. Its protected waters and the variety
of adjacent bay/channels is an ideal training location. The distance from Port Townsend is ideal for our classic 26' Longboats. We often change crews at the dock etc.

Every spring, the year round floating dock makes it possible for the Sea Scouts to hold a weekend Regatta (competition at Fort Flagler). Nearly 200 Sea Scout youth and adults participate in this Mert Wells Regatta. No other affordable location is available in the Puget Sound region. Please keep the Mystery Bay Park in the state system. It is a precious jewel to be protected. Thank you.

Skipper Norm Stevens
Sea Scout Ship Falcon

Subject: comments

Hello-
I'd like to submit some comments regarding the planning for Anderson Lake and Kinney Point, and am sorry I did not become aware of your planning process in time to participate in your November public meeting.

Anderson Lake and the adjacent Tamanawas Rock area to the east have important and unique habitat and cultural values which I hope will be maintained by having the State retain ownership of the Park and consider expansion to the east. These values would seem to be compatible with non-motorized trail use. It seems unlikely that Jefferson County has the resources to assume responsibility for this public park.

Likewise, I value the wildlife habitat at Kinney Point and feel its importance can only increase as Marrowstone Island becomes more developed. Whether that habitat value is compatible with the increased human use that would come with public access by land is questionable. Thank you for accepting and considering public comment.

Owen Fairbank
Port Townsend, Wa.

Subject: Anderson Lake planning

Hello Ted-
Having learned recently of the State Parks planning process, it is not clear to me which stage you are at with Anderson Lake. Perhaps developing preliminary recommendations?

Having missed the November 2006 meeting for public input, I'm wondering when the next opportunity will occur.

Also, could you add my name to the e-mail list?

Thank you for your help.

Owen Fairbank
Port Townsend

Subject: Kinney Point State Park- Long Term Planning

To: Ted Smith, Regional Steward
From: Michael and Pamela Coffeen
Date: April 23, 2007

In our initial review of the Options being considered for Kinney Point State Park, we would like to register our preference for Option 1 or Option 2. We are open to looking into the possibilities of a conservation easement for part of our property, but would need to get a great deal more information before making such a decision.
We would like to be informed of any further meetings concerning planning for Kinney Point.

Thank you,
Pam and Mike Coffeen

Subject: Fort Flagler Planning

Hi Ted,

I have just read with interest the current comments posted in the linked word document regarding Fort Flagler. Some of the suggestions are quite good, and quite a few have no relevance to how my family uses the park, unless they would include restrictions on other park users (didn't see anything obvious).

The one possible idea I had was already listed in the comments, that being possible site hookups in the lower campground. Truth be told, it's not a huge issue for us, but it would be a nice convenience. Of the three services that might be available, I'd probably request a sewer connection first, followed by power, then water.

I thought the suggestion on increasing the size of the store was interesting, though I have never gone looking for something I was unable to find there. I am not sure if there is enough traffic to warrant a larger store plus eating area.

I also thought the water taxi idea was interesting, though I am not sure how much use it would actually get. We would probably use it to visit Pt Townsend while staying at the park, I think the original commenter was intending it to be used in reverse (to keep cars off the island). In a related vein, would boat rentals be viable? Is something like that offered at any other State Park?

Most importantly, I'd request that if nothing else, the historical buildings and structures in the park continue to be maintained, and remain open to the public. If any of the other suggestions would infringe on that, it would be my preference to keep the buildings and bunkers the way they are (or better).

On a related note, a real concern I have regards the bunkers on the bluff, and erosion dropping (or about to drop) some of them onto the beach. This is history, and it is literally falling away.

Thank You,

Paul Woods

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Subject: Ft Flagler land-use planning project - CAMP

Ted Smith,

We are enthusiastic users of Fort Flagler State Park and therefore very interested in being in the loop for any future planning. We just learned of the Classification and Management Planning (CAMP) project by accident while browsing your website in search of information about the camping area at Ft Flagler known as "Wagon Wheel." I hope we're not to late to provide input to your planning process.

My Partner Ken Perlman and I direct a weekend-long music camp known as the American Banjo Camp, and we have held it the weekend after memorial day for the past five years (2003 - 2007). As our music camp has grown we've expanded to the point that we use both Camp Hoskins and Camp Richmond. We love the facility and have had nothing but pleasant, supportive dealings with the E.L.C. and the rangers. Of course there are things that could be improved...
and perhaps this is a time to mention a couple of them.

The "teaching cabins" (cabins 1 through 12) at Camp Hoskins are vital to our use, since we need to offer many small classes at once. Unfortunately, there are no bathrooms in the area, although there clearly were once. Repairing those bathrooms would improve the usability of that area greatly.

The dormitories are spartan at best and we often run into difficulties with the lack of privacy (since each room has only 3 out of 4 walls) and the lack of electrical outlets -- a surprising number of our attendees are showing up with CPAP machines that need to be powered through the night. We realize that upgrading these facilities would require significant capital outlay and would also probably require an increase in the modest fees that the state charges. For this reason we are prepared to "make do" with the current facilities, but a significant number of our attendees would like to be able to tent or camp in their RVs, to avoid staying in the barracks and we would like to oblige them, which we could do if we could be assured of being able to reserve the nearby tent/RV camping area called "Wagon Wheel" -- unfortunately, it's administered by some other part of the park system and can't be reserved a full year in advance, when Camp Hoskins and Camp Richmond can (and therefore must) be reserved. So we would request that it be possible to reserve camping areas like Wagon Wheel a full year in advance. It would help us if there was some way to accommodate events that need to reserve several park facilities together.

In searching for information about Wagon Wheel on the web site it became obvious that there isn't any. It would be very helpful if all the park's facilities were accessible and represented on the web site in the same or similar ways so that we didn't have to learn several different ways of interacting with the park.

So, to summarize, the main concerns that we're hoping to raise with this note are:
+ the importance of the "teaching cabins" - they are vital to teaching events like ours
+ the need for a bathroom in the teaching cabin area - more events would be able to take advantage of the teaching cabins
+ the need to be able to reserve the Wagon Wheel area a year ahead or to be able to accommodate events needing to use related facilities
+ the need to be able to find information about facilities like Wagon Wheel on the web site, and to have consistency in procedures.

Thanks for your attention to these issues, and in general for your efforts to make a great resource even better.

Best,
Peter Langston & Ken Perlman
co-directors, American Banjo Camp

Subject: Paragliding at Fort Flagler
Greetings,
I attended a public meeting at Fort Flagler on April 4, in the company of several other local paraglider pilots. It was an informative meeting for me because I had not previously appreciated the "foot launch" flying potential
at the park. I am a relatively new paraglider pilot and the possibility of having a safe, consistent flying site at Fort Flagler has great appeal. It is my hope that the north and southeast facing bluffs will be opened for paraglider use.

I work in the marine industry as an excursion boat captain and as a shipwright. My work brings me to Port Townsend for three to four months each year. I am very enthusiastic about the possibility of being able to regularly fly at Fort Flagler.

Please add my comments to the main documents for the public record.

Sincerely,

Peter Hardy
Friday Harbor, Wa 98250

Subject: MYSTERY BAY STATE PARK AND ANDERSON LAKE STATE PARK

Mr. Smith,

During the Port Townsend Yacht Club annual volunteer cleanup effort, one that the yacht club has done for 16 years now, it came to our attention that there was a letter to the editor in the Port Townsend Leader about the possible closer of Mystery Bay State Park and Anderson Lake State Park. The letter also stated that the writer could not understand the lack of interest of boaters and fisherman about these two issues.

He was mistaken. There was a lack of knowledge about the issues, not a lack of interest. I as an individual sailor and fisherman use both of the state parks mentioned and use them often. When they had the parking fee, I purchased the $50 yearly pass to reduce the hassle and cost of me fishing at Anderson Lake in my canoe and to park at Mystery Bay State Park to gather oysters in season. As a member of the yacht club I participate in many functions that take us as a group to marine state park. It is a nice quiet place to day sail to from Port Hadlock in our boat and it is a great gathering place for members of the yacht club to use via their vessels and cars.

Today 27 members of the club gladly met at Mystery Bay to happily put in 61 hours of cleanup time to help the park system out. 38 actually signed up, but due to illness and unexpected events 12 could not make it and did call me expressing there regrets. This is just one small portion of the local boating community that was a little upset when they found out that they may be losing this appreciated marine asset.

In fact I imagine we are the tip of the iceberg as it were.

What was even more upsetting was the fact that I talked to other volunteers back at Fort Flagler today after our cleanup was over, and they did not know a thing about the Mystery Bay State Park and Anderson Lake State Park possible closers. In fact they did not believe me. I told them to look up the article, which I did also when I returned home today.

I don't really know what the agenda is for these two parks, but I hope it is not closer.

Sincerely,

Richard Curtis
Chimcucum, WA 98325

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Subject: Mystery Bay and Anderson Lake State Parks

Dear Mr Smith,

We understand that State Parks is considering the future of these two parks in Jefferson County.
As residents of Port Townsend we use both these parks regularly and we feel it would be a great loss if they were to cease to be State Parks open to the public. We are sure many other local residents, and boat owners and fishermen from further afield, feel the same way. We hope you can find a way to maintain these two State Parks.

Richard and Janet Isherwood

Subject: Mystery Bay and Anderson Lake
Dear Sir, I want to go on record in favor of keeping Mystery Bay and Anderson Lake State Parks in the system. Developers are waiting in the wings to ruin both these properties with private development. Please do not let this happen!
Thanks, John Matthiesen, Nordland, WA

Subject: Mystery Bay and Anderson Lake Parks
Dear Mr. Smith:
I am a land owner and resident on Marrowstone Island for seven years. I have used Mystery Bay Park for picnics and boating both visiting and with my own small boat. This is a protected bay, wonderful for teaching my grandson to sail and a place for swimming. During summer months, Mystery Bay is a popular destination for boaters from Port Townsend. Mystery Bay is an intrinsic part of the unique culture of Marrowstone Island that affords all families, esp. low income, to experience a water experience that is exceptional and serves as another place for local family play when the very popular Ft. Flagler over flows with summer visitors.
Anderson Lake has recreational opportunities that are unique to that park.
Both Mystery Bay and Anderson Lake State Parks are in close proximity to families in an area that is increasing in population: This area will need more parks not less to accommodate this increase.
Also, in this time of global warming when the state of Washington needs to be promoting gas conservation, I feel that my tax dollars should be going to local parks that play such an important part for experiencing nature for all generations and all incomes without the expenditure of foreign oil. This is an opportunity for the STATE of WASHINGTON to honor the history of these parks that have contributed so much to the enjoyment of so many.
Sincerely,
Marilyn M. Brasier

Subject: Anderson Lake State Park Future Plans
The popularity of Anderson Lake State Park with trail users, fishermen, nature lovers, and the projected population growth of the Quimper Peninsula and surrounding area require retaining state ownership and therefore public use of the existing land within its boundaries. Also future plans should provide for acquiring the east ridge top with trails, views, and diverse plants and animals. Here is a place to wander the ridge viewing east Quimper Peninsula and Chimacum Valley while enjoying in season the many songbirds such as several species of warblers and wildflowers like the scarlet paintbrush. To protect the park from the intrusion of buildings and attendant disturbance from pets, noise, exotic plants, etc. the land at the southeast corner of the present park should be acquired.
Management should protect the mature forest in the park probable the largest and most habitat and species diverse area remaining on the Quimper Peninsula. The forest of Fort Flagler, Old Fort Townsend, and Anderson State Park are unique mature forest no longer existing in low-land east Jefferson County.
The wetlands, the snags, down logs, and varied terrain provide habitat for amphibians, insects, mammals, and cavity nesting birds largely missing from more developed private lands.

The old fields add to the beauty of Anderson St. Park as well as diversify the available habitats. Several years ago we saw a mature bull elk calmly grazing in the meadow east of the entry road. It seemed like we were entering Yellowstone country. Perhaps these meadows could be perpetuated by alternate year brushhogging. The meadows surrounding the west and south side of lake offer beautiful views of the water and in season a great place to observe insecting tree, violet greenback, barn, rough-wing, and cliff swallows.

The park land south of the Anderson Lake Road has a water lily covered wetland that supports annual nesting woodducks. It is the only local place where these ducks can be found regularly in the nesting season. This future of this area should require permanent protection of its natural qualities.

I appreciate being able to comment on the future of Anderson State Park and would like to be informed of future public input opportunities.

Ron Sikes
Port Townsend

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Subject: state parks
Please don't let anyone take away our precious "Mystery Bay" and "Anderson Lake" Parks
Rosanne Kramnicz and Doug Anable
Nordland WA 98358

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Subject: Fort Flagler upgrade
Please put me on your list for e-mail updates concerning Fort Flagler Park and Mystery Bay Park.
Thank You.
Ruth Ann Halford,
Seattle, WA 98107-3912

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Subject: Mystery Bay and Anderson Lake
Dear Mr. Smith: I wish to add my voice to those who hope removing Mystery Bay and Anderson Lake from the State Park System will be taken under reconsideration. Both of these gems have been a source of much enjoyment and happiness to generations of Jefferson County residents.
Sincerely,
Ruth Weyman

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Subject: RE: Flagler CAMP
Dennis,
Thank you for your well thought out comments. To answer your questions from the last paragraph: Resource Recreation land class is less restrictive than Natural. RR allows some low intensity development like trailheads with parking while natural excludes almost all development other than trails. That is why you see the RR polygons bedded in the Natural Classification - it allows us to do some low intensity infrastructure siting while maintaining the ecological integrity of the majority of the parce. We do not currently own the tidelands adjoining Kinney Point. They are owned by DNR (Department
of Natural Resources). Thus they are still public tidelands and publicly accessible. We want to own them to be sure that we have a better say in how they are managed.

Hope this clears up your questions. I'm sorry you won't be able to attend the final meeting but I certainly appreciate your comments.

Ted Smith

Subject: Flagler CAMP
Ted Smith, 11-9-07
Project Lead

I am unable to attend the public meetings on the CAMP exercises for the four State Parks in the Fort Flagler area, but I would like to offer my comments. I have lived on Marrowstone Island for six years and prior to that the Bellevue-Issaquah area. I am a retired engineer and I have designed, built and maintained trails as a volunteer for over 30 years and hiked extensively in the Cascades and Olympic mountains for over 60 years. Locally, I have maintained trails at Anderson Lake, County parks and the Olympic Discovery Trail.

Public trails are an excellent asset for any community. Jefferson County trails are used extensively by local residents and eco-tourists. One of Jefferson County’s major industries is eco-tourism – a critical source of income for both municipalities and residents. I think the Rangers and staff at Fort Flagler are excellent, they do a terrific job with sparse resources. They are an integral and welcome part of our community. The four parks in your current CAMP project (Ft Flagler, Mystery Bay, Lake Anderson and Kinney Point) are all excellent parcels with considerable growth or developmental potential.

I support any and all of the potential alternatives identified in the planning process to date, however I would like to focus my comments on Kinney Point - an absolute gem of an acquisition.

First, I believe a park is not really a park until it has Access, Parking and Toilets. Kinney Point has been called a “kayak” park, since acquisition, primarily to avoid developmental costs. Admiralty Inlet and Oak Bay are not attractive kayaking waters - too exposed to winds and waves. (On the other hand, Mystery Bay and Kilisut Harbor and excellent kayaking waters and many kayaks are launched from Mystery Bay, Fort Flagler and private Kilisut water-front.) I think access, parking and toilets should be developed first from Baldwin Road and subsequently from Robbins Road. Access and parking should be modestly sized and low-impact in design. It should not be an acre of asphalt like a QFC parking lot. A small one-way loop in the forest with angle parking distributed around the loop has been used effectively in many parks.

The existing forest and open areas make this an excellent site for “easy” hiking trails suitable for people of all ages. I can easily imagine people stopping by for a 2-3 hour stroll through the forest and along the beach, perhaps stopping for lunch along the way. Picnic tables, if provided, could be distributed along the trails at vantage points.

I have heard some people advocate “Primitive” trails for this site. I am not sure what that means. To me, a primitive trail is made by haphazard users – like a “fisherman’s” trail around a lake. I do not agree with that. Park trails should be planned, designed and constructed by the park service and unplanned trails should be discouraged.
I also believe that without park staff on site 24-7, small parks like this should be open only dawn to dusk. Unfortunately, without supervision, a very small minority of users would misuse the park after dark. I looked at your Flagler CAMP web page, but it is unclear to me the difference between “Resource Recreation” and “Natural”. Does Natural mean you would do nothing to the land? Also on option 3 the tide lands seem to be shown as a future acquisition. Does the park now own the tide lands? If not, how do kayakers land at other than a defined high tide or meander line? Who does own the tidelands?

Dennis Burk

Ted,

I got a call this morning for you, and the gentleman gave me the message to relay to you. It was from Ray Thompson, lives in Florida, Washington phone number (206) 240-3210, and he said that if you would 'bend your ear' and listen he would really like to talk to you. He was at Fort Flagler when he called.

Okay, here we go:

He is an RV'er a lot of the time, retired from the government after 20 years. He comes to Washington often and is familiar with the area. He understands that with all the new people coming there is need for expansion of ideas and area, and that it all needs good planning. No big improvements are needed in the parks as they are already beautiful, but dry camping with a motor home would be a good one. There are lots of full time RV'ers that go from place to place and the parks would be a good place to camp at. People would be willing to pay a small fee for use of space at parks. A place where you can just pull up and park, and even get water to that site (if available) would be nice. Time limits would be a good thing, especially as RV'ers move on frequently as it is. There are areas, such as at Fort Flagler, that with a slight modification could be turned into RV spaces.

Parks don't stay the same forever, and there are more RV'ers than people in management realize. Not to forget about tent campers, but make areas for RV's as well. And with the RV'ers paying for their stay, the income from that would offset the cost of extra employees that may be necessary. If you don't improve your parks, the become a high maintenance area. Where there's a will there's a way, and it would be nice if the parks would accommodate RV'ers.

Okay, that is the gist of what he said, I tried to take down as much as I could and communicate it to you as best I could.

Subject: Paragliding Fort Flagler

To whom it may concern,

I am writing in support of Fort Flagler State Park opening both the north and southeast facing bluff for Paragliding use. I am very excited about the prospects of flying at Fort Flagler.

The bluffs at Fort Flagler would provide safe flying, much like Fort Ebey, but with more consistent summer flying conditions. Once open, because of it's uniqueness, it would be a popular site drawing pilots from beyond our region. I am a business owner, residing in Port Townsend for 14 years, and feel that opening this site will enhance usership of the Park and benefit our local economy.

Please add my comments to the main documents for public record. Thank you for your consideration.

David M. Griswold
Port Townsend, Wa
Subject: state parks
Please don't let anyone take away our precious "Mystery Bay" and "Anderson Lake" Parks
Rosanne Kramnicz and Doug Anable

Subject: Mystery Bay State Park
Dear Mr. Smith,
My husband and I are writing to add our names to the list of people hoping that Mystery Bay State Park remains open. We lived on Marrowstone Island for many years and used the park almost daily. We also had several boats anchored and docked there, at different times and ALWAYS appreciated it's central location on the island and easier access to the store and post office, whenever we sailed in.
This park, with it's limited offered facilities, must take very little to maintain and the maintenance has ALWAYS been appreciated. I KNOW that it is used mostly by locals, other than the boaters, but it IS used and enjoyed by many.
Thank you for your consideration in the matter!
Tim and Wendy Fields-Lardie

Subject: Paragliding Fort Flagler
To Whom it May Concern,
Here is a copy of a letter in regards to paragliding in Fort Flagler State Park. Please include it in the documentation with the CAMP process for this park.
Thank You
Chris King
Port Hadlock.

To Whom It May Concern,
I'm writing to you, as a follow-up of our recent CAMP meeting regarding the permit process to allow the peaceful sport of paragliding in two specific areas within Fort Flagler State Park. I am acquainted with and fly with many pilots in our area who are genuinely interested in having locations close to our area at which we would be allowed to fly. Below are remarks in regards to the pilots in this area that illustrate a level of responsibility that is practiced regarding to our approach to non powered flight, and the lands we use for flying, and propose limitations regarding the pilots flying this site based on their experience level.
At this point we would like to begin by proposing use in the following locations:
* The East facing bluffs off of the parade ground. No improvements needed.
* The North facing bluffs between the beach camp ground area and the light house at Marrowstone Point. Minor improvements only.
We would like to locate and identify specific launch sites and landing zones for these areas and review them with you. If needed, we would be happy
to discuss the possibility of creating picnic areas for pilots and spectators near launching and landing areas.

The initiation of our desire to fly Fort Flagler State Park has been inspired by the fact that it is a public park that allows recreation of many forms to be participated in. It has a location that is close to our populated area offering recreation in close proximity, saving long trips, fuel, and time used to travel to other locations, including other state parks recreational sites, in the state. The characteristics of both North and East bluffs provide a relatively safe site to soar having even terrain and adequate bluff height to allow pilots to soar with a safe clearance from the hillside and trees. Because of the smooth, laminar winds associated with coastal sites it would be considered one of the safest options available for pilots regarding our sport.

Spectators enjoy our sport. Non-fliers often remark on the vibrant colors added to the sky when we are flying. The splendor of the multi-colored wings are beautiful to see in the air. It is Western Washington’s equivalent to the Hot-air balloons of New Mexico. They have found a way to vicariously experience flight through watching us. It brings them a sense of satisfaction, childlike wonder, peace, awe, enjoyment, fulfilled curiosity, small rushes of adrenaline, opens up their imagination, extends their mind, and adds to the joy of their vacation experience. It has been asked of us many times when they see us ground handling our wings if we are going to fly. They are very disappointed to learn we are not yet permitted to do so in the public park. They would love to see us fly. They want to see others do something they have longed to do themselves. It would add to the ambiance of the park experience. It is what is expected in the whole Port Townsend experience. Kayaks, wind surfing, kite boarding, whale watching, sailing, boating, hiking, beach combing, paragliding. All of these activities express a freedom of the human spirit. Wasn’t this the intended grand design of the recreational purposes of our Parks? It all fits together.

Paragliding is an interesting sport. Although similar to hang gliding, it is different and often times has been mistakenly perceived to be the same sport that had a really calamitous start in the early 1970's. I'm sure the Wright brothers had their bad days too. Modern technology and design changes, as with all aircraft, have made giant improvements in safety and provide longer glide ratios and very stable flight characteristics even in turbulent air.

Paraglider pilots are recognized by the FAA and are regulated by flight rules and regulations pertaining to the sport. Training by a professional instructor is not mandatory, however, most pilots are trained by an instructor and are not usually rated until certain basics can be met including, demonstrated flight skills and safe handling of their wing.

Paragliding gear is light, made of soft fabric, fits in a gearbag the size of a well-prepared hiker's backpack and takes up about as much area as a large nylon tent when set up. The whole wing, when laid out on the launch area, only weighs about ten to fifteen pounds. That is less than a third of a pound per square foot. Setting up the wing to fly is like spreading a tablecloth on a banquet table. Launching is very unobtrusive. The pilot is normally off the ground in a few steps before reaching the end of the slope or bluff. It is so quiet that unless you were listening for a specific sound, like a flag flapping in the wind you would miss it. Once airborne the pilot is free to decide whether to soar along a ridge, be lofted into the thermals or ride a course straight to the landing zone. It is as breathtaking to watch as it is to actually experience the flight itself. The only thing a pilot hears is the wind winding its way through the lines that support him and the wing. Local birds of prey, crows and ravens frequently join the pilots.
Their behavior is very distinct and identifiable from territorial responses and aggression. They are curious to join these new visitors on the ridge and can act as guides-introducing their realm to the human pilots. The whole process is done without motors. It is foot launched, silent, and does not bother or disrupt the environment or its occupants. What we take in with us goes out with us. What would have also been a trodden path up and down the hill for hiking has only been trodden one way as during the return trip we fly down.

This type of powerless flight is seasonal and depends on cooperative weather. Limited days of flying probably make this sport more inviting to the parks. Even nice days may be unfavorable. In the case of Fort Flagler most flights would take place in the spring or fall during non-gusting periods of North or East winds ranging from 8-15 MPH. When the conditions are not within these parameters we would be kiting or seeking flights at other locations or not at all.

The pilots who do fly are well trained in local weather and have watched its characteristics very closely. In fact, before we fly these sites there will have been many flightless trips to evaluate the wind's affects on the launch site and landing zone. We carefully check obstacles including trees, rocks, hills, valleys, heating of the landscape and the like. In most cases, before we launch, a careful evaluation of the site has occurred. Once we have knowledge of the site's particulars, literally top to bottom (launch to landing), we provide a careful tour and orientation of the site for pilots new to the location so they clearly understand the do's and don'ts. Above all we want safety for pilots and spectators. Our careful judgment from site observations will become another pilot's good flying experience for years to come. It is also important to note that the actual space used to launch and land is relatively small. We would like to work with you to identify those specific, limited areas where we would launch and land.

The pilots in this area are environmentally conscious. Growing up in this area has instilled in us a need to preserve what we have and keeping it in good shape. In fact, a discussion not long ago summarized our intent being like that of the Boy Scouts; approaching our living space with the utmost respect and being sure that others we fly with understand that proper care and respect. Protecting and maintaining our flying sites are the steps we will take to be sure we preserve it for many years down the road. A good example of this is our clubs involvement in clean up projects. We regularly pick up trash along Forest Service roads which access our current flying sites. This includes the hauling away of discarded appliances, trash and other debris.

Most of the pilots in this area, myself included, are a member of the Rainier Paragliding Club. Our specific group is an average age of about 47 years of age. It seems that this is pretty much the norm for this recreation. (Our youngest pilot is about 38 years of age.) Our club members are a mix of business owners, retirees, schoolteachers, church leaders, and the like, who have chosen paragliding as a recreation to seek a peaceful way to live life above the ground, off the well-worn paths of life. Many of us have been involved with another paragliding group in the Seattle area that has been instrumental in opening up DNR lands and have provided outstanding care of these facilities and established flight parks. Some of these pilots may fly our area. They too have the utmost respect and desire to maintain flight approved areas and are careful not to do anything that could possibly jeopardize the opportunities to fly that we have worked so hard to obtain.

Several of us have walked the park on different occasions. We have identified areas that we can launch from that would only require the removal, of at most, a small handful of trees. These are directly on the lip of the bluff and present an erosion hazard as the winds rock them back and forth.
loosening the soil they are grasping to. We have been on the beach and walked the whole area from below to identify any trees or outcropping that might surprise a pilot. We have examined the beach and tidal markings to determine approaches to beach landings. This site is considered to be a relatively clean site as far as these types of obstacles are concerned. The tree line is even and it appears that the growth has also been consistent.

We have also located the eagles nest. It is about 700-1000 feet back from the bluffs edge. Maintaining a 500’ clearance and avoiding flying over will not be a problem. In fact, as winds increase in strength we are pushed up and farther out away from the bluffs. Even in the lightest of winds we will still be below and way out in front of the nest.

I would propose the following guidelines be adopted for the rules regarding our recreation at Fort Flagler.

* Must register as a paraglider pilot at the Ranger’s office and provide or agree to the following information prior to flying at Fort Flagler.
* Must be a current card carrying member of USHPA (Most prominent and distinct national club, United States Hang Gliding and Paragliding Association) This must be at the membership level that provides the $1,000,000 third party liability insurance. (About 70 dollars and is noted on the back of the pilots USHPA card under “Insurance Information”)
* Must leave a photo copy of their current USHPA card with the registration of their pilot status for the park. (Pilots not trained by an instructor most likely will not have a rating from USHPA. For this reason having an USHPA card will weed out any who may not meet the requirements for the site.
* Must have, on their person, a current USHPA card that can be shown to a Ranger at any time during the use of the parks for paragliding.
* Must check in at the Ranger office to notify the park of being at the site, or call ahead in the case of arriving when a ranger is not there. It would be a desired practice to let the Ranger know when a pilot checks out of the park as well.
* Must have a site orientation that includes, winds, obstacles, launch characteristics, landing requirements and characteristics, and location of the Eagles nest and desired flight path to maintain proper distance from their nesting site.
* This orientation shall be given by any of the local pilots who frequent and are familiar with the site.
* Must be a minimum rating of a P-2 pilot (Novice) to fly the site.
* Pilots with a P-2 status can not fly the site alone or together with another P-2 pilot.
* P-2 pilots can fly together with a P-3 (Intermediate) or greater, rated pilot on site but not necessarily flying with them.
* Solo flights will be authorized for P-3 pilots or above.
* Must obey and strictly observe ridge soaring rules as out lined for Paragliding pilots.

* Must perform a pre-flight inspection of equipment and initiate a cross check with another pilot before launching. This safety check must happen any time the pilot has disconnected from his gear at any time.
* Must maintain a 500 foot overall clearance of the eagles nest located about mid point of the bluffs. Must agree not to fly over top of the nest. Must agree to give right of way passage and avoid any flying that might be considered erratic or provoking towards the birds while in their company during flight. (seems to be the clearance being required in other parks, State and National, throughout the nation.)
* Must agree to minimize use of the beach accept to land when necessary. (The disruption of the beach during landing is about the same as anyone
walking along the beach. It is not a crash landing that leaves deep gouges, destroys anything, leaves a debris trail and/or exploding balls of fire or leaping columns of smoke and pollution. It is quiet, soft, and very forgiving.)
* Must agree to stay off the bluff face
* Must agree not to climb trails or area’s not improved by the parks as public access trails.
* Must agree to not modify or change anything associated with the bluffs or rouge trails for foot holds or hiking access. However, if such areas may be identifiable, one may approach the parks for possible construction of access points for the public.
* Must agree not to chisel away or slough off the tops of the bluff banks
* Must agree to use only those areas specified for launching and landing.
* Must agree to maintain cleanliness of the site. Picking up trash and garbage that they carried in and follow the parks guidelines for disposal.
* Must agree not to disturb, cut or remove any plants, bushes or trees without authorization (unless previously understood arrangements have been made) even if it proposes a safety hazard.

I hope that I can speak on behalf of our group. We would like to offer the construction of signs that tell the public of our sport, in brief, that can be posted one the Park Grounds near the areas we fly from. We would like to offer our services to help remove Scotch Broom, Gorse, and any other improvements that you may need at the park as well. We have talked amongst ourselves that we would even be willing to construct proper barricades that can be dropped during the times we are flying and be replaced for public caution after our use.

I believe that it would be appropriate to have use of both the East and the North facing bluffs. The East facing bluffs would be flyable approximately two to three times a year. Fortunately, it would require no improvements to be flown. Easterly winds do not frequent our area at all. The North facing bluffs would provide opportunities to fly approximately 20 flying days. This area only needs minor changes for accommodation and safety.

I look forward to further communication with you and sincerely hope we can demonstrate that paragliding can be a positive addition to the list of allowed recreation in Port Flagler State Park.

Regards,
Chris King

Subject: Kinney Point State Park- Long Term Planning
To: Ted Smith, Regional Steward
From: Michael and Pamela Coffeen
Date: April 23, 2007

In our initial review of the Options being considered for Kinney Point State Park, we would like to register our preference for Option 1 or Option 2. We are open to looking into the possibilities of a conservation easement for part of our property, but would need to get a great deal more information before making such a decision.

We would like to be informed of any further meetings concerning planning for Kinney Point.

Thank you,
Pam and Mike Coffeen
Nordland, WA 98358

Subject: mystery bay state park
i am a member of the port townsend yacht club and have been for 6 years. during that time i have had many occasions to take advantage of mystery bay state park, as have many of my colleagues in the yacht club. the park is a real treasure and a wonderful place to tie up and/or anchor and enjoy the loveliness of the area. it would be a shame if we were to lose this valuable resource. the yacht club has adopted the park, and for years, each spring. we go over and do a clean up, paint up, fix up at the park. i urge you to find a way to keep this park as an active park in the state park system. thank you. cheerio john bodger

From: Frank Boyle, Vice Commodore, Port Townsend Yacht Club
Subject: Mystery Bay
Dear Mr. Smith,
I have reviewed the information on the parks web site and wanted to let you know the importance of the Mystery Bay Park to many of us. The Mystery Bay facilities are not duplicated any where else in the local area. It offers a convenient location for activities involving small boats, large boats, and automobile access. PTYC has supported the Mystery Bay facility every year with an all volunteer annual clean up and maintenance. Please give Mystery Bay a high priority in your future plans.
Thank You,
Frank Boyle

Subject: Kinney Point
Ted,
Kinney Point has that quality that many people love to find -- getting away from it all. We strongly suggest NO improvements to the site. The latest "improvements" have greatly hindered the aesthetics of that special place. Hank Snelgrove, John Snelgrove, Brian Snelgrove

Subject: Fort Flagler Planning
Hi Ted,
I have just read with interest the current comments posted in the linked word document regarding Fort Flagler. Some of the suggestions are quite good, and quite a few have no relevance to how my family uses the park, unless they would include restrictions on other park users (didn't see anything obvious). The one possible idea I had was already listed in the comments, that being possible site hookups in the lower campground. Truth be told, it's not a huge issue for us, but it would be a nice convenience. Of the three services that might be available, I'd probably request a sewer connection first, followed by power, then water.
I thought the suggestion on increasing the size of the store was interesting, though I have never gone looking for something I was unable to find there. I am not sure if there is enough traffic to warrant a larger store plus eating area.
I also thought the water taxi idea was interesting, though I am not sure how much use it would actually get. We would probably use it to visit Pt Townsend while staying at the park, I think the original commenter was intending it to be used in reverse (to keep cars off the island). In a related vein, would boat rentals be viable? Is something like that offered at any other State Park?
Most importantly, I'd request that if nothing else, the historical buildings and structures in the park continue to be maintained, and remain open to the public. If any of the other suggestions would infringe on that, it would be my preference to keep the buildings and
bunkers the way they are (or better). On a related note, a real concern I have regards the bunkers on the bluff, and erosion dropping (or about to drop) some of them onto the beach. This is history, and it is literally falling away.

Thank You,
Paul Woods

Subject: Mystery Bay
Yes we do like and want to keep the use of Mystery Bay. It's wonderful for the area boaters.
Gary & Kitti, PTYC

Subject: Upgrades
My husband and I appreciate your interest in updating Fort Flagler but are a little concerned that if the upgrade is too extensive, we and our three daughters with their families will be left out of our annual fun at Fort Flagler. The facility as it is, is very acceptable to us and yet we understand the state could make more money if improvements were made. That's important too, to be solvent even profitable. But, as faithful users for over twenty years at the main Ft Flagler buildings and the officers quarters at the south end of the fort, we will appreciate modest improvements so we can still use the Fort. Our oldest daughter was married in the Chapel at Ft Warden, many traveled to the wedding from Seattle and have become loyal users like us participating in meetings and work parties. Thanks for considering changes that will keep the forts available to average Wa citizens! Sue Bull, on Greenwood Ave in Seattle,

Subject: Keep the CAMP in Fort Flagler State Park
Dear CAMP process:
We have become aware that there is a process to evaluate the future of the ELC buildings at Fort Flagler. It appears that even their replacement with modern buildings is being considered. We would like to voice our strong desire to maintain the buildings in their original form, even if this requires serious repair.

The value of this unique place to us is that it fills a much needed place for group gatherings that falls between camp-ground camping and convention center-type facilities and does so within an historical setting. The group camp buildings are simple, funky, well worn but very serviceable. In this world of "old is bad", "big is better", "modern is everything" these buildings remind all users that great times don't depend on luxury, nor modernity. We have been coming regularly with our family and friends to events at Fort Flagler for over 35 years and enjoy the simplicity of the place just as much now as we did back then. We hope our kids can do so into the distant future. For us it's not a cost issue, though for some expensive new facilities might be a serious detriment. We would be happy to pay more to retain the dear old place, but would be reluctant to even pay the same to come to a modernized, soulless "chain-motel-like" replacement.

Steve and Linda Malone
Seattle, WA 98115

Subject: Mystery Bay State Park
Dear Mr. Smith,

My husband and I are writing to add our names to the list of people hoping that Mystery Bay State Park remains open. We lived on Marrowstone Island for many years and used the park almost daily. We also had several boats anchored and docked there, at different times and ALWAYS appreciated it's central location on the island and easier access to the store and post office, whenever we sailed in.

This park, with it's limited offered facilities, must take very little to maintain and the maintenance has ALWAYS been appreciated. I KNOW that it is used mostly by locals, other than the boaters, but it IS used and enjoyed by many.

Thank you for your consideration in the matter!

Tim and Wendy Fields-Lardie

Subject: Mystery Bay and Anderson Lake Parks...

To Ted Smith, Parks Planner:

PLEASE keep these parks in the State Park System!

MYSTERY BAY was one of the reasons we moved here in 1976. It was a perfect spot for our young boys to go to swim, learn to sail, make rafts, walk the dog, meet friends.

It has been the gathering place for friends and family for swimming, as it is the only place the water is somewhat warm for swimming--especially for the very young--even 87 year olds!

Many birthdays, graduations, anniversaries, have been, and continue to be, celebrated here, along with picnics, oyster 'roasts', gatherings to raise money for our volunteer ambulance/fire departments.

Small boaters, canoeists, kayakers, use the dock as a starting or resting or stopping place. I can easily launch my 8 ft sailboat from there--in calm waters. Islanders who have their boats moored off shore can row to the dock to get to and from their boats---without the park, they would not have public access. Yacht clubs use it as destinations for Memorial Day and Labor Day outings. It is the destination also for boaters who come to visit friends and relatives here, or who are seeking new ports to explore.

It is the destination of many walkers--who use the pavilion as a place to meet friends, to sit and contemplate the lovely scenery--water, boats, mountains. Other than the Nordland store, there is no other public place in the middle of the island, on the Kilisut Harbor side, for people to go. I often stop there just to watch the sunset, as I cannot see it from my place.

It is the Logo on the island T-shirts and jackets.

The County Library would park its BookMobile there in days past.

To me, Mystery Bay is Marrowstone Island, a very special place!!!!!

I would like to see it kept as it is--not developed more--we need places that are not overly modernized! However, I think the oysters that were planted there several years ago are not a good idea--placed as they were at the boat launch and swimming area. People have been cut on the shells, some requiring many stitches; they are especially harmful to young children's feet. Twice, with the permission of the parks, islanders moved them to the other (south) side of the dock, but they keep edging back. Perhaps the park personnel could help to keep them 'at bay'.

ANDERSON LAKE is a gem--an undeveloped, natural place that is so peaceful to come to. Many families take there children there for their first fishing experiences. I try to stop there as I drive Anderson Lake Road to Sequim,
Pt Angeles, just to have a quiet, peaceful moment. I don't know of another spot in this area like it.

KINNEY POINT: I have never been to it, as I do not 'boat' in that area. It is a good idea to have a place for kayakers, canoeists, to pull in to. I would enjoy having access to it by land—with a small parking lot with a trail to the point.

These are my reasons for keeping these parks. Please consider them, and let us keep these very special places accessible to all. I will be at the next meeting about these issues at Ft Flagler.

Thank you,
Yvonne Otterness
Nordland, WA  98358

Subject: RE: Mystery Bay State Park

The Port Townsend Leader, April 11, page A6, Opinion Forum, under: Plan could threaten parks, by Jeff Chapman, sent to the editor...."talk" with you later, yvonne

Subject: Mystery Bay State Park

Hi, thanks for the info by phone today. I am testing your email address, as a friend's did not go thru. Then I will send more comments, thanks, Yvonne Otterness, Marrowstone Is.

We reviewed the Fort Flagler State Park Area Management Plan, giving close attention to the section titled Long-Term Park Boundary since our names and property are mentioned specifically in this part. We want to notify you that we will not be selling—or donating—this property now or at any time in the future. Our plan is to keep this parcel in the family indefinitely.

And just one point of clarification—our parcel, #021184003, is a 15-acre piece of property, shaped like an L that extends west along the southwest border of the park all the way to the water. Your planning maps have only part of the parcel highlighted as "Recreation LTB". I hope this note makes our intentions clear.

Heidi Sewall