

Rocky Reach Recreation Forum Meeting Minutes

September 24, 2009
9:00 – 11:30 am
Chelan County PUD
Utility Services Conference Room
Service Building
(behind headquarters building
across parking lot)

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Facilitator: Kris Pomianek **Type of meeting:** Rocky Reach Recreation Forum

Representatives:
Dennis Beich, WDFW
Jim Eychaner, RCO
Pat Irle, Department of Ecology
Karen Kelleher, BLM
Steve Lewis, USFWS
Christine Parsons, Washington State Parks
Susan Rosebrough, NPS
Patrick Verhey, WDFW
Tim Weaver, Yakama Nation
Bob Huber, Alcoa
Keith Vradenburg, City of Entiat
Bob Whitehall, City of Entiat
Mike Wyant, Entiat School District
Ray Heit, Chelan PUD

Participants:
Ryan Baker
Tony Eldred, WDFW
Ken Finicle, Puget Sound Energy
Jim Harris, Washington State Parks
Bill Fraser, Washington State Parks

Attendees in Bold

Meeting Purpose: Third meeting of the Rocky Reach Recreation Forum to provide updates on Rocky Reach license implementation.

Minutes

After introductions, Kris Pomianek reviewed the July 23, meeting minutes and they were approved.

Kris explained the first draft of the **Recreation Resources Management Plan** to the group.

Action item:

Kris asked the group to read the plan and provide any input. She also indicated that in the plan, in Section 4 there are several highlighted areas that indicate sections that are going to be changing once the final conceptual plans for Entiat, Lincoln Rock and Daroga Parks are complete.

Action item:

Bill Fraser from Washington State Parks had questions on the portage issue explained in Section 4 of the plan. He suggested that "300 feet downstream of Rocky Reach Dam" be modified to read, "located downstream of Rocky Reach Dam", eliminating the 300 feet to allow for evaluation of the best location for the overlook at the time of construction.

Bill also indicated that the date for the appeal on the Rocky Reach Trail is October 12. He indicated that he would keep us posted as things progress.

The group discussed the plans for Lincoln Rock and Daroga. Kris indicated that RH2 is currently developing the conceptual drawings and expects to have them complete by October 15. They plan to have costs associated with these plans developed by November 1.

Action item:

Kris will set up a meeting with State Parks following receipt of the conceptual drawings and then again following receipt of the cost estimates. After review of this information by State Parks, it will be shared with the Rocky Reach Recreation Forum (RRRF).

The plans for Lincoln Rock include the addition of a group camp loop on the south end of the park above the fish hatchery. Daroga plans will include the infrastructure on the bench above the park for the addition of convenience camping cabins. It is yet to be determined how many cabins will be put up on the hill, however the infrastructure will allow for future build out by Washington State Parks. Further details regarding upgrades in the park are included on the RRRF website.

A discussion followed regarding the boat launch that is in need of repair at Lincoln Rock Park.

Action item:

It has been determined that the new boat launch will be constructed outside the license in 2010 or 2011 at an estimated amount of \$298,000 and the new docks and pilings will be included with the license at an estimated cost of \$304,000 with an anticipated construction date of 2013.

Bob Whitehall discussed the plans that have been developed for Entiat Park. The city leaders, the parks board and the community have provided park plans that RH2 has developed into conceptual drawings. In addition, they have provided cost estimates for these plans. These plans and cost estimates were shared with the RRRF.

Action item:

These plans will be shared with Entiat at a community meeting scheduled for October 6 at the Entiat High School cafeteria from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

The next meeting of the RRRF is scheduled for **November 19**. This meeting will be our last formal meeting before submitting the Recreation Resources Management Plan to FERC for final approval in February.