

Parks and Recreation

1. Executive Summary

With nearly 74,000 residents that work and play in Chelan County, Chelan PUD parks and recreation opportunities provide a fundamental part of the quality of life for those that live and visit here. Chelan County PUD recognizes the importance of recreation to the quality of life of residents and visitors. As part of its responsibility as steward of Chelan County waterways, Chelan PUD built 14 parks covering more than 700 acres. These parks were built as mitigation from the construction of Rocky Reach, Rock Island, and Lake Chelan Dams to ensure the public retained access to and around the project reservoirs. Combined, these parks welcome an estimated 2.5 million visitors each year (source: Chelan PUD park visitor counts 2013).

The Chelan PUD park system is widely recognized and appreciated for its positive regional enhancement of quality of life and recreational experience. High marks are frequently noted for high maintenance and safety standards in the parks which allow for the variable uses associated with the facilities. In addition, and specifically for Chelan PUD-operated parks, the “no day-use fee” park experience is highly valued. The park system is heavily utilized and highly sought after to support programs and sporting events organized by public and private entities. These events and uses stemming from park facilities provide direct economic stimulus to the region. Annual estimate of economic benefit to the local Wenatchee area from sporting events scheduled at Walla Walla and Kirby Billingsley Hydro Park is \$2.4 million (source: Wenatchee Valley Sports Council).

As part of the Strategic Planning process for 2015 and beyond, the Parks and Recreation Topic Team (PRTT) was chartered with evaluating the input and recommendations generated by customer-owners on how Chelan PUD could use potential “public power benefits” for the future of the PUD’s park system. Initially, the PRTT identified two strategies to consider for parks and recreation.

- Strategy 1 - Provide experiences and programs within existing Chelan PUD parks that promote lifelong play, discovery, creativity, and learning.
- Strategy 2 - Support local partnerships that create recreational opportunities to areas outside Chelan PUD’s Licensed Project boundaries.

Ultimately, the PRTT developed options in support of Strategy 1 because they are most likely consistent with Chelan PUD statutory and implied authority, and with the FERC licenses for Chelan PUD hydro projects. The PRTT recommends Strategy 2 should be evaluated further for opportunities where Chelan PUD may be able to support parks and recreation efforts county-wide. However, this will take additional studies and evaluations on a case by case basis.

Over the course of three months and six meetings, the PRTT developed options intended to fulfill the planning goal to “do the best, for the most, for the longest” within Chelan PUD’s statutory authority. The PRTT is offering a number of tactical ideas that align with three overarching options, as illustrated in Table 1.

Table 1: Parks and Recreation Topic Team Recommendations At A Glance

Recommendation	Highest Rated Ideas
<p>Expand or add amenities in existing Chelan PUD parks that enhance recreation opportunities and sense of community.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Replace water source to Horan Wildlife Area to preserve wetland trail and education experience 2. Add more water-related amenities to PUD parks, such as splash pad (squirt park) 3. Develop an aquarium at the Rocky Reach visitor’s center 4. Add more soccer fields, especially artificial turf soccer fields and small-sided fields 5. Add new or adjacent trails to separate bikers and walkers 6. Add an amphitheater to provide outdoor entertainment 7. Develop a community garden 8. Add an indoor aquatic center 9. Add more picnic shelters in existing PUD parks 10. Develop or enhance water access points for the public on the Project reservoirs, such as a marina or ADA fishing access <p>For purposes of public consideration, a reasonable amount for the public power benefit that could be spent on the highest rated ideas over a 20-year period is estimated to range from \$10 million to \$18 million. These estimates are very conceptual without the benefit of design and feasibility work. The range of costs is based on an estimate of the highest rated ideas and considers the varying degree with which the ideas may be implemented.</p>
<p>Develop activities and programs in existing Chelan PUD parks that enhance recreation opportunities for all ages.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Add activities and programs that teach people to work together and model teamwork, such as enhancing the row and paddle club campus 2. Add venues for outdoor concerts and movie nights 3. Add activities and programs that build a sense of community, such as Make a Difference Day and Lineman Rodeo 4. Add activities and programs that improve physical and mental health, such as exercise classes 5. Add activities and programs that teach safety, such as water safety day and boating etiquette classes <p>For purposes of public consideration, a reasonable amount for the public power benefit that could be spent on the highest rated ideas over a 20-year period is estimated to range from \$2 million to \$4 million. These estimates are very conceptual without the benefit of design and feasibility work. The range of costs is based on an estimate of the highest rated ideas and considers the varying degree with which the ideas may be implemented.</p>

<p>Evaluate operating agreements related to fees and services for customer-owner benefit in Chelan PUD parks.</p>	<p>1. Chelan PUD should work with park operators to waive day use fees for Chelan County residents at all Chelan PUD owned parks (including Confluence, Daroga, and Lincoln Rock)</p> <p>For purposes of public consideration, a reasonable amount for the public power benefit that could be spent on the highest rated ideas over a 20-year period is estimated to range from \$5 million to \$10 million. These estimates are very conceptual without the benefit of design and feasibility work. The range of costs is based on an estimate of the highest rated ideas and considers the varying degree with which the ideas may be implemented.</p>
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2. The Parks and Recreation Topic Team – Charter and Special Considerations

The Parks and Recreation Topic Team (PRTT) was chartered with evaluating the input and recommendations generated by customer-owners regarding how Chelan PUD should focus its efforts and resources for the future of its park system.

The Chelan PUD mission statement speaks to “enhancing the quality of life in Chelan County.” The PRTT saw a direct connection to parks and recreation. Through the PRTT involvement in the Strategic Planning process, it is clear that the recreation and natural resources of Chelan County are some of the most highly prized assets in the County. It was also clear that Chelan PUD parks provide economic benefit to Chelan County through numerous events that take place in the parks. The parks also provide highly valued access to the Columbia River and Lake Chelan within Chelan County.

To maintain this high level of quality into the future, the PRTT asked the following key planning questions:

- **Park Atmosphere and Function:** Is there a desire to see certain parks undergo a transition from a highly managed and maintained atmosphere to a more natural setting; with less formal programs and fewer services, but with greater environmental and aesthetic presence and value?
- **Park Operator:** Is there a preferred park operator; i.e. should Chelan PUD assume a larger role in operation of the parks system, or should the parks be operated by a contracted entity? Is there a benefit to the customer-owner using a combination of Chelan PUD and contracted operators?
- **Operation and Maintenance Costs:** Additional amenities or improvements to the parks will increase operation and maintenance costs. What is the level of support from customer-owners concerning increased O&M funding to improve amenities?
- **Park Use:** There are increasing and sometimes conflicting desired use of park facilities and grounds. What are the customer-owners’ priority uses and how can the park system best function to support those uses?

Additionally, the PRTT considered Chelan PUD's statutory authority and responsibilities. Chelan PUD's parks were developed under recreation plans required by the federal government as part of the Chelan PUD's licenses to operate the Rocky Reach, Rock Island and Lake Chelan hydro projects. The parks and their numerous amenities were designed to mitigate for public losses of river access as a result of the construction of the hydroelectric projects and the raising of the reservoir. Chelan PUD's responsibilities related to recreation are: to develop suitable public recreation facilities upon project lands and waters; to make provisions for adequate public access to such project facilities and waters; and to encourage and cooperate with local, State, and Federal government agencies in determination of public recreational needs (and to cooperate in the preparation of plans to meet those needs, including those for sports fishing and hunting [18CRF2.7]). Chelan PUD is not responsible for meeting full recreational demand within the county or project areas. Instead, Chelan PUD meets its park system license obligations through the implementation of recreation Plans approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) for each hydro project.

Although Chelan PUD parks were developed as a requirement of the federal licenses to operate the hydro projects, a collaborative and stakeholder-based effort was put forth during licensing and relicensing to design and implement the multi-use concept of the parks. These efforts resulted in a park system that is highly regarded and recognized as one of the ultimate benefits of public power. Chelan PUD has committed to a high standard of operation and maintenance to the parks which is portrayed in Chelan PUD-operated and lease-operated parks.

Subsequently, the PRTT also used the following considerations during the evaluation process:

- A fee-based management strategy: Implementing fees for the use of our parks could cause Chelan PUD to lose our immunity under Washington's Outdoor Recreation Use Statute. There is currently no planned intent to manage parks as a business line function with the goal of 100% operation and maintenance cost recovery.
- Expanding the number of parks owned by Chelan PUD: The park system was developed as a requirement of the federal license authorizing operation of the hydropower projects and expanding beyond that responsibility is not a license requirement. Chelan PUD does not possess the express statutory authority to develop and operate parks that are not associated with hydroelectric project license obligations.

3. Relationship to Other Park Planning Activities

The Federal Regulatory Energy Commission requires Licensees file a report every six years to identify recreational facilities that are located at licensed projects, determine whether public recreational needs are being accommodated by the facilities, and determine whether additional efforts could be made to meet future needs. Form 80 reports are due April 1, 2015. To gather the information necessary for this report, Chelan PUD is currently working on the last phase of a study that was designed to assess the current condition of Chelan PUD's park system and gather information about how people use our parks. The study will include park user opinions on current park operations and maintenance practices. The study is expected to be completed by April 30, 2015.

The outcome and guidance derived from the final strategic planning elements approved by Chelan PUD Board of Commissioners will be coupled with specific information gained from the parks operation and maintenance study to develop a Parks Plan. The Plan will provide detailed goals and direction for the future operations and amenities provided in Chelan PUD parks.

4. PRTT Evaluation Process

The PRTT engaged Chelan PUD's customer-owners to help build a shared vision for Chelan PUD's parks system. Over three months, the PRTT comprised of Chelan PUD employees and members of the community, reviewed and analyzed 310 ideas and comments to develop strategies and create a final set of recommended options. The PRTT believes these options could build on Chelan PUD's historical success in parks and recreation and enable the utility to continue offering reliable and versatile parks in a financially sound manner while meeting the expectations of our customer-owners.

A critical piece of this initial Strategic Planning process included engagement of seven community members and seven Chelan PUD employees to create the PRTT. This team was charged with assessing customer ideas and feedback collected through the initial public input phase and formalizing recommendations into this report. The PRTT held six meetings between July 22 and Oct 6, 2014 to evaluate the ideas generated from the community outreach effort, identify the key themes, and decide final recommendations. The 310 ideas and comments were first sorted and similar ideas combined. This reduced the effort to 143 ideas to be further assessed. During this phase, many common themes began to emerge and the ideas were sorted into six primary groups: Activities and Programs; Improved Experience; New Feature; New Park or Trail; Operations; and Support and Partnerships. Next, the PRTT discussed and evaluated each idea using Chelan PUD's *Strategic Planning Valuation Criteria* table (see Introduction).

The PRTT analyzed each idea and prioritized them into a final set of recommended options after utilizing the *Strategic Planning Valuation Criteria*. The PRTT gave special emphasis and priority to ideas that could benefit to the greatest population within the county, increase recreation opportunities, improve quality of life and sense of community, and are within Chelan PUD's statutory authority to implement. See *Attachment A, PRTT Evaluation Matrix*. This list should not be the sole focus of expanded or new park planning. To determine additional potential park opportunities, future review of the complete set of customer comments should be conducted and used in conjunction with additional customer feedback on an ongoing basis. Additionally, customer-owners provided general comments related to Chelan PUD operations of its park system. A list of general comments can be found as *Attachment B, Voices in the Process, General Comments*. Customer-owner comments related to maintenance issues will be evaluated by Chelan PUD staff outside of the strategic planning exercise. For a list of the maintenance ideas, see *Attachment C, Voices in the Process, Maintenance*.

Emerging from the six groupings (Activities and Programs; Improved Experience; New Feature; New Park or Trail; Operations; and Support and Partnerships), the PRTT developed two overarching park and recreation strategies.

Strategy 1: Provide experiences and programs within existing Chelan PUD parks that promote lifelong play, discovery, creativity, and learning. (Encompasses matrix groupings New Feature, Improved Experience, Activities and Programs, and Operations)

Strategy 2: Support local partnerships that create recreational opportunities to areas outside Chelan PUD's Licensed Project boundaries. (Encompasses matrix groupings New Parks and Trails and Support Partnerships)

Strategy 2 is not being recommended by the PRTT because it is likely that the options suggested would not be within Chelan PUD's statutory and implied authority to own and operate parks under its federal hydropower operating licenses.

Strategy 1: Provide experiences and programs within existing Chelan PUD parks that promote lifelong play, discovery, creativity, and learning.

The top three recommended option themes selected by the PRTT are shown below. Specific customer ideas for park amenities that had the highest overall benefit are listed as recommended options. Highest overall benefit was identified using the *Strategic Planning Evaluation Criteria* and then discussed and populated in the *PRTT Evaluation Matrix (Attachment A)*.

Option Description - Expand or add amenities in existing Chelan PUD parks that enhance recreation opportunities and sense of community.

Highest Rated Ideas:

1. Replace water source to Horan Wildlife Area to preserve the natural wetland setting and education experience
2. Add more water-related amenities to Chelan PUD parks, such as splash pad (squirt park)
3. Develop an aquarium at the Rocky Reach visitor's center
4. Add more soccer fields, especially artificial turf soccer fields and small-sided fields
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Discussion of Relevant Factors

Park Atmosphere and Function: It appears from customer comments that there is a desire to retain a mix of highly managed park area and less formal natural areas, such as the Horan Wildlife Area. Currently, the Horan Wildlife Area offers a unique natural wetland area for trail users and educators. The low water issues in the ditches and ponds in the Horan Natural Area have been exacerbated by a variety of factors and the wetland may decline over time. Chelan PUD could investigate opportunities for an alternate water source.

Park Use: Adding amenities within the existing park and project boundary would deliver value back to the community by providing additional recreation opportunities and enhancing the quality of life for county residents.

Soccer: Adding more fields dedicated to soccer rated highly because of its benefit to the community and potential to attract leagues and teams helping the local economy. Currently, Chelan PUD has minimal field space dedicated solely to soccer. Since land within the current project boundary has limited space for development of additional sports fields, a feasibility study would need to be completed to assess available and suitable land for soccer fields.

Aquarium: An aquarium at the Rocky Reach Visitor's Center received high ratings for its potential economic benefit to the County, sense of community, and for improving education and recreation opportunities. Some infrastructure for an aquarium already exists at the Visitor Center, including a large tank requiring major upgrade. Preliminary research for the aquarium estimates the construction cost to range between \$850,000 and \$1,500,000. The annual O&M cost is estimated to range between \$50,000 to \$100,000. It is anticipated that approximately 75,000 visitors would visit the aquarium each year.

Water-Related Activities: The PRTT noted a significant number of ideas for water-related activities, (e.g. squirt parks) and outdoor amenities for family-oriented activities.

Option Description - Develop activities and programs in existing Chelan PUD parks that enhance recreation opportunities for all ages.

Highest Rated Ideas:

1. Add activities and programs that teach people to work together and model teamwork, such as enhancing the row and paddle club campus
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4. Add activities and programs that improve physical and mental health, such as exercise classes
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Park Use: Chelan PUD provides a number of education programs related to fish, wildlife, power, safety, and electricity. Chelan PUD also provides permits to others who want to provide activities and program within its parks. Currently, Chelan PUD does not have staff or the ability to offer programs or activities such as exercise classes which are considered outside of our core business functions.

Option Description - Evaluate operating agreements related to fees and services for customer-owner benefit in Chelan PUD parks.

Highest Rated Idea:

1. Chelan PUD should work with park operators to waive day use fees for Chelan County residents at all Chelan PUD owned parks (including Confluence, Daroga, and Lincoln Rock State Parks)

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Discussion of Relevant Factors

Park Operator: Customer-owners provided an overwhelming number of comments related to waiving the day-use fee for Chelan County residents at Chelan PUD parks.

Chelan PUD would work with park operators to determine a way to fund fees they collect to offset their operating costs.

5. Conclusion

The Parks and Recreation Topic Team’s charter was to evaluate how Chelan PUD could focus “public power benefit” funding on the future of its park system. Chelan PUD has the authority to own and operate its park system under its federal hydropower operating licenses. These parks are widely recognized and appreciated for enhancing the quality of life and recreational experience in Chelan County. Over three months, the team evaluated over 310 ideas and comments generated by the public and team members. The team identified two strategies; 1) provide experiences and programs within existing Chelan PUD parks that promote lifelong play, discovery, creativity, and learning, and 2) support local partnerships that create recreational opportunities to areas outside Chelan PUD’s Licensed Project boundaries. Due to the limitations on Chelan PUD’s statutory and implied authority, the team made recommendations that aligned with the general strategy of providing experiences and programs within existing Chelan PUD parks. Next, the team offered sixteen specific tactical ideas for supporting this strategy. These ideas fit into three categories of options for further consideration by Strategic Partners

and the public: 1) expand or add amenities in existing Chelan PUD parks that enhance recreation opportunities and sense of community; 2) develop activities and programs in existing Chelan PUD parks that enhance recreation opportunities for all ages; and 3) evaluate operating agreements related to fees and services for customer-owner benefit in Chelan PUD parks.

The tactical ideas under each option are:

1. Expand or add amenities in existing Chelan PUD parks that enhance recreation opportunities and sense of community.
 - Tactical ideas include:
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3. Evaluate operating agreements related to fees and services for customer-owner benefit in Chelan PUD parks.
 - Tactical ideas include:
 - Chelan PUD should work with park operators to waive day use fees for Chelan County residents at all Chelan PUD owned parks (e.g. Discover pass fees waived)

The biggest "lesson learned" from the PRTT evaluation process was the tremendous amount of time it took to fairly and consistently consider and evaluate over 300 ideas and comments. The PRTT membership represented multiple communities and diverse expertise which was extremely helpful for

the necessary back-and-forth exchanges needed to decide the final recommendations included in this report.

The PRTT recommends these options to the Chelan County PUD Board of Commissioners for their consideration. The PRTT members are hopeful that these ideas will assist Chelan PUD to continue to effectively offer reliable and versatile parks in a financially sound manner while meeting the expectations of our customer-owners.

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PARKS AND RECREATION TOPIC TEAM
CUSTOMER-OWNER IDEAS FOR EVALUATION

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1	<p style="text-align: center;">DRAFT - All Ideas - Grouped and Evaluated For discussion purposes - October 6, 2014 - Topic Team Meeting #5</p>																		
2	Group	Quick Title	Description																
3	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	wildlife area/trails	Provide source of water to support wildlife habitat in Horan Area. This area provides educational benefit, wildlife viewing, and natural trail connections.	5	3	5	5	0	1	4	3	4	3	4	15	22	19	1	57
4	OPERATIONS	no fees	All Chelan County residents may use all Chelan County PUD owned parks at no cost (Discovery pass fees waived)	3	5	5	5	0	1	5	5	0	4	0	19	18	19	1	57
5	NEW FEATURE	water park	Squirt park at a PUD park (similar to Wenatchee's Rotary Park)	3	5	5	0	0	1	5	3	0	4	0	19	13	17	1	50
6	NEW PARK	soccer	* Dedicated soccer fields	5	3	5	4	0	3	4	3	0	3	0	15	17	15	3	50
7	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	more use of soccer fields	Also more usage of the soccer fields for local soccer clubs would help out the teams in the city. Thank you for all you do!!	5	3	5	4	0	1	4	3	0	3	0	15	17	15	1	48
8	NEW FEATURE	aquarium at RR	Explore possibility of creating an aquarium @ R.R. site.	3	5	3	0	0	3	5	2	2	4	0	17	11	16	3	47
9	NEW FEATURE	soccer	turf fields	3	3	5	3	0	3	4	3	0	3	0	15	14	15	3	47
10	ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS	recreation/games	more family-oriented activities/games	5	2	5	0	0	1	4	3	1	4	0	15	12	17	1	45
11	ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS	recreation/games	More partnerships (or expanding existing) to provide more opportunities to build teamwork & community for both adults and youth. i.e. Rowing! (hosting events, teaching people to work together, modeling teamwork)	5	2	5	0	0	1	4	3	1	4	0	15	12	17	1	45
12	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	new trails	Separate paths for bikes and walkers	3	3	5	3	0	0	3	4	0	4	0	15	14	16	0	45
13	NEW FEATURE	Amphitheater	Please build a nice outdoor stage/amphitheater at Walla Walla Point Park!	4	3	5	2	0	2	2	3	1	4	0	14	14	15	2	45
14	NEW FEATURE	community garden	I think that implementing a community garden section in each park would be very beneficial to our community. Apartment dwellers could have access to a small patch of land and volunteers could help organize it.	5	1	5	3	0	1	2	3	2	4	2	12	16	16	1	45
15	ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS	music events	Outdoor concerts/movie nights	5	3	5	0	0	2	2	3	1	4	0	14	13	15	2	44
16	ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS	music events	outdoor concerts, outdoor movie nights	5	3	5	0	0	2	2	3	1	4	0	14	13	15	2	44
17	ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS	recreation/games	Recreation programming	4	2	5	0	0	1	4	3	1	4	0	15	11	17	1	44
18	NEW FEATURE	indoor aquatic center	Develop indoor aquatics center	1	4	3	0	1	3	5	3	1	4	0	16	8	16	4	44
19	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	emergency kiosks	Emergency Kiosks	4	3	5	3	0	0	1	4	1	3	3	12	18	14	0	44
20	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	garbage	More garbage cans	5	3	5	4	0	0	1	2	0	3	4	12	21	11	0	44
21	ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS	classes	Water safety day in our community.	5	3	5	0	0	0	1	5	2	4	0	13	13	17	0	43
22	NEW FEATURE	soccer	Have small sided soccer fields that work for teams that are 4-goalie this would allow many pickup games in a small footprint	5	3	5	4	0	1	2	2	0	3	0	13	17	12	1	43
23	ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS	events	monthly make a difference day at parks to get users involved with keeping the parks clean, pick up trash, maintain planting beds, etc.	5	2	5	2	0	1	2	1	2	3	2	12	16	13	1	42
24	NEW FEATURE	water park	A water park	2	3	3	0	1	3	5	3	0	4	0	15	8	15	4	42
25	NEW PARK	Indoor recreation center with swimming program	One pressing need for outlying parts of Chelan County is year-around indoor PUBLIC recreational facilities, including community swimming pools, field houses, workout rooms, and assembly facilities.	2	4	3	0	1	1	4	2	3	4	0	15	9	16	2	42
26	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	garbage	Recycle bins	5	3	5	3	0	0	1	2	1	2	4	11	20	11	0	42

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27	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	picnic shelters	*More picnic shelters	3	2	5	2	0	1	4	2	0	3	0	14	12	14	1	41
28	NEW FEATURE	row and paddle	develop an extensive campus for human powered boating – paddlers... additional dock with easy access to accommodate crew rowing expanded to include the college and both high schools as well as other multi person team boats - plus an expanded building for housing larger boats. Increase row/paddle footprint.	3	2	5	1	0	2	2	3	1	4	0	13	11	15	2	41
29	NEW FEATURE	wading pool	wading pool	4	3	5	0	0	0	4	2	0	3	0	15	12	14	0	41
30	The Parks and Recreation Topic Team is recommending specific ideas above this line as having highest overall benefit.																		
31	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	security	More security. I'm seeing a lot of crime in a beautiful park that has been a very cool place on the other hand. Thank you!	5	3	5	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	13	13	13	0	39
32	NEW FEATURE	WIFI	WIFI	4	3	5	5	0	0	0	2	1	3	0	11	17	11	0	39
33	NEW FEATURE	bench - solar powered	Solar park bench	5	1	5	3	0	0	1	2	1	3	3	10	17	12	0	39
34	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	benches closer to water	Please make more seating areas along the river in which you can actually see the water. There are benches but they are too far away from the fence or there are plants growing into the fence that you can't see anything at all. What's the point of a beautiful relaxing river if you can't sit and actually see it.	5	1	5	4	0	0	1	2	0	3	3	10	18	11	0	39
35	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	shoreline erosion	fix erosion at south shore Chelan Riverwalk	3	3	5	5	0	0	1	4	0	0	4	9	20	10	0	39
36	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	Upper Valley Trail - under powerlines	Partner with community groups and allow easement under PUD power lines for development of community trail from Wenatchee to Leavenworth.	4	4	3	0	1	1	2	3	1	4	0	13	11	13	2	39
37	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	Public use of waterfront	Work with community partners to enhance limited development of the Columbia waterfront, while preserving the parks for the use of everyone.	4	2	5	1	0	2	3	1	0	3	0	13	12	12	2	39
38	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	State Parks/fee reduction	Regional parks partnership with State Parks to expand PUDs maintenance role. This could waive discover pass and fees for use of PUD parks.	1	5	5	0	1	0	3	2	0	2	0	15	11	12	1	39
39	WATER ACCESS	water access	More water access points	4	3	3	3	0	1	4	2	0	3	0	13	13	12	1	39
40	ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS	events	sponsor community events such as Lineman Rodeo	5	3	5	2	0	2	0	1	1	3	0	11	15	10	2	38
41	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	play equipment	Expand playgrounds for kids	4	2	5	3	0	0	2	2	0	3	0	12	14	12	0	38
42	NEW FEATURE	play equipment - KB	KB - East Wenatchee could use more playgrounds	4	2	5	3	0	0	2	2	0	3	0	12	14	12	0	38
43	NEW PARK	recreation center	Invest in Recreation center with grass fields	3	4	3	0	1	2	2	3	2	3	0	12	10	13	3	38
44	ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS	music events	The Chelan Riverwalk Park Pavilion Stage ...promote more events at the stage.	5	2	5	0	0	1	1	1	1	4	0	12	12	12	1	37
45	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	chess games	Large chess/checkers game	5	1	5	2	0	0	1	2	0	3	3	10	16	11	0	37
46	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	basketball, lighted courts	More outdoor, lighted basketball courts like at WVC	4	2	5	4	0	1	2	1	0	2	0	11	15	10	1	37
47	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	plant shade trees	Plant more shade trees in WWPP	5	2	5	4	0	0	1	1	0	2	2	10	18	9	0	37
48	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	Fireworks	Fireworks	5	3	5	0	0	1	1	1	0	4	1	13	12	11	1	37
49	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	partner with city	Joint venture with city parks creating efficiency education and job opportunities	4	3	5	0	0	1	2	1	0	3	0	13	12	11	1	37
50	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	park update	Reinvest in the visitor center at Rocky Reach.	3	3	3	5	0	1	1	3	1	3	0	10	14	11	1	36
51	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	gazebo	Wedding Gazebo	5	1	5	4	0	1	1	1	0	3	0	10	15	10	1	36
52	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	ballfield dugouts	Improving the ball field dugouts, they are all too small and aren't utilized like they should be.	4	1	5	4	0	1	2	2	0	2	0	10	14	11	1	36
53	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	playing fields	Enhance and invest in more playing fields. (baseball, soccer etc.)	3	3	3	0	1	2	2	3	2	3	0	11	9	13	3	36
54	NEW FEATURE	swimming pool	More pools for Chelan County and pools that are free.	3	1	5	0	1	1	2	3	1	3	0	11	9	14	2	36
55	NEW FEATURE	natural area	idyllic natural areas, serene Japanese gardens, manicured flower beds like Butchart Gardens	3	2	5	1	0	1	1	3	1	3	0	11	11	13	1	36
56	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	park rules - dog poop	build a campaign educating users of the need to clean up after their pets as it would be something that would benefit all users of the trails.	5	2	5	3	0	0	0	2	1	2	2	9	17	10	0	36
57	ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS	classes	Offer exercise classes in the park, i.e.: Tai Chi, Yoga, stretching, relaxation	5	1	5	0	0	1	1	3	1	3	0	10	11	13	1	35
58	NEW FEATURE	exercise equipment - LC	build a unique structure in place to do pull-up and parallel along the Riverwalk - Lake Chelan	5	2	5	3	0	0	1	3	1	1	0	9	15	11	0	35
59	NEW PARK	dog park	Creation of a network of off-leash dog parks-public, no-fee parks	4	2	5	0	0	0	1	2	0	4	0	12	11	12	0	35
60	ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS	communications	Promote more road bicycling with good maps	5	1	5	1	0	0	1	2	1	3	0	10	12	12	0	34
61	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	bathrooms	More bathrooms	4	0	5	2	0	0	1	2	0	3	3	9	14	11	0	34
62	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	parking	more parking at Walla Walla park	3	1	5	4	0	1	2	2	0	2	1	10	12	11	1	34
63	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	mile markers	Mileage markers on apple capital loop trail	5	1	5	5	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	9	16	9	0	34
64	NEW FEATURE	camping	More camping (e.g. yurts)	3	2	3	2	0	1	2	3	0	3	2	10	12	11	1	34

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65	NEW PARK	New park - Douglas County	Have more parks with water themes for kids in East Wenatchee	3	3	3	0	1	1	2	2	2	3	0	11	9	12	2	34
66	NEW PARK	New park - kids	My idea is put more parks for kids	3	3	3	0	1	1	2	2	2	3	0	11	9	12	2	34
67	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	restrooms	Cleaner bathrooms	5	2	5	5	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	9	17	8	0	34
68	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	pickle ball	Pickle Ball	5	1	5	4	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	9	15	9	0	33
69	NEW PARK	programs - Malaga	Malaga is struggling to get a community park so there are ways to help them or are there any programs they could tap into through the PUD?	3	2	3	0	1	1	2	3	2	3	0	10	8	13	2	33
70	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	trail rules	Slow bicycles down on trail.	5	2	5	2	0	0	0	2	1	2	0	9	14	10	0	33
71	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	goose poop	Look into "Canadian Geese" deterrent to make parks & swim areas cleaner for usability.	5	2	5	3	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	9	15	9	0	33
72	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	park rules - dog leash	Enforce dog off leash rules	5	2	5	3	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	9	15	9	0	33
73	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	indoor pool, Lake Chelan	indoor pool facility / recreation center	3	3	0	5	1	3	3	3	2	2	0	8	11	10	4	33
74	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	cross country skiing	groom for cross-country skiing lanes	5	2	5	0	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	10	12	9	1	32
75	NEW FEATURE	boat launching and parking	Add more boat parking and launching	3	3	3	4	0	2	2	1	0	2	1	10	12	8	2	32
76	NEW FEATURE	outside gym	Outside fenced off gym	4	2	5	1	0	0	1	2	0	2	0	10	12	10	0	32
77	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	restrooms	Improve ventilation in restrooms. Other than that, you do a great job!	5	2	5	5	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	8	17	7	0	32
78	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	programs - City of Wen	Coordinate with City Parks to offer programming re: water safety, generation, etc. in city parks facilities and programs (help Wenatchee out!!!)	4	2	3	0	1	0	1	3	3	3	0	9	9	13	1	32
79	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	partner with college	Can we collaborate with the college. Re: summer planning and student interns?	5	1	5	0	0	0	1	1	1	3	0	10	11	11	0	32
80	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	night lights	Maybe a few more lights at the parks a little later in the evening in the summer.	4	0	5	4	0	0	1	2	0	2	0	8	13	10	0	31
81	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	landscaping	develop area behind Campbell's spa, partner with city, campbell's, others	5	1	5	5	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	7	17	7	0	31
82	NEW FEATURE	go-cart track	electric go-cart track on waterfront in Wenatchee	4	1	5	0	0	1	2	1	0	2	0	10	10	10	1	31
83	NEW FEATURE	skateboard park	Skateboard park	3	2	5	0	0	0	2	1	0	2	0	11	10	10	0	31
84	NEW FEATURE	entrance archways	Entry archways into our parks. Archways that say something to the fact; Benefits of hydro power brought to you by powers of Chelan PUD	3	0	5	2	0	0	0	2	1	3	2	8	12	11	0	31
85	NEW PARK	Malaga Park	Malaga Parks to be built across Railroad tracks	3	2	3	0	1	1	2	2	1	3	0	10	8	11	2	31
86	OPERATIONS	Beebe overnight camping	Beebe Park - Start taking reservations for overnight camping.	4	1	5	0	0	0	2	2	0	2	0	10	10	11	0	31
87	ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS	classes	offer boat launch etiquette classes in our parks	5	1	5	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	0	9	11	10	0	30
88	NEW FEATURE	fishing dock	Fishing docks that do not also handle boat traffic.	4	3	3	4	0	1	1	1	0	2	1	9	13	7	1	30
89	NEW FEATURE	recreation/games	bouncy houses	5	1	5	0	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	9	11	9	1	30
90	NEW FEATURE	BMX pump track	BMX Pump Track	5	1	5	0	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	9	11	9	1	30
91	NEW PARK	Rock Island	Add an additional park along waterfront on the Douglas County side of the Rock Island Reservoir.	3	3	3	0	1	1	2	3	2	1	1	9	8	11	2	30
92	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	volleyball sand	Improving the sand volleyball courts, the rocks in the sand are keeping people away.	5	1	5	5	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	7	16	7	0	30
93	NEW FEATURE	LC dedicated triathlon cou	add a dedicated triathlon course in the lake near Manson or Lake side with markers and buoys	5	2	3	0	0	1	1	3	1	2	0	8	10	10	1	29
94	NEW FEATURE	free bicycle rentals	Sponsor free Chelan PUD Parks only bicycles	4	2	5	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	9	11	8	1	29
95	NEW FEATURE	launching	Use electric vehicles to help put in at park docks. Less congestion and angry boaters.	3	3	5	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	1	9	12	8	0	29
96	NEW FEATURE	Observation deck - Riverfront (do not own)	There is a fenced catwalk at Riverfront Park stretching out into the river. Can you convert that and add an observation platform on top? It would be an amazing view up and down the river, close to downtown Wenatchee. I imagine a plaque pointing out sights, and maybe a telescope.	4	4	3	0	0	0	2	1	1	1	0	10	11	8	0	29
97	OPERATIONS	fence	Put a fence in front of new apartments on 9th street to separate from park	5	1	5	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	6	17	6	0	29
98	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	softball dirt	Better softball field- dirt is too rocky	5	1	5	4	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	7	15	7	0	29
99	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	restrooms open	Restrooms open and available year around in the parks for winter activities.	5	1	5	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	8	12	8	1	29
100	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	recreation fishing	increase overall number of fish in the river for recreational fishing by encouraging fish ladders at Chief Joe and Grand Coulee	5	1	5	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	2	7	14	7	1	29
101	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	Renovate existing field - LC	improve Rainier Field to host baseball tournaments to bring in more tourism dollars (PUD owns land, City operated)	3	2	5	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	9	10	8	1	28
102	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	Manson Bay	• Expand and improve Manson Bay Park to make it more attractive and customer-friendly.	2	2	5	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	9	9	9	1	28
103	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	communication	boat launch etiquette signs	5	1	5	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	8	11	9	0	28
104	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	irrigation - soccer fields	Improve irrigation for parks since there are dry patches of grass across fields. Mostly an issue for soccer fields	5	1	5	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	7	15	6	0	28

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105	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	new trail	Use funds to create a trail section BEHIND Hawley street. This would eliminate a pedestrian vs. PUD trucks crossing that is quite dangerous. The trail section is also quite unsightly, something behind be more aesthetically pleasing.	3	1	3	4	0	0	1	2	0	3	1	8	10	9	0	27
106	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	soccer goals - Walla Walla	add legal soccer goals at Walla Walla	5	0	5	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	6	15	6	0	27
107	NEW FEATURE	new trails	In the interests of improved recreation and public safety, take steps to recognize certain user-made trails in the Sage Hills (specifically Coyote Canyon and Lightning trail, on the Home water property).	5	1	3	0	0	1	2	1	0	3	1	9	8	9	1	27
108	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	Upper Valley Trail - general	We want the trail, for running, biking and walking to connect the communities along the Wenatchee River to the loop trail. From Leavenworth to Wenatchee.	1	4	0	0	1	1	2	3	1	4	0	10	5	10	2	27
109	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	Upper Valley/Chelan bike trails	Build bike paths to Leavenworth and Chelan.	1	4	0	0	1	1	2	3	1	4	0	10	5	10	2	27
110	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	Dog parks in county	Help FIDO Wenatchee to fund the off-leash dog park in South Wenatchee.	5	2	3	0	1	0	1	1	1	2	0	8	10	8	1	27
111	WATER ACCESS	swimming area	More swimming areas	4	1	3	3	0	0	2	1	0	2	0	8	11	8	0	27
112	IMPROVED EXPERIENCE	park update	Riverwalk Park needs updating	3	2	3	3	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	8	11	7	0	26
113	NEW FEATURE	across RR dam	Extend loop trail north to cross RR dam	2	3	3	0	0	0	2	1	2	1	0	9	8	9	0	26
114	NEW FEATURE	marina	Moorage! Marina	2	2	3	0	0	1	2	1	0	3	1	10	6	9	1	26
115	NEW PARK	Extend Riverfront Park	Extend Riverfront Park south to walking bridge	3	3	3	0	1	0	1	2	1	1	0	8	9	8	1	26
116	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	weeding	Please keep Chelan River walk park weeded	5	1	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	15	5	0	26
117	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	Upper Valley Parks	create parks...Adding the Peshastin Mill site would increase the PUD's parklands by almost 10 percent, help protect fisheries and water resources, boost the local economy, and convert unused lands for public benefit.	3	3	0	0	1	1	2	3	2	3	0	8	6	10	2	26
118	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	funding - Loop Coalition	Work with Complete the Loop Coalition to purchase or help purchase portion of the Peshastin Mill site and develop into park, trail system, water access, etc.	3	3	0	0	1	1	2	3	2	3	0	8	6	10	2	26
119	WATER ACCESS	ADA kayak dock - LC	Build handi-cap friendly dock at Lake Chelan for kayaks	4	2	3	1	0	0	2	2	0	1	0	8	10	8	0	26
120	NEW FEATURE	batting cages	I think it would be a great idea to build public indoor baseball/softball batting cages that can be utilized by all the local school districts	4	1	3	0	0	1	2	1	0	2	0	8	8	8	1	25
121	NEW FEATURE	locker room	locker room sat Walla Walla for sports officials	5	0	5	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	6	12	7	0	25
122	NEW PARK	New rec facilities - Col. R. tributaries, Lk Wen	Develop parks and other recreational facilities along the Col. R. tributaries, including Lake Wenatchee.	1	3	0	0	1	2	3	2	2	2	1	8	5	9	3	25
123	NEW FEATURE	Sage Hills	Dirt bike trails - Sage Hills & Parks	5	2	3	0	0	0	1	2	1	1	1	7	9	8	0	24
124	NEW FEATURE	dry boat storage	build dry storage marina at Old Mill Park - undeveloped land	4	1	3	0	1	2	2	1	0	0	1	6	9	6	3	24
125	NEW FEATURE	soccer	130x80 artificial turf soccer field, dedicated	3	2	3	0	0	1	2	1	0	1	0	8	8	7	1	24
126	NEW PARK	Equestrian trail	equestrian trails	3	2	3	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	7	8	7	1	23
127	OTHER - MAINTENANCE	communication	Post site availability for Beebe Bridge Park on-line with real time updates	5	1	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	12	5	0	23
128	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	Loop trail restrooms	Wish bathrooms around the loop were open year round.	4	2	3	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	7	9	6	1	23
129	WATER ACCESS	swim beach	RR needs a swim beach or some kind of facilities for summer.	4	0	3	3	0	0	2	1	0	1	0	6	10	7	0	23
130	WATER ACCESS	dog water access	provide water access points for dogs to swim	4	1	3	5	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	5	13	5	0	23
131	NEW FEATURE	new trails	Build a boardwalk Walla Walla - Riverfront Parks	2	1	3	1	0	0	2	1	0	2	1	8	6	8	0	22
132	NEW FEATURE	Cross country trail	Cross country trails	2	1	3	0	1	1	1	2	1	1	0	6	6	8	2	22
133	OPERATIONS	lake level	I would like to see the water levels at higher levels from Memorial	1	3	3	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	8	6	7	1	22
134	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	funding - Wenatchee Hale Park	Assist city of Wenatchee in developing and funding the new Hale Park	4	3	0	0	1	1	1	3	1	2	0	6	7	7	2	22
135	WATER ACCESS	boat ramp near Turtle Rock/Chelan County side/we own land	Investigate access to boat ramp on Chelan Co side across from Turtle rock. It would be nice to improve this existing ramp.	3	3	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	8	8	6	0	22
136	NEW FEATURE	swimming dock	Swim out dock	5	0	3	3	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	5	10	6	0	21
137	NEW PARK	Acquire sandy dunes - E. Wen	Acquire 15 acres sand dune area of East Wenatchee shoreline	2	3	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	7	9	5	0	21
138	OPERATIONS	fees	Collect user fees for park entrance to pay for maintenance	5	0	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	11	5	0	21
139	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	New boat launch - Lake Wenatchee	Develop boat launch facility at Lake Wenatchee.	3	1	3	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	6	6	7	0	19
140	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	parking, Chelan/Wen	Have more parking in the city of Chelan and Wenatchee	3	2	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	6	8	4	1	19
141	NEW FEATURE	loop trail	Bike only lane for the loop trail, and connecting trails to outlying parks	2	3	0	0	1	1	1	3	1	1	0	5	5	6	2	18
142	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	Free swim - Wenatchee	Make twice a month free swim at the city pool so people that can't afford have a chance to cool off and have fun.	5	1	0	0	1	0	1	2	2	2	0	4	6	7	1	18
143	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	loop trail trees/weeds	More clean up of down trees and weeds on loop trail.	4	2	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	9	3	1	18
144	SUPPORT/PARTNERSHIPS	Baseball stadium	Build a 2500 seat baseball stadium!	3	2	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	2	0	5	5	5	2	17
145	NEW PARK	ATV park	ATV Park	3	2	0	0	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	4	4	5	2	15

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The following comments were provided by Chelan PUD customer/owners during the Strategic Planning outreach effort.

General Comments

“All are great!”

“Continue to maintain the parks for all users. They bring economic development and funding to my business that is based on sports and tourism.”

“Doing a great job.”

“Great Job maintaining what we already have.”

“Great job on the parks!”

“I like Confluence State Parks”

“Love the kid parks/playground equipment. Excited about the upgrades to Walla Walla pt.”

“Maintain all current parks to a high standard.”

“Maintain the parks as required to comply with the FERC licenses. No excessive spending.”

“No ideas- you do a great job for the special needs group. Thank you.”

“Park looks great this year. No recommendations. Thank you!”

“Parks are necessary & should always be available at a reasonable rate”

“Please! Do not turn the parks over to someone else!”

“So many parks around the nation are cutting back, or closing. If we could just keep our parks - that would be great.”

“Thank you for the wonderful parks...they are a gem for our community.”

“Thank you PUD for such a wonderful and beautiful park system. You have done a marvelous job and I hope you can continue on. We are the envy of many areas. If you need citizen help--please put it in the news and I'm sure you will have many helpers. I love our parks.”

“The PUD does a Wonderful job with our parks in the greater Wenatchee area. I have been across the United States and no other state can compare with our parks. THANK YOU for our BEAUTIFUL parks. Keep up the good work.”

“The PUD does an excellent job with the parks. Thank you for developing the Entiat Park.”

“We have enough trails.”

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Maintenance-related ideas

These recommendations are being evaluated and addressed by Chelan PUD as a part of regular operations and maintenance of the PUD's park system.

1. Add emergency Kiosks.
2. More garbage cans.
3. Recycle bins.
4. Please make more seating areas along the river in which you can actually see the water. There are benches but they are too far away from the fence or there are plants growing into the fence that you can't see anything at all. What's the point of a beautiful relaxing river if you can't sit and actually see it.
5. Fix erosion at south shore Chelan Riverwalk.
6. Plant more shade trees in WWPP.
7. Build a campaign educating users of the need to clean up after their pets as it would be something that would benefit all users of the trails.
8. Cleaner bathrooms.
9. Slow bicycles down on trail.
10. Look into "Canadian Geese" deterrent to make parks & swim areas cleaner for usability.
11. Enforce dog off leash rules.
12. Improve ventilation in restrooms. Other than that, you do a great job!
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