

UNITED STATES
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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK PLAN - STEP 1
ACTIVITY OBJECTIVES

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OBJECTIVE:

Provide for the orderly use of public lands by recreational visitors, insuring that facilities to meet the growing demand are provided at a level commensurate with the capability of the land to support the use and in a manner which will provide for the safety of the users.

RATIONALE:

BLM Manual 1602.11 Bureau Responsibilities. As authorized and directed by law, the President, and the Secretary of the Interior, the Bureau of Land Management is responsible for:

Management, development, and protection of the public lands for domestic livestock grazing, fish and wildlife development and utilization, industrial development, mineral production, occupancy, outdoor recreation, timber production, watershed protection, wilderness preservation, and preservation of public values, including environmental values.

BLM Manual 1602.12 Bureau Objectives. To plan for and manage or dispose of public lands, in a manner providing the maximum benefit to the general public. To do this, the Bureau will:

Protect the lands, resources, environment and public values therein from unavoidable destruction, abuse and deterioration, and correct past abuses to the extent feasible. Manage, develop, and dispose of public lands and resources to maintain a quality environment to help meet the people's need for the lands and their resources, and to contribute to the stability and orderly growth of dependent users, industries, communities, and regions.

BLM Manual 1602.41C.3. The Bureau conducts information and education activities to provide prompt information in response to public and press inquiry, to obtain public comment and input to planning and management decision making, and to perform information and education activities as necessary for efficient operation of the Bureau's land and resource management programs. The Bureau, at all levels will:

- a. Make factual and timely dissemination of information about actions taken or planned by the Bureau in conducting its programs, so that a better informed citizenry may express their wishes on multiple use of public land and resources.
- b. Encourage greater care and respect on the part of the public for the public lands and resources, thereby keeping to a minimum costs arising from destructive activities such as man-caused fire, littering,...

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RECOMMENDATION R-1.1:

Acquire access to public lands where it is needed to enhance present and future recreation needs. A limited number of land parcels should also be acquired to enhance recreation opportunities.

The following access needs, by priority, should be acquired:

- a) Fifth Fork of Rock Creek - T. 12 S., R. 18 E., Sec. 25, 26 - for fishing, hiking access
- b) McMullen Creek - T. 12 S., R. 18 E., Sec. 8, 17 - for fishing, ORV's and access to proposed campground
- c) North Cottonwood Creek - T. 12 S., R. 17 E., Sec. 35, 36 - for ORV use
- d) Jackpot - Magic Hot Springs Road - T. 16 S., R. 16 E., Sec. 29 - for sightseeing, hunting
- e) Buhl Dunes - T. 8 S., R. 14 E., Sec. 29, 32 - for ORV use
- f) Cherry Spring Road - T. 12 S., R. 18 E., Sec. 2 - for hunting, ORV use, sightseeing
- g) Union Pacific Railroad Bed - T. 15 S., R. 15 E., Sec. 2 - for ORV use (motorcycles)
- h) Salmon Falls Reservoir (China Creek) - T. 16 S., R. 14 E., Sec. 1 for access to head of reservoir, possible campground location
- i) Big Creek - Hot Creek (from Basin Cut-off) - T. 16 S., R. 17 E., Sec. 11, 22, 23, 27 - for fishing, hunting

RATIONALE:

Legal access is one of the most limiting factors for recreational use of the public lands. As the demand for recreation increases, easement acquisition will become more and more important in making public lands available to the public. Both the response to the issue statement survey and the personal interview (see PAA) indicate that approximately 60 percent (of those sampled) feel the BLM should do something to insure access to public lands.

Acquisition of additional lands of recreational purposes is needed only in a few areas, primarily to insure that the intent of a special management designation can be fully realized and that utilization of recreation opportunities can be at its highest level. As use increases, the private landowner may be more inclined to prohibit or limit use on some recreationally important properties. See Recreation Use Step 3 - Use Problems - for further discussion.

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- j) Shoshones Basin - T. 16 S., R. 17 E.,
Sec. 16 - for fishing, hiking, access to proposed campground
- k) Deep Creek Reservoir - T. 13 S.,
R. 16 E., Sec. 20 - for ORV use
- l) Mule Creek - McCongle Canyon -
T. 15 S., R. 16 E., Sec. 5, 8, 19 and
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for hunting, sightseeing
- m) Salmon Falls Dam - T. 14 S., R. 15 E.,
Sec. 18 - for sightseeing (in conjunction with Salmon Falls Natural Area)
- n) Big Creek Road (Hannah's Fork)
- T. 16 S., R. 18 E., Sec. 7 - for hunting, fishing
- o) Twin Springs - T. 16 S., R. 15 E.,
Sec. 12 - for sightseeing, hunting
- p) Squaw Joe Road - T. 12 S., R. 17 E.,
Sec. 31 - for sightseeing, hunting

The following acquisition of lands should be made to enhance recreation opportunities.

At Salmon Falls Reservoir -

- 1) T. 16 S., R. 14 E., Sec. 1:
W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ (east of reservoir)

In and adjacent to Salmon Falls Creek Natural Area -

- 2) T. 10 S., R. 13 E., Sec. 33:
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$
- 3) T. 11 S., R. 13 E., Sec. 4:
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$
- 4) T. 11 S., R. 13 E., Sec. ¹⁶~~36~~:
N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$
- 5) T. 12 S., R. 14 E., Sec. 36:
N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$

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6) T. 13 S., , R. 14 E., Sec. 36: NE $\frac{1}{4}$

(All acquisitions include acreage in the Boise District).

Other -

7) T. 12 S., R. 18 E., Sec. 8:
SW $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ and Sec. 17:
NE $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ and NW $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$

(For location of campground/picnic area on McMullen Creek).

Support Needs:

State Office - Appraisals, Cadastral Survey for working on land acquisitions.
District Operations - ATROW Specialist for working on access (Easements).

Multiple Use Analysis

Access to public lands is a major concern of many people who use these lands. Currently much of the public land within the planning unit can not be used without illegal trespass on adjacent private lands. The acquisition of legal access across private lands would benefit a wide variety of public land users.

Acquisition of land parcels along Salmon Falls Creek would help provide consistent management of the canyon from the dam to Balanced Rock. Such acquisition would enable the protective status of the natural area to be more complete. The acquisition of the parcel at the upper end of Salmon Falls Reservoir would be for the development of a camping area.

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Multiple Use Recommendation:

Modify R-1.1 -
Acquire the parcels of land along Salmon Falls Creek and Reservoir as recommended. Do not acquire the parcel of land along McMullen Creek for recreation purposes. Acquire the access across private lands as recommended but in the following priority: b; c; d; f; i; m; k; l; h; a; e; j; n; p; o; g.

Support Needs:

State Office -
Appraisals and Cadastral Surveys.

District ATROW Specialist -
Help secure access.

Reasons:

Access to public lands is necessary to insure that the public can benefit from these lands. Acquisition of the five parcels of land will supplement the management of Salmon Falls Creek and Reservoir.

Alternatives Considered:

1. Reject R-1.1.
2. Reject various portions of R-1.1.
3. Disregard WM-1.2, NH-1.1, R-1.3.

Decision:

Accept multiple-use recommendation to acquire the parcels of land along Salmon Falls Creek and modify to coordinate the effort with L-7.2 and NH-1.1. Accept access recommendation in the priority order as stated in Step 2.

Rationale:

The acquisition lands can enhance the Salmon Falls Creek WSA and/or natural area management, whichever occurs. Access private lands is a critical link to the recreational use of public lands.

Pending action.
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Recommendation R-1.2:

Develop and maintain camping and picnic facilities at the following sites. File for protective withdrawals (General Mining Laws, DLE, public sale, etc.) on all sites when none exist.

- a) Shoshone Creek (T.16 S., R.17 E., Sec. 21: S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$)
Facilities: 1 toilet facility, 2 tables, 2 fire pits, 1 trash receptacle. No developed water supply.
Use: Camping and picnicking.
Access: Would need to acquire access across T.16 S., R.17 E., Sec. 16 (State-owned). May require some improvement.
- b) Upper Salmon Falls Creek (Site 2) (T.16 S., R.15 E., Sec. 20: NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$) develop two areas. One area will be walk-in and canoe site other will have vehicle access.
Facilities: 2 toilet facilities (1 set), 9 tables, 6 fire pits, 3 trash receptacles, developed water source.
Use: Camping, canoe camping, picnicking.
Access: All BLM. May require some improvement.
- c) China Creek (T.16 S., R.15 E., Sec. 6: SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ or T.16 S., R.14 E., Sec. 1: SE $\frac{1}{4}$ - if acquired)
Facilities: 1 toilet facility, 3 tables, 3 fire pits, 1 trash receptacle. No developed water supply.
Use: Picnicking, camping, takeout point for canoeing.
Access: All BLM. May require some improvement.
- d) McMullen Creek (T.12 S., R.18 E., Sec. 8: SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ - if acquired (pre-

Rationale:

PAA projections for such activities as fishing, hunting, camping, picnicking, off-road vehicle operation, etc., all show substantial increases in use for the next several years. In addition, the 1977 Idaho SCORP indicates a shortfall in the supply of camp and picnic sites in the Springs Region. These facilities will help provide for the projected increase in use as well as helping to rectify the facility shortfall. All sites identified for development or improvement were shown as opportunities in URA Step 4.

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Facilities: 1 toilet facility, 3 tables, 3 fire pits, 1 trash receptacle, developed water source (preferred site only).

Use: Picnicking, camping (at preferred site only).

Access: Needed in T.12 S., R.18 E., Sec. 8,17. May require some improvement.

- e) Sugarloaf Spring (T.12 S., R.18 E., Sec. 21: NE $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{2}$).

Facilities: 1 toilet facility, 2 tables, 2 fire pits, 1 trash receptacle.

Use: Picnicking.

Access: All BLM. May require some improvement.

- f) Lower Salmon Falls Creek

Sites will be identified in the Salmon Falls Creek Natural Area Management Plan.

Upgrade facilities at the following existing sites:

- g) Rabbit Springs (T.16 S., R.15 E., Sec. 2: NW $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{2}$)

1) Approach Idaho State Department of Transportation to develop and manage the facility, either under R&PP lease or through a cooperative agreement, as a highway rest area with restrooms, water, RV dump station, picnic facilities, etc.

2) Develop a cooperative agreement with Twin Falls County to jointly develop and manage the facility. This could include vault-type toilets, RV dump station, developed water source, etc.

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- 3) Barring any agreement, the following actions should be undertaken:
- Fence the site from livestock grazing (barbed wire).
 - Provide additional signing.
 - Undertake a revegetation and vegetation enhancement program.
 - develop a source of potable water.
 - Provide increased maintenance and patrol.
- h) Winter Springs (T.15 S., R.17 E., Sec. 30: NW $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$)
- 1) Enlarge the enclosure to include spring, natural drainage course, additional acreage. Add additional facilities.
 - 2) Undertake a vegetative rehabilitation program. May require some fill and recontouring.
 - 3) Develop area for parking four to six vehicles.
 - 4) Withdraw site from General Mining Laws, etc.
- i) Norton's Bay (T.15 S., R.15 E., Sec. 19: NE $\frac{1}{4}$) and Grey's Landing (T.15 S., R.15 E., Sec. 8: SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$)
- 1) Add 2 tables and 2 fire pits to existing facilities at each site.
 - 2) Provide boat launching facilities for larger boats (at one

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3) Improve access roads.

j) Salmon Falls Dam Recreation Site
(T.14 S., R.15 E., Sec. 17: W $\frac{1}{2}$)

1) Continue the yearly cooperative maintenance agreement and renew the Cooperative Management Agreement with Twin Falls County and the Salmon Canal Company.

2) Monitor use to determine the adequacy of the existing facilities and determine future expansion plans.

k) Milner Bicentennial Site -
Discussed in Recommendation R-2.3 -
Special Management Areas.

Support Needs

State Office - Cadastral Survey and Appraisal if acquisition of private property at China Creek and McMullen Creek are needed. Landscape Architect to assist in facility design, particularly in upgrading of Rabbit Spring and Winter Spring sites. District Operations - ATROW Specialist for acquiring access rights where needed. Engineers for road improvements and site design.

District Resources of Area Staff - Landscape Architect for layout and design. Reality Specialist to initiate required withdrawals. Two Recreation Rangers (summer) to provide maintenance, patrol, etc.

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