

CHAPTER 10 MANAGEMENT PRESCRIPTIONS FOR PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

10.1 OVERVIEW

The Desired Condition for Banks Lake, referred to as Alternative B in the EA, was chosen to address the long-term needs of the public and Banks Lake management agencies by supporting the natural, cultural, and recreational resources of the area. Specific management goals outlined in the RMP were developed in response to concerns identified during the EA scoping process and based on information from the EA resource inventory. The following chapter summarizes the existing recreation resource management situation, lists the recreation resource goals for Banks Lake under the Desired Condition, and describes the management actions needed to reach those goals.

10.2 EXISTING PUBLIC INFORMATION/AWARENESS MANAGEMENT SITUATION

As previously mentioned, the SPRC and the WDFW manage the Banks Lake area with oversight by Reclamation's Ephrata, Washington, field office. These agencies manage land use, recreation, and fish and wildlife resources under existing federal and state laws, policies and land use agreements including those defined in Chapter 3 of this plan, Agency Coordination and Standards:

Management and Infrastructure

- 1) Provide "minimum basic" sanitation facilities (i.e., seasonal portable toilets or permanent vault toilets) where human wastes pose a public health concern (see Recreation Resources - Resource Protection and Enhancement).

Budget

- 1) Current budget requirements have not been identified.

Public Access

- 1) Provide accessible facilities for persons with disabilities in all new developments or redevelopments as required by section 504 of the Architectural Barriers Act.
 - Continue to provide a fishing pier for persons with disabilities in Coulee City Community Park.
 - Work with volunteer groups to provide an accessible fishing jetty at North Park.
- 2) Control or eliminate dispersed camping in environmentally sensitive areas with appropriate site improvements, access, and/or seasonal restrictions.

10.3 DESIRED CONDITION

The following management actions were developed to achieve the Desired Condition for *Public Health and Safety* resources in the Banks Lake area and are meant as additions to the existing resource management activities. Table 10.1 through 10.3 summarize the *Public Health and Safety* resource goals and management actions necessary to implement them.

Table 10.1
Public Health and Safety Management Goals and Actions
for Management and Infrastructure

RMP Management and Infrastructure Goals	Management Actions
<p>Develop, clarify, and/or formalize appropriate regulations and/or use restrictions. Ensure the protection of the public, public resource values, and facilities.</p>	<p>*Encourage Volunteer Programs - Encourage volunteer programs to accomplish resource management objectives (see Natural Resource - Wildlife Habitat).</p> <p>Identify Boat-In Camping Areas - Specifically designate and manage boat-in camping areas and identified these areas in visitor brochures and on recreation signs/map displays installed at Banks Lake (see Recreation Resources - Dispersed Camping Areas).</p> <p>Manage Existing Material Sites - Manage existing material sites for long-term use by government agencies and state/local road departments.</p> <p>Avoid New Material Sites - Avoid the establishment of new material sites unless no other feasible alternative exists to meet the identified material need or use (see Natural Resources - Cultural).</p> <p>*Submitting Environmental Reports - Because Reclamation is responsible for compliance with the NEPA, prior to any action which will modify the environment, the State will submit environmental reports as directed by Reclamation. No modification of the environment will be authorized without written approval from Reclamation.</p> <p>Remove Trash Dumps - Remove trash dumps located in FWS Units 7, 8, 9, 14, 17, and 18 (see Recreation - Visuals).</p>
<p>Determine the success of the management action, reevaluate how well the action met the goal, determine the success of management action.</p>	<p>Monitor and Evaluate - Monitor and evaluate the success of the management action; if necessary, adjust the specific methods and techniques employed when an initiative is not meeting the RMP goal. Follow up with spatial monitoring using GIS to manage the natural resource database and assist in management decisions by conducting a GIS update, across the management area, at least every 10 years.</p>

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Table 10.2
Public Health and Safety Management
Goals and Actions for the RMP Budget

RMP Budget Goals	Management Actions
<p>To secure adequate funding so the RMP can be implemented.</p>	<p>*Implement a User Fee - Identify and implement a fee structure, within current legal constraints, to generate additional revenues for SPRC and WDFW operation, maintenance, and management functions (see Recreation - Recreation Sites and Improvements).</p> <p>Improve Facilities - Install a permanent vault toilet and provide centralized trash collection at the Osborn Bay SE Boat Launch when use dictates the need. The existing WDFW launch site will become a “fee area” managed by the SPRC. East of the boat launch, the area will be closed to dispersed camping and managed for day use only until the need for additional campsites warrants the development of a primitive campground at this location (see Recreation Resources - Recreation Sites and Improvements).</p> <p>*Seek Funding - Seek funding to survey and accurately delineate the vegetation/habitat types found at Banks Lake (see Natural Resources - Wildlife Habitat).</p>
<p>Determine the success of the management action, reevaluate how well the action met the goal, determine the success of management action.</p>	<p>Monitor and Evaluate - Monitor and evaluate the success of the management action; if necessary, adjust the specific methods and techniques employed when an initiative is not meeting the RMP goal. Follow up with spatial monitoring using GIS to manage the natural resource database and assist in management decisions by conducting a GIS update, across the management area, at least every 10 years.</p>

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Table 10.3
Public Health and Safety Management
Goals and Actions for Public Access

RMP Public Access Goals	Management Actions
Provide appropriate and safe access to Reclamation lands.	Discourage Trespassing - Identify and abate unauthorized uses/trespass violations on Reclamation lands. Based on regular surveillance of lands and resources where a high probability of unauthorized uses exist (e.g. adjacent to private croplands), detect, confirm and abate, either by authorization or termination, all unauthorized uses or trespass violations.
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