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5.1 Introduction

This chapter describes Reclamation's decisions regarding strategies that will guide use and management of Reclamation's lands over the next 10 years. Some background on Reclamation's approach, authorities, or policies is provided for each of the primary categories; these are followed by specific Goals, Objectives, and Management Actions. Specific guidelines and procedures are provided for the management as needed.

All new construction is required to be 100 percent accessible to persons with disabilities, wherever possible, in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and as implemented under the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (UFAS) or Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Accessibility Guidelines, whichever is the more stringent. These standards include (but are not limited to) parking lots and spaces, access routes, camping sites, restrooms, concessions, entrance booths, trails, interpretive displays, and all signage.

Management Actions are specific tasks intended to guide Reclamation management and staff and managing partners in the activities required to properly manage Reclamation lands. Guidelines provide additional direction and clarification for selected Management Actions. Management Actions are intended to be implemented over the

next 10 years and are included here because they are considered the most appropriate actions for managing these lands. Inclusion of these actions does not ensure that funding, staff, or equipment will be available to implement these actions, nor does it obligate Reclamation to implement actions it chooses not to at any time in the future. The following is a list of the four primary categories and associated subcategories described in this chapter:

- Natural Resources (Section 5.2) includes wildlife and vegetation management, fishery resources, and erosion and water quality;
- Cultural Resources, Sacred Sites, and Indian Trust Assets (Section 5.3);
- Recreation (Section 5.4) includes boating and other water-based recreation, and shoreline and other land-based recreation; and
- Access, Coordination, and Implementation (Section 5.5).

5.2 Natural Resources (NAT)

Reclamation's approach to managing for natural resources is to encourage its land-management partners to preserve and enhance native wildlife populations and their habitat in accordance with an approved land use or resource management plan.

In accordance with the Endangered Species Act (ESA) of 1973 (P.L. 93-205), Federal and Reclamation policies provide for the protection of plant and animal species that are currently in danger of extinction (endangered) or those that may become so in the foreseeable future. Section 7 of the ESA requires Federal agencies to conduct informal and formal consultations with the FWS on all proposed actions that may affect any Federally listed or candidate threatened or endangered species. This consultation process is designed to ensure that Federal activities will not jeopardize the continued existence of threatened or endangered species, or on designated areas (critical habitats) that are important in conserving these species. The FWS was also a member of the Ad Hoc Work Group (as summarized in Chapter 4, Section 4.2.3).

Federal policy and Reclamation's approach supports the protection and "no net loss" of wetlands. In carrying out land management responsibilities, Federal agencies are required to minimize the destruction, loss, or degradation of wetlands, and to preserve and enhance the natural and beneficial values of wetlands. Executive Order 11990 (Protection of Wetlands) states that agencies shall: "Avoid to the extent possible the long- and short-term adverse impacts associated with the destruction or modification of wetlands and avoid direct or indirect support of new construction in wetlands wherever there is a practicable alternative."

Noxious weeds reduce the quantity and quality of forage and wildlife habitat, contaminate food stocks, and restrict waterways. Reclamation will strive to reduce, and eliminate if possible, noxious weeds on all of its lands and assist adjacent landowners (wherever possible) in their efforts at eradicating noxious weeds. It is Reclamation's approach to work with local agencies charged with the duties of identifying and eliminating noxious weeds to effect the destruction of weed species and the sources of re-infestations.

Reclamation's approach to managing for soil resources and water quality focuses on the non-degradation of soil resources and water quality due to soil erosion or the improper use of hazardous materials. All development and/or Management Actions will consider and respond to this approach.

Wildlife and Vegetation Management

GOAL NAT 1: Protect, conserve, and enhance wildlife habitat and natural resources on Reclamation lands.

Objective NAT 1.1: Avoid or minimize impacts of RMP actions on Federal and State designated species of special concern, including Federally listed rare, endangered, or threatened species.

Management Actions:

NAT 1.1.1: Coordinate with the FWS, IDFG, and involved Tribes in any action that could adversely affect these species.

NAT 1.1.2: Take the following actions to ensure protection of the bald eagle nest area in the Willow Creek Arm of Ririe Reservoir:

NAT 1.1.2.1: Use signs to restrict access to 1/4 mile around the bald eagle nest from April 1 to July 15 to reduce the likelihood of disturbance.

NAT 1.1.2.2: Undertake a 3-year monitoring program to determine nest productivity and identify human activity that may affect productivity (monitoring plan included in Appendix B-1).

NAT 1.1.2.3: If through monitoring it is determined that human activity is causing low success of this nest, then Reclamation will pursue appropriate use restrictions to protect the nest.

NAT 1.1.3: Prior to developing new facilities, structures, roads, and trails, search sites for any instances of Ute ladies'-tresses using established search and record-keeping protocol. If any Ute ladies'-tresses are found in planned construction locations, relocate proposed development to an unoccupied area to avoid possible impacts.

NAT 1.1.4: Rare and sensitive species clearances described below will be conducted prior to the start of any construction. The following time-of-year guidelines shall be adhered to:

NAT 1.1.4.1: If areas where native plant communities are located must be used for access roads or staging areas, site clearances at the appropriate time of year for the species involved will be conducted by qualified biologists to ensure that sensitive species are not impacted. Established search protocols will be followed where these exist.

NAT 1.1.4.2: Construction activities that could impact sensitive fish will be undertaken only during non-spawning periods.

NAT 1.1.4.3: Field surveys following established protocols will be conducted for Ute Ladies'-tresses orchids at three locations where facilities or trails are proposed in the vicinity of potentially suitable tress habitat. These sites include the Creekside Park area, the east side of Willow Creek below the dam, and along Willow Creek upstream of the dam above the reservoir full pool. Surveys will be completed before any actions that could result in ground disturbance or hydrologic changes are undertaken. Survey results will be discussed with FWS before any

ground or hydrologic disturbance occurs within or near suitable tress habitat.

NAT 1.1.5: During the 10-year period covered by this RMP, species not currently protected under the Endangered Species Act will likely be listed. If any such species occur on Reclamation lands, Reclamation will consult with the FWS as required under the ESA and take appropriate measures to protect the species.

Objective NAT 1.2: Minimize long-term impact to wildlife and vegetation values in all actions undertaken to accommodate public demand at recreation sites or on the surface and shoreline of Ririe Reservoir; and utilize management practices that protect and enhance resource values of and for native species (plants and animals) in all decisions related to habitat management and land use.

Management Actions:

NAT 1.2.1: New development and any renovations made to existing facilities shall complement the surrounding landscape and adhere to the following design and construction criteria, guidelines, and standards:

NAT 1.2.1.1: Disturbed areas resulting from any construction will be aggressively re-vegetated.

NAT 1.2.1.2: To the maximum extent practicable, all native trees, native shrubs, and other vegetation will be preserved and protected from construction operations and equipment, except where clearing operations are required for permanent structures, approved construction roads, or excavation operations.

NAT 1.2.1.3: To the maximum extent practicable, field offices and staging areas will be arranged to preserve trees, shrubs, and other native vegetation.

NAT 1.2.1.4: Clearing will be restricted to the minimum area needed for construction. In critical habitat areas including, but not limited to, wetlands, riparian areas, and big game winter range, clearing may be restricted to only a few feet beyond areas required for construction.

NAT 1.2.1.5: Stream corridors, wetlands, riparian areas, steep slopes, or other critical environmental areas will not be used for equipment or materials storage or stockpiling; construction staging or maintenance; field offices; hazardous material or fuel storage, handling, or transfer; or temporary access roads.

NAT 1.2.1.6: Excavated or graded materials will not be stockpiled or deposited on or within 100 feet of any steep slopes (defined by industry standards), wetlands, riparian areas, or stream banks (including seasonally active ephemeral streams without woody or herbaceous vegetation growing in the channel bottom), or on native vegetation.

NAT 1.2.1.7: To the maximum extent possible, staging areas, access roads, and other site disturbances will be located in agricultural or disturbed areas, not in native vegetation. Design of recreation-site expansion or renovation shall minimize native vegetation losses by locating facilities in existing disturbed areas to the maximum extent possible. For example, new parking facilities may be most appropriately located in existing ad hoc parking areas to minimize the loss of native vegetation. Kiosks and

interpretive centers shall be placed within existing developed recreation areas and kept away from areas of native vegetation.

NAT 1.2.1.8: The width of all new permanent access roads will be kept to the absolute minimum needed for safety, avoiding wetland and riparian areas where possible. Turnouts and staging areas will not be placed in wetlands.

NAT 1.2.1.9: Upon completion of construction, grade any land disturbed outside the limits of permanent roads, trails, and other permanent facilities to provide proper drainage and blend with the natural contour of the land. Following grading, re-vegetate using plants native to the area, suitable for the site conditions, and beneficial to wildlife.

NAT 1.2.1.10: Where applicable, consult with the following agencies to determine the recommended plant species composition, seeding rates, and planting dates:

- Idaho Department of Fish and game (IDFG)
- U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)
- U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
- Shoshone-Bannock Tribes

NAT 1.2.1.11: Grasses, forbs, shrubs, and trees appropriate for site conditions and complementary to surrounding vegetation will be included on the re-vegetation plant list. Species chosen for a site will be matched for site drainage, climate, shading, resistance to erosion, soil type, slope, aspect, and vegetation and erosion

management goals. Wetland and riparian species will be used in re-vegetating disturbed wetlands. Upland re-vegetation shall match the plant list to the site's soil type, topographic position, elevation, aspect, and surrounding natural communities.

NAT 1.2.2: Re-design Creekside Park to avoid the loss of riparian vegetation by placing facilities in existing disturbed areas and keeping all facilities except stream crossings at least 20 feet away from the edge of Willow Creek. No trees shall be removed during construction. A wildlife biologist or botanist shall be actively involved in site design to ensure that impacts to riparian vegetation are avoided. If unplanned losses of riparian vegetation do occur during construction, losses shall be replaced on at least a 1:1 basis in the immediate vicinity of the park. Replacement of lost riparian vegetation would occur concurrently with recreation site construction.

NAT 1.2.3: Any lost native vegetation that provides critical big game winter range shall be mitigated through winter range enhancement on other Reclamation lands within the Tex Creek WMA. Reclamation shall evaluate nearby winter range for actions that could enhance forage value and mitigate unavoidable losses. An approach shall be developed to assess impacts, evaluate range conditions, determine mitigation needs to compensate for losses, and implement specific actions. Monitoring shall be performed to determine if corrective actions are needed to fully meet mitigation needs.

Objective NAT 1.3: Support IDFG in implementing species-specific and WMA management plans as these apply to Reclamation lands, including IDFG's vegetation restoration, management, and monitoring efforts.

Management Actions:

NAT 1.3.1: Continue to authorize and provide funding to the IDFG for increasing and maintaining good quality habitat for wintering big game, upland game birds, and species of concern.

NAT 1.3.2: Work with IDFG to develop format and coordinate annual reporting of IDFG activities.

NAT 1.3.3: As funding becomes available, Reclamation will update vegetation maps of the WMA based on priorities developed in consultation with IDFG. As a model to updating vegetation mapping for the WMA, the following vegetation information shall be updated first: Smoothie Brome conversion areas and fire-related data for recently burned areas.

NAT 1.3.4: Pursue a management agreement with IDFG to manage specific areas along the Ririe Outlet Channel.

Objective NAT 1.4: Recognize the interest of the Tribes and other agencies in long-term management of resources on Reclamation lands.

Management Actions:

NAT 1.4.1: Make vegetation and other resource mapping and data available to interested agencies and Tribes.

NAT 1.4.2: Conduct an annual meeting with the Tribes to discuss issues of concern, review the previous year's accomplishments, plan future actions, and determine Tribal interest and level of involvement in the following year's activities.

Objective NAT 1.5: Establish a process to ensure that Reclamation lands are managed to

meet their original mitigation intent with existing management agreements.

Management Actions:

NAT 1.5.1: Set yearly priorities to achieve habitat management objectives as determined in semi-annual meetings with IDFG.

Objective NAT 1.6: Work with IDFG to protect and enhance habitat for wintering big game and other native species on Ririe Reclamation lands outside of the Tex Creek and Cartier Slough WMAs.

Management Actions:

NAT 1.6.1: Work with IDFG to determine the most appropriate areas to focus protection and enhancement activities on Reclamation lands outside of the WMA.

NAT 1.6.2: Manage these “off WMA areas” in conjunction with the WMA.

Objective NAT 1.7: Support IDFG efforts to expand the Tex Creek WMA, where necessary for meeting the resource-management objectives of the WMA.

Objective NAT 1.8: Encourage and support Bonneville County planning efforts to retain winter habitat values on private lands surrounding the Tex Creek WMA and surrounding Ririe Reservoir.

Management Actions:

NAT 1.8.1: Request that Bonneville County forward to Reclamation any land use changes being proposed adjacent to Reclamation lands to foster a better understanding of growth and trends in the area.

NAT 1.8.2: Using the information from NAT 1.8.1, work with Bonneville County to

alleviate pressure of proposed land use changes on “off-WMA” lands on an as-needed basis.

Objective NAT 1.9: Minimize human disturbance in the Tex Creek WMA during the winter season, including snowmobile or other vehicular access.

Management Actions:

NAT 1.9.1: Work with Bonneville County to close the WMA, including Pipe Creek Road, to all vehicular access (except for administrative activities) from December 1 to March 15 each year, including maintaining closure of the Blacktail Park from December 1 to March 15 each year.

NAT 1.9.2: Work with Bonneville County and the FS to increase compliance with and enforcement of seasonal vehicle access restrictions.

NAT 1.9.3: Support IDFG in preparing and conducting educational efforts, including appropriate signage and outreach efforts, aimed at informing the public of the value and sensitivity of WMA resources and the importance of vehicle access restrictions during the winter season.

Objective NAT 1.10: Effectively manage noxious weeds on all Reclamation lands.

Management Actions:

NAT 1.10.1: Work with IDFG, Bonneville County, and Madison County in developing Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Plans for Reclamation’s mitigation and non-mitigation lands.

NAT 1.10.2: Pursue agreements with IDFG, Bonneville County, and Madison County to

provide weed control services as specified in IPM Plans.

NAT 1.10.3: Provide yearly funding to implement the IPM Plans, including monitoring by partner agencies and an annual report on IPM success.

Objective NAT 1.11: Adhere to Reclamation's directives and standards as per the Federal Wildland Fire Management Policy.

Management Actions:

NAT 1.11.1: Using the Federal Wildland Fire Management Policy and applicable Reclamation directives and standards, prepare fire management plans for Reclamation lands at Ririe Reservoir/Tex Creek WMA and Cartier Slough WMA. Adhere to the following guidelines in developing the plans:

NAT 1.11.1.1: The management prescriptions developed as part of the plans shall address the following topics: (a) fire pre-suppression, (b) fire defense improvement, (c) fuel management, (d) fire response, (e) fire management plan implementation, and (f) monitoring.

NAT 1.11.1.2: Where applicable, consult with the following agencies and Tribes in preparing the fire management plans:

- Idaho Department of Fish and game (IDFG);
- U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM);
- Shoshone-Bannock Tribes; and
- Bonneville County.

Fishery Resources

GOAL NAT 2: *Maintain and enhance both native and sport fishery resources in Ririe Reservoir and its watershed.*

Objective NAT 2.1: Support IDFG in implementing the State's Fishery Management Plan for Ririe Reservoir, while protecting and enhancing the native fishery upstream of the reservoir.

Management Actions:

NAT 2.1.1: Prevent harm to Yellowstone cutthroat trout by focusing mitigation funding on programs that prevent competition and/or hybridization of native species.

Objective NAT 2.2: Support IDFG in accomplishing the Tex Creek WMA Management Plan objective and strategies for maintaining and enhancing Yellowstone cutthroat trout spawning and rearing habitat.

Erosion and Water Quality

GOAL NAT 3: *Minimize erosion on Reclamation lands to protect wildlife habitat and water quality and to avoid adverse impacts from and to private lands.*

Objective NAT 3.1: Cooperate with IDFG in implementing the erosion control strategies contained in the Tex Creek WMA and Cartier Slough WMA Management Plans.

Management Actions:

NAT 3.1.1: Continue to provide funding to IDFG to alleviate soil erosion on Reclamation lands at the Tex Creek and Cartier Slough WMAs.

Objective NAT 3.2: Work with surrounding landowners, as appropriate, to control erosion and protect water quality in the RMP Study Area.

Management Actions:

NAT 3.2.1: Coordinate with the Willow Creek Watershed Advisory Group (WAG) to identify erosion and/or water quality problems which affect or are affected by Reclamation lands within the RMP Study Area.

NAT 3.2.2: Work with the WAG and adjacent landowners to resolve any erosion and/or water quality problems resulting from activities or conditions occurring on Reclamation lands within the RMP Study Area.

Objective NAT 3.3: Implement an effective erosion control program in all construction, operations, and maintenance programs on Reclamation lands.

Management Actions:

NAT 3.3.1: Adhere to the following design and construction criteria, guidelines, and standards when undertaking construction, operations, and maintenance on Reclamation lands:

NAT 3.3.1.1: The design and construction of facilities will employ Best Management Practices (BMPs) to prevent possible soil erosion and subsequent water quality impacts.

NAT 3.3.1.2: The planting of native grasses, forbs, trees, or shrubs beneficial to wildlife, or the placement of riprap, sand bags, sod, erosion mats, bale dikes, mulch, or excelsior blankets will be used to prevent and minimize erosion and siltation during construction and during

the period needed to reestablish permanent vegetative cover on disturbed sites.

NAT 3.3.1.3: Final erosion control and site restoration measures will be initiated as soon as a particular area is no longer needed for construction, stockpiling, or access. Clearing schedules will be arranged to minimize exposure of soils.

NAT 3.3.1.4: Cuts and fills for relocated and new roads and trails will be sloped to prevent erosion and to facilitate re-vegetation.

NAT 3.3.1.5: Slope instability in reservoir areas will be identified through surveys conducted during final design of new facilities. The identified areas will be stabilized or protected to prevent mass

soil movement into reservoir pools to the extent practicable.

NAT 3.3.1.6: Soil or rock stockpiles, excavated materials, or excess soil materials will not be placed near sensitive habitats, including water channels, wetlands, riparian areas, steep slopes, and on native vegetation, where they may erode into these habitats or be washed away by high water or storm runoff. Waste piles will be re-vegetated using suitable native species after they are shaped to provide a natural appearance.

NAT 3.3.1.7: Especially restrictive BMPs will be developed and employed to prevent soil erosion during and after construction on highly erosive soils.

GOAL NAT 4: *Protect water quality in Ririe Reservoir and its tributaries.*

Objective NAT 4.1: Minimize the potential for pollutant spills into the reservoir associated with boat/watercraft fueling services.

Management Actions:

NAT 4.1.1: Work with Bonneville County to ensure standardized boating practices are followed in concessionaire agreements at Ririe Reservoir, including adherence to the following guidelines:

NAT 4.1.1.1: Standardize fuel servicing provided by concessionaire, including inspection and maintenance schedules.

NAT 4.1.1.2: Prohibit boat maintenance (e.g., refinishing or cleaning of hulls) within or adjacent to the reservoir.

NAT 4.1.1.3: Standardize concessionaire refueling procedures to minimize the possibility of spills.

Objective NAT 4.2: Provide adequate sanitation and waste management facilities at recreation sites (e.g., restrooms, trash containers, RV and boat dump stations, as appropriate) to protect water quality.

Objective NAT 4.3: Manage the use of chemical fertilizers, herbicides, and pesticides on Reclamation lands in a manner that does not adversely affect water quality.

Management Actions:

NAT 4.3.1: Require that Bonneville County maintain and submit annual records of all chemical applications on Reclamation lands associated with management of recreation facilities.

NAT 4.3.2: In developing and implementing Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Plans for Reclamation lands, require that IDFG, Bonneville County, and Madison County maintain and submit annual records of all chemical applications on Reclamation lands.

Objective NAT 4.4: Participate with IDEQ in assessing and implementing TMDLs for stream reaches in the RMP Study Area, including Ririe Reservoir.

Objective NAT 4.5: Minimize the potential for pollutants to enter Ririe Reservoir and its tributaries, Cartier Slough, and along the Ririe Outlet Channel from construction-related activities.

Management Actions:

NAT 4.5.1: Adhere to the following design and construction criteria, guidelines, and standards as they pertain to pollution prevention when undertaking construction, operations, and maintenance on Reclamation lands:

NAT 4.5.1.1: Comply with all Federal and State laws related to control and abatement of water pollution. All waste material and sewage from construction activities or facilities will be disposed of according to Federal and State pollution control regulations.

NAT 4.5.1.2: As necessary, require that construction contractors obtain a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit as established under Public Law 92 500 and amended by the Clean Water Act (Public Law 95 217).

NAT 4.5.1.3: Construction specifications shall require construction methods that prevent entrance or accidental spillage of

pollutants into flowing or dry watercourses and underground water sources. Potential pollutants and wastes include refuse, garbage, cement, concrete, sewage effluent, industrial waste, oil and other petroleum products, aggregate processing tailings, mineral salts, drilling mud, and thermal pollution.

NAT 4.5.1.4: Prevent eroded materials from entering streams or watercourses during un-watering activities associated with structure foundations or earthwork operations adjacent to, or encroaching on, streams or watercourses.

NAT 4.5.1.5: Any construction wastewater discharged into surface waters will be essentially free of settling material. Water pumped from behind cofferdams and wastewater from aggregate processing, concrete batching, or other construction operations shall not enter streams or watercourses without water quality treatment. Turbidity control methods may include settling ponds, gravel-filter entrapment dikes, approved flocculating processes not harmful to fish or other aquatic life, re-circulation systems for washing aggregates, or other approved methods.

NAT 4.5.1.6: Any riprap shall be free of contaminants and not contribute significantly to the turbidity of the reservoir.

NAT 4.5.1.7: Appropriate controls to reduce stormwater pollutant loads in post-construction site runoff shall be selected from the State of Idaho Catalog of Storm Water Best Management Practices for Idaho Cities and Counties (IDEQ 1997). The appropriate facilities shall be properly designed, installed, and maintained to provide water quality

treatment for runoff originating from all recreational facilities.

5.3 Cultural Resources, Sacred Sites, and Indian Trust Assets (CUL)

Cultural Resources and Sacred Sites

“Cultural resources” is a broad term that includes prehistoric, historic, and traditional properties that reflect our heritage. Within the broad range of cultural resources are those that have recognized significance. These are called “Historic Properties.” “Historic Property” means any prehistoric or historic district, site, building, structure, or object included in, or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. Properties of traditional religious or cultural importance to an Indian Tribe or other group may qualify as “Historic Properties,” eligible for inclusion in the National Register because of association with beliefs or practices that are important in maintaining the cultural identity of the community. “Sacred sites” are places accorded religious significance or ceremonial use by an Indian religion; those that qualify for inclusion in the National Register, are also “Historic Properties.”

Federal laws and regulations require Federal agencies to identify, evaluate, and appropriately manage cultural resources located on lands they administer. The National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) is the pivotal historic preservation law that establishes Federal agencies’ cultural resource management responsibilities; however, other statutes also place specific requirements on Federal agencies to protect and manage cultural resources for the American public. (A list of these laws and regulations is provided in Appendix F.) Reclamation implements these laws and regulations through Reclamation Manual LND 02-01 (Cultural Resources Management), which directs the agency to implement cultural resources

management in a positive manner that fulfills the spirit as well as the letter of laws, regulations, and policies.

The requirements of Federal laws and regulations, and of Reclamation policies and goals for managing cultural resources, apply to parties managing or using Reclamation lands under a permit, lease, use agreement or other legal instrument. Those parties are responsible for notifying Reclamation of proposed actions that could impact cultural resources; for implementing necessary actions to identify or evaluate resources that could be affected by their use of the land or uses they permit; and implementing actions to protect resources or mitigate unavoidable effects resulting from their use or actions. Reclamation is responsible for ensuring that managing partners and lessees observe these terms and conditions and are responsible stewards on the lands they lease or use under permit.

Under NHPA and implementing regulations, Reclamation must assess resource significance, evaluate impacts on sites, and select resource management actions in consultation with the appropriate State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP). Indian Tribes must also be consulted where cultural resources of concern to the Tribes could be present, or where Indian burials or other Native American cultural items could be affected.

To ensure that cultural resource management is fully integrated into Reclamation's program activities, cultural resources are addressed at the earliest stages of project planning. Whenever possible, Reclamation avoids or reduces adverse effects upon significant cultural resources through project redesign or relocation. If adverse effects are unavoidable, Reclamation normally mitigates the adverse effects on historic properties through a site documentation or data recovery program developed in consultation with the SHPO and

ACHP. Where properties or values culturally important to tribes or other groups would be diminished by project actions, Reclamation cooperates with the affected tribe(s) or group(s) to properly mitigate or reduce those losses.

When significant cultural resources are likely to be present and are in need of specialized protection and management strategies, Reclamation prepares a cultural resource management plan (CRMP) for the area. The plan is reviewed by the SHPO, ACHP, and affected Tribes. The CRMP is then the basis for future program implementation actions and funding requests.

GOAL CUL 1: Protect and conserve cultural resources (including prehistoric, historic, and traditional cultural properties), sacred sites, and paleontological resources.

Objective CUL 1.1: Ensure protection of sensitive cultural and paleontological resources for all Reclamation undertakings in accordance with all applicable Federal and State laws.

Management Actions:

CUL 1.1.1: Curate archaeological collections, in most cases at the Southeastern Idaho Regional Archaeological Center. Exceptions include human skeletal remains, grave goods, and other items that might fall under the scope of NAGPRA (NAGPRA items). When NAGPRA items are recovered, procedures set forth in 43 CFR Part 10 for consultation and custody will be followed.

CUL 1.1.2: If significant cultural resource sites may be affected by a Reclamation undertaking, Reclamation will consult with the SHPO and Tribes about appropriate actions to take to protect those sites.

CUL 1.1.3: Initiate actions to protect human burials as soon as possible if they are reported to be exposed or endangered by reservoir operations, natural erosion, or land use. Unless the burials are clearly non-Indian, the Tribes will be consulted upon the discovery of a burial, and procedures for protection, treatment, and disposition of the remains will be worked out with the Tribes in accordance with NAGPRA.

CUL 1.1.4: Obtain location-specific clearances for cultural resources when conducting activities that have the potential to affect those resources. Consultation under 36 CFR 800 shall be conducted to determine site eligibility, project effects, and appropriate treatment of adversely affected National Register-eligible sites. Test excavations may be necessary to determine if particular sites are eligible for the National Register.

CUL 1.1.5: Stabilize or protect significant cultural resource properties when avoidance is not possible. Test excavations shall be conducted as necessary to determine if the sites are eligible for the National Register. Consultation, per 36 CFR 800, shall also be conducted to determine site eligibility, Project effect, and appropriate treatment of adversely affected Register-eligible sites.

CUL 1.1.6: If consultation determines that Indian sacred sites are present and would be adversely affected by land use activities, Reclamation will implement actions that would avoid or minimize such activities.

Objective CUL 1.2: In accordance with Section 110 and Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and other cultural resource and legal mandates, accomplish proactive management of cultural and paleontological resources, including inventory, identification, evaluation, and protection.

Management Actions:

CUL 1.2.1: Prepare a Cultural Resources Management Plan (CRMP) for all of Reclamation's lands that outlines actions and methods to protect cultural resources and which considers Tribal concerns and comments. The CRMP shall, among other things, identify strategies for managing and protecting significant sites, and for addressing NAGPRA issues of burial protection, inadvertent discoveries, and custody of cultural materials.

CUL 1.2.2: Cultural resource personnel, or other land management personnel sensitized to cultural resource management concerns, will periodically monitor the RMP Study Area to determine if operations, natural erosion, or land use is damaging cultural resources. If significant sites are being damaged, Management Actions will be implemented. If the site cannot be protected, mitigation may be considered.

Objective CUL 1.3: Generate awareness of cultural resources compliance and protection needs among State and County personnel who interact with Reclamation in the RMP study area.

Management Actions:

CUL 1.3.1: Develop guidelines/procedures and provide training for IDFG and Bonneville County to increase awareness of National Historic Preservation Act requirements.

Objective CUL 1.4: Provide opportunities for public education on cultural and paleontological resources, including the importance of, and requirements for, protecting these resources within the parameters of various laws and regulations.

Management Actions:

CUL 1.4.1: Work with the Tribes and Bonneville County to prepare and display appropriate educational exhibits and materials on cultural and paleontological resources at the Juniper Park Visitors Center and Blacktail Park.

Indian Trust Assets

GOAL CUL 2: *Protect and conserve Indian Trust Assets as specified in applicable Secretarial Orders.*

Objective CUL 2.1: Within the scope of Reclamation authority, ensure that the RMP is consistent with the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes' adopted Snake River Basin Policy through conservation, protection, and/or enhancement of natural resources.

CUL 2.1.1: Reclamation will meet annually as discussed in NAT 1.4.2 or upon the request of the Tribes to discuss Tribal issues as they relate to the RMP and the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Snake River Basin Policy and/or impact to Indian Trust Assets.

Objective CUL 2.2: Avoid any action that would adversely impact Tribal Indian Trust Assets.

CUL 2.2.1: In the Reclamation NEPA process, Federal actions will be reviewed to determine if there are impacts to Indian Trust Assets.

5.4 Recreation (REC)

Reclamation policy requires having a non-Federal managing partner to provide public recreational opportunities and facilities in accordance with an approved RMP. The RMP is intended to protect

the health and safety of the user and protect land and water resources from environmental degradation and protect cultural resources from damage by recreational users. Recreation facilities under Reclamation jurisdiction will be operated and maintained in a safe and healthful manner and be universally accessible. Figures 5.4-1 through 5.4-4 show the existing facilities and proposed activities for the four recreation sites at Ririe Reservoir.

Where Reclamation lands are directly managed by others for recreation purposes, Reclamation shall exercise oversight responsibility to ensure that those management entities fulfill all aspects of the approved RMP. All contractual agreements with these management entities must comply with Federal laws and regulations concerning natural and cultural resource protection.

Visitor information is an important management responsibility that is not readily apparent but instrumental in providing a quality recreation experience and contributing to an informed visitor. An informed public will help protect and enhance the unique recreational and environmental attributes of the area. Reclamation recognizes the value in developing interpretive programs to educate the public on resources and to provide information to visitors to improve their experience in the area, as well as to increase their awareness of natural and cultural resource values and public health and safety protection.

Boating and Other Water-Based Recreation

GOAL REC 1: *Provide adequate shoreline support facilities at Ririe Reservoir to address demand for boating/water craft uses consistent with natural and cultural resource management objectives.*

Objective REC 1.1: Establish a program for collecting adequate recreation use and demand data to help determine the need and timing of new facilities.

Management Actions:

REC 1.1.1: Secure funding and award contract to design and conduct a recreational carrying capacity study for Ririe Reservoir.

REC 1.1.2: Conduct a recreational carrying capacity and demand study to determine if boat ramps, docks, trails, parking, and other facilities need to be expanded for recreation during the next 10 years and if the expansion can be accomplished without detriment to natural and cultural resources.

Objective REC 1.2: In conjunction with Objective REC 1.1 (i.e., Recreational Carrying Capacity Study results), and working with the managing partner (i.e., Bonneville County), reduce peak period congestion at the existing Blacktail boat launch site through improvement of facilities or other feasible means.

Management Actions:

REC 1.2.1: Renovate and, if necessary, expand the Blacktail boat ramp, including both widening and lengthening the ramp.

REC 1.2.2: Renovate and, if necessary, expand the Blacktail boat moorage facilities.

REC 1.2.3: Reconfigure the existing ingress/egress approach to the Blacktail boat ramp for better efficiency of boat loading and unloading.

REC 1.2.4: Reconfigure the existing parking area at Blacktail and/or provide additional parking.

REC 1.2.5: Allow concessionaire to provide enhanced fueling and other boat/watercraft service facilities at Blacktail.

REC 1.2.6: Provide two additional floating day use platforms in the vicinity of Blacktail Park.

Objective REC 1.3: In conjunction with Objective REC 1.1 and working with the managing partner, reduce peak period congestion at the Juniper boat launch through improvement of facilities or other feasible means.

Management Actions:

REC 1.3.1: Design and construct an accessible overflow parking area along the north side of the road leading to the Juniper boat launch.

REC 1.3.2: Develop a new boat moorage facility near the Juniper Campground to accommodate overnight use by camper (see Figure 5.4-2).

REC 1.3.3: Provide three additional floating day use platforms in the vicinity of Juniper Park.

GOAL REC 2: Manage the Ririe Reservoir water surface to accommodate a variety of different user groups and minimize conflicts among users.

Objective REC 2.1: In conjunction with Objective REC 1.1, implement actions with Bonneville County that reduce conflicts between motorized and non-motorized water craft, as needed.

Management Actions:

REC 2.1.1: Potential actions to alleviate motorized/non-motorized conflicts include:

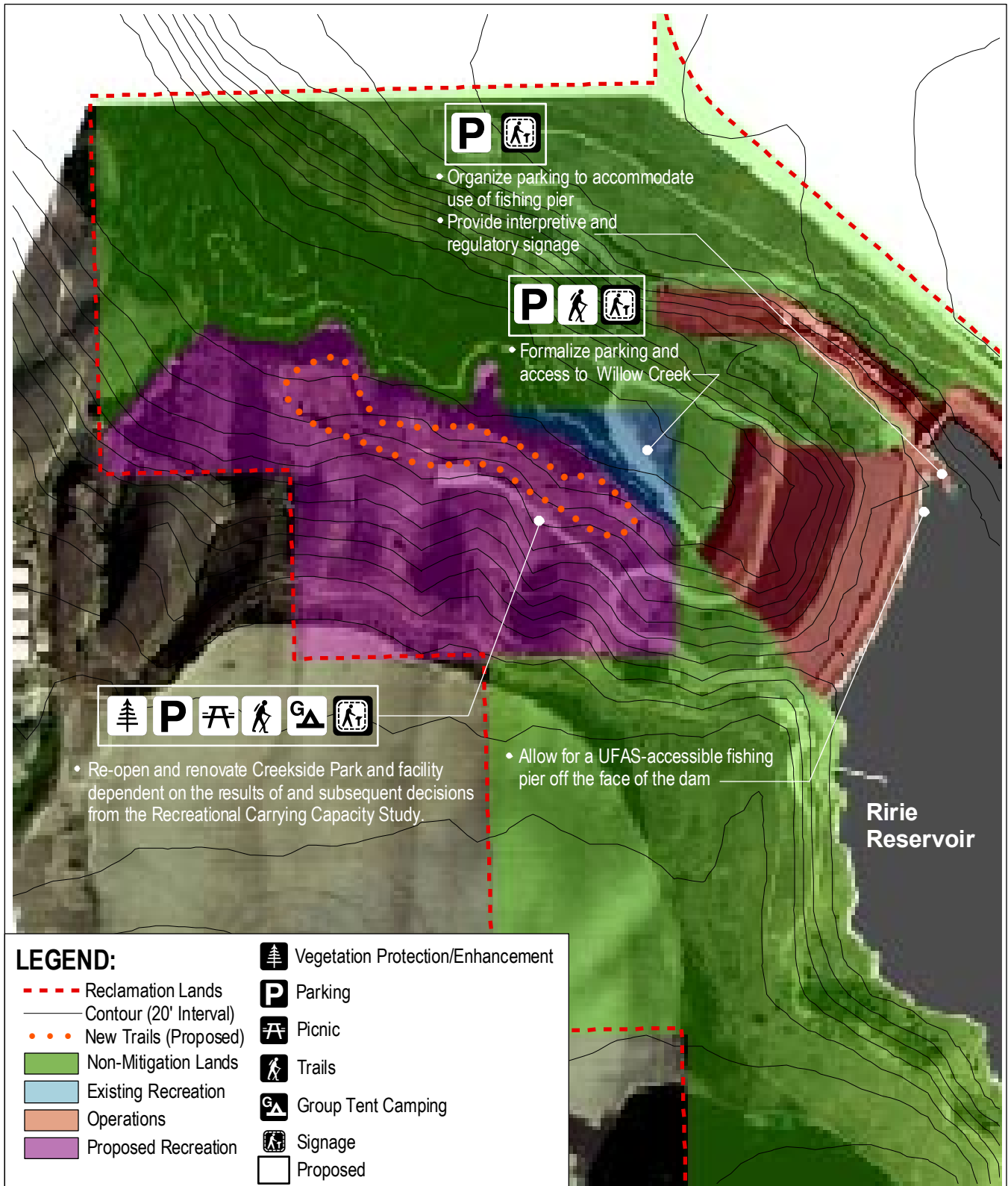


Figure 5.4-1
Creekside Park and Vicinity

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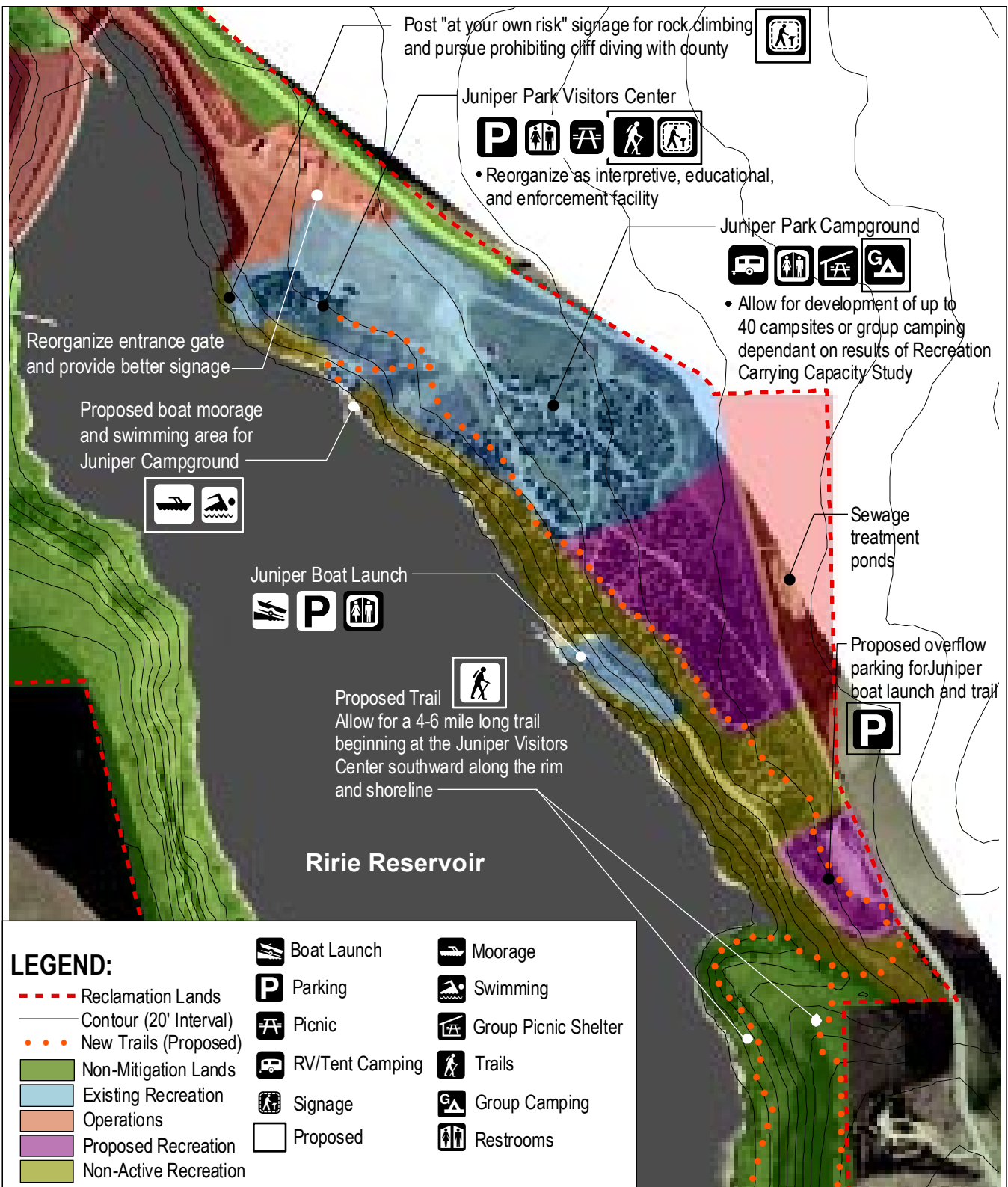


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Juniper Park and Vicinity



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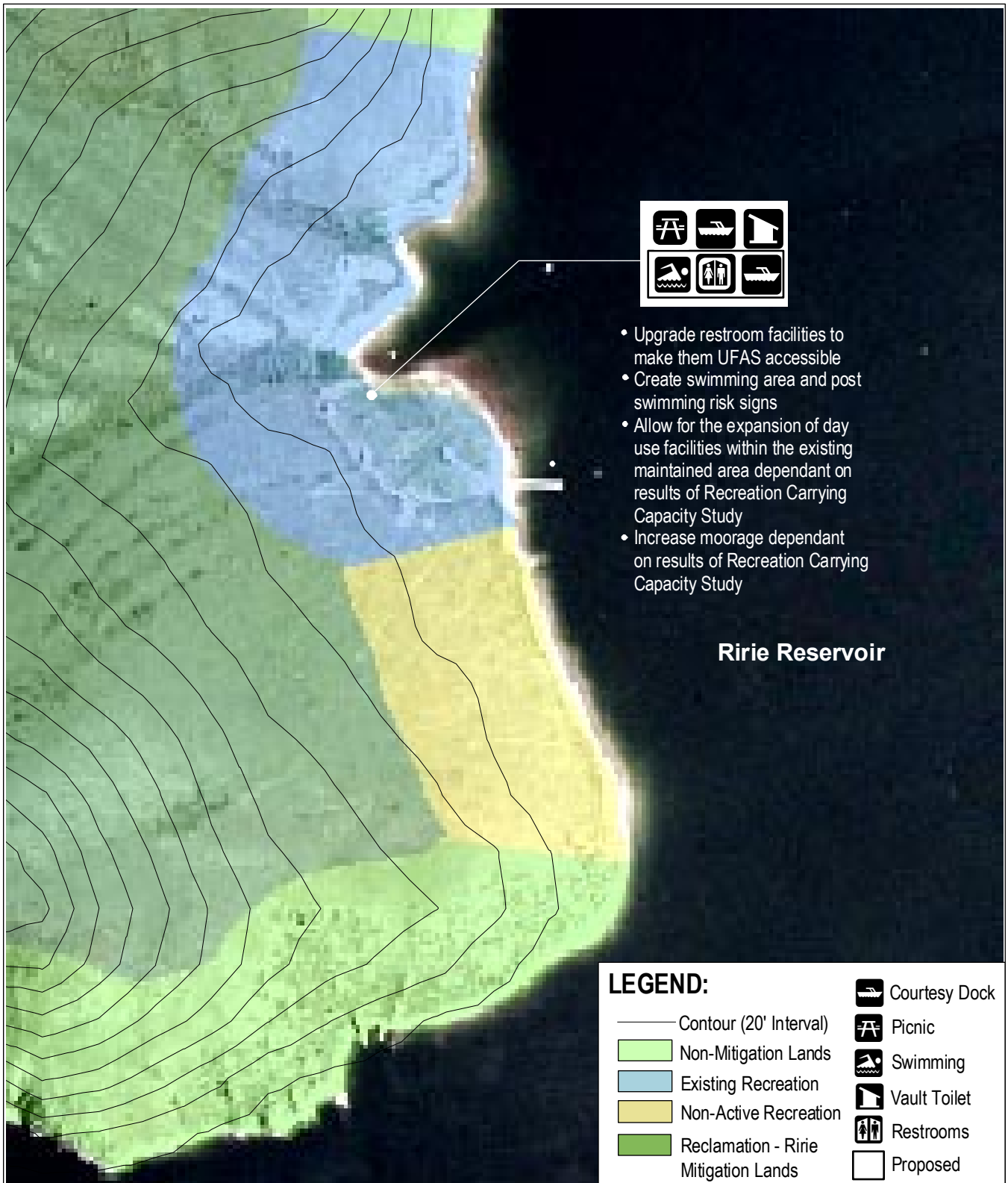
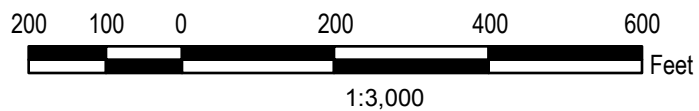


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Benchlands Park

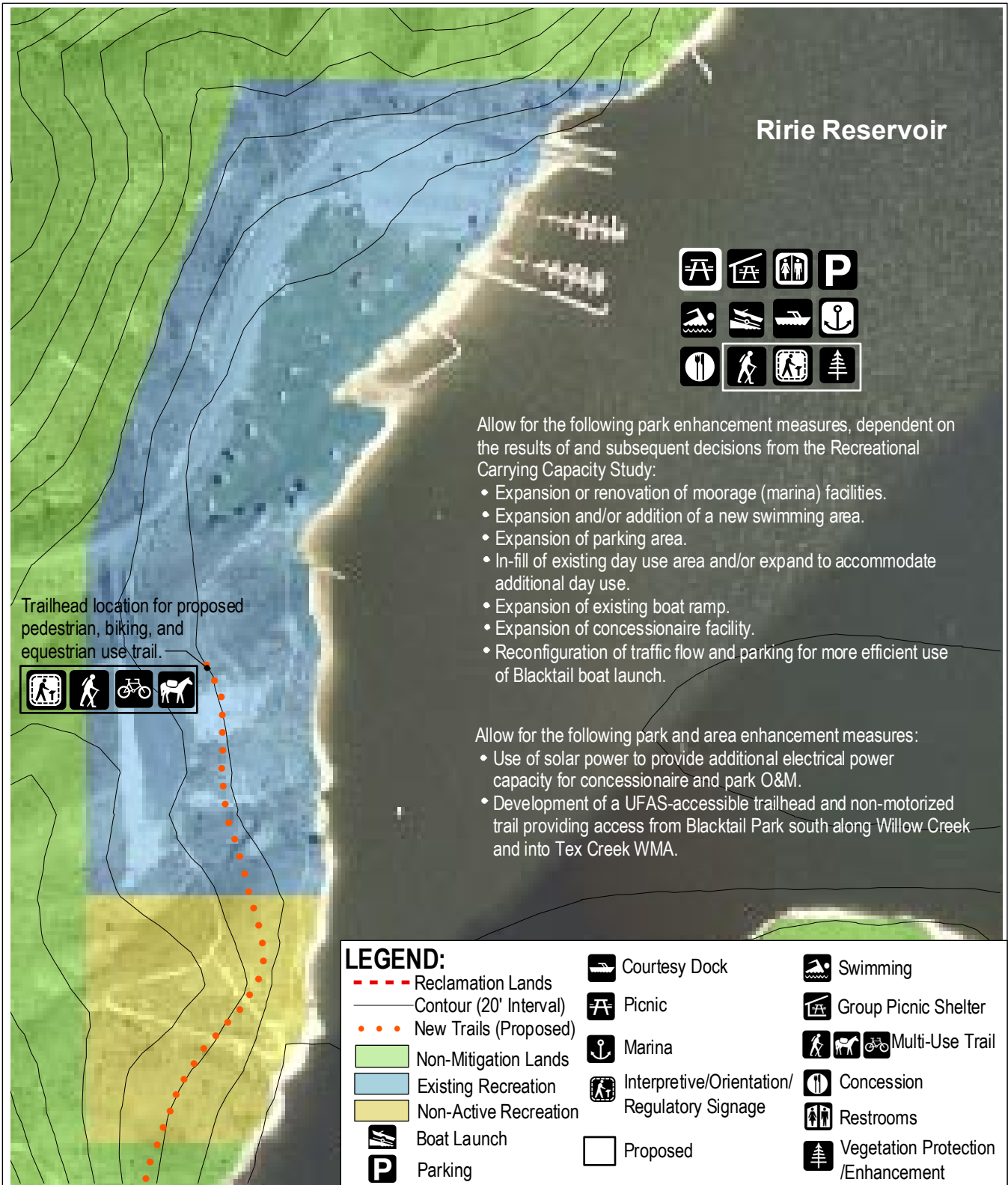


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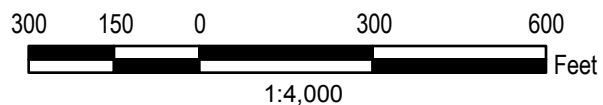
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**Figure 5.4-4
Blacktail Park**



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seasonal, time of day, and/or zone restrictions on motorized craft in certain areas of the reservoir; no-wake or reduced speed zones; and restrictions on specific types of use.

Objective REC 2.2: Work with Bonneville County to achieve needed enforcement of the 100-foot no-wake zone established by State law (i.e., 100-foot no-wake zone near shoreline structures, other boaters/recreationists, and swimmers).

Management Actions:

REC 2.2.1: Use the Carrying Capacity Study results to determine the level and focus of needed enforcement at Ririe Reservoir.

REC 2.2.2: Reach agreement with Bonneville County on additional law enforcement services needed.

REC 2.2.3: Provide Bonneville County with adequate assistance to fund any additional law enforcement requirements at Ririe Reservoir.

Objective REC 2.3: Develop and/or improve shoreline swimming areas at Ririe Reservoir in conjunction with managing partner.

Management Actions:

REC 2.3.1: Continue the use of a system of linked docks or buoys at Blacktail Park to define the designated swimming area.

REC 2.3.2: Use the Recreational Carrying Capacity Study results to determine the need for an expanded or additional swimming area at Blacktail Park.

REC 2.3.3: Develop a designated swimming area at Juniper Park, with an accessible path to the existing campground.

REC 2.3.4: Develop a designated swimming area at the Benchlands boat-in access area.

REC 2.3.5: Include “swim at your own risk” signs at existing and any new swimming areas.

Objective REC 2.4: Allow the establishment of a scuba diving park with appropriate submerged items at a suitable site that avoids safety hazards.

Management Actions:

REC 2.4.1: Establish an implementation team responsible for overseeing the site selection, permitting, and warnings related to the scuba park.

REC 2.4.2: Determine and approve the most appropriate site to locate the scuba park. Site selection criteria include: access, safety, parking, habitat protection, protection of cultural resources, avoiding conflicts with other users, and review and approval by Reclamation’s Dive Master and safety officers.

REC 2.4.3: Notify scuba park proponents that they will be responsible for obtaining necessary 404 permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for submerging items.

REC 2.4.4: Under Reclamation’s direction, scuba park proponents will be responsible for the installation and maintenance of hazard warnings on submerged items.

Shoreline and Other Land-Based Recreation

GOAL REC 3: Accommodate demand for land/shoreline-based recreational uses at Ririe Reservoir, consistent with natural and cultural resource management objectives.

Objective REC 3.1: Work with managing partners (Bonneville County and IDFG, as appropriate) to provide expanded opportunities for hiking, equestrian, and bicycling around the reservoir.

Management Actions:

REC 3.1.1: Develop a Trails Plan for the coordinated enhancement, development, and maintenance of trails and associated facilities at Ririe Reservoir.

REC 3.1.2: Develop an accessible shoreline access trail (non-motorized) from the Juniper Park Campground and the Visitors Center area to the shoreline using the old construction road immediately south of the Visitors Center.

REC 3.1.3: Develop an accessible loop trail from Creekside Park providing access to Willow Creek (below the dam).

REC 3.1.4: Upgrade existing Willow Creek access trail below the dam including an accessible path and landing platform, and link (bridge) to Creekside Park loop trail.

REC 3.1.5: Develop an approximately 6-mile long trail for non-motorized use (hiking and bicycling only) beginning at the Juniper Visitors Center and extending south along the rim and shoreline on the east side of the reservoir. Additional guidelines to consider pertaining to this trail include:

REC 3.1.5.1: Possible trail development in two or more phases.

REC 3.1.5.2: Provide connections between the rim and shoreline where feasible to accommodate shoreline activities and trail loops of varying distances.

REC 3.1.5.3: Provide a secondary trailhead and appropriate signage adjacent to the Juniper boat launch road (i.e., at the point where the trail would cross the road).

REC 3.1.5.4: Trail use to be consistent with Juniper Park season of use (early spring to early fall).

REC 3.1.6: Develop a trail for non-motorized use (hiking, bicycling, and equestrian) beginning at Blacktail Park and extending south along Willow Creek with access into the Tex Creek WMA. Additional considerations pertaining to this trail include:

REC 3.1.6.1: Possible trail development in two or more phases.

REC 3.1.6.2: Provide trailhead and appropriate signage (interpretation, education, regulations) at Blacktail Park.

REC 3.1.6.3: Include equestrian use/facilities at the trailhead meeting accessibility standards.

REC 3.1.6.4: Trail use to be consistent with Blacktail Park season of use (early spring to early fall).

Objective REC 3.2: In conjunction with Objective REC 1.1 and working with managing partner, improve day use facilities within the existing “active” recreation area (for use from early spring to early fall only) at Blacktail Park

without compromising the values and intent of the WMA.

Management Actions:

REC 3.2.1: Design and construct additional parking and day use facilities, as needed.

REC 3.2.2: Allow for the expansion of on-site power generation source (e.g., solar) for administrative (operations & maintenance) and concessionaire purposes.

REC 3.2.3: Allow for the renovation and/or expansion of concessionaire facilities (with level of development to be approved by Reclamation).

Objective REC 3.3: In conjunction with Objective REC 1.1 and working with managing partner, provide additional facilities at Juniper Park and the Visitors Center.

Management Actions:

REC 3.3.1: Develop a third loop expanding the Juniper Campground by approximately 40 new individual campsites or by providing one or more group camping areas.

REC 3.3.2: Reorganize and provide better signage at the entrance gate (graphics and content/context).

REC 3.3.3: Provide orientation kiosk, interpretive displays, and regulatory signage at the dam overlook and shoreline access trailhead.

REC 3.3.4: Reorganize the interior of the Visitors Center as a multi-use facility, including interpretation, education, administration, and enforcement.

Objective REC 3.4: Manage conflicting uses at the dam overlook (cliff area) adjacent to the Visitors Center.

Management Actions:

REC 3.4.1: Post “enter at your own risk” signage at the dam overlook (cliff-top) and shoreline (cliff-bottom) to indicate risks associated with rock climbing.

REC 3.4.2: Work with Bonneville County to establish an ordinance prohibiting cliff diving at Ririe Reservoir due to safety and user conflict concerns. Post ordinance signs at dam overlook.

Objective REC 3.5: In conjunction with Objective REC 1.1 and working with managing partner, implement improvements at Creekside Park and area adjacent to Willow Creek.

Management Actions:

REC 3.5.1: Renovate and reopen Creekside Park for day use activities and group tent camping by reservation. Guidelines for park enhancements include:

REC 3.5.1.1: Upgrade existing infrastructure (road, parking), as needed.

REC 3.5.1.2: Provide new day use facilities (picnic tables, shade structures, barbeques, etc.).

REC 3.5.1.3: Provide utilities and services (waste receptacles, potable water, restroom facility).

REC 3.5.1.4: Install new park vegetation (small lawn area, shade trees) and irrigation system.

REC 3.5.1.5: Develop an orientation kiosk, interpretive displays, and regulatory signage.

REC 3.5.2: Enhance area used by anglers along the east side of Willow Creek below the dam. Guidelines for park enhancements include:

REC 3.5.2.1: Formalize parking into one organized area.

REC 3.5.2.2: Develop an orientation kiosk, interpretive displays, and regulatory signage.

REC 3.5.2.3: Provide waste receptacles.

Objective REC 3.6: In conjunction with Objective REC 1.1 and working with managing partner, enhance shoreline fishing uses at the north side of the dam.

Management Actions:

REC 3.6.1: Develop an accessible fishing pier into the reservoir off the face of the dam.

REC 3.6.2: Reorganize parking on the dam to accommodate use of the fishing pier.

REC 3.6.3: Provide interpretive displays and regulatory signage at the parking area and fishing pier.

Objective REC 3.7: In conjunction with Objective REC 1.1 and working with managing partner, continue to maintain the Benchlands recreation site for boat-in use only and expand recreation use (early spring to early fall only) facilities without compromising the values and intent of the WMA.

Management Actions:

REC 3.7.1: Upgrade shoreline access from the existing dock to meet accessibility standards to the extent possible.

REC 3.7.2: Upgrade the restroom facility to meet accessibility standards.

REC 3.7.3: Provide an additional dock to increase moorage capacity.

REC 3.7.4: Provide additional day use facilities (picnic tables, shade structures, barbeque grills).

GOAL REC 4: Work with IDFG to provide appropriate recreation opportunities on Reclamation's lands in the Tex Creek WMA, consistent with natural and cultural resource objectives.

Objective REC 4.1: Support IDFG efforts (as defined in the IDFG Tex Creek WMA Management Plan) to improve public access to and opportunity for wildlife appreciation unrelated to hunting, and consistent with the purposes of the WMA.

Management Actions:

REC 4.1.1: Provide planning assistance and/or implementation assistance related to:

- Non-motorized trails; (candidate locations identified to date include: (1) those noted by IDFG in the eastern portions of the WMA, (2) connection to Blacktail Park with areas of the WMA (see REC 3.1.6), and (3) off of Skyline Road, leading into the WMA.
- Interpretive displays and regulatory signs.
- Photography blinds and viewing platforms or locations.

- Additional back-country (i.e., primitive) campsites.

Objective REC 4.2: Cooperate with IDFG, as needed, in providing hunting opportunities, consistent with the mission of the WMA.

GOAL REC 5: Provide appropriate recreation opportunities in the Cartier Slough WMA.

Objective REC 5.1: Support IDFG efforts (as defined in the Cartier Slough WMA Management Plan) and Madison County (as appropriate) in efforts to improve public access and opportunities for wildlife appreciation unrelated to hunting and consistent with the mission of the WMA.

Management Actions:

REC 5.1.1: Develop a nature interpretation trail connecting Cartier Slough with the adjacent Beaver Dick County Park.

REC 5.1.2: Provide photography blinds and/or viewing platforms within the Cartier Slough WMA.

REC 5.1.3: Continue to allow retriever trials and dog training in the WMA according to seasonal restrictions.

REC 5.1.4: Continue to allow ungroomed cross-country ski trails in the WMA.

Objective REC 5.2: Cooperate with IDFG, as needed, in providing hunting opportunities, consistent with the mission of the WMA.

5.5 Access, Coordination, and Implementation (ACI)

Reclamation's general land use approach is to: (1) protect off-reservation treaty rights; (2)

manage the lands in a manner consistent with Federal laws and regulations, and the principles of good stewardship to accomplish Project purposes and serve the public interest; (3) maintain a current inventory of all land holdings and uses; and (4) develop RMPs that best support the public interest, preserve and enhance environmental quality, and are compatible with Project purposes and needs. As part of this approach, Reclamation seeks opportunities for coordinated and cooperative land use planning with other Federal, State, and local agencies.

At present, Reclamation employees are not afforded any deputy or other criminal law enforcement powers. Therefore, criminal law enforcement services on Reclamation lands must be provided by others with such authority. Enforcement efforts are required to address illegal ORV use; trespass and encroachment; willful damage or destruction of facilities, lands, or resources; illegal hunting, and dumping on Reclamation lands.

Trespass and unauthorized use, when permitted to continue, deprive the public of its rightful use and enjoyment of the public lands. Willful damage or destruction of facilities, lands, or resources could endanger the public, prevent provision of Project services, destroy valuable natural and cultural resources, and cost money to repair. Prohibited acts on Federal land include construction, placing, or maintaining any kind of road, trail, structure, fence, enclosure, communication equipment, pump, well, or other improvement without a permit; extracting materials or other resources without a permit; damage or destruction of facilities or structures, including abandoned buildings; and excavation, collection, or removal of archeological or historical artifacts. Reclamation's general approach is to facilitate and ensure the proper use of land resources consistent with the requirements of law and best management practices. The primary management emphasis is to provide the public as a whole non-

exclusive use of Federal lands in a manner designed to protect the environmental values and the natural and cultural resources while protecting reserved Indian Treaty Rights.

Reclamation's approach is to clear, and keep clear, all lands from trespasses and unauthorized uses. In resolving trespass or unauthorized use issues, priority will be given to those trespasses which are not in the best public interest, or are not compatible with the primary uses of the land, or which have caused or are causing damage to significant environmental values or natural or cultural resources. In cases where a trespass or unauthorized use has occurred, prompt resolution of the conflict is encouraged.

Unauthorized uses and trespasses are best resolved before they become permanently established. When violations do occur, Reclamation will seek first to negotiate solutions to resolve all violations. Attempts to negotiate solutions to unauthorized uses and trespass will be the first priority; using the courts will be a last resort. In the event such negotiations fail, Reclamation will take actions necessary to protect the public interest and project lands.

Executive Orders 11644 and 11989 (February 1972 and May 1977, respectively) established policies and procedures to ensure that the use of ORVs on public lands will be controlled and directed to protect resources, promote user safety, minimize user conflict, and ensure that any permitted uses will not result in significant adverse environmental impact or cause irreversible damage to existing resources. Pursuant to these Orders, policy and criteria relating to the use of ORVs on Reclamation lands were established on August 23, 1974 (see 43 CFR Part 420). Specifically, all Reclamation lands are closed to motorized travel except for areas, roads, or trails specifically open for such use.

ORV use areas and trails are not to be located in areas possessing unique natural, wildlife, historic,

cultural, archeological, or recreational values unless Reclamation determines that these unique values will not be adversely affected. If substantial damage to land, soil, water, wildlife, wildlife habitat, archeological, historic, or vegetative resources is found, affected areas and trails will be immediately closed to ORV use or appropriate controls established to prevent further deterioration of the environment. No area, road, or trail can be reopened until the Regional Director of Reclamation determines that adverse effects have been eliminated and that measures have been implemented to prevent further recurrence. Pursuant to this policy, ORV use on all study area lands under Reclamation's jurisdiction is prohibited.

Access

GOAL ACI 1: Provide adequate vehicular and non-motorized access to recreation sites at Ririe Reservoir.

Objective ACI 1.1: Work with Bonneville County to continue to provide and maintain adequate vehicular access to and parking at recreation facilities at the Blacktail and Juniper recreation areas, as these will continue to be the primary recreation sites at the reservoir. Primary access will be provided during the summer recreation seasons, as well as winter access for ice fishing at Juniper.

Objective ACI 1.2: Continue to allow vehicular access to recreation activities at and below the dam, if vandalism, public safety, dam safety concerns, and issues regarding operations and maintenance of the dam can be resolved and in coordination with the Bonneville County Sheriff's Department providing law enforcement services.

Management Actions:

ACI 1.2.1: Include information regarding dam safety and other related concerns on signs and written materials, informing the public of these issues and the possible closure of the dam road to vehicular use (if necessary).

Objective ACI 1.3: Maintain pedestrian access to recreation opportunities at and below the dam, consistent with public safety, dam safety concerns, and issues regarding operations and maintenance of the dam.

GOAL ACI 2: Provide appropriate vehicular access to the Tex Creek WMA.

Objective ACI 2.1: Support IDFG in providing and maintaining adequate vehicular access to recreation and hunting opportunities in the WMA during the spring, summer, and fall seasons, consistent with IDFG's Tex Creek WMA Management Plan.

Objective ACI 2.2: Minimize human disturbance of wildlife in the Tex Creek WMA during the winter, including snowmobile and other vehicular traffic.

Management Actions:

ACI 2.2.1: Management Actions NAT 1.9.1 – 1.9.3 apply to this objective.

GOAL ACI 3: Provide appropriate vehicular access to the Cartier Slough WMA.

Objective ACI 3.1: Cooperate with IDFG in resolving any ownership issues related to Cartier Slough Road.

Management Actions:

ACI 3.1.1: Conduct a boundary survey to accurately determine the ownership of Cartier Slough Road.

ACI 3.1.2: Using the results of the Cartier Slough boundary survey, determine appropriate agency responsibilities including: the need for rights-of-way, improvements, and maintenance.

Objective ACI 3.2: Provide assistance, as appropriate, in constructing needed improvements to Cartier Slough Road.

GOAL ACI 4: Ensure that all facilities and activities, as well as access to these, are accessible to persons with disabilities, as appropriate.

Objective ACI 4.1: Incorporate Federal accessibility standards in the design and construction of new and renovated facilities and trails, including: the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (UFAS) and the Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines. The latter will be used when they are the more stringent of the two regulations.

Coordination**GOAL ACI 5: Ensure continued coordination and cooperation with involved agencies and the public as needed to implement the RMP and associated IDFG WMA Management Plans.**

Objective ACI 5.1: Cooperate with and support IDFG in implementing adopted management plans for the Tex Creek and Cartier Slough WMAs, as well as the fishery plan for Ririe Reservoir and any applicable species-specific plans.

Management Actions:

ACI 5.1.1: Require that IDFG submit an annual Operations Plan and associated budget for funding associated with their management of the Teton and Ririe mitigation lands at each WMA three years ahead of planned implementation. In addition to providing details on proposed actions, the plans shall report on the successes from the previous year using monitoring established for various programs (Management Actions NAT 1.3.2 and 1.3.3; NAT 1.5.2 and 1.5.3; NAT 1.10.3; and NAT 3.1.2 apply to this objective).

ACI 5.1.2: Reclamation shall review, comment, and approve funding based on established priorities, proposed actions, successes to date, and overall availability of funds.

ACI 5.1.3: Management Actions NAT 1.3.1 – 1.3.4; NAT 1.9.3; NAT 2.1.1; NAT 3.1.1 and 3.1.2; REC 4.1.1; and REC 5.1.1 – 5.1.4 apply to this objective.

Objective ACI 5.2: Work with the FS, Bonneville County, and IDFG to enforce winter vehicular restrictions in the Tex Creek WMA

Management Actions:

ACI 5.2.1: Request that the FS include information pertaining to the winter closure of the WMA in their published travel plans.

ACI 5.2.2: Collaborate with the FS and IDFG to include signage and fencing (where appropriate) along the FS/WMA boundary to achieve winter closure of the WMA.

ACI 5.2.3: Management Actions NAT 1.9.1 and 1.9.2 apply to this objective.

Objective ACI 5.3: Work with Bonneville County in achieving the necessary enforcement of

use restrictions and safety regulations at Ririe Reservoir, both on the water surface and at shore-side recreation locations.

Management Actions:

ACI 5.3.1: Management Actions NAT 4.1.1; REC 2.1.1; REC 2.2.1 – 2.2.3; REC 3.4.2 apply to this objective.

Objective ACI 5.4: Coordinate with Bonneville County in conjunction with IDFG regarding future land use patterns on lands surrounding Ririe Reservoir and the Tex Creek WMA.

Management Actions:

ACI 5.4.1: Management Actions NAT 1.8.1 and 1.8.2 apply to this objectives.

Objective ACI 5.5: Work with surrounding private landowners to achieve the goals and objectives of the RMP.

Management Actions:

ACI 5.5.1: Management Actions NAT 3.2.1 - 3.2.3 apply to this objective.

Objective ACI 5.6: Work with surrounding landowners to minimize impacts from RMP implementation on private lands, including management of access to or from Reclamation lands so that such access does not impact private lands.

Management Actions:

ACI 5.6.1: Conduct a survey to accurately determine Reclamation's property boundaries pertaining to all Reclamation land at Ririe Reservoir and the Tex Creek WMA (i.e. non-mitigation and mitigation lands).

ACI 5.6.2: Sign WMA boundaries at all access points to/from private land with two-sided signs: Side A – Entering WMA; Side B – Leaving WMA, Entering Private Land.

ACI 5.6.3: Cooperate with adjacent landowners in installing and maintaining boundary signage and fencing (as appropriate) to inform the public regarding management goals, seasonal access restrictions, trespass, etc.

Objective ACI 5.7: Continue to coordinate with involved Tribes in implementing RMP Goals, Objectives, and Management Actions.

Management Actions:

ACI 5.7.1: Host an annual Tribal Coordination Workshop and Tour to facilitate continued Tribal coordination and participation in implementing the RMP.

ACI 5.7.2: Management Actions NAT 1.1.1; NAT 1.2.1 (Guideline 1.2.1.10); NAT 1.4.1 and 1.4.2; NAT 1.11.1 (Guideline 1.11.1.2); CUL 1.1.1 – 1.1.6; CUL 1.2.1 and 1.2.2; CUL 1.4.1; CUL apply to this objective.

Objective ACI 5.8: Provide appropriate public information and education regarding RMP Goals, Objectives, Management Actions, and Guidelines.

Management Actions:

ACI 5.8.1: Prepare a Public Information Plan specifying the need, content, location, and design standards for signs, kiosks, displays, and written materials (i.e., pamphlets, brochures, maps).

ACI 5.8.2: Management Actions NAT 1.9.3; CUL 1.4.1; REC 3.1.6 (Guideline 3.1.6.2);

REC 3.3.3 and 3.3.4; REC 3.5.1 (Guideline 3.5.1.5); REC 3.5.2 (Guideline 3.5.2.2); REC 3.6.3; and REC 4.1.1 apply to this objective.

Objective ACI 5.9: Continue to contract with the BLM for fire suppression requirements.

Management Actions:

ACI 5.9.1: Management Action NAT 1.11.1 applies to this objective.

GOAL ACI 6: *Ensure that Reclamation land ownership and property interests are adequate and appropriate to fulfill Project purposes and agency responsibilities.*

Objective ACI 6.1: Through limited acquisition, exchange, or disposal, resolve irregular property boundaries to improve management efficiency.

Implementation

GOAL ACI 7: *Ensure RMP Implementation.*

Objective ACI 7.1: Establish and maintain a clear phasing schedule and list of priorities for RMP implementation and update on an annual basis.

Management Actions:

ACI 7.1.1: Track and annually update the RMP schedule and priority list of activities using the Ririe RMP Integrated Resource Management System (IRMS) [developed as the Graphical User Interface (GUI)].

ACI 7.1.2: Conduct an annual Ririe RMP partner and stakeholders meeting to provide information on the previous year's activities,

successes, and shortcomings, as well as to get feedback on planned activities for the next year.

Objective ACI 7.2: Program adequate funding and/or implementation assistance to managing partners to accomplish RMP implementation according to established schedule, priorities, and monitoring factors.

Management Actions:

ACI 7.2.1: Management Actions REC 2.2.3; ACI 1.1.3; ACI 5.1.1 and 5.1.2 apply to this objective.

Objective ACI 7.3: Maintain user fees at appropriate levels, consistent with facility operation and maintenance funding needs, and retain flexibility to adjust fee levels within reasonable levels as conditions change.

Management Actions:

ACI 7.3.1: Incorporate “willingness to pay” or “fair value” perspective (cost comparison of fees charged for like services in the area) in recreational carrying capacity and demand study as input to deciding on necessary improvements and appropriate fee levels (also see Management Actions REC 1.1.1 and 1.1.2).

ACI 7.3.2: Include user fees as a topic for discussion at annual partners/stakeholders meeting.

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6.1 Introduction

The success of this RMP will ultimately be measured by the degree to which it is implemented. This chapter provides a framework necessary to follow through with the Goals and Objectives, and implement the Management Actions presented in Chapter 5. This chapter consists primarily of a series of tables that summarize prioritization, sequencing, responsibility for implementation, and key funding for each Management Action. The purpose of these tables is to assist resource managers, staff, and managing partners in implementing each of the many specific actions required to achieve the RMP's Goals and Objectives. These tables also provide a convenient mechanism to track implementation progress on a regular (annual) basis over the 10-year life of the plan.

All new construction is required to be 100 percent accessible to persons with disabilities, wherever possible, in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and as implemented under the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (UFAS) or Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Accessibility Guidelines, whichever is the more stringent. These standards include (but are not limited to) parking lots and spaces, access routes, camping sites, restrooms, concessions, entrance booths, trails, interpretive displays, and all signage.

6.2 Implementation Components

Implementation of the Ririe Reservoir RMP is organized into a series of specific Management Actions for each of the issues associated with natural resources; cultural resources; recreation; and access, coordination, and implementation. Tables 6.1-1 through 6.1-4 present a structure that addresses the key components of implementation. Each component is listed in a separate column in these tables and explained below.

6.2.1 Management Actions

Management Actions are specific action items intended to implement each Objective, consistent with Goals listed in Chapter 5. To avoid repetition with Chapter 5 in Tables 6.1-1 through 6.1-4, Management Actions are listed by number and abbreviated description. A full description of each Management Action is presented in Chapter 5.

6.2.2 Prioritization

Each Management Action is prioritized in a simple hierarchy ranging from "High" to "Low." High priority Management Actions are identified as critical to the success of this RMP. Management Actions identified as medium priority are still considered important, but not critical. Low priority Management Actions are

those that should be implemented if resources are available.

6.2.3 Timing and Sequencing

All Management Actions listed in the following tables are intended to be implemented during the life of this 10-year plan. The timing column identifies the specific time frame, either during the first year; or during the first or second halves of the plan (years 2-5 or 6-10, respectively.) Management Actions to be implemented continuously, annually, or on an as-needed basis are also indicated.

6.2.4 Agencies Responsible for Implementation

A single agency with lead responsibility for implementation of each Management Action is listed (in **bold**) in Column 4. Agencies playing support roles are also listed in this column (not bolded). In addition to Reclamation, responsible agencies include: IDFG, Bonneville County, the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, BLM, and the FS. Madison County is included as a responsible agency for Cartier Slough.

6.2.5 Funding

Column 5 lists anticipated sources of funding for each Management Action. For example, funding sources for recreation are from Title 28, Reclamation's program for sharing recreation expenses with partnering agencies.

6.2.6 Monitoring

Plan implementors are expected to monitor implementation progress through the life of the RMP. This column describes the type and timing of each specific Management Action to be implemented (as appropriate and needed). On an annual basis, Reclamation, Bonneville County and other responsible agencies will tabulate

implementation progress using the Graphical User Interface (GUI) associated with the RMP for each applicable Management Action, including items accomplished by date.

6.3 Amending and Updating the RMP

6.3.1 Amending Information in the RMP

The RMP will be reviewed and amended as necessary on an as-need basis to reflect changing conditions, new information, and budgetary realities. Much of this is expected to occur in response to activities related to monitoring actions (e.g., noxious weeds, Willow Creek bald eagle nest, etc.) and facilities development if and when it occurs (e.g., reestablishment of Creekside Park, overflow parking at Juniper Boat Ramp, Blacktail Park renovations, etc.).

As new data are developed and/or become available, they will be included on the Graphical User Interface (GUI) developed specifically for this RMP. The GUI will be a planning tool intended to make the RMP a dynamic and interactive document. Its purpose is to facilitate plan implementation by giving management and staff easy access to RMP data, and a straightforward method by which specific data may be modified or updated over the life of the plan. Hard copies of all new and/or updated information included in the GUI will be printed annually and inserted into the appropriate sub-appendix in Appendix G, Amended Information to the RMP (i.e., Appendix G-1, 2001-2002 Annual Reports and Activities Amended Information; Appendix G-2, 2002-2003 Annual Reports and Activities Amended Information; etc.). This annual exercise will keep the static (i.e., document) version of the RMP current and will facilitate annual status meetings with managing partners, Tribes, and stakeholders by making current information readily available. In

addition, it should expedite updating the plan at the end of its 10-year life.

6.3.2 Updating the RMP

This RMP has an intended life of 10 years and, therefore, will need to be thoroughly reviewed and updated as necessary by the end of 2011. Ample opportunity for public involvement, and agency and Tribal coordination will continue to be Reclamation's policy before adoption of a fully updated plan.

Table 6.1-1: Natural Resources.

Action	Priority		Timing		Responsible Agency		Funding		Monitoring	
Wildlife and Vegetation Management										
NAT 1.1.1: Coordinate with USFWS, IDFG, and Tribes on T&E species	High		Ongoing		Reclamation, FWS, IDFG, Tribes	NA		If Needed		
NAT 1.1.2: Protect bald eagle nest area in Willow Creek	High		Initiate Year 1		Reclamation, IDFG, Tribes, Bonneville County	Reclamation		3-year Monitoring Program		
NAT 1.1.3: Protect Ute ladies' -tresses	High		As Needed		Reclamation, Bonneville County, IDFG	Reclamation		Prior to Construction as Needed		
NAT 1.1.4: Conduct rare and sensitive species clearances	High		As Needed		Reclamation, Bonneville County, IDFG	Reclamation		Prior to Construction as Needed		
NAT 1.1.5: Protect T&E species designated in future	High		As Needed		Reclamation, IDFG, Bonneville County	Reclamation		If Needed		
NAT 1.2.1: Protect surrounding landscape by following guidelines	Medium		As Needed		Reclamation, Bonneville County	50/50 Cost Share		During Construction as Needed		
NAT 1.2.2: Protect riparian vegetation during reconstruction of Creekside Park	Dependent on Study		Dependent on RCC Study		Reclamation, Bonneville County	50/50 Cost Share		During Construction		

Table 6.1-1: Natural Resources.

Responsible Agency						
Action	Priority	Timing	Funding	Monitoring		
Wildlife and Vegetation Management						
NAT 1.2.3: Mitigate critical winter range at Tex Creek WMA	Medium	As Needed	Reclamation, IDFG	NA	Prior to and Following Construction	
NAT 1.3.1: Continue funding IDFG for habitat support	High	Annual	Reclamation	75 / 25 Cost Share	See NAT 1.3.2-1.3.4	
NAT 1.3.2: Work with IDFG to develop a format for an annual monitoring report	High	Annual	Reclamation, IDFG	NA	Annual Monitoring Report	
NAT 1.3.3: Update vegetation maps with IDFG	Medium	Years 2-5	Reclamation, IDFG	NA	NA	
NAT 1.3.4: Pursue management agreement with IDFG for Ririe Outlet Channel	Medium	2-5	Reclamation, IDFG	75 / 25 Cost Share	NA	
NAT 1.4.1: Share vegetation maps and data	Medium	As Needed	Reclamation	NA	NA	
NAT 1.4.2: Meet annually with Tribes	High	Annual	Reclamation, Tribes	NA	NA	
NAT 1.5.1: Set annual priorities for habitat management	High	Year 1	Reclamation, IDFG, Tribes		Use Previous Monitoring	

Table 6.1-1: Natural Resources.

Action	Priority		Timing		Responsible Agency		Funding		Monitoring	
Wildlife and Vegetation Management										
NAT 1.6.1: Work with IDFG for protection and enhancement activities	Medium		Ongoing		Reclamation, IDFG		NA		NA	
NAT 1.6.2: Coordinate off-WMA management with WMA management	Medium		Ongoing		Reclamation, IDFG		NA		Annual Monitoring Report	
NAT 1.8.1: Coordinate land use with Bonneville County	Medium		As Needed		Reclamation, Bonneville County		NA		Track Adjacent Land Use Proposals	
NAT 1.8.2: Cooperate with Bonneville County on “off-WMA” lands	Medium		As Needed		Reclamation, Bonneville County, IDFG		NA		NA	
NAT 1.9.1: Initiate process to close Pipe Creek Road to winter use	High		Years 2-5		Bonneville County, Reclamation, IDFG		NA		NA	
NAT 1.9.2: Enforce seasonal access restrictions	Medium		Ongoing		Bonneville County, Reclamation, FS		NA		NA	
NAT 1.9.3: Support IDFG’s outreach efforts	Medium		Years 2-5		IDFG, Reclamation		75 / 25 Cost Share		NA	

Table 6.1-1: Natural Resources.

Action						Priority	Timing	Responsible Agency	Funding	Monitoring
Wildlife and Vegetation Management										
NAT 1.10.1: Cooperatively develop IPM Plans with agencies						Medium	Years 2-5	Reclamation, IDFG, Bonneville County, Madison County	75 / 25 Cost Share	NA
NAT 1.10.2: Pursue cooperative weed control services from agencies						Medium	Years 2-5	Reclamation, IDFG, Bonneville County, Madison County	Reclamation	NA
NAT 1.10.3: Annually fund IPM plan implementation						Medium	Annual	Reclamation, IDFG Bonneville County, Madison County	Reclamation	Annual Reports
NAT 1.11.1: Prepare fire management plans						High	Year 1	Reclamation, IDFG, BLM, Bonneville County	Reclamation	NA
Fishery Resources										
NAT 2.1.1: Protect Yellowstone cutthroat trout by focusing mitigation						High	Annual	Reclamation, IDFG	Reclamation	Annual Report

Table 6.1-1: Natural Resources.

Action		Priority	Timing	Responsible Agency	Funding	Monitoring
Erosion and Water Quality						
NAT 3.1.1: Continue funding IDFG for soil protection		High	Annual	Reclamation, IDFG	75 / 25 Cost Share	NA
NAT 3.2.1: Coordinate with WAG to identify erosion and water quality issues		Medium	Ongoing	Reclamation, WAG	NA	NA
NAT 3.2.2: Work with WAG and landowners to resolve erosion/water quality issues		Medium	Ongoing	Reclamation, WAG, Landowners	NA	NA
NAT 3.3.1: Prevent erosion by following guidelines when undertaking construction		High	As Needed	Reclamation, Bonneville County, IDFG	NA	Prior to and During Construction
NAT: 4.1.1: Cooperate with County to ensure standardized boating practices		Medium	Years 2-5	Reclamation, Bonneville County	NA	NA
NAT 4.3.1: Require County to track chemical use on Reclamation lands		High	Annual	Reclamation, Bonneville County	NA	Annual Report
NAT 4.3.2: Require agencies to track chemicals used for IPM on Reclamation lands		High	Annual	Reclamation, IDFG Bonneville County, Madison County	NA	Annual Report
NAT 4.5.1: Prevent water pollution by following guidelines when undertaking construction		High	As Needed	Reclamation, Bonneville County, IDFG	NA	During Construction

Table 6.1-2: Cultural Resources

Action	Priority	Timing	Responsible Agency			Monitoring
			Funding	Funding	Funding	
Cultural Resources (Prehistoric, historic, and traditional cultural properties), Sacred Sites, and Paleontological Resources						
CUL 1.1.1: Curate archeological collections	High	As Needed	Reclamation, Tribes	Reclamation	Reclamation	NA
CUL 1.1.2: Consult with SHPO re: significant finds	High	As Needed	Reclamation, Tribes, SHPO	Reclamation	Reclamation	NA
CUL 1.1.3: Protect human burials and consult with tribes	High	As Needed	Reclamation, Tribes	Reclamation	Reclamation	NA
CUL 1.1.4: Obtain site clearances	High	As Needed	Reclamation, Tribes	Reclamation	Reclamation	Prior to Construction
CUL 1.1.5: Stabilize or protect significant cultural sites	High	As Needed	Reclamation, SHPO, Tribes	Reclamation	Reclamation	Prior to and During Construction
CUL 1.1.6: Avoid or minimize disturbance of sacred sites	High	As Needed	Reclamation, Tribes	NA	NA	NA
CUL 1.2.1: Prepare CRMP for Reclamation lands	High	Year 1	Reclamation, Tribes	Reclamation	Reclamation	NA
CUL 1.2.2: Monitor RMP area for impacts to cultural resources	Medium	Ongoing	Reclamation IDFG, Bonneville County, Tribes	Reclamation	Reclamation	Periodically

Table 6.1-2: Cultural Resources

Action	Priority	Timing	Responsible Agency	Funding	Monitoring
Cultural Resources (Prehistoric, historic, and traditional cultural properties), Sacred Sites, and Paleontological Resources					
CUL 1.3.1: Generate awareness of cultural resources with State and County staff	High	Years 2-5	Reclamation, IDFG, Bonneville County, Tribes	Reclamation	NA
CUL 1.4.1: Prepare cultural and paleontological resource display at Visitors Center	Medium	Years 2-5	Reclamation, Tribes, Bonneville County	Reclamation	NA
CUL 2.1.1: Meet annually with the Tribes regarding Tribal issues and ITAs	High	Annual	Reclamation, Tribes	NA	NA
CUL 2.2.1 Use NEPA process to assess impacts to ITAs	High	As needed	Reclamation, Tribes	Reclamation	NA

Table 6.1-3: Recreation Actions

Action	Area	Priority	Timing	Responsible Agency	Funding
Boating and Other Water-based Recreation					
REC 1.1.1: Fund a Recreational Carrying Capacity (RCC) Study	Applies to all sites	High	Year 1 (Initiate)	Reclamation, Bonneville County, Tribes, IDFG	Reclamation

Table 6.1-3: Recreation Actions

Action	Area			Priority		Timing	Responsible Agency		Funding
Boating and Other Water-based Recreation									
REC 1.1.2: Use Carrying Capacity Study results for decisions re: facility expansion		Applies to all sites	High		Ongoing		Reclamation, Bonneville County	NA	
REC 1.2.1: Upgrade Blacktail boat ramp		Blacktail	Dependent on Study		Dependent on RCC		Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share	
REC 1.2.2: Upgrade Blacktail moorage		Blacktail	Dependent on Study		Dependent on RCC		Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share	
REC 1.2.3: Reconfigure Blacktail boat ramp ingress/egress		Blacktail	Dependent on Study		Dependent on RCC		Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share	
REC 1.2.4: Reconfigure Blacktail parking		Blacktail	Dependent on Study		Dependent on RCC		Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share	
REC 1.2.5: Allow improved facilities and services for concessionaire		Blacktail	Dependent on Study		Dependent on RCC		Bonneville County, Reclamation	NA	
REC 1.2.6: Provide additional day-use floats at Blacktail		Blacktail	Dependent on Study		Dependent on RCC		Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share	

Table 6.1-3: Recreation Actions

Action	Area			Priority		Timing		Responsible Agency		Funding
Boating and Other Water-based Recreation										
REC 1.3.1: Create overflow parking at Juniper		Juniper	Dependent on RCC Study					Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share	
REC 1.3.2: Create new moorage at Juniper boat ramp		Juniper	Dependent on RCC Study					Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share	
REC 1.3.3: Provide 3 additional day-use floats at Juniper		Juniper	Dependent on RCC Study					Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share	
REC 2.1.1: Alleviate motorized/non-motorized conflicts		Applies to entire reservoir	Dependent on RCC Study					Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share	
REC 2.2.1: Determine enforcement based on RCC Study		Applies to entire reservoir	Dependent on RCC Study					Bonneville County, Reclamation	NA	
REC 2.2.2: Determine additional law enforcement needs		Applies to entire reservoir	Dependent on RCC Study					Bonneville County, Reclamation	NA	
REC 2.2.3: Provide additional law enforcement funding		Applies to entire reservoir	Dependent on RCC Study					Reclamation, Bonneville County	Reclamation	

Table 6.1-3: Recreation Actions

Action		Area	Priority	Timing	Responsible Agency	Funding
Boating and Other Water-based Recreation						
REC 2.3.1:	Continue system to define swimming area at Blacktail	Blacktail	High	Ongoing	Bonneville County, Reclamation	NA
REC 2.3.2:	Determine Blacktail's additional swimming needs	Blacktail	Dependent on Study	on RCC	Reclamation, Bonneville County	50 / 50 Cost Share
REC 2.3.3:	Create swimming area at Juniper	Juniper	Medium	Years 2-5	Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share
REC 2.3.4:	Create swimming area at Benchlands	Benchlands	Medium	Years 2-5	Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share
REC 2.3.5:	Post swimming risk signs	Applies to all sites	High	Years 2-5	Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share
REC 2.4.1:	Create scuba park implementation team	Juniper	High	Year 1	Reclamation, Bonneville County	NA
REC 2.4.2:	Determine and approve appropriate scuba park site	Juniper	High	Year 1	Reclamation, Bonneville County	NA

Table 6.1-3: Recreation Actions

Action		Area	Priority	Timing	Responsible Agency	Funding
Boating and Other Water-based Recreation						
REC 2.4.3:	Scuba park proponents responsible for 404 permit	Juniper	High	Year 1	Scuba Club, Reclamation	Scuba Club
REC 2.4.4:	Scuba park proponents responsible for hazard warnings and maintenance	Juniper	High	Ongoing	Scuba Club, Reclamation	Scuba Club
Shoreline and Other Land-Based Recreation						
REC 3.1.1:	Develop Trails Plan	Applies to all sites	Medium	Years 2-5	Reclamation, Bonneville County	50 / 50 Cost Share
REC 3.1.2:	Create shoreline access trail at Juniper	Juniper	Medium	Years 2-5	Reclamation, Bonneville County	50 / 50 Cost Share
REC 3.1.3:	Create Creekside loop trail to Willow Creek	Creeks-side	Dependent on Study	on RCC	Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share
REC 3.1.4:	Upgrade Creekside access trail	Creek-side	Low	As Needed	Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share

Table 6.1-3: Recreation Actions

Action		Area	Priority	Timing	Responsible Agency	Funding Source
Shoreline and Other Land-Based Recreation						
REC 3.1.5:	Create non-motorized trail near Juniper	Juniper	Low	Years 6 - 10	Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share
REC 3.1.6:	Create non-motorized trail near Blacktail	Blacktail	High	Years 2-5	Bonneville County, Reclamation, IDFG	50 / 50 Cost Share
REC 3.2.1:	Create additional parking and day use facilities	Blacktail	Dependent on Study	Dependent on RCC	Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share
REC 3.2.2:	Expand on-site power generation	Blacktail	Medium	Years 2-5	Bonneville County, Reclamation	Concession, Bonneville County
REC 3.2.3:	Allow concessionaire facilities upgrades	Blacktail	Dependent on Study	Dependent on RCC	Bonneville County, Reclamation	Concession
REC 3.3.1:	Develop 3 rd campground loop at Juniper	Juniper	Dependent on Study	Dependent on RCC	Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share

Table 6.1-3: Recreation Actions

Action	Area	Priority	Timing	Responsible Agency	Funding Source
Shoreline and Other Land-Based Recreation					
REC 3.3.2: Improve entrance signage	Juniper	High	Year 2	Bonneville County Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share
REC 3.3.3: Provide kiosk, signage, and displays	Juniper	Medium	Years 2-5	Bonneville County Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share
REC 3.3.4: Reorganize Visitors Center	Juniper	High	Years 2-5	Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share
REC 3.4.1: Post rock climbing risk signs	Juniper	High	Year 1	Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share
REC 3.4.2: Prohibit cliff-diving through County ordinance	Juniper	High	Year 1	Bonneville County, Reclamation	NA
REC 3.5.1: Upgrade and reopen Creekside Park	Creek-side	Dependent on Study	Dependent on RCC	Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share
REC 3.5.2: Enhance angler area below dam	Creek-side	Dependent on Study	Dependent on RCC	Reclamation, Bonneville County	50 / 50 Cost Share

Table 6.1-3: Recreation Actions

Action	Area			Priority		Timing		Responsible Agency		Funding Source
Shoreline and Other Land-Based Recreation										
REC 3.6.1: Create accessible fishing pier		Dam	Medium	Medium	Years 2-5			Reclamation, Bonneville County	50 / 50 Cost Share	
REC 3.6.2: Reorganize dam parking		Dam	Medium	Medium	Years 2-5			Reclamation, Bonneville County	50 / 50 Cost Share	
REC 3.6.3: Post information at fishing pier		Dam	Medium	Medium	Years 2-5			Reclamation, Bonneville County	50 / 50 Cost Share	
REC 3.7.1: Improve shoreline accessibility at Benchlands		Bench-lands	Medium	Medium	Years 2-5			Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share	
REC 3.7.2: Make restrooms accessible at Benchlands		Bench-lands	High	High	Year 1			Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share	
REC 3.7.3: Increase moorage at Benchlands		Bench-lands	Dependent on Study	Dependent on Study	Dependent on RCC			Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share	
REC 3.7.4: Increase day-use facilities at Benchlands		Bench-lands	Dependent on Study	Dependent on Study	Dependent on RCC			Bonneville County, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share	

Table 6.1-3: Recreation Actions

Action	Area	Priority	Timing	Responsible Agency	Funding Source
Shoreline and Other Land-Based Recreation					
REC 4.1.1: Enhance public access in Tex Creek WMA	Blacktail	Low	Years 2-5	IDFG, Reclamation	50 / 50 Cost Share
REC 5.1.1: Create nature trail at Cartier Slough	Cartier	Medium	Years 2-5	IDFG, Madison County	50 / 50 Cost Share
REC 5.1.2: Create photography blinds at Cartier Slough	Cartier	Medium	Years 2-5	IDFG, Madison County	50 / 50 Cost Share
REC 5.1.3: Continue to allow dog training activities at Cartier Slough	Cartier	NA	Ongoing	IDFG	NA
REC 5.1.4: Continue to allow cross-country skiing at Cartier Slough	Cartier	NA	Ongoing	IDFG	NA

Table 6.1-4: Access Management, Coordination, and Implementation

Action	Priority	Timing	Responsible Agency	Funding	Monitoring
Access Management, Coordination, and Implementation					
ACI 1.2.1: Inform public regarding dam safety.	High	As Needed	Reclamation	NA	NA
ACI 2.2.1 (See NAT 1.9.1-1.9.3)					

Table 6.1-4: Access Management, Coordination, and Implementation

Action	Responsible Agency				Funding	Monitoring
	Priority	Timing	Agency	Funding		
Access Management, Coordination, and Implementation						
ACI 3.1.1: Conduct boundary survey of Cartier Slough Road	High	Year 1	Reclamation, Madison County, IDFG	Reclamation	NA	
ACI 3.1.2: Determine agency responsibilities for Cartier Slough Road	High	Year 1	Reclamation, Madison County, IDFG	NA	NA	
ACI 5.1.1: Require annual IDFG Operations Plan and budget three years ahead of planned implementation	High	Annual	IDFG, Reclamation	NA	NA	
ACI 5.1.2: Reclamation to approve funding based on review	High	Annual	Reclamation, IDFG	NA	Annual Monitoring Report	
ACI 5.1.3: See Management Actions NAT 1.3.1-1.3.4; NAT 1.9.3; NAT 2.1.1; NAT 3.1.1 & 3.1.2; REC 4.1.1; & REC 5.1.1-5.1.4						
ACI 5.2.1: Request that FS publish winter WMA closure information	High	Year 1	Reclamation, FS	NA	NA	
ACI 5.2.2: Provide winter closure signage and fencing on WMA boundary	Medium	Ongoing	Reclamation, FS, IDFG	75 / 25 Cost Share	NA	
ACI 5.2.3 See Management Actions NAT 1.9.1 and 1.9.2						

Table 6.1-4: Access Management, Coordination, and Implementation

Action	Priority	Timing	Responsible Agency	Funding	Monitoring
Access Management, Coordination, and Implementation					
ACI 5.3.1: See Management Actions NAT 4.1.1; REC 2.1.1; & REC 2.2.1-2.2.3; REC 3.4.2					
ACI 5.4.1: See Management Actions NAT 1.8.1 & NAT 1.8.2					
ACI 5.5.1: See Management Actions NAT 3.2.1-3.2.3					
ACI 5.6.1: Survey Reclamation’s property boundaries at Ririe and Tex Creek	Medium	Years 2-5	Reclamation	Reclamation	NA
ACI 5.6.2: Sign WMA boundaries at all access points	Medium	Years 2-5	Reclamation, IDFG	75 / 25 Cost Share	NA
ACI 5.6.3: Cooperate with adjoining land owners for signage and fencing	Medium	Ongoing	Reclamation, Landowners	NA	NA
ACI 5.7.1: Host annual Tribal Coordinating Workshop/Tour	High	Annual	Reclamation, Tribes	Reclamation	NA
ACI 5.7.2: See Management Actions NAT 1.1.1; NAT 1.2.1; NAT 1.4.1 – 1.4.2; NAT 1.11.1; CUL 1.1.1 – 1.1.6; CUL 1.2.1 – 1.2.2; CUL 1.4.1					
ACI 5.8.1: Create Public Information Plan	Medium	Years 2-5	Reclamation, Bonneville County, IDFG	Reclamation	NA

Table 6.1-4: Access Management, Coordination, and Implementation

Access Management, Coordination, and Implementation					Responsible Agency	Funding	Monitoring
Action	Priority	Timing					
ACI 5.8.2: See Management Actions NAT 1.9.3; CUL 1.4.1; REC 3.1.6; REC 3.3.3 – 3.3.4; REC 3.5.1; REC 3.5.2; REC 3.6.3; & REC 4.4.1							
ACI 5.9.1: See Management Action NAT 1.11.1							
ACI 7.1.1: Use IRMS (GUI) to track and annually update RMP schedule	High	Ongoing			Reclamation	NA	Ongoing Monitoring Tool
ACI 7.1.2: Conduct meeting for RMP partners/stakeholders	High	Annual			Reclamation, IDFG, Bonneville County, BLM, Stakeholders	Reclamation	Use of Ongoing Monitoring Tool
ACI 7.2.1: See Management Actions REC 2.2.3; ACI 1.1.3; ACI 5.1.1 – 5.1.2							
ACI 7.3.1: Incorporate market considerations in RCC Study	High	Year 1			Reclamation	NA	Use of RCC Study
ACI 7.3.2: Discuss user fees at annual meeting	High	Annual			Reclamation	NA	NA