PLANNING PURPOSES

- Determine types of recreation to be provided & where appropriate
- Develop objectives (consistent with local tribal, government, resource and community needs) for managing recreation over 10-15 years
- Identify partnerships and volunteer opportunities
- Reduce unauthorized usages & impacts of recreation
- Establish priorities for implementation



PLANNING GOALS

- Public safety
- Compatible with state management obligations
- * Resource protection
- Quality user experience



RECREATION PLANNING PROCESS

Estimated 2-Year Timeframe

Data Gathering

- Biological Data
- Soils/ Geology Data
- Management Data
- Field Visits
- Trail Inventory
- Community Meetings Input
- General Public Input
- Recreation Trends
- User Survey
- Adjacent Land Uses

Assessment

- Land Suitability Analysis
- Field Visits
- Issue Sorting from:
 - Survey Results
 - Public MeetingsCommittee Input
 - Ongoing Public Input
- Evaluate Costs of Capital Development & Maintenance

Recommendations

- Committee Brainstorming
- Preliminary Recommendations
- Develop/Review Draft Recreation Concept Plans
- Prioritize Implementation Timeline
- Final Concept Plan
- Committee Recommendation

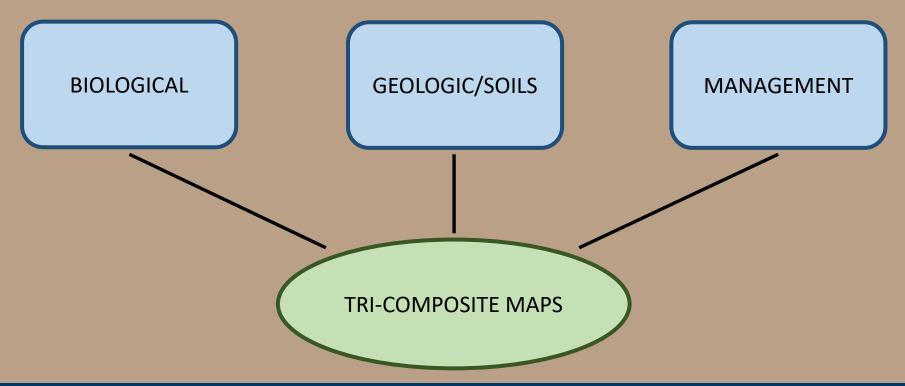


RECREATION LAND SUITABILITY

Purpose: To create tools (maps) that guide recreation planning

Process: Identify and map areas with long-term limiting

factors that affect recreation planning





Land Suitability Criteria

BIOLOGICAL

Communities

S, T & E Species

Wetlands
Wetland Buffers
Riparian Areas
Elk Habitat
Cliffs, Bluffs & Talus Slopes
High Quality & Rare Plant

GEOLOGIC/SOILS

Soils With High Erosion Potential

Poorly Drained Soils

Slope Percentage

100-year Flood Plains

Areas That have Moved In

Previous Landslides

Areas With High Potential for

Landslides

MANAGEMENT

Communications

Rock Sources

Utility Easements

Land Adjacent to Other Properties

Water Sources

Maps are tools, they do not represent pre-determined decisions

Low Suitability does not mean no access or no recreation



LAND SUITABILITY MAPPING

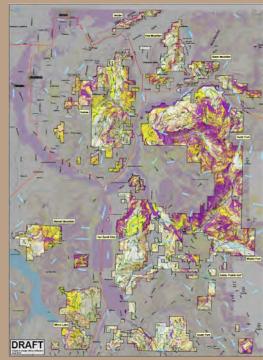
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Composite Maps



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Washington State Department of Natural Resources

Mission

In partnership with citizens and governments, the Washington State DNR provides innovative leadership and expertise to ensure environmental protection, public safety, perpetual funding for schools and communities, and a rich quality of life







DNR's Recreation Vision:

Provide diverse and high quality recreational opportunities on DNR landscapes that foster community engagement, promote a strong sense of environmental stewardship, and enrich the quality of life in Washington.



Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife

Agency Mission:

To preserve, protect and perpetuate fish, wildlife and ecosystems while providing sustainable fish and wildlife recreational and commercial opportunities.





Draft Statewide Wildlife Area Goals

- 1) Provide functioning habitat for fish and wildlife;
- 2) Where applicable, manage for individual species populations, consistent with the funding source for a particular site;
- 3) Where consistent with Goals 1 & 2, provide opportunities for the public to access wildlife area lands for fishing, hunting and wildlife-related recreational purposes; and
- 4) Conduct open and transparent process to engage stakeholders in agency decision making on wildlife areas.

