

Topic: Recreation Forum meeting

Time: February 16, 3:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Time	Agenda Item	Desired Outcomes
3:00	Join ZOOM and Roll Call  Approval of December notes	Set expectations and clear goals for teleconference meeting.  Join a little early if possible, so we can troubleshoot any tech issues people may have
3:10pm	Winter Updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Recreation solutions</li><li>• Media coverage</li><li>• Video posting schedule<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Logo development</li></ul></li></ul>	Victoria Wilkins – USFS Jason Goldstein – State Parks Kathy Young – BCHW, RRC
3:40	KSF survey synthesis	Erin Krake
3:55	Group Updates	All – rec community goals for 2021
4:10	Land Manager Updates	USFS, DNR, WDFW, State Parks, TNC
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Join Zoom Meeting

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Present: Ted Jackson, Kathy Young, Susan Thomas, Eva Tyler, Karen Behm, Doug Kilgore, Bradley Gasawski, Wayne Mohler, Ellie Belew, Eugene Reed, Kevin Clements

Land managers: Nicky Pasi, Jason Goldstein, Darcy Batura, Larry Leach, Stephanie Margheim, Nancy Lillquist, Tristan Spencer

Guests and presenters: Erin Krake, Tonya Morrey

- Note changes/updates
  - No updates for January notes
- Winter updates
  - Recreation solutions
    - Victoria Wilkins updates (shared by Nicky)
      - Thank you to Kathy and others that responded to request for interviews
      - News release got good push from radio stations, newspaper outlets, and social media
    - State Parks - Jason
      - 3-4% increase non-motorized use
      - 3 temporary sno-parks to deal w/ chaos @ pass
      - 1) 29 Pines - including plowing, portable toilet and a short 1 mile snowshoe trail going to Jungle Cr Road
      - 2) Easton Reload re-opened for non-moto use
      - 3) Cle Elum River campground including a snowshoe trail
      - Ask: look out for follow-up Seattle Times article in late February, suggestions for new permanent sno-parks above 3000'? already disturbed area is ideal
      - Wayne: monitoring of areas? Answer: all getting used, good plan B. Jungle Cr has down trees, is it passable? Answer: not sure, worst between Camp Lake and Teanaway Butte
      - Bradley: new trails groomed? Answer: snowshoe trails blazed, not groomed
      - Nicky: maps for trails? Answer: no as they are temporary, pretty easy to identify at location
      - Eva: road to Camp Lake non-motorized? Answer: can snowshoe there
  - Media Coverage
    - Recreate Responsibly – Kathy Young
      - RR created 8 month ago in Seattle by WTA, REI, etc. to see what we could do during the pandemic to get people outside safely
      - Now a huge national movement, messaging consistent and easy
      - 4 billion social impressions, toolkit downloaded 12,000 times
      - [7 messages](#)
      - Group meets bi-weekly, 4 sub-groups (public lands and trails, experiential learning and youth, communication, equity and social justice)

- Ask: where should energy be directed in future as pandemic winds down?
    - Karen: take it to big corporations with rec clubs (i.e. Microsoft, Boeing)? Answer: not aware but will ask, suspects it is happening
  - Video posting schedule – Nicky Pasi
    - Already posted EAP and navigation apps for snowfall from last weekend
    - Rest of Bradley's this week and weekend
    - Eva's next week
    - Posted on [new page](#) on our website as well as Facebook
  - Logo development
    - Anyone interested in helping with this?
- KSF survey synthesis – Erin Krake
  - 70%+ of respondents believed funds should go toward recreation projects
  - 50-60% fund stewardship projects and projects that improve recreation connectivity
  - 40% facilitate collaboration
  - 25% Oversee fundraising
  - See slides for individual responses to other questions
  - 2/3 of people said their group was likely to support program
  - Susan: how many people are you looking for committee? Answer: reaching out to business owners, people with legal expertise, recreation and land management backgrounds. Let Nicky Pasi or Darcy Batura know if you know someone who's interested
- Group updates – Rec community goals for 2021
  - Gene: meetings in person again
  - Eva: West Fork Teanaway Community Forest trail coalition, checking out places for trails in spring
  - Wayne: coordinating w/ DNR and FS for interconnecting trail between Colockum and Blewett Pass
  - Kathy: making sure GAOA funding disperses appropriately, educate and prevent non-stock people using horse camps
  - Ellie: include outreach to Roslyn-area local community that is not in user groups, in advance of volunteer/hands on projects
  - Doug: know unmet funding needs on public projects, partnering together to communicate most important requests to govt. officials
  - Kevin: Field and Stream; replanting from fires. Ruff grouse; boots on the ground projects from last-year (pre-commercial thinning, straighten out parking area by Whiskey Dick wildlife area)
  - Karen: trail improvements for winter water drainage, signage
  - Bradley: participating in trail maintenance days for hiking, biking, and skiing and trail building for mountain biking on Naneum Ridge
  - Ted: pedestrian corridor project, street legal ATV/UTV tour routes (proposed to county), ensuring NOVA funds are going through and sustaining budget, multi-use road safety account and signage
- Land Manager Updates
  - TNC – Darcy
    - Hired a new forester – Herman Flamenco
    - Brian Straniti has moved on to new TNC position in NY, new community relations position open soon

- Beginning a 300 acre thinning project on the Cle Elum Ridge (east side of Alliance and Main Ridge Rd intersection), beginning at the end of this month
  - Blocks RatPac trail, haul route will be Alliance Rd
  - Local contractor!
- DNR – Larry
  - A lot of land without legal public access, work with county to get access to parcels near Manastash and Naneum
  - Out of towners using green-dot roads and not knowing rules, can group help educate out of county folks?
- USFS – John
  - Trail connection (Wayne’s goal): projects like this requires NEPA, will take some time
  - Messaging is helping with parking issues, support from Sheriff
  - New sledding hill at the pass getting used, berm to block sledders from running into snowmobiles
  - GAOA – be successful with funds given this summer, Deb Davis is point of contact for projects
  - Get access issues to Forest Supervisor to increase their priority on the project list
- WDFW – Tristan
  - Open track D area longer than last 2 seasons, hiring a new ranger