

**FINAL Meeting Notes**  
**Lewis River License Implementation**  
**Lewis River Recreation Advisory Committee (LRC) Meeting**  
**October 2, 2007**  
**Ariel, Washington**

**LRC Participants Present (8)**

Jim Eychaner, Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office  
Mariah Stoll-Smith Reese, Lewis River Community Council  
Jane Hills, PacifiCorp  
Brock Applegate, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
David Moore, PacifiCorp Energy

Jay Maher, Kleinschmidt & Associates (via phone)  
Susan Jurasz, Sea Reach Ltd.  
Peter Reedrijk, Sea Reach Ltd.

**Opening and Review of Agenda**

David Moore (PacifiCorp Energy) welcomed the group and introduced Jay Maher (Kleinschmidt & Associates) a consultant contracted by PacifiCorp to develop the Lewis River Shoreline Management Plan (SMP). Attendees followed by introducing themselves.

**Lewis River Shoreline Management Plan**

Maher guided a PowerPoint presentation that provided an overview of the Lewis River SMP process (Attachment A). He summarized the public listening session held on August 22, 2007 at the Lewis River Golf Course. Moore notified the group of the FERC project boundary maps posted on PacifiCorp's website at <http://www.pacificorp.com/Article/Article76278.html> and summarized the erosion meeting that was held on September 13, 2007 at Merwin. Moore also announced the October 17, 2007 public meeting, which will present elements of the Lewis River Settlement Agreement and provide the opportunity for public to interact with project staff. The meeting was initiated from public interest at the SMP listening session.

Moore provided an SMP schedule update and described potential shoreline classifications. Jim Eychaner (Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office) suggested a more neutral term for the proposed Multi-Use classification.

Brock Applegate (Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife) commented that all PacifiCorp lands associated with reservoir shorelines are designated for wildlife habitat, except those lands listed as "Areas Excluded from WHMP Lands," in Exhibit A in the Settlement Agreement.

## **Lewis River Interpretation and Education (I&E) Program**

Susan Jurasz (Sea Reach Ltd.) presented a status report on the Lewis River I&E planning process which is **Attachment B**. Mariah Stoll-Smith Reese (Lewis River Community Council) provided spelling corrections to names of people listed in the process summary. Jurasz added that all information gathered to develop I&E content will be summarized in a Lewis River Storyline that will be available for creating additional I&E elements in the future.

Peter Reedrijk (Sea Reach Ltd.) presented an actual size mock up interpretative panels for Saddle Dam Park and discussed panel design intent. Reese suggested changing the content on the welcome sign regarding PacifiCorp's day use parking fee.

Mariah Stoll-Smith Reese (Lewis River Community Council) requested that all of the signage created be compliant with the day use fee agreement. Currently the draft wording in regards to fees does not reflect the non-fee times or other aspects, addition to parking fees, covered in the agreement.

## **Ongoing Project Updates**

Moore announced that PacifiCorp has completed installation of vault toilets at Island River Access, Johnson Creek and Merwin Hatchery. Moore informed attendees that Clark County notified PacifiCorp that they will not permit the installation of a new vault toilet at Cedar Creek. The County will be sending a letter to PacifiCorp formalizing their decision that will be forwarded to all Parties of the Settlement Agreement. After receiving the letter, PacifiCorp will propose an approach to addressing ADA access at Cedar Creek. Moore added that the proposed vault toilet at Lewis River Hatchery is scheduled to be completed by spring 2009.

## **Next Meeting**

Moore proposed the next meeting be held in spring 2008. PacifiCorp will make all meeting materials available prior to the meeting for potential call-in attendees.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30pm

## **Handouts**

- Final Agenda
- Shoreline Management Plan Presentation (**Attachment A**)
- Lewis River Interpretation Process, (**Attachment B**)

An aerial photograph of a river system. The river flows from the top center towards the bottom center. The banks are covered in dense green vegetation, likely trees and shrubs. The water in the river is a light, silty color. The overall scene is a natural, undeveloped landscape.

# **Lewis River Projects**

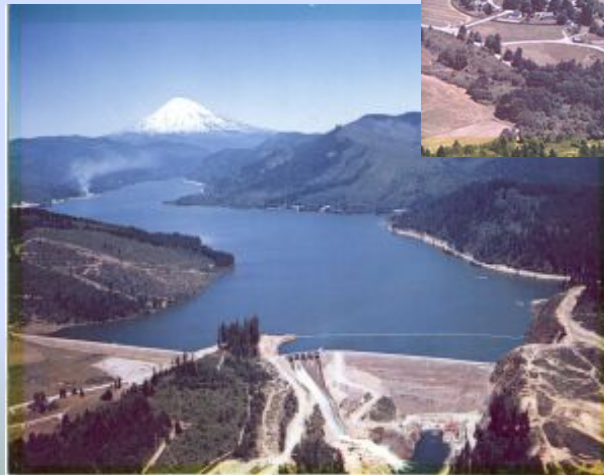
## **Shoreline Management Plan**

# Shoreline Management Plan Development Process

## What is a Shoreline Management Plan (SMP)?

“A comprehensive plan to manage the multiple resources and uses of the project’s shorelines in a manner that is consistent with license requirements and project purposes, and addresses the needs of the public.”

# Shoreline Management Plan Development Process



# Shoreline Management Plan Process Overview

- Stakeholder & Public Input
- Development of SMP
- FERC Review & Approval
- Implementation

# Stakeholder & Public Input

- Public Listening Session(s)
- Interface with Resource Agencies and other Stakeholders
- Opportunities for Review of Draft SMP

# Development of Shoreline Management Plan

## SMP Elements

- Management Goals and Objectives
- Land Use Classifications
- Allowable Uses
- Permitting Policies & Standards
- SMP Update Policies
- Consultation Procedures



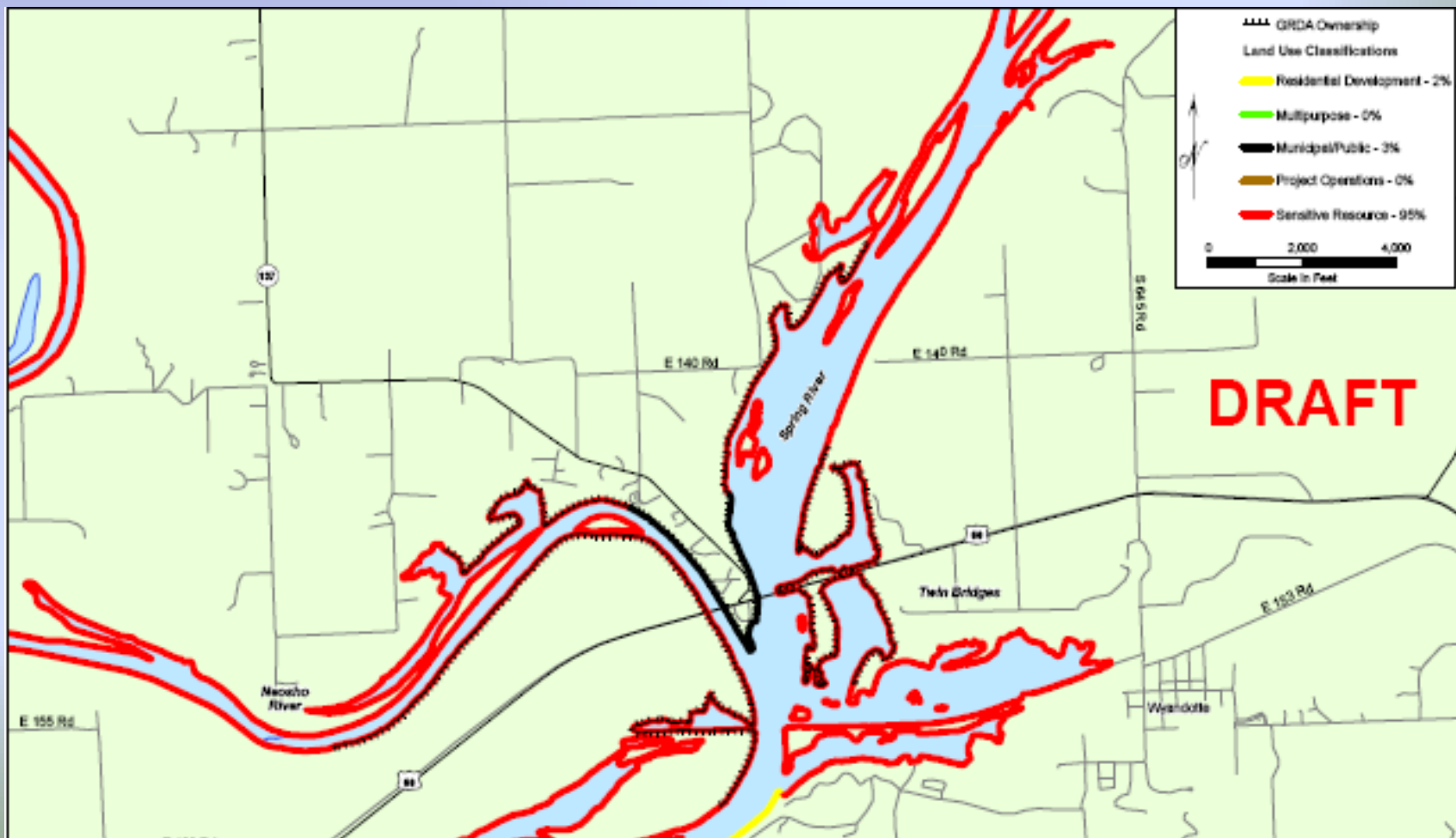
# Development of Shoreline Management Plan

## Preliminary Management Goals

PacifiCorp is committed to developing a forward looking Shoreline Management Plan, encompassing the spirit and objectives of the Lewis River Settlement Agreement. The SMP will serve as a tool to assist in effectively analyzing appropriate shoreline uses within the Project boundaries, as well as provide a supportable and defensible means for shoreline management and permitting decisions.

# Development of Shoreline Management Plan

## Shoreline Management Classifications



# Development of Shoreline Management Plan

## Allowable Uses



# Development of Shoreline Management Plan

## What Resources May Be Involved?

- Public and Private Shoreline Facilities
- Recreation Use & Access
- Water Use and Quality
- Wetlands
- Cultural & Historic Sites
- Land Use and Aesthetics
- Threatened & Endangered Species
- Fisheries & Wildlife
- Public Safety
- Soils/Erosion

# FERC Review & Approval

- PacifiCorp Files SMP with FERC
- FERC Provides Public Review/Comment Period
- FERC Requests Additional Information and/or Drafts EIS or EA
- FERC Approval of SMP
- PacifiCorp Implements SMP

# Implementation

- Public Education & Outreach
- Compliance with Policies & Requirements
- Periodic Review of SMP
- SMP Revisions (as warranted over time)

# What the Shoreline Management Plan Will Do

- Involve stakeholders in the planning process
- Identify management policies on PacifiCorp lands and Project waters
- Develop a land use classification system
- Define “allowable uses”
- Identify permitting requirements
- Provide “grandfather” clauses
- Allow PacifiCorp management w/limited FERC oversight

# What the Shoreline Management Plan Will Not Do

- Eliminate FERC oversight
- Eliminate PacifiCorp oversight/jurisdiction
- Change the shoreline overnight
- Address issues outside the Project boundaries
- Guarantee continuation of all current/historic uses



# Anticipated Schedule

## Summer 2007

- Meet with stakeholder groups
- Inventory existing uses
- Develop classifications & allowable uses
- Develop permitting policies

## Fall/Winter 2007

- Distribute Draft SMP for review and comment
- Public meetings to discuss Draft SMP
- Agency review of Draft SMP
- Finalize SMP and submit to FERC

## Summer/Fall 2008

- FERC approves SMP
- PacifiCorp implements SMP policies

# Contact Information

[www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)

[www.ferc.gov/industries/hydropower/gen-info/guidelines/smpbook.pdf](http://www.ferc.gov/industries/hydropower/gen-info/guidelines/smpbook.pdf)

<http://www.pacificorp.com/Article/Article76278.html>

[David.Moore@pacificorp.com](mailto:David.Moore@pacificorp.com)

(503) 813-6945

[Todd.Olson@pacificorp.com](mailto:Todd.Olson@pacificorp.com)

(503) 813-6577

**Comments or Questions?**

# The Interpretive Process

## *Getting to Know the Site, History, and Audience*

### Site Visits

- 10/26/06 Initial Site Visit
- 2/9/07 Second Site Visit
- 3/6/07 Stakeholders Meeting
- 3/29/07 Interviews with Don Stuart, Elva Dobbins, Ralph and Shirley Bozorth, Leonard and Sue Reese
- 4/12/07 Met with Clifford Casseseka and George Lee
- 4/17/07 Met with Ed Arthur, Cowlitz Tribe
- 4/30/07 Community Meeting
- 7/5/07 Dam Site Visit
- 7/7/07 Interview with Tom Frasier
- 7/13/07 Camping
- 7/19/07 Travel to Yakima and meet with Yakama Tribal members
- 7/24/07 Real Estate Tour
- 8/16/07 Spend day with Kirk Naylor, biologist, on site

### Stakeholder Meetings

#### Community Meetings

- Flores Ledford Loy
- Charles Ferguson
- Noel Johnson
- Joann (Graham) Cummings
- Dennis Frasier
- Frannis (Hannah) Tangen
- Steve Tangen
- Tom Frasier
- George Thoeny
- Iris B. (Hannah) Jensen
- Eulakee G. Gilbert
- Janice Row
- Byron Ferguson
- Elva M. (Hannah) Dobbins
- Judy Wilkinson Ibbs
- Tsungani Smith
- Julia Stoll
- Lottie Stoll-Smith
- Barbara Karnis
- Erin Thoeny
- Peggy Thoeny
- Janice Fillman
- Margaret Colf Hepola
- Mary H. (Laughlin) Vannoy
- Mariah Reese
- Donnie Kelley
- Dottie Johnson
- Jerry Johnson
- Rod Hazen

#### Interviews with PacifiCorp Staff and Stakeholders

- Floods: Jennifer Kelly, Doug Bornmeier
- Hydropower: Gene Scibelli, Roger Rayburn
- Fish biology: Frank Shrier, Erik Lesko
- Recreation: Jane Hills
- Wildlife: Kirk Naylor
- Senior Environmental Analyst: David Moore
- Mt. St. Helens: Maggie Dowd

#### Interviews with Locals

- Margaret Colf-Helpola
- Tom Frasier
- Elva Dobbins
- Leonard Reese
- Don Stuart
- Ralph and Shirley Bozorth

#### Interview with Tribes

- Clifford Casseseka, Elder, Yakama Nation
- George Lee, Yakama Nation
- Johnson Meninick, Cultural Resources, Yakama Nation
- Pamela Fabela, Heritage Center Director, Yakama Nation
- Marilyn Malatare, Curator, Yakama Nation
- Ed Arthur, Asst. Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, Cowlitz Indian Tribe
- Mike Iyall, Cowlitz Indian Tribe

#### Interviews with Users

- Spent three days camping at Cresap Bay

#### *Step I: Defining the Interpretive Approach*

##### First Impressions

- beautiful sites and very nice amenities
- difficult to see dams, so it is not obvious that sites are on a reservoir
- nothing distinguishes PacifiCorp sites from other nearby recreation sites
- limited amount of interpretation exists—not very inspiring
- needs information about the entire area as well as site specific information

##### Requirements for each site

- FERC information (project name & number, license, etc.)
- Regulatory information, hours, rules, etc.

##### Identifying important themes and topics

- Hydroelectricity—“You are recreating on a hydroelectric project”
- Stewardship (on a large and small scale) — Natural History
- Cultural History of the Valley—Tribes and early settlement

##### The Products

- **Orientation**—Redesign the FERC information to include a map of all three reservoirs and Mt. St. Helens (the watershed), introduce visitors to PacifiCorp and the fact they are recreating in a hydroelectric project area.
- **Welcome** —Design a site-specific welcome panel for each location with the rules of conduct, hours of operation, maps, things to do, and information specific to that site.
- **Primary Exhibits per site**—at least one on cultural history and one on natural history (stewardship based). The cultural history will either be about the hydroelectric story directly, or will be about tribes and early settlement, with the hydroelectric story indirectly mentioned. All exhibits will refer to the hydroelectric story in some context.

- **Intimate Interpretive Opportunities**—the campgrounds and Merwin Park will feature some “fun” interpretive discovery elements along the nature trails and in the amphitheater areas. This interpretation will be geared toward kids of all ages.
- **Docent/Camp Host Guide**—the storyline will be developed as a guide for the camp hosts.

### *Step II: Developing the Interpretive Materials*

#### Development of a Storyline

- The storyline is a written document, roughly 30 to 50 pages that profiles the natural and cultural history of the area. It goes through a series of reviews for accuracy and content. Once it is approved, it becomes the guide for the individual exhibits.

#### Breaking the storyline into individual exhibits

Choosing the topics per site. Themes and topics are chosen for each site on the basis of the following:

- 1) What can we present (out of the storyline) that is site specific? This is a one of the driving forces of interpretation—a story is most effective when it is told at the place it happened—“fiercely local”.
- 2) Although the exhibits are designed to stand alone—we also want to create a story, we want the exhibits to fit together, adding to a visitor’s basic knowledge/appreciation of all the sites and the reservoirs as a whole.
  - We make decisions about how to strategically present the stories in a way that will make sense to a visitor that may visit one site, two, or five in a season.
  - We make decisions based on exposure. For example: Tell the most important stories at the campgrounds where larger groups congregate and spend more time on site.
  - We also make decisions based on the audience. For example: Tell stories to the appropriate (more receptive) audiences—Information on water quality, fishing, and flood control (for fish habitat) are better at day use sites where fishermen congregate . . .
- 3) Audience also drives decisions regarding *how to present* information. For Example: At a campground where people have more time, stories can be more complex or because kids are present, the presentation can be more playful.

### *Step III: The Elements of Design*

- Exhibit profiles
- Search for images
- Artists develop illustrations
- Exhibit layout
- Interactive exhibits
- Construction Drawings
- Prototype

### *Step IV: Exhibit Fabrication & Installation*