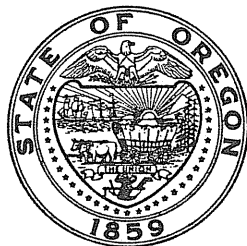


**OREGON LAKES AND RESERVOIRS**

**JOSEPHINE AND JACKSON COUNTIES**

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FOR ANGLER ACCESS AND  
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# JOSEPHINE AND JACKSON COUNTY LAKES AND RESERVOIRS

## Master Plan for Angler Access

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## Associated Recreational Uses

This report details a plan that we hope can be followed to solve the access problems of the Josephine and Jackson County lakes and reservoirs. Too, we hope that all agencies that are interested in retaining existing water access as well as providing additional facilities, whether they be municipal, county or state, will all join in a cooperative effort to carry out this plan in an orderly manner. It is probable that Land and Water Conservation Funds will be available on a 50-50 matching basis. In order to acquire these funds, it will be necessary to apply through the Oregon State Highway Department.

We realize in writing a plan of this type that we have not covered all of the potential impoundment sites available. What we have attempted to include are those existing and potential bodies of water that provide or could be developed to provide significant recreation at economically feasible costs. New sites or modifications of existing sites that fit this criteria may be added to this report by supplement in the future.

Josephine and Jackson Counties are located in the southwestern part of the state. The famous Rogue River Valley is the nucleus of the area. Most of the Jackson County lakes are in the Cascade Mountains. Josephine County has a few lakes in the Siskiyou Mountains at the south end of the county.

The lakes included in this plan are either reservoirs or back country lakes. Some of the reservoirs were natural lakes but have been enlarged

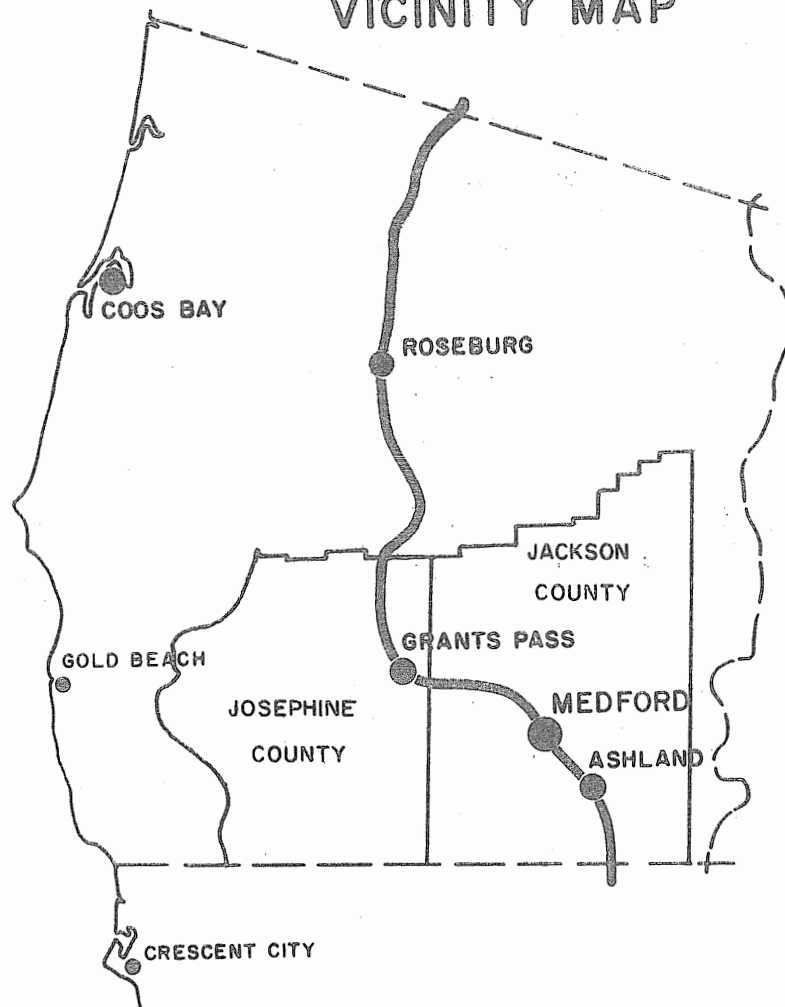
with the construction of a dam; others were formed by flooding a low meadow area.

Access varies considerably between the two types. The back country lakes are situated in the mountains and are accessible by poor road or trail while the reservoirs are all accessible by good road. Access is considered adequate in both cases.

The fisheries differ as to locality and type of lake. The back country lakes have rainbow and brook trout; the large reservoirs are stocked with rainbow, cutthroat, and brook trout, and one reservoir has kokanee salmon. The warm-water lakes and ponds support populations of bass, bluegill, crappie, and catfish. The trout season opens either in late April or late May depending upon locality. Warm-water game fish may be pursued the entire year.

Since there are two counties, each has been dealt with separately with each lake described and discussed on a separate evaluation sheet.

## VICINITY MAP



Josephine and Jackson Counties are located in southwestern Oregon. The area is surrounded by mountains. The Siskiyou on the south, the Cascades on the east, and the Coast Range on the west.

Interstate 5 bisects the area from north to south. Highway 62, the Crater Lake Highway serves north Jackson County and Highway 199 connects Grants Pass with the coast via south Josephine County.

## JOSEPHINE COUNTY LAKES

This county has a limited number of lakes with Lake Selmac being the only one that is of any size or easily accessible by good road. It provides a limited area for fishing and water associated sports to a large number of residents from the Grants Pass area. The lake is located just off Highway 199 near Selma about 23 miles southwest of Grants Pass.

The remaining lakes in the county are small and some are classed as back country lakes with access via a poor road or Forest Service trail. The high lakes are located in the Siskiyou Mountains at the south end of the county.

Few recommendations for future development have been proposed at the back country lakes. It is felt that this area should remain in a semi-primitive state so the effects of commercialization and modernization would not be felt, thus enabling the sportsman to still find a place to "get away from it all".

The trout season opens shortly after mid-May, but in some years the back country lakes are blocked by snow until mid-June. Eastern brook and rainbow trout are stocked by airplane, and biological data is gathered each year by the Game Commission so every body of water can be managed according to its individual needs. In this way the Commission strives to utilize each lake to its maximum fish producing capacity.

A description of the lakes can be found on the following evaluation sheets.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Josephine County Area Priority B

Name Upper Bigelow Lake County Josephine

Location 2 miles east of Oregon Caves National Monument

Township 40 S Range 6 W Sec. 14 Ownership Forest Service land

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep mountains

Cover type Coniferous forest

Elevation 5,840 Surface acres 2.1 Water quality Excellent

Existing access 5.5 miles of trail from Oregon caves

ANGLER NEEDS

FISHERY

No fish present - too shallow.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter		<u>Recreation</u>			
						S	S	F	W
Heavy					Camping				
Medium					Fishing, boat				
Light					Fishing, shore				
					Hiking				
					Horseback riding				
					Hunting, big game				
					Hunting, upland game				
					Nature study				
					Picnicking				
					Sight-seeing				
					Swimming				
					Water skiing				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)

**REMARKS:**

This could be enlarged by a dam of 15' by 150'. The lake would be enlarged to 3½ acres, 17-19 feet deep. The dam would be down the creek about 100 feet where the canyon narrows.



LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Josephine County Area Priority Complete

Name Bolan Lake County Josephine

Location 14 miles southeast of Cave Junction

Township 41 S Range 6 W Sec. 7 Ownership Forest Service land

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep mountains

Cover type Alpine fir and shrubs

Elevation 5,370 Surface acres 11.9 Water quality Excellent

Existing access Narrow dirt road

ANGLER NEEDS

FISHERY

Eastern brook and rainbow trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter		<u>Recreation</u>			
						S	S	F	W
Heavy					Camping		X	X	
Medium		Bt, Rb			Fishing, boat		X	X	
Light			Bt, Rb		Fishing, shore		X	X	
					Hiking		X	X	
					Horseback riding				
					Hunting, big game			X	
					Hunting, upland game				
					Nature study				
					Picnicking			X	
					Sight-seeing				
					Swimming			X	
					Water skiing				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)

REMARKS:

This is a high lake that is accessible by road.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Josephine County Area Priority B

Name Briggs Creek Impoundment (Proposed) County Josephine

Location 4 miles west of Onion Mountain

Township 36 S Range 8 W Sec. 18 Ownership \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Mountainous, basin is marshy

Cover type Conifers

Elevation 3,600 Surface acres 30-40 Water quality Good

Existing access Rocked Forest Service road

ANGLER NEEDS

Construction of an impoundment.

FISHERY

Potential: Trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter		<u>Recreation</u>			
						S	S	F	W
Heavy					Camping		X	X	
Medium					Fishing, boat		X	X	
Light					Fishing, shore		X	X	
					Hiking				
					Horseback riding				
					Hunting, big game			X	
					Hunting, upland game			X	
					Nature study				
					Picnicking			X	
					Sight-seeing				
					Swimming			X	
					Water skiing				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)

**REMARKS:**

With the construction of a dam on Briggs Creek, this site would form a 30-40 acre lake.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Josephine County Area Priority C

Name Fish Lake County Josephine

Location At the headwaters of Sturgis Fork Applegate River

Township 40 S Range 5 W Sec. 19 Ownership Forest Service land

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep mountains with rocky areas

Cover type Fir and pine with scattered brush

Elevation 5,420 Surface acres 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  + Water quality Good

Existing access Forest Service logging road within 200 feet of lake.

ANGLER NEEDS

This lake could be enlarged.

FISHERY

No fish at present time.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter	<u>Recreation</u>			
Heavy					S	S	F	W
Medium								
Light								
(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)								
Camping								
Fishing, boat								
Fishing, shore								
Hiking								
Horseback riding								
Hunting, big game								
Hunting, upland game								
Nature study								
Picnicking								
Sight-seeing								
Swimming								
Water skiing								

REMARKS:

This lake could be impounded. The perimeter has a heavy growth of willows, etc. A good sized dam would increase the depth and surface acres equivalently. The lake is now shallow and has a heavy growth of lily pads over the entire body of water.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Josephine County Area

Priority C

Name Frog Pond

County Josephine

Location At the headwaters of Althouse Creek on Oregon-California border.

Township 41 S Range 7 W Sec. 15 Ownership Forest Service land

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep mountains

Cover type Fir and pine with scattered brush

Elevation 4,900 Surface acres 5 + Water quality Good

Existing access Road within 1/8 mile of pond

ANGLER NEEDS

Enlarge and deepen the pond.

FISHERY

None

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter		<u>Recreation</u>			
						S	S	F	W
Heavy					Camping				
Medium					Fishing, boat				
Light					Fishing, shore				
					Hiking				
					Horseback riding				
					Hunting, big game				
					Hunting, upland game				
					Nature study				
					Picnicking				
					Sight-seeing				
					Swimming				
					Water skiing				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)

REMARKS:

Shallow. It may be possible to enlarge the pond with a detention dam.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Josephine County Area Priority A  
 Name Grave Creek Lake (Proposed) County Josephine  
 Location 5 miles east of Interstate 5 on Sunny Valley Road  
 Township 34 S Range 5 W Sec. 1 (Dam) Ownership BLM & Private

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep, rocky canyon at dam opening into valley  
 Cover type Conifers, manzanita and grass  
 Elevation 2400 Surface acres 875 Water quality Good  
 Existing access BLM access road - gravel

ANGLER NEEDS

Construction of this impoundment would provide some of the needed lake area for anglers in the county.

ANTICIPATED FISHERY

Trout would be established in the lake.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy	x	x		
Medium			x	
Light				

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Recreation

	S	S	F	W
Camping	x	x	x	
Fishing, boat	x	x	x	
Fishing, shore	x	x	x	
Hiking		x	x	
Horseback riding				
Hunting, big game			x	
Hunting, upland game				
Nature study				
Picnicking	x	x	x	
Sight-seeing	x	x	x	
Swimming		x	x	
Water skiing	x	x	x	

**REMARKS:**

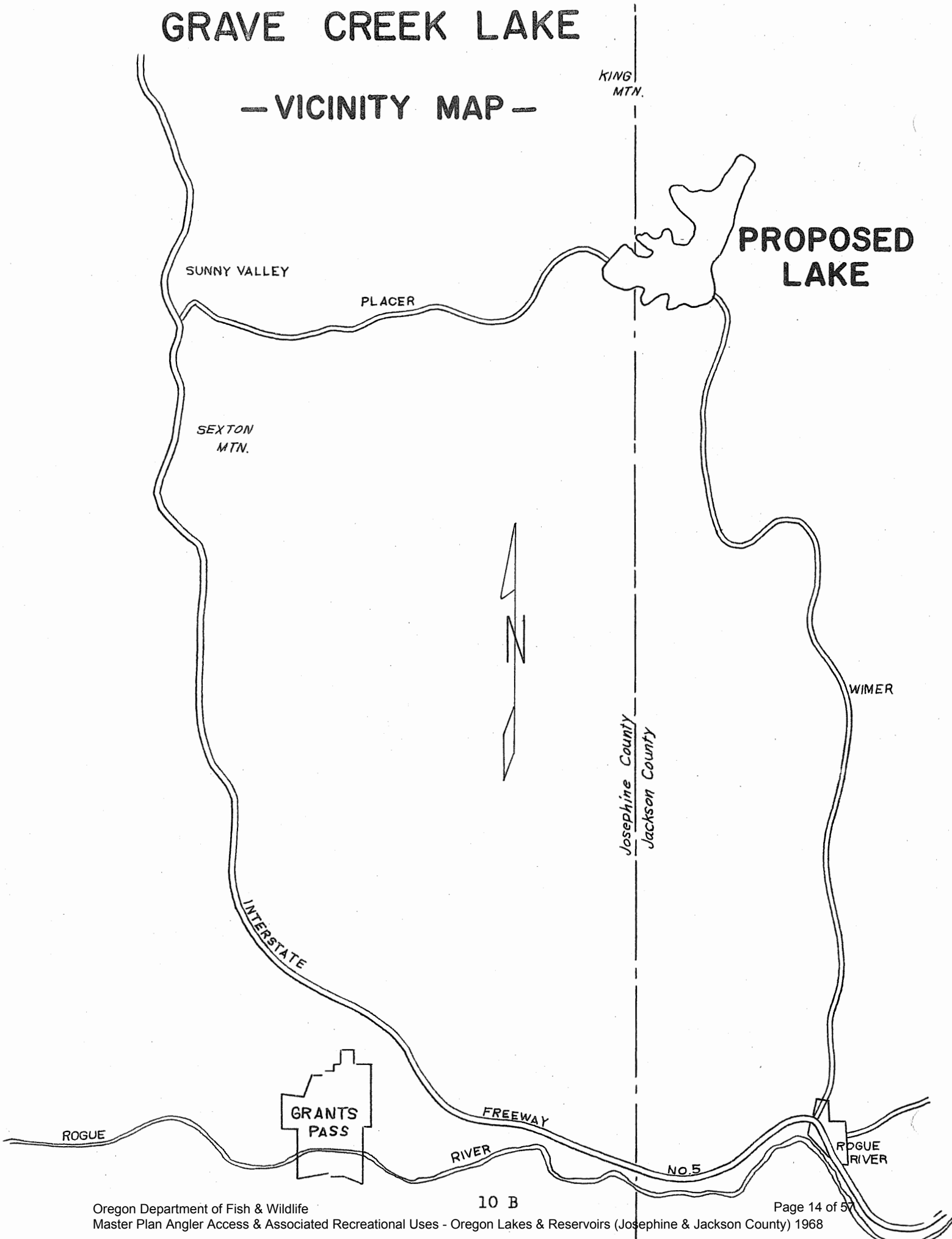
This would be an interagency venture where both public and private lands are involved at an approximate cost of 2 million dollars.

The lake would provide diversified recreation where water skiers could be separated from anglers with a buoy line.

The lake would be located about 23 miles northeast of Grants Pass via Sunny Valley. (See map on Page 10 B)

# GRAVE CREEK LAKE

## - VICINITY MAP -



LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Josephine County Area Priority B  
 Name Hinkle Lake County Josephine  
 Location 2 miles west of Whiskey Peak.  
 Township 41 S Range 5 W Sec. 9 Ownership Forest Service land

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep mountains with rocky areas  
 Cover type Fir and pine with scattered brush  
 Elevation 5,600 Surface acres \_\_\_\_\_ Water quality Good  
 Existing access Four-wheel drive road

ANGLER NEEDS

Enlarge the lake!

FISHERY

None - lake is only 3 feet deep.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter	<u>Recreation</u>				
Heavy						S	S	F	W
Medium					Camping				
Light					Fishing, boat				
					Fishing, shore				
					Hiking				
					Horseback riding				
					Hunting, big game				
					Hunting, upland game				
					Nature study				
					Picnicking				
					Sight-seeing				
					Swimming				
					Water skiing				

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REMARKS:

It would be possible to put a dam at the outlet to increase the depth of the lake. It is a beautiful lake in an alpine setting. Snow persists into July.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Josephine County Area Priority B  
 Name Horse Creek Impoundment (Proposed) County Josephine  
 Location 2 miles west of Onion Mountain  
 Township 36 S Range 8 W Sec. 8 & 9 Ownership Forest Service

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Mountainous  
 Cover type Conifers  
 Elevation 3,500 + Surface acres 40-50 Water quality Good  
 Existing access Rocked Forest Service road

ANGLER NEEDS

Construct an impoundment.

FISHERY

Potential: Trout

	<u>Recreation</u>			
	S	S	F	W
Heavy		X	X	
Medium		X	X	
Light		X	X	
			X	
			X	
			X	
			X	
			X	
			X	
			X	

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)

**REMARKS:**

This area averages about 2-3 feet of snow in winter. It is the area where elk were released in 1966.



LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Josephine County Area Priority Complete

Name Miller Lake County Josephine

Location At the headwaters of Sturgis Fork Applegate River.

Township 40 S Range 5 W Sec. 28 Ownership Forest Service land

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep mountains with rocky areas

Cover type Fir and pine with scattered brush

Elevation 5,020 Surface acres 5.6 \* Water quality Excellent

Existing access Forest Service road

\* Maximum depth is 30 feet.

ANGLER NEEDS

Enlarge the existing lakes.

FISHERY

Brook trout - the lake was treated in 1966 and stocked in 1967.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter		<u>Recreation</u>			
						S	S	F	W
Heavy					Camping				
Medium					Fishing, boat		X	X	
Light					Fishing, shore		X	X	
					Hiking		X	X	
					Horseback riding				
					Hunting, big game			X	
					Hunting, upland game			X	
					Nature study				
					Picnicking		X	X	
					Sight-seeing		X	X	
					Swimming				
					Water skiing				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)

REMARKS:

The upper lake could be raised about four feet with a small earth fill dam. The upper lake now covers only 1½ surface acres and is about six feet deep at deepest point.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Illinois River System

Josephine County Area

Priority Complete

Name Lake Selmac

County Josephine

Location Two miles east of Selma

Township 38 S Range 7 W Sec. 18 Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_

Ownership Josephine County Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Level to rolling

Cover type Deciduous and coniferous trees

Existing access Paved county road

Surface acres 146 Water quality Good Levels Stable

Present stage of development Campground, resort, boat ramp, fishing piers

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: \_\_\_\_\_ acres, \_\_\_\_\_ of frontage

Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_

Development:

Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ Number of lanes \_\_\_\_\_

Toilets \_\_\_\_\_ Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Roads \_\_\_\_\_

Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units

This lake provides the only large lake fishery in Josephine County.

Name Lake Selmac

FISHERY: Bass, bluegill, crappie, catfish

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy	Ww			
Medium		Ww		
Light			Ww	

(Sa - Salmon, Tr - Trout,  
Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

SKETCH

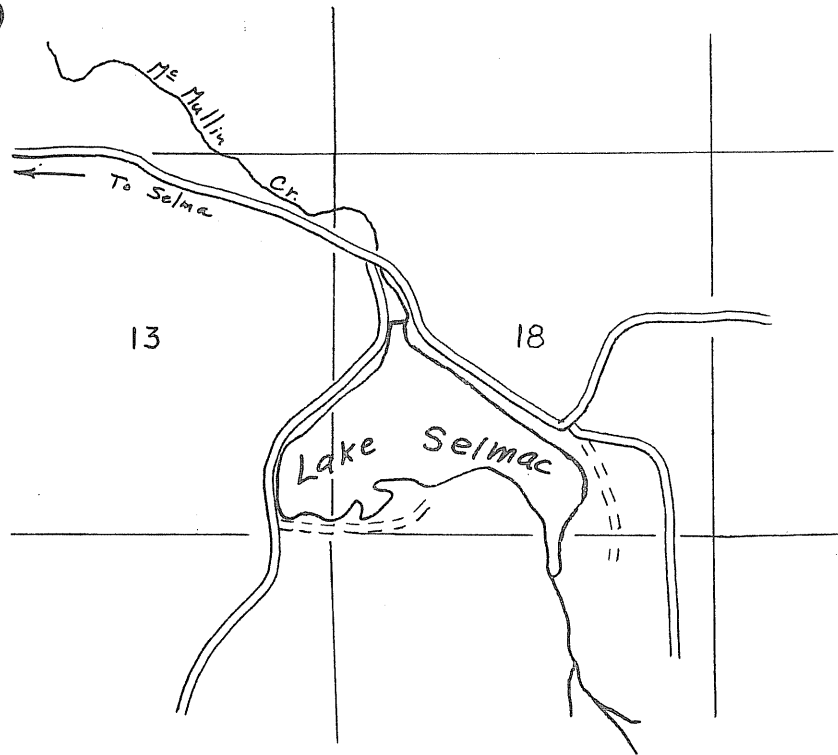
(See Josephine County map for location)

Seasons (Check)

RECREATION  
(Check)

- Boating, motor
- Boating, non-motor
- Camping, tent
- Camping, trailer
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Hunting, waterfowl
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sightseeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Boating, motor	X	X	X	
Boating, non-motor	X	X	X	
Camping, tent	X	X	X	
Camping, trailer	X	X	X	
Fishing, boat	X	X	X	
Fishing, shore	X	X	X	
Hiking				
Horseback riding				
Hunting, big game				
Hunting, upland game				
Hunting, waterfowl				
Nature study				
Picnicking	X	X	X	
Sightseeing				
Skin and scuba diving				
Swimming		X	X	
Water skiing				



OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities: Picnicking, camping, parking for buses

REMARKS

The lake was primarily built for recreation by the county. Picnic and camping areas, boat ramp, and fishing piers are maintained by the county.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Josephine County Area Priority C  
 Name Swede Basin Lake (Proposed) County Josephine  
 Location 2 miles east of Horse Mountain  
 Township 37 S Range 8 W Sec. 6 Ownership Spalding Lumber Company

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Mountainous, basin is marshy  
 Cover type Conifers  
 Elevation 3,604 Surface acres 15-20 Water quality Good  
 Existing access Rocked Forest Service road

ANGLER NEEDS

Construction of an impoundment.

FISHERY

Potential: Trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter		<u>Recreation</u>			
						S	S	F	W
Heavy					Camping		X	X	
Medium					Fishing, boat				
Light					Fishing, shore		X	X	
					Hiking				
					Horseback riding				
					Hunting, big game			X	
					Hunting, upland game			X	
					Nature study				
					Picnicking		X	X	
					Sight-seeing				
					Swimming		X	X	
					Water skiing				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)

REMARKS:

Swede Basin is a 15-20 acre marsh that could be flooded with a small dam.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Josephine County Area Priority Complete

Name Tannen Lake County Josephine

Location 16 miles southeast of Cave Junction

Township 41 S Range 7 W Sec. 16 Ownership Forest Service land

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep mountains

Cover type Alpine fir and shrubs

Elevation 5,300 Surface acres 8.3 Water quality Excellent

Existing access Forest Service trail

ANGLER NEEDS

FISHERY

Eastern brook and rainbow trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter		<u>Recreation</u>			
						S	S	F	W
Heavy					Camping		x	x	
Medium		Bt, Rb			Fishing, boat		x	x	
Light			Bt, Rb		Fishing, shore		x	x	
					Hiking		x	x	
					Horseback riding				
					Hunting, big game			x	
					Hunting, upland game				
					Nature study				
					Picnicking				
					Sight-seeing				
					Swimming			x	
					Water skiing				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)

REMARKS:

There is a small campground at the lake that has facilities for three tents.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Josephine County Area Priority Complete

Name East Tannen Lake County Josephine

Location 1/2 mile east of Tannen Lake

Township 41 S Range 7 W Sec. 10 Ownership Forest Service land

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep mountains

Cover type Alpine fir and shrubs

Elevation 5,400 Surface acres 5.2 Water quality Excellent

Existing access Forest Service trail

ANGLER NEEDS

FISHERY

Eastern brook and rainbow trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter		<u>Recreation</u>			
						S	S	F	W
Heavy					Camping		X	X	
Medium		Bt, Rb			Fishing, boat		X	X	
Light			Bt, Rb		Fishing, shore		X	X	
					Hiking		X	X	
					Horseback riding				
					Hunting, big game			X	
					Hunting, upland game				
					Nature study				
					Picnicking				
					Sight-seeing				
					Swimming			X	
					Water skiing				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)

REMARKS:

This lake should remain in a semi-primitive state since it is one of very few lakes of this type in the area.

## JACKSON COUNTY LAKES

This county is fortunate in having a number of large lakes to provide fishing and other water sports for its growing population.

Howard Prairie Reservoir is the most interesting of the group. It was first stocked with rainbow trout in 1957 when the reservoir had collected enough water to establish a fishery. By 1961, when the reservoir filled, the lake was providing an excellent fishery and one that surpassed all of the other lakes in the county.

All of the large lakes have developed campgrounds and concessions to provide cabins, store, restaurant, boats, motors, and launching facilities. In a single day one can make a tour of all the larger lakes including Willow Creek Reservoir, Fish Lake, Howard Prairie, Hyatt Reservoir, and Emigrant Reservoir. It is a picturesque and very enjoyable days outing.

Agate Reservoir, Howard Prairie, Hyatt Reservoir and Willow Creek Reservoir open during the latter part of April. Those at higher elevations like Fish Lake and the back country lakes open in late May. The fisheries in these reservoirs are mainly for rainbow trout; however, Willow Creek Reservoir supports a good population of kokanee salmon in addition to its rainbows.

For those who enjoy wilderness of back country lakes, there are many in the high Cascades near the Klamath County line. These are in close association with those in Klamath County and can be reached by trail also from the Klamath side of the mountains. These high lakes are stocked with brook and rainbow trout; both species provide a good fishery.

Various ponds and reservoirs have been added because they provide warm-water game fish angling. Some of these sites are in private ownership and are not available to the public at the writing of this plan. But it is hoped that some day they may come up for sale and could be purchased by a public agency.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Dry Creek System  
Jackson County Area Priority Complete  
Name Agate Reservoir County Jackson

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Location 10 miles northeast of Medford  
Township 36 S Range 1 W Sec. Many Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Ownership Rogue Valley Irrigation District Number of owners 1

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Level desert and rolling hills  
Cover type Oaks and short grass  
Existing access Gravel road  
Surface acres 200 Water quality Good Levels Fluctuate  
Present stage of development Boat ramp, picnic area and sanitary facilities

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: \_\_\_\_\_ acres, \_\_\_\_\_ of frontage  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_

Development:

Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ Number of lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_ Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units

This reservoir provides lake fishing within a few minutes driving time  
\_\_\_\_\_ from Medford.

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Name Agate Reservoir

FISHERY: Rainbow trout, bullhead catfish, (no fishery has started on the  
catfish).

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy	Tr	Tr		
Medium			Tr	
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, Tr - Trout,  
 Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

SKETCH

(See Jackson County map for location)

Seasons (Check)

RECREATION  
 (Check)

- Boating, motor
- Boating, non-motor
- Camping, tent
- Camping, trailer
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- \* Hunting, upland game
- Hunting, waterfowl
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sightseeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
	X	X	X	
	X	X	X	
	X	X	X	
			X	
			X	X
	X	X	X	
	X	X	X	
	X	X	X	

\* Doves

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities: Parking for buses, picnicking

REMARKS

Motor boats are prohibited. The lake is reserved for fishing. The county maintains the launching, picnic and sanitary facilities.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Applegate River System

Jackson County Area

Priority A

Name Applegate Reservoir (Proposed)

County Jackson

Location 13 miles south of Ruch

Township 40 & 41 S Range 3 & 4 W Sec. Many Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_

Ownership U. S. Government land Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep hillsides and rocky soil

Cover type Mixed young timber and heavy brush

Existing access Paved county highway

Surface acres 915 Water quality Good Levels will fluctuate

Present stage of development Planning stage

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: \_\_\_\_\_ acres, \_\_\_\_\_ of frontage

Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_

Development:

Boat ramp: Type Concrete Number of lanes 2

Toilets X Trails X Roads X

Parking area X; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or 200 car-trailer units

This dam will create a lake of 900 surface acres with recreation sites

developed on small plots due to the rough terrain in the area.

FISHERY: Once established a heavy fishery for trout can be expected.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy	Tr	Tr	Tr	
Medium				
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, Tr - Trout,  
Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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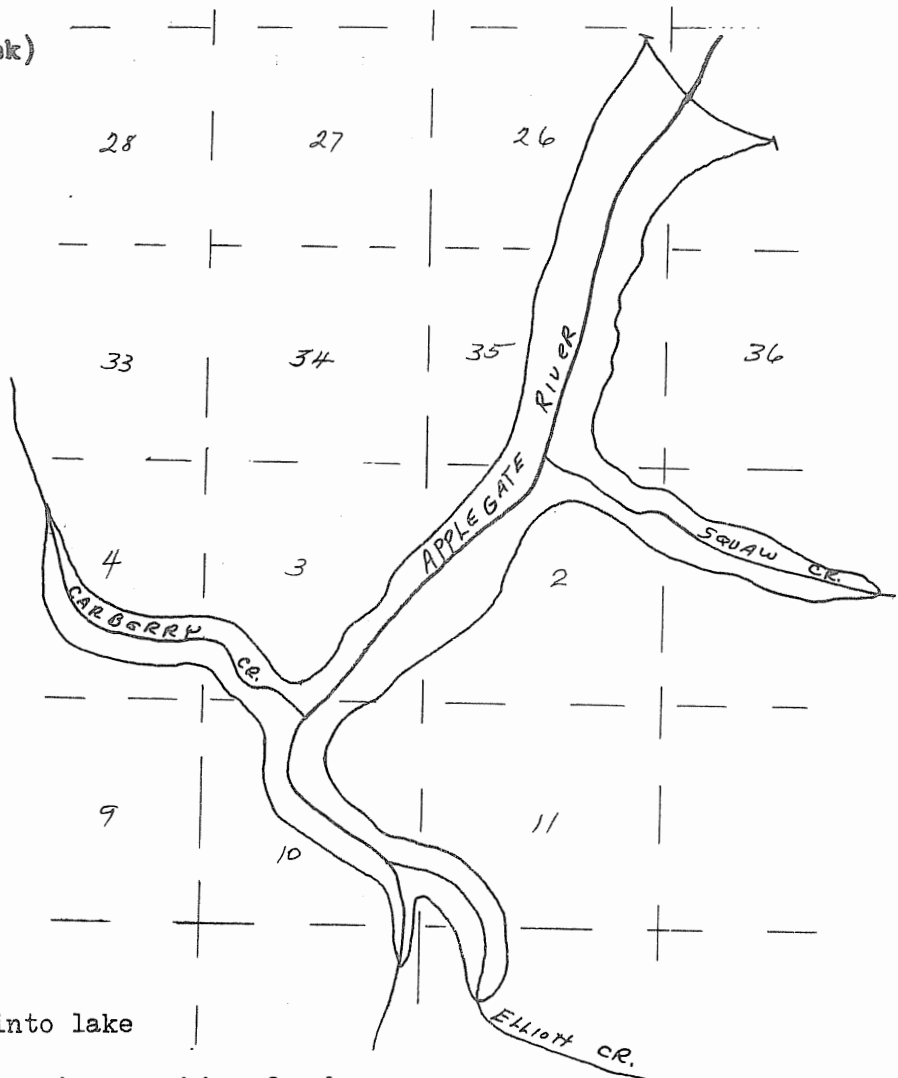
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Seasons (Check)

RECREATION  
(Check)

- Boating, motor
- Boating, non-motor
- Camping, tent
- Camping, trailer
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Hunting, waterfowl
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sightseeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Boating, motor	X	X	X	
Boating, non-motor	X	X	X	
Camping, tent	X	X	X	
Camping, trailer	X	X	X	
Fishing, boat	X	X	X	
Fishing, shore	X	X	X	
Hiking	X	X	X	
Horseback riding				
Hunting, big game			X	X
Hunting, upland game			X	
Hunting, waterfowl				
Nature study				
Picnicking	X	X	X	
Sightseeing				
Skin and scuba diving				
Swimming	X	X	X	
Water skiing	X	X	X	



OTHER

Safety Problems: Steep banks into lake

Group Facilities: Picnicking, camping, parking for buses

REMARKS

This multi-purpose reservoir will be subject to an annual drawdown of 60 to 90 feet. Detailed recreation plans will likely be available some time in 1968.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Rogue River System  
Jackson County Area Priority A  
Name Elk Creek Reservoir (Proposed) County Jackson

Location 4 miles northeast of Trail  
Township 32 & 33 S Range 1 E Sec. 20, 33 Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Ownership U. S. Government land Number of owners 1

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep hillsides  
Cover type Mixed stands of timber and brush  
Existing access State highway 62 and paved county road.  
Surface acres 1,290 Water quality Good Levels will fluctuate  
Present stage of development Planning stage

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: \_\_\_\_\_ acres, \_\_\_\_\_ of frontage  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_

Development:

Boat ramp: Type Concrete Number of lanes 2  
Toilets X Trails X Roads X  
Parking area X; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or 150 car-trailer units

This dam will provide a dam of up to 1,200 surface acres and will make  
available about 350 acres on shore for recreation development.

Elk Creek  
Name Reservoir

FISHERY: Once established, a good trout fishery can be expected.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy	Tr	Tr	Tr	
Medium				
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, Tr - Trout,  
Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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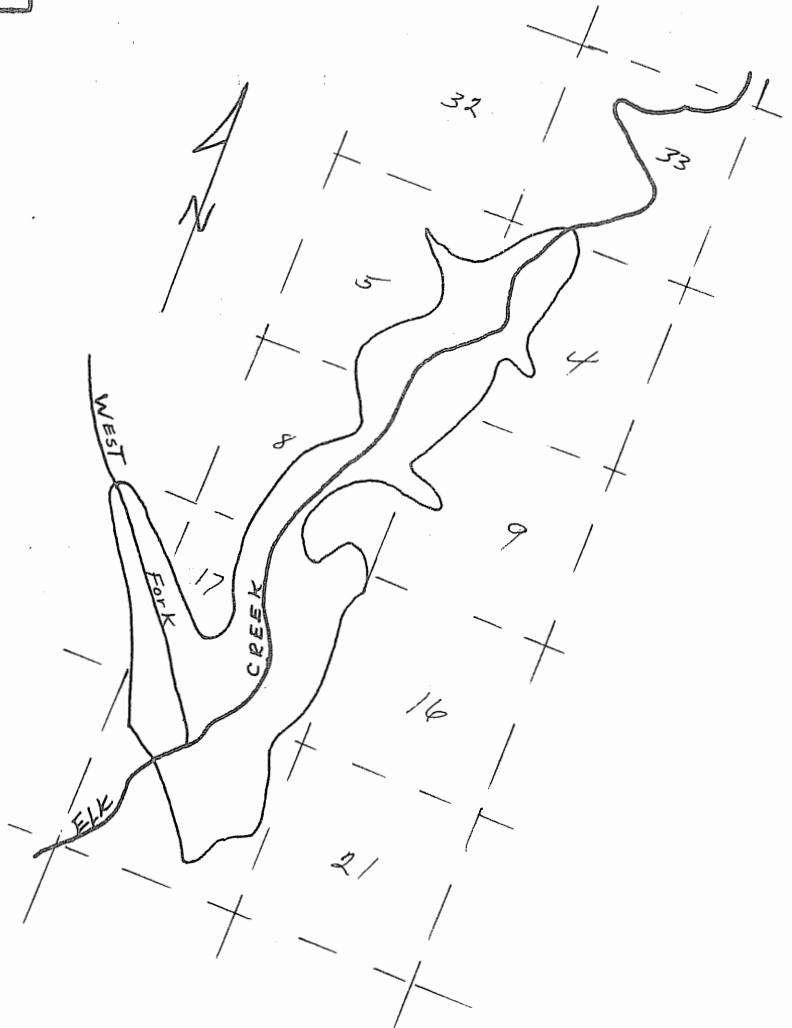
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Seasons (Check)

RECREATION  
(Check)

- Boating, motor
- Boating, non-motor
- Camping, tent
- Camping, trailer
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Hunting, waterfowl
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sightseeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
X	X	X		
X	X	X		
X	X	X		
X	X	X		
X	X	X		
X	X	X		
			X	X
			X	
			X	
X	X	X		
		X	X	
X	X	X		



OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities: Picnicking, camping, parking for buses.

REMARKS

The reservoir will be subject to drawdowns of roughly 60 to 90 feet annually. Two sites with recreation potential have been tentatively designated with further plans due during the 1968 season.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Bear Creek System  
Jackson County Area Priority Complete  
Name Emigrant Reservoir County Jackson

Location 4 miles southeast of Ashland  
Township 39 S Range 2 E Sec. Many Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Ownership Jackson County land Number of owners 1

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Rolling hills  
Cover type Oak trees and grass  
Existing access Paved county road off state highway  
Surface acres 801 Water quality Fair Levels fluctuate  
Present stage of development Boat ramp, campground and picnic area.

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: \_\_\_\_\_ acres, \_\_\_\_\_ of frontage  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_

Development:

Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ Number of lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_ Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units

This reservoir provides an area near a center of population for associated water sports.

Name Emigrant Reservoir

FISHERY: Crappie, bass, catfish, rainbow trout

Spring Summer Fall Winter

Heavy				
Medium	Ww	Ww		
Light			Ww	

(Sa - Salmon, Tr - Trout,  
Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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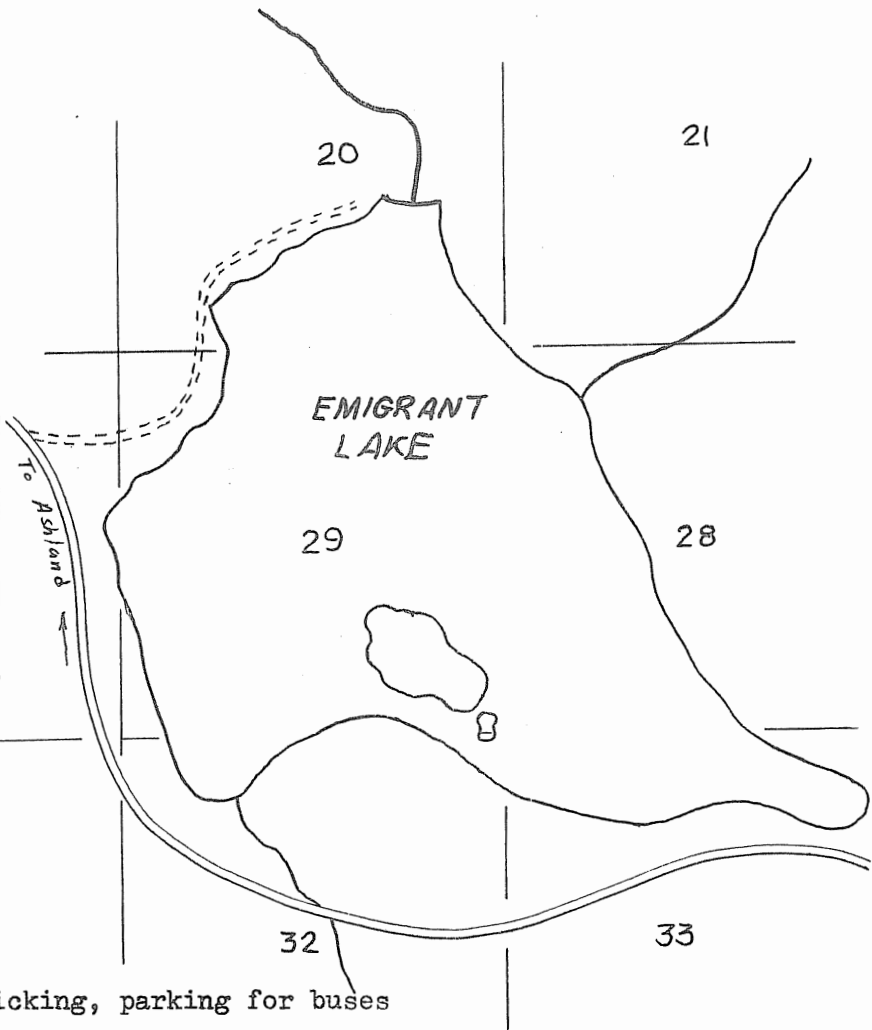
Seasons (Check)

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
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X	X	X		
X	X	X		
X	X	X		
X	X	X		
X	X	X		
			X	
				X
			X	X
X	X	X		
X	X	X		
		X	X	
X	X	X		

RECREATION

(Check)

- Boating, motor
- Boating, non-motor
- Camping, tent
- Camping, trailer
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- \* Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Hunting, waterfowl
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sightseeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- \* Deer



OTHER

Safety Problems: Speed boats

Group Facilities: Camping, picnicking, parking for buses

REMARKS

Trout have been planted for two years but a fishery has not developed. Other water sports are the primary uses of the lake - water skiing, sailing, and swimming. The county maintains the facilities.

The fishery is hindered by the constant muddy water that is caused by the geological composition of the watershed.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Butte Creek System

Jackson County Area

Priority Complete

Name Fish Lake

County Jackson

Location 19 miles southeast of Butte Falls

Township 36 & 37 S Range 4 E Sec. Many Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_

Ownership Medford Irrigation District Number of owners 1

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Mountainous

Cover type Large fir trees

Existing access Paved highway with gravel roads around lake

Surface acres 440 Water quality Good Levels Fluctuating

Present stage of development Resort, boat ramp and campground

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: \_\_\_\_\_ acres, \_\_\_\_\_ of frontage

Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_

Development:

Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ Number of lanes \_\_\_\_\_

Toilets \_\_\_\_\_ Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Roads \_\_\_\_\_

Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units

This lake provides good trout fishing through the spring and summer months.



Name Fish Lake

FISHERY: Eastern brook and rainbow trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy	Tr			
Medium		Tr		
Light			Tr	

(Sa - Salmon, Tr - Trout, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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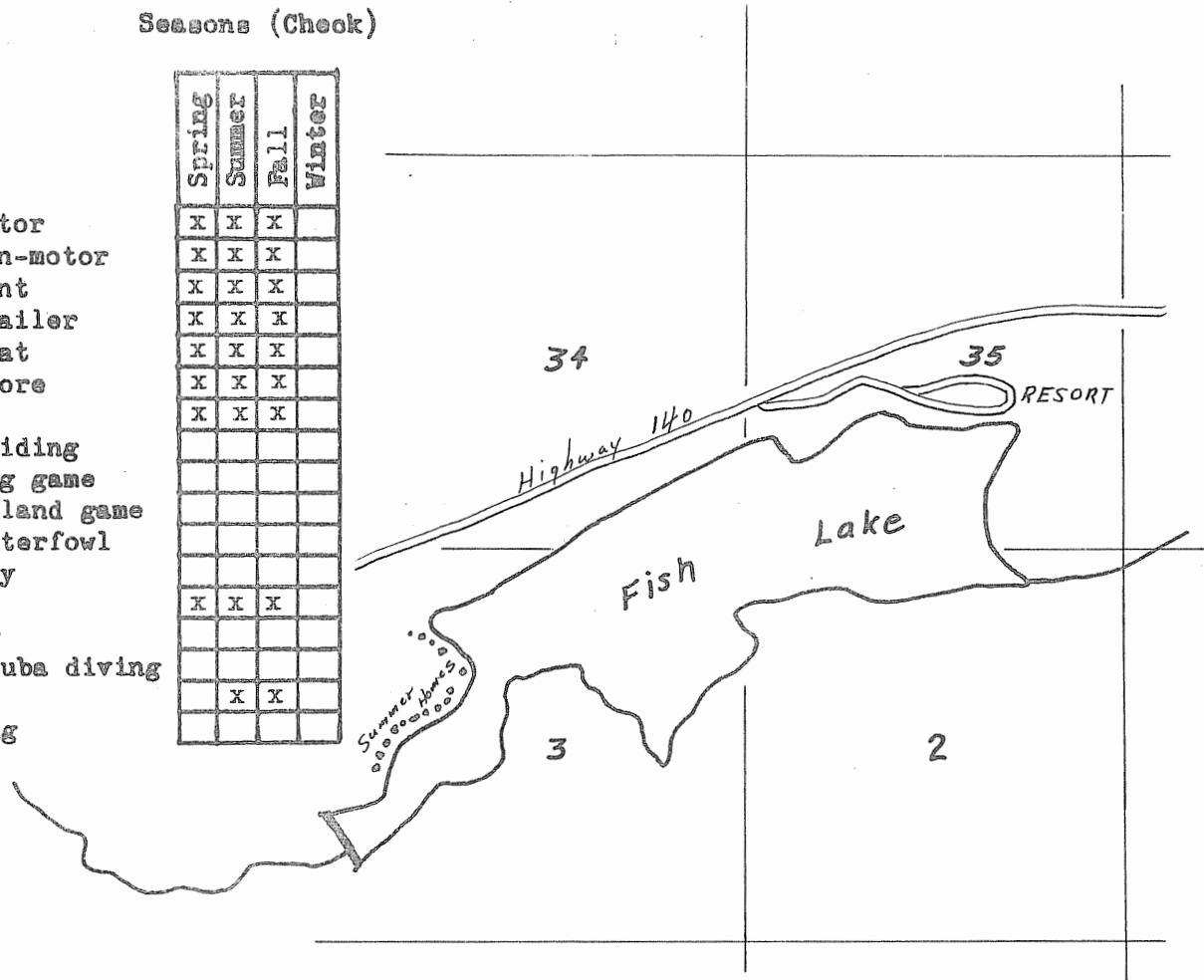
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Seasons (Check)

RECREATION  
(Check)

- Boating, motor
- Boating, non-motor
- Camping, tent
- Camping, trailer
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Hunting, waterfowl
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sightseeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
X	X	X		
X	X	X		
X	X	X		
X	X	X		
X	X	X		
X	X	X		
X	X	X		
		X	X	



OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities: Camping, picnicking and parking for buses.

REMARKS

This lake has been enlarged by a dam and is used through the summer for irrigation, consequently, the level drops as the summer progresses. It was chemically treated in 1966 and offers good trout fishing by trolling or stillfishing.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Rogue River System

Jackson County Area

Priority A

Name Gold Rey Impoundment

County Jackson

Location One mile east of Gold Rey Dam

Township 36 S Range 2 W Sec. 17 Tax Lot No. 100, Road access

Ownership Oregon Game Commission & private Number of owners

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Flat

Cover type Mixed trees and brush

Existing access None

Surface acres \_\_\_\_\_ Water quality Good Levels Stable

Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: \_\_\_\_\_ acres, \_\_\_\_\_ of frontage

Type of conveyance Easement for road to state property

Development:

Boat ramp: Type Concrete plank Number of lanes 1

Toilets \_\_\_\_\_ Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Roads \_\_\_\_\_

Parking area X; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or 10 car-trailer units

This site is not accessible to the public at present. It is the better of the two sites that could provide much needed access into the Gold Rey backwater.

Name Gold Rey Impoundment

FISHERY: Brown bullhead, pumpkinseed, bluegill, black crappie, salmon, steel-head, cutthroat and rainbow trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium	Ww	Ww		
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, Tr - Trout, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

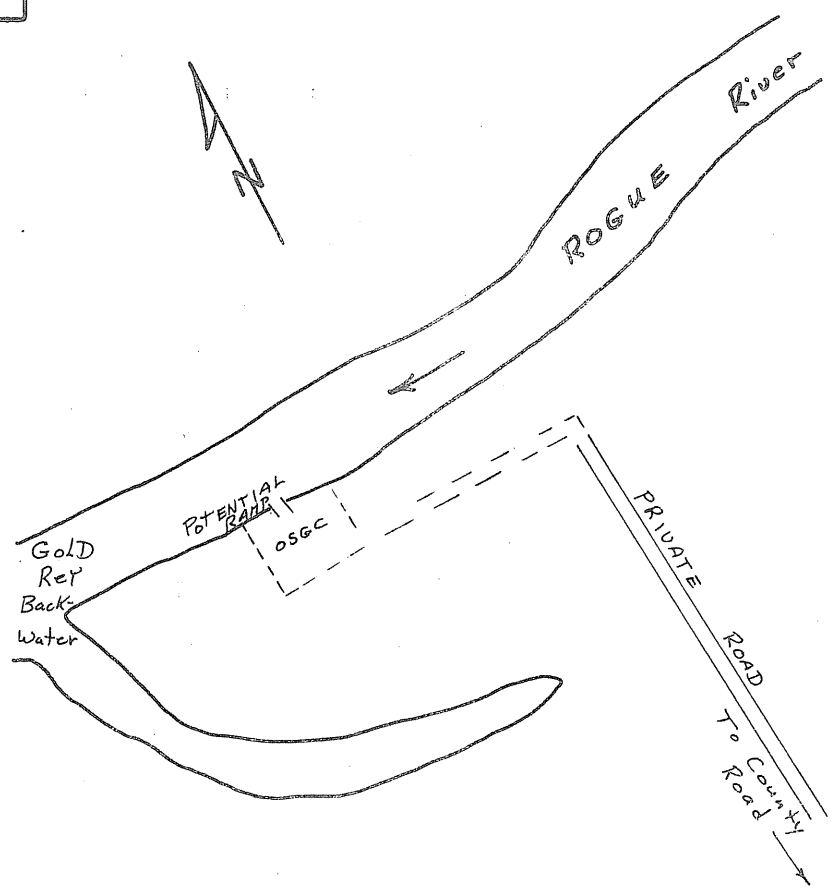
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Seasons (Check)

RECREATION  
(Check)

- Boating, motor
- Boating, non-motor
- Camping, tent
- Camping, trailer
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Hunting, waterfowl
- \* Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sightseeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- \* Bird watching

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Boating, motor	X	X	X	
Boating, non-motor	X	X	X	
Camping, tent				
Camping, trailer				
Fishing, boat	X	X	X	
Fishing, shore	X	X	X	
Hiking				
Horseback riding				
Hunting, big game				
Hunting, upland game				
Hunting, waterfowl			X	X
* Nature study	X	X	X	
Picnicking				
Sightseeing				
Skin and scuba diving				
Swimming				
Water skiing		X	X	



REMARKS:

This impoundment gets good fisherman use where anglers can get to it. A boat ramp is needed at the lower end of the impoundment or in the vicinity of Kelly Slough. This site is at Kelly Slough, the other is at the dam on the north side.

An acre of land and a right-of-way to a private road was donated to the Oregon Game Commission several years ago. Efforts to date have failed to gain an easement over this private road to the site, as landowners in the area have had difficulty with public trespass and prefer to keep the public out of the area.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Jackson County Area Priority C  
 Name Hebart Lake County Jackson  
 Location Two miles south of Greensprings summit  
 Township 40 S Range 3 E Sec. 9 Ownership John Bowman

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Level near lake, steep bluff to east  
 Cover type Conifers and willows  
 Elevation 4,600 Surface acres 5 ± Water quality Good  
 Existing access BLM access road

ANGLER NEEDS

The lake should be made available to the public and stocked with fish.

FISHERY

Unknown.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter	<u>Recreation</u>			
Heavy					S	S	F	W
Medium								
Light								
(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)								
Camping								
Fishing, boat								
Fishing, shore								
Hiking								
Horseback riding								
Hunting, big game								
Hunting, upland game								
Nature study								
Picnicking								
Sight-seeing								
Swimming								
Water skiing								

REMARKS:

This is a deep lake that is marshy at one end and is fed by springs.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Rogue River System  
Jackson County Area Priority C  
Name Hoover Ponds County Jackson

Location 2½ miles east of White City  
Township 36 S Range 1 W Sec. 21 & 22 Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Ownership Oregon Game Commission Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Flat  
Cover type Grass with willows and cottonwoods  
Existing access Dirt road  
Acre/ft storage 116.8 Water quality Fair Levels Stable  
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: \_\_\_\_\_ acres, \_\_\_\_\_ of frontage  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_

Development:

Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ Number of lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets X Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Road improvement  
Parking area X; for 25 cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units

This site at one time in the past provided excellent duck hunting and warm-  
water fishing.

Name Hoover Ponds

FISHERY: Bass, bluegill, crappie, brown bullheads

Spring Summer Fall Winter

Heavy				
Medium				
Light	Ww	Ww		

(Sa - Salmon, Tr - Trout,  
Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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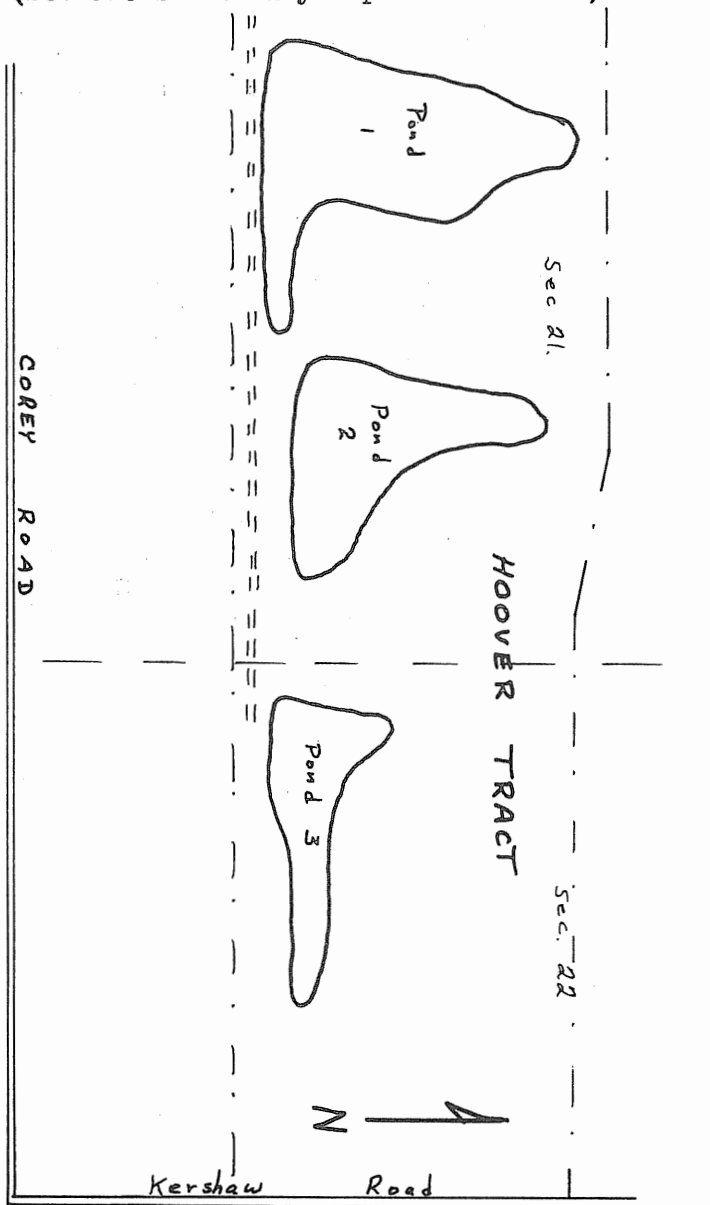
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Seasons (Check)

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
	X	X	X	X
		X	X	
		X	X	

**RECREATION (Check)**

- Boating, motor
- Boating, non-motor
- Camping, tent
- Camping, trailer
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Hunting, waterfowl
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sightseeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing



**OTHER**

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

**REMARKS**

The ponds have been recently purchased by the Game Commission. Management plans have not yet been formulated for the area.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Bear Creek System  
Jackson County Area Priority Complete  
Name Howard Prairie Reservoir County Jackson

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Location 20 miles east of Ashland  
Township 39 S Range 3 E Sec. Many Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Ownership Talent Irrigation District Number of owners 1

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Rolling mountains  
Cover type Pine and fir  
Existing access Paved highway  
Surface acres 2,250 Water quality Good Levels Fluctuating  
Present stage of development Lodge, marina, cabins and campground

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: \_\_\_\_\_ acres, \_\_\_\_\_ of frontage  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_

Development:

Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ Number of lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_ Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units

This reservoir has provided an excellent trout fishery since 1961. It was stocked in 1957 but did not fill until 1961.

Howard Prairie  
Name Reservoir

FISHERY: Rainbow trout and bullheads

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy	Tr	Tr	Tr	
Medium				
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, Tr - Trout,  
Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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(See Jackson County map for location)

Seasons (Check)

RECREATION  
(Check)

- Boating, motor
- Boating, non-motor
- Camping, tent
- Camping, trailer
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- \* Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Hunting, waterfowl
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sightseeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- \* Deer

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
	X	X	X	
	X	X	X	
	X	X	X	
	X	X	X	
	X	X	X	
			X	
	X	X	X	
	X	X	X	
		X	X	
		X	X	

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities: Picnicking, camping parking for buses

REMARKS

This is a new and modern facility. There is a 6-lane concrete ramp, marina, lodge, cabins, store and all roads are either paved or oiled. This is an excellent facility.



LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Bear Creek System  
Jackson County Area Priority Complete  
Name Hyatt Reservoir County Jackson

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Location 23 miles east of Ashland  
Township 39 S Range 3 E Sec. Many Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Ownership Talent Irrigation District & BLM Number of owners 2

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Mountainous but not steep  
Cover type Pine and fir  
Existing access Paved highway via Howard Prairie, dirt road from south  
Surface acres 960 Water quality Good Levels fluctuate  
Present stage of development Boat ramps, store, boat rentals campgrounds

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: \_\_\_\_\_ acres, \_\_\_\_\_ of frontage  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_

Development:

Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ Number of lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_ Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units

This reservoir was chemically treated in 1967 and will again provide a good fishery.

FISHERY: Rainbow trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy	Tr	Tr		
Medium			Tr	
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, Tr - Trout, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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Seasons (Check)

RECREATION  
(Check)

- Boating, motor
- Boating, non-motor
- Camping, tent
- Camping, trailer
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- \* Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Hunting, waterfowl
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sightseeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
X	X	X		
X	X	X		
X	X	X		
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Deer

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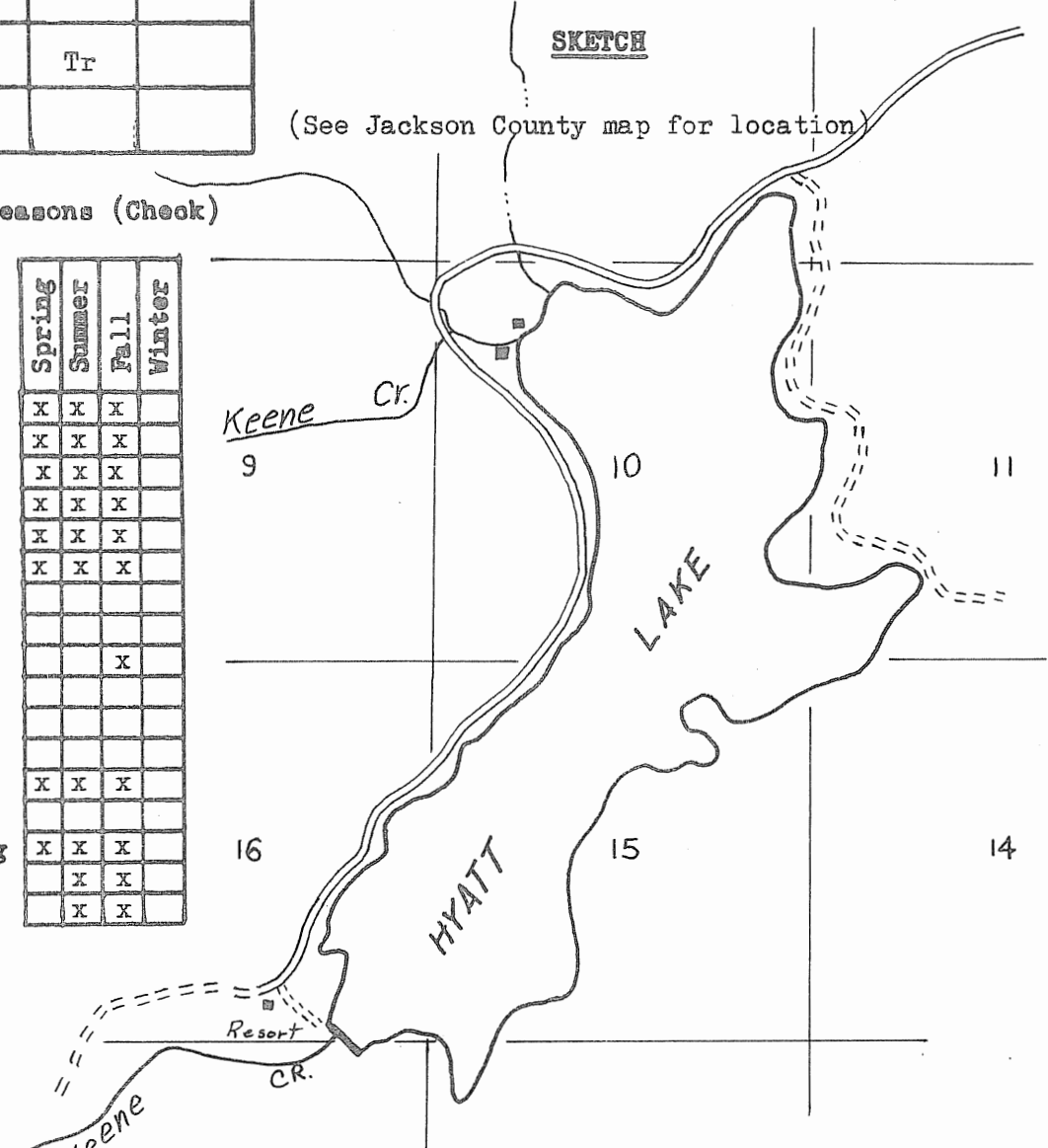
Safety Problems: Submerged trees in lake

Group Facilities: Picnicking, parking for buses

REMARKS

The outlet to the reservoir has been diverted into the Bear Creek drainage. There are two free ramps and one charge ramp at the lake.

The BLM has plans for the construction of a 90 unit campground at the south end of the reservoir and east of the dam. It will include flush toilets, showers, hot and cold water and a fish cleaning station, boat ramp & 70 car parking lot.



LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Jackson County Area Priority C  
 Name Indian Lake County Jackson  
 Location One mile west of Crawfoot Road  
 Township 34 S Range 1 E Sec. 20 Ownership Wm. & Bob Walch

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Rolling mountains  
 Cover type Oak and pine trees  
 Elevation 2,000 Surface acres 55 Water quality Good  
 Existing access Private gravel road

ANGLER NEEDS

The lake should be purchased or made available to the public if possible.

FISHERY

Rainbow trout - It is a private fishing lake that is used as a charge -  
 U-catch-um lake.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter		<u>Recreation</u>			
						S	S	F	W
Heavy					Camping				
Medium					Fishing, boat				
Light					Fishing, shore				
					Hiking				
					Horseback riding				
					Hunting, big game				
					Hunting, upland game				
					Nature study				
					Picnicking				
					Sight-seeing				
					Swimming				
					Water skiing				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)

REMARKS:

Maximum depth 70 feet, average depth - 27 feet. Lake constructed in 1950-51.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Jackson County Area Priority Complete

Name Keene Creek Reservoir County Jackson

Location On east side of Greensprings summit

39 &  
Township 40 S Range 3 E Sec. 33 & 4 Ownership Talent Irrigation Dist.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep

Cover type None

Elevation \_\_\_\_\_ Surface acres 20 \* Water quality Good

Existing access Roads on both sides

\* Maximum depth - 50 ft.

ANGLER NEEDS

FISHERY

Large rainbow trout, pumpkinseed and brown bullheads.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter	<u>Recreation</u>			
					S	S	F	W
Heavy								
Medium								
Light	Tr, Ww	Tr, Ww						
	(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)				Camping			
					Fishing, boat			
					Fishing, shore			
					Hiking			
					Horseback riding			
					Hunting, big game			
					Hunting, upland game			
					Nature study			
					Picnicking			
					Sight-seeing			
					Swimming			
					Water skiing			

**REMARKS:**

Fishing is not encouraged in this reservoir due to extreme fluctuations which could be dangerous.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Jackson County Area Priority C

Name Lake Creek Flats Reservoir County Jackson

Location 4 miles south of the Lake Creek - Butte Falls Junction

Township 37 S Range 2 E Sec. 7 Ownership Cascade Ranch

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Rolling mountains

Cover type Douglas fir and oak

Elevation 2,280 Surface acres 42 Water quality Good

Existing access 1,500 acre/feet private gravel road

ANGLER NEEDS

Public access to lakes.

FISHERY

Rainbow trout. This is a private lake and no fishing is allowed.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter	<u>Recreation</u>			
Heavy					S	S	F	W
Medium								
Light								
(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)								
Camping								
Fishing, boat								
Fishing, shore								
Hiking								
Horseback riding								
Hunting, big game								
Hunting, upland game								
Nature study								
Picnicking								
Sight-seeing								
Swimming								
Water skiing								

**REMARKS:**

Dam is 70 feet high. Two additional ponds exist in the drainage, Woodrat Reservoir and Osborne Reservoir. It would be desirable to make these ponds available to anglers. They are now privately owned.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Rogue River System  
Jackson County Area Priority A  
Name Lost Creek Reservoir (Proposed) County Jackson

Location 30 miles north of Medford  
Township 33 S Range 1 & 2 E Sec. 26, 12 Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Ownership U. S. Government land Number of owners 1

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep mountain sides with some flat benches  
Cover type Mixed stands of timber and brush  
Existing access State Highway 62, the Crater Lake Highway  
Surface acres 3,430 Water quality Good Levels will fluctuate  
Present stage of development Planning state

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: \_\_\_\_\_ acres, \_\_\_\_\_ of frontage  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_

Development:

Boat ramp: Type Concrete Number of lanes 4  
Toilets X Trails X Roads X  
Parking area X; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or 400 car-trailer units

The reservoir will provide fish and wildlife enhancement for  
anadromous fish runs in the lower river.

Lost Creek  
 Name Reservoir

**FISHERY:** Once established, a heavy trout fishery from boats and bank can be expected.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy	Tr	Tr	Tr	
Medium				
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, Tr - Trout,  
 Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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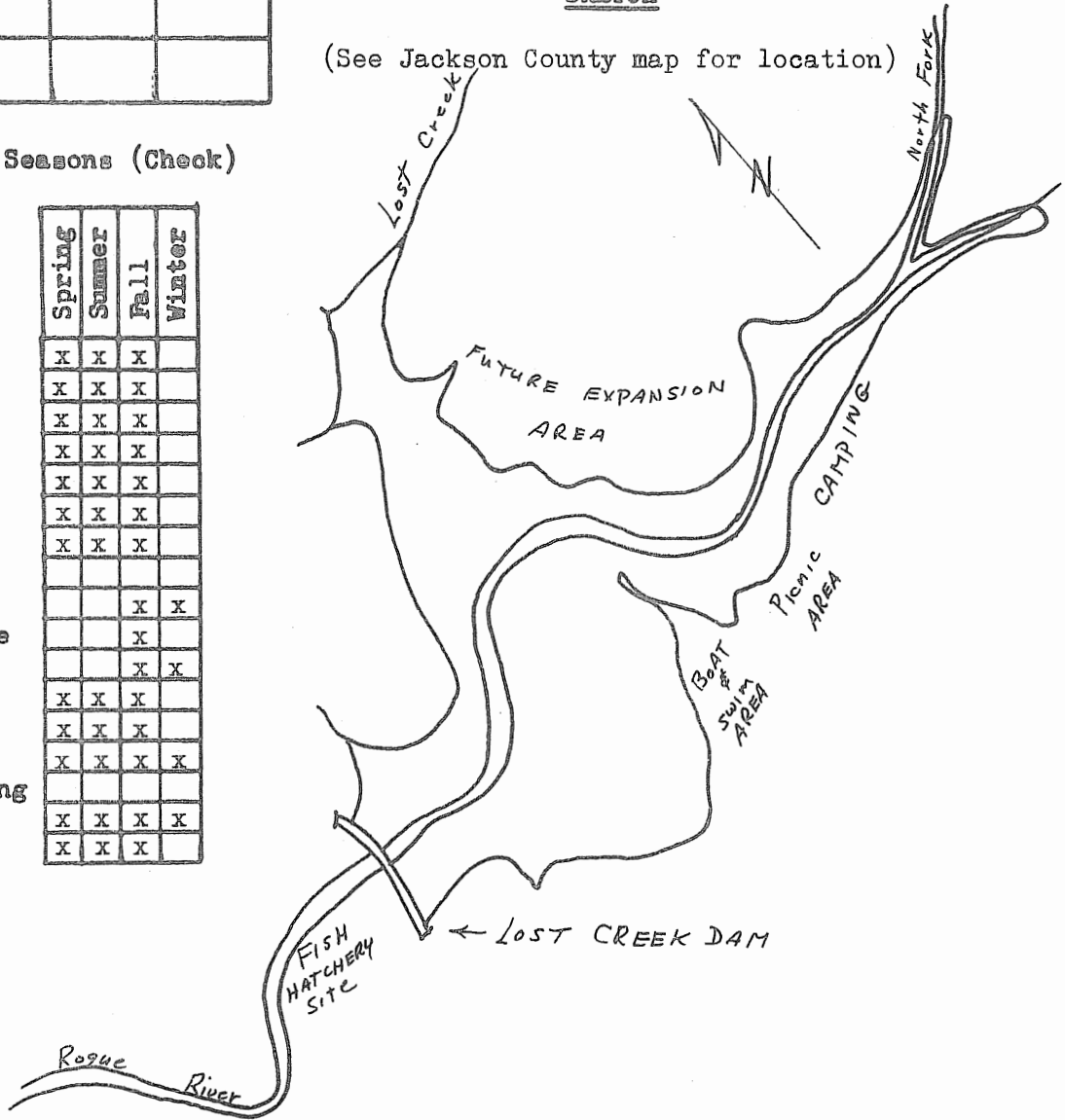
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**Seasons (Check)**

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
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X	X	X		
X	X	X		
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X	X	X		
X	X	X		
			X	X
			X	
			X	X
X	X	X		
X	X	X		
X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	
X	X	X		

**RECREATION (Check)**

- Boating, motor
- Boating, non-motor
- Camping, tent
- Camping, trailer
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Hunting, waterfowl
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sightseeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing



**OTHER**

**Safety Problems:**

**Group Facilities:** Picnicking, camping, parking for buses.

**REMARKS**

The pool will be subject to annual drawdown of roughly 50 to 60 feet. A large area for high potential recreation has been designated on the south shore of the lake.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Jackson County Area Priority C

Name Lost Lake County Jackson

Location In the headwaters of Lake Creek

Township 37 S Range 2 E Sec. 35 Ownership BLM

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Mountainous

Cover type Coniferous forest

Elevation 3,600 Surface acres 50 Water quality Good

Existing access Dry weather BLM road

ANGLER NEEDS

If a road is put into the lake, a campground should be provided.

FISHERY

Brook trout - stocked 1,000 fingerling each year.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light	Tr	Tr		

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)

Recreation

	S	S	F	W
Camping				
Fishing, boat				
Fishing, shore	X	X	X	
Hiking				
Horseback riding				
Hunting, big game				
Hunting, upland game				
Nature study				
Picnicking		X	X	
Sight-seeing				
Swimming		X	X	
Water skiing				

REMARKS:

The lake gets extremely light use. An all weather road would improve the access.



LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Jackson County Area Priority Complete

Name McKee Lake County Jackson

Location Just under Blue Rock lookout on north side

Township 35 S Range 4 E Sec. 1 Ownership Forest Service

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Very rough between Blue Rock lookout and lake

Cover type Coniferous forest

Elevation 5,790 Surface acres 3.0 Water quality Excellent

Existing access One mile of Forest Service trail. There is about 3/4 mile of 4-wheel drive road below the trail.

ANGLER NEEDS

FISHERY

Eastern brook trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter		<u>Recreation</u>			
						S	S	F	W
Heavy					Camping				
Medium					Fishing, boat		X	X	
Light		Bt	Bt		Fishing, shore		X	X	
					Hiking		X	X	
					Horseback riding				
					Hunting, big game			X	
					Hunting, upland game			X	
					Nature study				
					Picnicking				
					Sight-seeing				
					Swimming		X	X	
					Water skiing				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)

REMARKS:

This lake is in the McKee Lake basin and is considered a high mountain lake.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Jackson County Area Priority Complete

Name Military Slough Ponds County Jackson

Location Directly west of White City

Township 36 S Range 1 & 2 W Sec. 13 & 18 Ownership Game Commission operated

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Rolling hills

Cover type Grass with willows along creek

Elevation 1,300 Acre/ft. storage 35.40 A Water quality Good

Existing access Two lane gravel county road

ANGLER NEEDS

FISHERY

Black crappie and brown bullheads

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter		<u>Recreation</u>			
Heavy					Camping	S	S	F	W
Medium					Fishing, boat				
Light	Ww	Ww			Fishing, shore	X	X	X	X
					Hiking				
					Horseback riding				
					Hunting, big game				
					*Hunting, upland game			X	X
					Nature study				
					Picnicking				
					Sight-seeing				
					Swimming				
					Water skiing				
					* Waterfowl too				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)

**REMARKS:**

These ponds are managed by the Oregon Game Commission and they are located on the Kenneth Denman Game Management Area.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Jackson County Area Priority Complete  
 Name Spruce Lake County Jackson  
 Location 11 miles northeast of Union Creek  
 Township 30 S Range 4 E Sec. 12 Ownership Forest Service land

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Mountainous  
 Cover type Lodgepole pine and fir  
 Elevation 4,700 Surface acres 2.0 Water quality Excellent  
 Existing access 1/2 mile of Forest Service trail

ANGLER NEEDS

FISHERY

Brook trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter		<u>Recreation</u>			
						S	S	F	W
Heavy					Camping		X	X	
Medium					Fishing, boat				
Light		Bt	Bt		Fishing, shore		X	X	
					Hiking		X	X	
					Horseback riding				
					Hunting, big game		X	X	
					Hunting, upland game				
					Nature study				
					Picnicking				
					Sight-seeing				
					Swimming		X	X	
					Water skiing				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)

**REMARKS:**

A paved road goes within one-half mile of the lake, a trail goes to the lake.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Applegate River System

Jackson County Area

Priority A

Name Squaw Lakes

County Jackson

Location In the upper Applegate, 9 miles from Copper

Township 40 & 41 S Range 3 W Sec. 36, 1, 2 Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_

Ownership Private Number of owners 2

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Mountainous

Cover type Coniferous trees and deciduous brush

Existing access Narrow single lane, rough dirt road

Surface acres \* Water quality Excellent Levels Stable

Present stage of development Private concession and campground

\* Big Squaw Lake - 48.4 surface acres; Upper Squaw Lake - 20.2 surface acres

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: Both lakes of frontage

Type of conveyance Purchase

Development:

Boat ramp: Type Concrete Number of lanes 2

Toilets X Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Road improvement

Parking area X; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or 50 car-trailer units

These lakes now provide lake fishing in an area where there are  
no other lakes.

Name Squaw Lakes

FISHERY: Cutthroat and rainbow trout, brown bullheads and black crappie.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium	Tr			
Light		Tr Ww	Tr	

(Sa - Salmon, Tr - Trout,  
Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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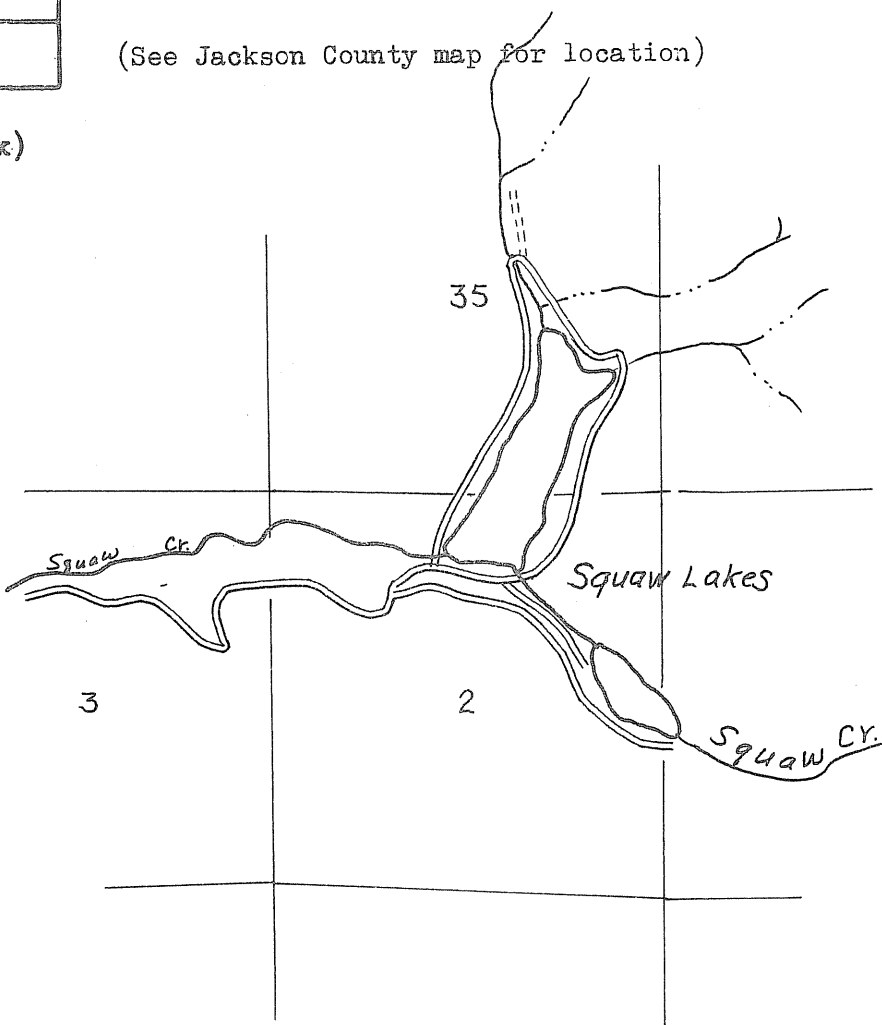
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Seasons (Check)

RECREATION  
(Check)

- Boating, motor
- Boating, non-motor
- Camping, tent
- Camping, trailer
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- \* Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Hunting, waterfowl
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sightseeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- \* Deer

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
	X	X	X	
	X	X	X	
	X	X	X	
	X	X	X	
	X	X	X	
	X	X	X	
			X	
	X	X	X	
		X		
		X	X	



OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

The angling pressure is light only because of the poor condition of the road. On opening weekend 1967, the catch per angler was highest of all lakes in Jackson and Josephine Counties. At times, the upper lake is better fishing than the lower lake. There is a 10 mph speed limit on the lake.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Jackson County Area Priority Complete

Name Whetstone Pond County Jackson

Location Denman Game Management Area on Gregory Road

Township 36 S Range 1 W Sec. 19 & 30 Ownership Game Commission operated

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Rolling hills

Cover type Grass

Elevation 1,300 Surface acres 11 Water quality Good

Existing access Gravel road

ANGLER NEEDS

FISHERY

Bass, bluegill, crappie, pumpkinseed, brown bullheads

		Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter	<u>Recreation</u>			
						S	S	F	W
Heavy									
Medium	Ww								
Light			Ww	Ww	Ww	x	x	x	x
	(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm water game fish)								
	Camping								
	Fishing, boat								
	Fishing, shore					x	x	x	x
	Hiking								
	Horseback riding								
	Hunting, big game								
	Hunting, upland game								
	Nature study								
	Picnicking								
	Sight-seeing								
	Swimming								
	Water skiing								

REMARKS:  
 This drainage is infested with carp and other rough fish. Hoover ponds are located on a tributary to Whetstone Creek. The entire chain of ponds should be chemically treated to eliminate the rough fish.

LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Butte Creek System  
Jackson County Area Priority Complete  
Name Willow Creek Reservoir County Jackson

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Location 8 miles east of Butte Falls  
Township 35 & 36 S Range 3 E Sec. 34, 2, 3 Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Ownership Eagle Point Irrigation District Number of owners 1

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Rolling mountains  
Cover type Fir and pine  
Existing access Paved highway  
Surface acres 343 Water quality Good Levels fluctuate  
Present stage of development Resort, boat ramp and campground

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: \_\_\_\_\_ acres, \_\_\_\_\_ of frontage  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_

Development:

Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ Number of lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_ Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units

This reservoir provides fishing opportunities for kokanee salmon in southern Oregon.

Name Willow Creek Res.

FISHERY: Kokanee, rainbow trout and a few cutthroat trout.

Spring Summer Fall Winter

Heavy	K Tr			
Medium		K Tr		
Light			K Tr	

(Sa - Salmon, Tr - Trout, K - Kokanee, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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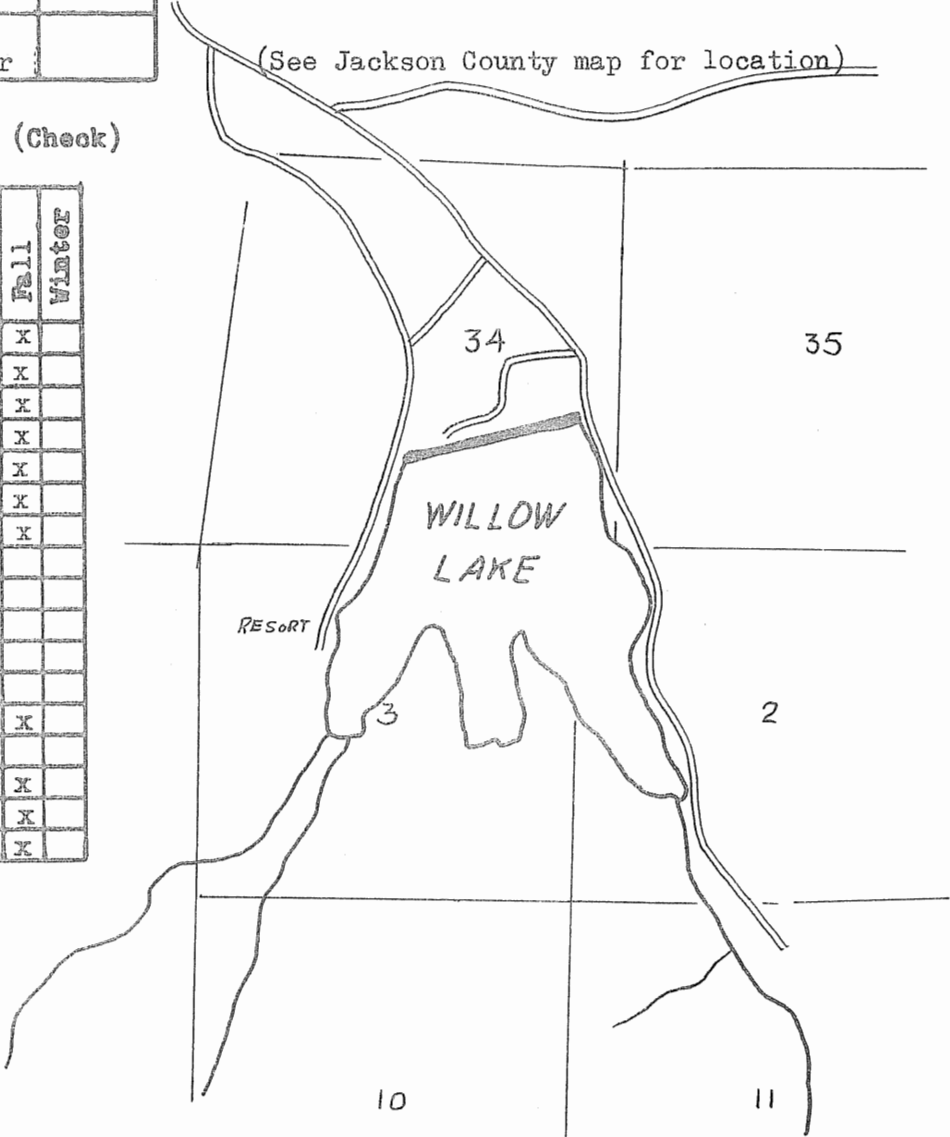
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Seasons (Check)

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Boating, motor	X	X	X	
Boating, non-motor	X	X	X	
Camping, tent	X	X	X	
Camping, trailer	X	X	X	
Fishing, boat	X	X	X	
Fishing, shore	X	X	X	
Hiking	X	X	X	
Horseback riding				
Hunting, big game				
Hunting, upland game				
Hunting, waterfowl				
Nature study				
Picnicking		X	X	
Sightseeing				
Skin and scuba diving		X	X	
Swimming		X	X	
Water skiing		X	X	

RECREATION  
(Check)

- Boating, motor
- Boating, non-motor
- Camping, tent
- Camping, trailer
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Hunting, waterfowl
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sightseeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing



OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities: Picnicking, camping, parking for buses.

REMARKS

The lake has a heavy plankton bloom when the water warms in the summer. Swimming is the major activity. The campground and roads to the boat ramp and resort are all oiled which makes the area quite dust free in summer.



LAKE AND RESERVOIR ACCESS EVALUATION

Jackson County Area Priority C  
 Name Yankee Creek Reservoir County Jackson  
 Location 2 1/2 miles east of Agate Reservoir  
 Township 36 S Range 1 E Sec. 28 Ownership Private

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Rolling mountains  
 Cover type Oak trees and grass  
 Elevation 1,720 Surface acres 55 \* Water quality Good  
 Existing access Private gravel road  
 \* Depth is 50 feet at foot of pool.

ANGLER NEEDS

The lake should be purchased or made available to the public if possible.

FISHERY

Rainbow trout and black crappie.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter		<u>Recreation</u>			
						S	S	F	W
Heavy					Camping				
Medium					Fishing, boat				
Light					Fishing, shore	x	x	x	x
					Hiking				
					Horseback riding				
					Hunting, big game				
					Hunting, upland game				
					Nature study				
					Picnicking				
					Sight-seeing				
					Swimming				
					Water skiing				

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**REMARKS:**

This lake is in a nice setting and would make an excellent recreational facility.