

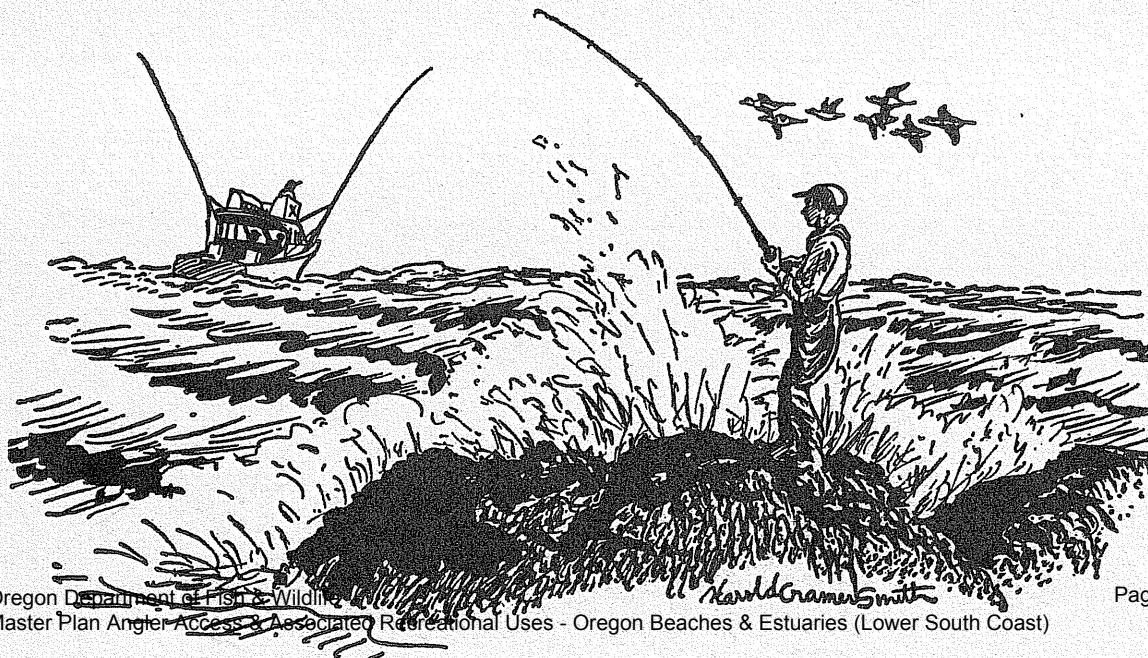
**OREGON BEACHES AND ESTUARIES**

**LOWER SOUTH COAST**

**MASTER PLAN  
FOR ANGLER ACCESS AND  
ASSOCIATED RECREATIONAL  
USES**



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Master Plan for Angler Access  
and  
Associated Recreational Uses

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## LOWER SOUTH COAST ACCESS PLAN

### Master Plan for Angler Access

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### Associated Recreational Uses

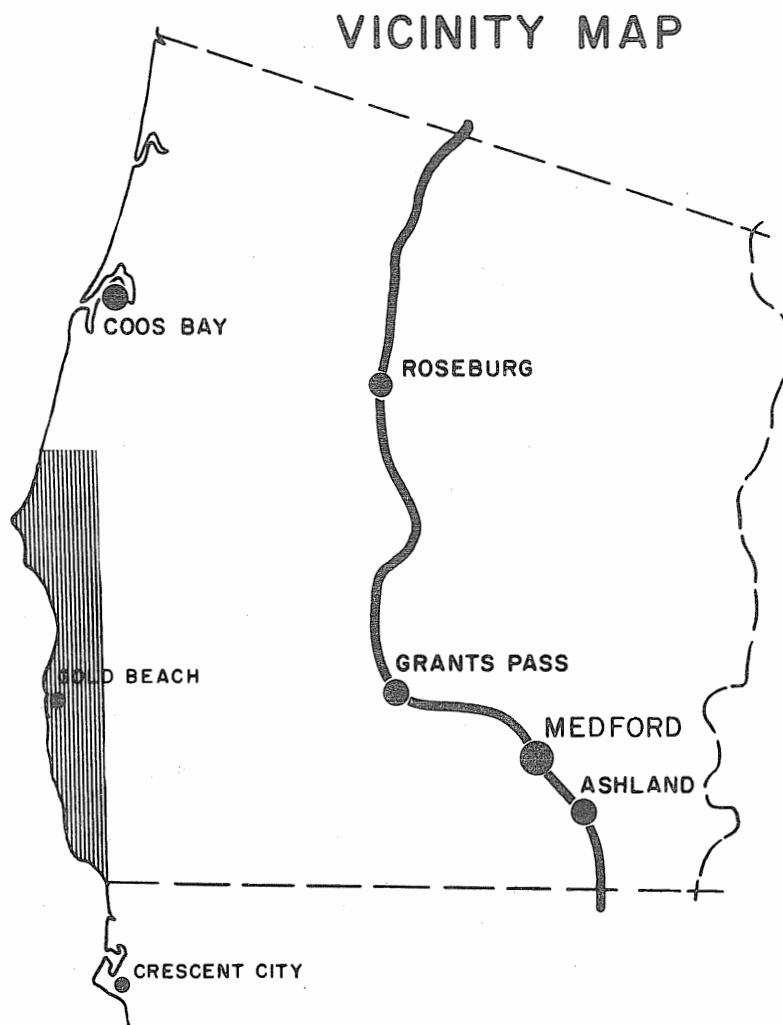
The Lower South Coast in this report will be restricted to Curry County. Being separated from large centers of population makes this area unique from the remainder of our coastline that is utilized heavily by weekend anglers and recreation seekers. All of the county's streams have abundant runs of anadromous fish - fall chinook, sea-run cutthroat trout, winter steelhead, and the Rogue usually has a run of spring chinook that exceeds 30,000. Maintaining the fishery is not the problem; the problem is providing access for adequate sport harvest of the resource.

The offshore salmon fishery is hardly touched except near Brookings and Gold Beach where charter boats and skiffs can launch and moor in the river and go across the bar to fish. The Port Orford area has terrific potential for offshore fishing but no boat facility has been developed.

The reefs and rocks along the Curry County coast abound with lingcod, red snapper, cabezon, and many other very delicious rockfish that are hardly disturbed by a fisherman's bait.

This report details a plan that we hope can be followed to solve the access problems of the Lower South Coast. 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.

Curry County has been broken into 8 areas containing 33 sites for beach, tidewater, and offshore access. The following 8 areas are described in detail with evaluation forms for each access site.



Curry County is located in the southwestern corner of the state. The county is bordered on the west by the Pacific, the south by California and on the east by the Coast Range.

The main highways to the area are U. S. 199 from Grants Pass via Crescent City, California; Oregon 42 from Roseburg via Coquille and Bandon, and Oregon 38 off Interstate 5 through Reedsport if traveling from the Willamette Valley.

Gold Beach is 106 miles south of Coos Bay; Brookings lies 28 miles south of Gold Beach on U. S. 101.

## WINCHUCK AREA

The Winchuck River flows into the Pacific Ocean within a half mile of the Oregon-California line. Tidal influence extends upstream about one mile. During 1965 a new bridge was constructed on Highway 101 at a point 200 yards downstream from the old bridge. The addition of this new bridge has improved the possibility of road access to the beach and the mouth of the river. It would be a relatively simple matter to extend a ramp off the highway to a parking area near the beach and river on the south side. The north side of the river has road access off the highway and the land to the beach was acquired by the state when the new bridge was built.

The Winchuck is a relatively small stream. At low tide the river is about 40 yards wide below the new bridge. As with many small coastal streams, sand from wave action during times of low flow fills in the mouth. The tide usually seeps through the sand or only a small channel will break through to allow the ebbing tide to return to sea. This channel is seldom deep enough to allow large fish to enter the stream. Consequently, the salmon do not start their fall run until sufficient stream flow opens up the mouth. This usually happens during the first few weeks in November.

The Winchuck receives a good run of fall chinook. Large fish are common with some reaching 50 pounds. Sea-run cutthroat are able to navigate the shallow channel at the mouth during August and September and they are again present in May on their return to the ocean after spawning. Winter steelhead enter the river in December and are present in the stream system throughout the winter.

The main fisheries in the estuary are for fall chinook and sea-run cutthroat trout. However, winter steelhead are taken in the upper tidal area. Angling regulations prohibit angling within 100 yards of the mouth. This

regulation is designed to protect the fish when they cross the shallow beach section during times of minimum flow. At present, boat angling is nearly non-existent because of no launching facility. Only small boats that can be man-handled over the bank are used and mainly by local residents. The area is in dire need of a boat launching facility. Two locations are suitable - the flat on the southeast side of the old 101 bridge or the state land on the northwest side of the new highway bridge.



SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 1  
Winchuck Area Priority B  
Name Winchuck River - South Bank

Location 1/4 mile north of Oregon-California State line

T. 41 S, R. 13 W, Sec. 26,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. N W, County Curry

Ownership: Public

Private X Tax Lot No. 300 and 1400

Owners Winchuck Properties Inc.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Sand beach

Cover type Piles of driftwood - no vegetation

Road access Single lane - sand, Condition Fair

Flows Tidal influence, Water quality Good

Present stage of development None

ACCESS PROBLEMS

Private property at Crissey Airport. The private land should be opened up to allow public access to beach.

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres 3, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_

Type of conveyance Easement &/or purchase

Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_

Toilets X, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads Improvement

Parking area X; for 20 cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units

Other development \_\_\_\_\_

AREA Winchuck

SITE # 1

FISHERY: Fall chinook salmon, winter steelhead, sea-run cutthroat, surf perch

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium	Tr		Tr	
Light		SP	Sa St	

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
Sg - Sturgeon,  
SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

SKETCH

Seasons (Check)

RECREATION  
(check)

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

(see page 13)

\* The beach is a vast classroom of nature

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities: Picnicking, parking for buses

REMARKS Fishing for sea-run cutthroat begins in the spring when the trout season opens. Angling for salmon and cutthroat takes place in the fall.

This site would make a nice picnic and overnight camping area, a type of facility that is needed in this area.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 2  
Winchuck Area Priority B  
Name Winchuck River - North Bank

Location North side of river below new highway bridge  
T. 41 S , R. 13 W , Sec. 23 ,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. S E , County Curry  
Ownership: Public State of Oregon  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Level or gradually sloping to river  
Cover type Sparse grass  
Road access Gravel drive-in , Condition Fair  
Flows Tidal influence , Water quality Good  
Present stage of development None

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_ , Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type Concrete plank \* No. lanes 1  
Toilets X , Trails \_\_\_\_\_ , Road To ramp area  
Parking area X ; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or 20 car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

\* This is an alternate site for the boat ramp proposed at the old  
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AREA Winchuck

SITE # 2

FISHERY: Fall chinook salmon, sea-run cutthroat trout and winter steelhead

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium	Tr		Tr	
Light			Sa St	St

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
 Sg - Sturgeon,  
 SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
 Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

SKETCH

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 gamel
- Hunting, waterfowl
- Nature study 2
- Picnicking
- Sight-seeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- Beach combing
- Crabbing
- Clam digging

	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	

(see page 13)

1. Band-tailed pigeons are hunted on the beach.
2. The beach is a vast classroom of nature.

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities: Parking for buses, picnicking

REMARKS This area is an alternate location where a boat ramp could be built.  
The other is adjacent to the old highway bridge on the south side.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 3  
Winchuck Area Priority A  
Name Old 101 Bridge Ramp

Location At upstream side of bridge on South side.

T. 41 S, R. 13 W, Sec. 26,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. NE, County Curry

Ownership: Public

Private  Tax Lot No. 2100

Owners Milton De Martin

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Level field

Cover type Pasture

Road access Private graveled lane, Condition Fair

Flows Tidal influence, Water quality Good

Present stage of development None

ACCESS PROBLEMS

Private land, but bank anglers are allowed to fish by asking permission of the land owner.

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres 1, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_

Type of conveyance Purchase

Development: Boat ramp: Type Concrete plank No. lanes 1

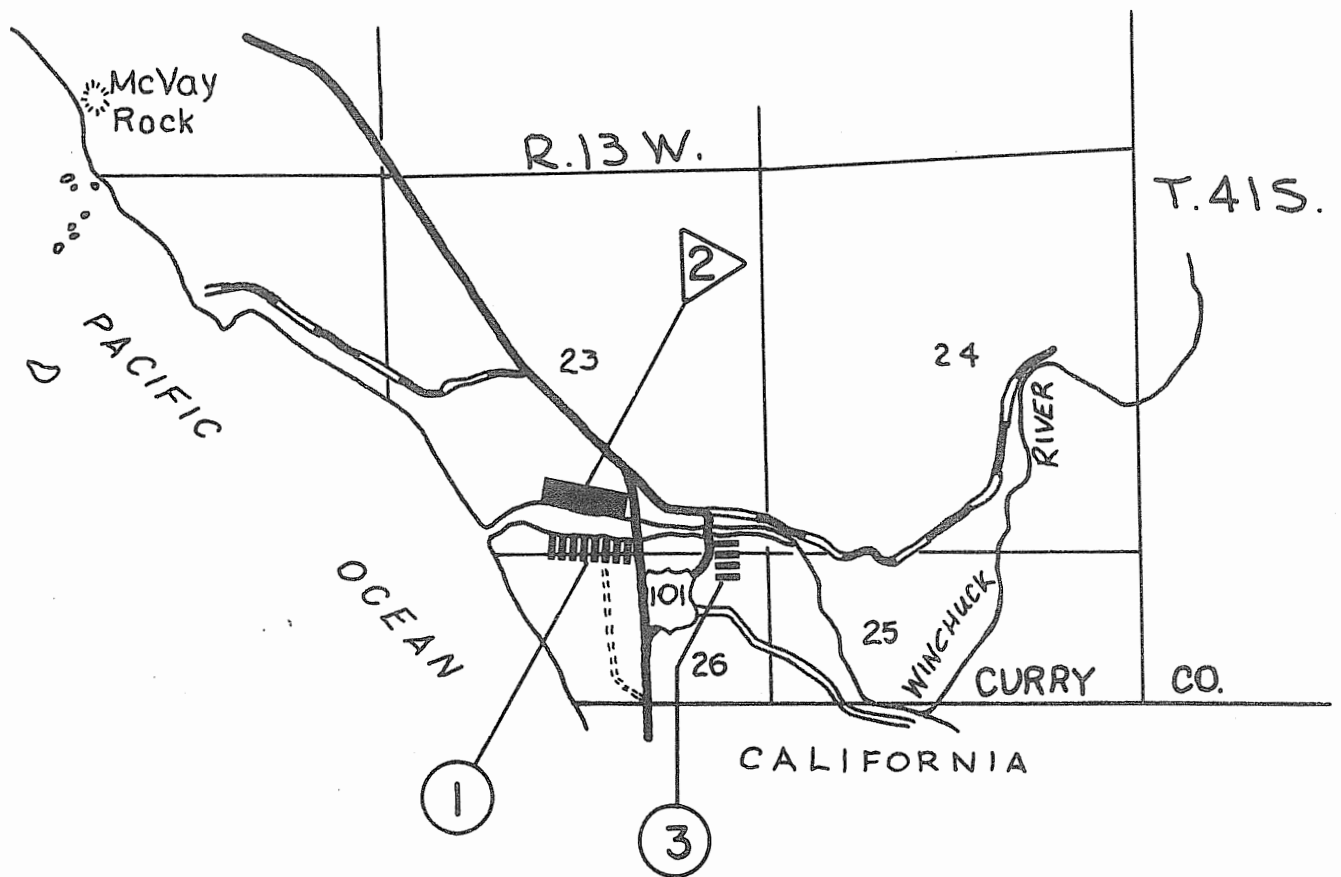
Toilets , Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Road To ramp area

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

Other development \_\_\_\_\_



# WINCHUCK AREA



## BROOKINGS AREA

The mouth of the Chetco River is located on the south side of Brookings. The town of Harbor lies across the river.

Jetties have been built at the river mouth to enable commercial fishing vessels and lumber barges to enter the boat basin. The Port of Brookings is an important commercial fishing port and lumber export depot. The U. S. Coast Guard has a large facility here and the Port of Brookings maintains a large boat basin for both commercial and sport boats in conjunction with a 4-lane boat ramp.

Tidewater extends upstream for approximately three miles, but this report will restrict coverage to the lower  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mile section. The upper  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles is fished by salmon anglers but boat travel upstream from the Brookings area is very limited because of extremely shallow riffles on a low tide. (The upper section of tidewater will be covered in the Chetco River Access Plan.)

There is an important offshore salmon fishery from the Port of Brookings. This river entrance is semi-sheltered and the bar is navigable except during storms. Commercial charters work out of the three moorages in the lower tidal area. Fishing usually starts in July and gains momentum until fall when the salmon move into the river. The coho or silver salmon is the fish early in the season but the chinook enters the catch more frequently as the season progresses. Because of their better quality and size, the chinook is a more desirable fish. In August the salmon begin to move closer to shore and skiff and small sport boat activity increases over the bar. Commercial charter activity diminishes after Labor Day weekend, but anglers in small boats fish in the tidal area until the salmon move upstream in November to spawn. The fishery in the bay is one to behold with 30 pound chinook a common occurrence and a few 50 pounders being taken every year.



Both jetties offer access to the river mouth and adjoining beach. Wave action is light along the jetties which makes it a desirable place for salt-water anglers. During the summer it is used quite heavily when lingcod, sea perch, greenling, flounder, and various rockfish are taken. In the fall, when the salmon are present in the river, anchovies or herring are cast from the jetty, and, at times, the catch is good.

Harris Beach State Park, located about a mile north of Brookings on Highway 101, gives access to the beach and provides camping and picnic facilities. This is a heavily used facility and extremely popular among tourists and vacationers.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 1  
Brookings Area Priority Under improvement  
Name South Jetty Access

Location South bank of Chetco River west of Harbor  
T. 41 S, R. 13 W, Sec. 8,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. NE, County Curry  
Ownership: Public Curry County  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Sand beach with rock jetty along river  
Cover type None  
Road access County - gravel, Condition Fair  
Flows Tidal influence, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Access road and toilets

ACCESS PROBLEMS

Public access is guaranteed. At the present time the area is all torn up from jetty repair, additional development and filling.

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

AREA Brookings

SITE # 1

FISHERY: Fall salmon in bay. Bottom fish: surf perch, lingcod flounder, two species of rockfish, smelt and herring

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		Sa	Sa	
Medium		SP BF	SP BF	
Light	SP BF			

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
 Sg - Sturgeon,  
 SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
 Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

SKETCH

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
- Sight-seeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- Beach combing
- Crabbing
- Clam digging

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

(see page 27)

OTHER

Safety Problems: Rough bar at times

Group Facilities: Parking for buses

REMARKS The jetties are very popular to bank anglers.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 2  
Brookings Area Priority B  
Name North Jetty Access

Location North bank of Chetco River west of Brookings  
T. 41 S, R. 13 W, Sec. 8,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. NW, County Curry  
Ownership: Public State of Oregon - Tide Flat  
Private X Tax Lot No. 100 (access road)  
Owner Elmer Bankus

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Hillside  
Cover type Grass and rocks  
Road access Private - single lane, Condition Good gravel  
Flows Tidal, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Access road

ACCESS PROBLEMS

Private land between Brookings city street right-of-way and beach.

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance Easement over existing road  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets X, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area X; for 20 cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development The beach area needs to be cleared of drift logs and debris.



SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 3  
Brookings Area Priority Complete  
Name Harbor Moorages

Location In vicinity of Chetco River Bridge  
T. 41 S, R. 13 W, Sec. 5,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. SE, County Curry  
Ownership: Public Port of Brookings  
Private X Tax Lot No. Many  
Owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Gravel bars  
Cover type Alder and fir trees in some places  
Road access Public - gravel, Condition Good to fair  
Flows Tidal, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Complete

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

FISHERY: Fall salmon in the bay and an intensive offshore salmon fishery in summer and fall. Bottom fish: surf perch, lingcod, flounder, rockfish, smelt and herring

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		Sa	Sa	
Medium		BF	BF	
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
Sg - Sturgeon,  
SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

SKETCH

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
- Sight-seeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- Beach combing
- Crabbing
- Clam digging

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
		x	x	
		x	x	
		x	x	
		x	x	
		x	x	
		x	x	

(see page 27)

OTHER

Safety Problems: Tidal currents and rough bar at times

Group Facilities:

REMARKS The entrance to the Chetco River is rough at times but is one of the better river entrances on the Oregon coast.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 4  
Brookings Area Priority Complete  
Name Snug Harbor

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Location One mile upstream on the north side  
T. 41 S, R. 13 W, Sec. 32,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. SE, County Curry  
Ownership: Public \_\_\_\_\_  
Private X Tax Lot No. 1500  
Owners G. F. Hurst

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep grade to river  
Cover type Deciduous brush and trees  
Road access Private - gravel, Condition Single lane - good  
Flows Tidal influence, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Complete

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_



AREA Brookings

SITE # 4

FISHERY: Fall salmon in the bay and an intensive offshore salmon fishery  
in summer and fall

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light		Sa	Sa	

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
 Sg - Sturgeon,  
 SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
 Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

SKETCH

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  
 Sight-seeing  
 Skin and scuba diving  
 Swimming  
 Water skiing  
 Beach combing  
 Crabbing  
 Clam digging

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

(see page 27)

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

This is moderately used facility on the upper bay. The charter boat run by this operator is moored at Harbor. Boats can be rented, and moorage and house trailer spaces are available.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 5  
Brookings Area Priority Complete  
Name Harris Beach State Park

Location One mile north of Brookings on Hwy 101  
T. 41 S, R. 14 W, Sec. 36,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. N W, County Curry  
Ownership: Public State of Oregon  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Rolling hills  
Cover type Grass and domestic shrubs  
Road access Paved, Condition Excellent  
Flows Beach - tidal, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Complete

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

FISHERY: Bottom fish: Sea perch, cabezon, lingcod, flounder, rockfish

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light	BF	BF	BF	

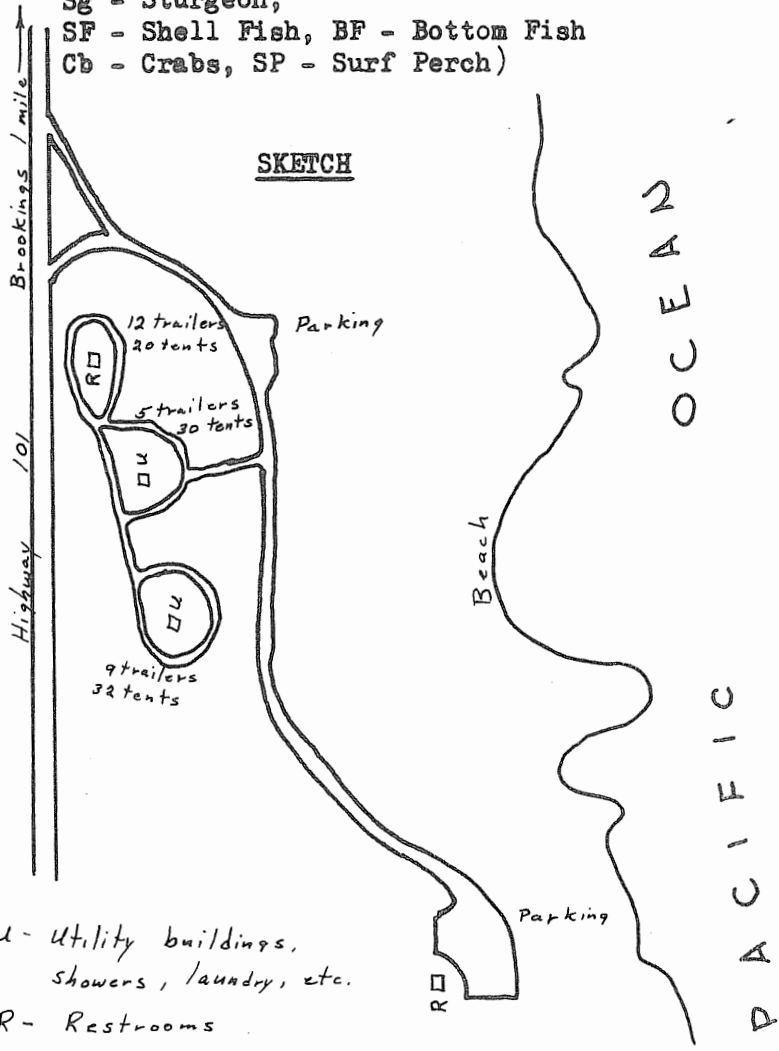
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 Sg - Sturgeon,  
 SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
 Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

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
- Sight-seeing \*
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- Beach combing
- Crabbing
- Clam digging

	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



\* This is an ideal place for tide pool study and gives a good view of the ocean.

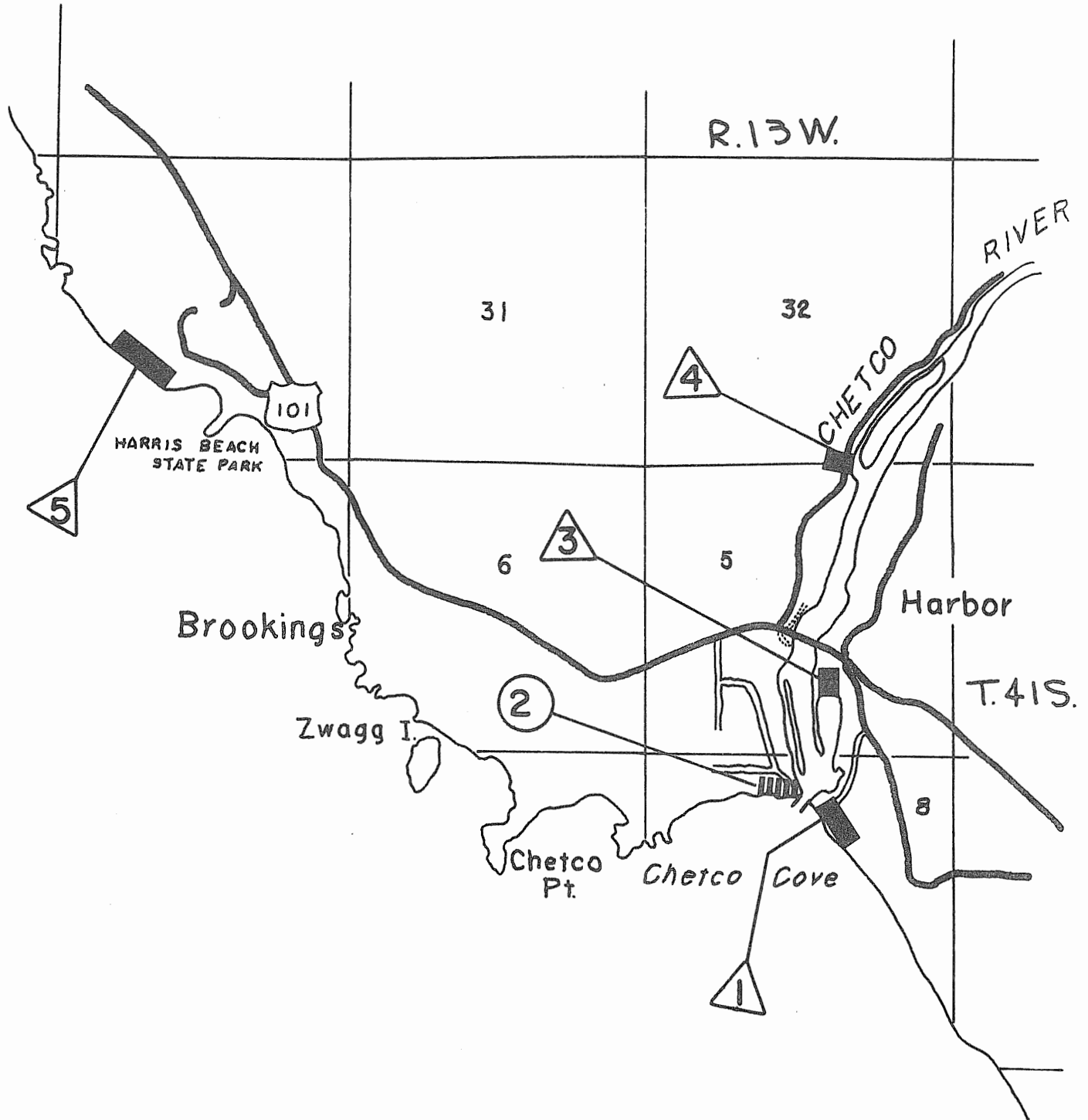
OTHER

Safety Problems: Heavy surf at times with tides; floating logs and debris

Group Facilities:

REMARKS This is a very heavily utilized facility. During the tourist season it is full nearly every night and many are turned away.

# BROOKINGS AREA



## SAMUEL H. BOARDMAN STATE PARK

The Samuel H. Boardman State Park extends from Harris Beach north to Mack Arch, a distance of 6 miles. Two locations in the park have been developed into picnic areas that provide access to the beach. Nine view points have been established on the highway along the park boundary and two trails have been built from the highway to the beach.

Since this area has limited access due to the steep terrain between the highway and the beach, it is an excellent beach combing locality. Japanese fishing floats can be found after stormy periods when heavy seas force debris onto the beach.

This rocky shoreline offers unlimited opportunities for good fishing. Rock ledges that extend out into the ocean are prime spots for rockfish, lingcod, cabezon, sea perch, and greenling. They can be easily caught with clam necks, shrimp, or sand crabs. Scuba divers find rock scallops and abalone in many of the sheltered coves in the park.

Thomas Creek, a small stream that has cut a deep gorge on its way to the sea, is the site of the highest bridge in Oregon. The view point at the bridge gives an excellent view of the gorge.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 1  
Boardman State Park Area Priority Complete  
Name Lone Ranch Beach

Location 4 miles north of Brookings  
T. 41 S, R. 14 W, Sec. 22,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. NE, County Curry  
Ownership: Public State of Oregon  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Mountainous and rocky with sandy beach  
Cover type Grass and some coniferous trees  
Road access Paved, Condition Good  
Flows Tidal surf, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Complete

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

FISHERY: Bottom fish: surf perch, cabezon, greenling, rockfish

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light	BF	BF	BF	

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
 Sg - Sturgeon,  
 SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
 Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

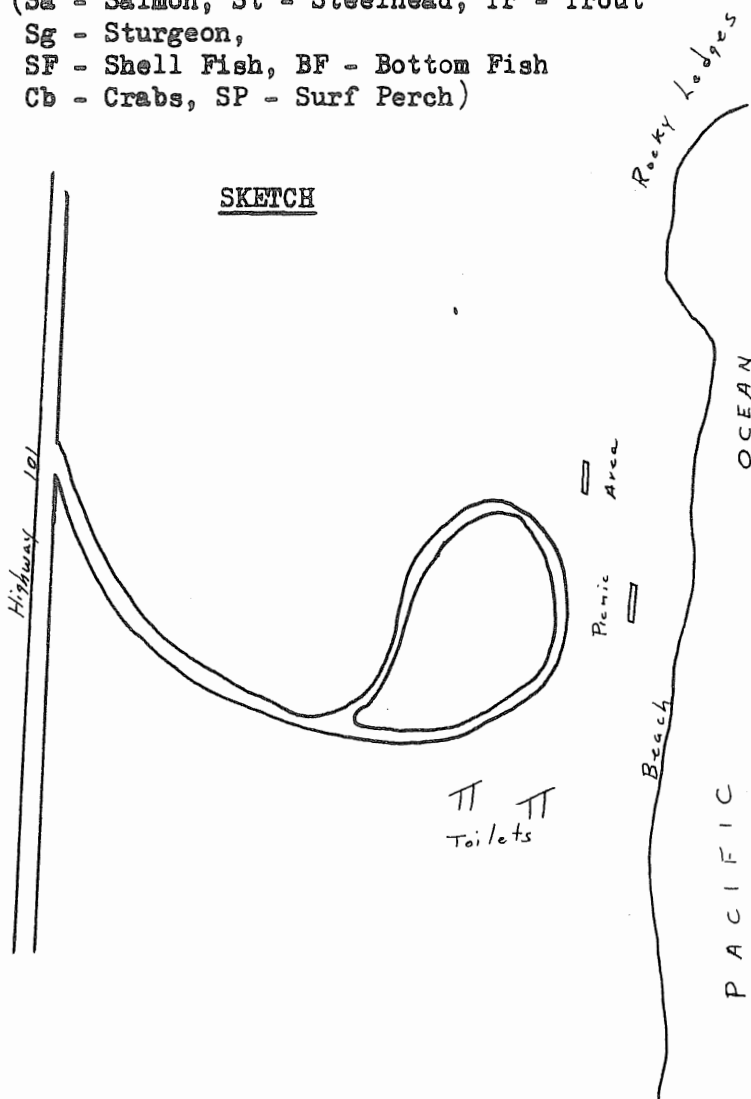
Seasons (Check)

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
- Sight-seeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- Beach combing
- Crabbing
- Clam digging

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

SKETCH



OTHER

Safety Problems: Tidal currents and rocky ledges

Group Facilities: Picnicking, parking for buses

REMARKS

This is a hilly beach area along the highway. It provides a picnic area and an access point to about a mile of beach. Running water is available.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 2  
Boardman State Park Area Priority Complete  
Name Whalehead Beach

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Location Seven miles north of Brookings on Hwy 101  
T. 40 S, R. 14 W, Sec. 3,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. NW, County Curry  
Ownership: Public State of Oregon  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Mountainous  
Cover type Grass and fir trees  
Road access Paved, Condition Good  
Flows Tidal surf, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Complete

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_





## HUNTER CREEK AND PISTOL RIVER

Hunter Creek and Pistol River are separated by 8 miles of coast line with Cape Sebastian about midway between. Cape Sebastian State Park rises high above the beach and affords a beautiful panoramic view of the ocean and coastline from Port Orford to Brookings.

Pistol River is a medium-sized coastal stream. Its tide zone is less than a mile long with one deep hole just above the Highway 101 bridge. This hole provides good cutthroat fishing in the spring and fall, and chinook fishing in the fall. The beach is accessible via a side road that leaves the highway just south of the bridge. The beach to the south affords a good area for beach combing and butter clams can be found near Crook Point.

Myers Creek beach, about 3 miles north of Pistol River and on the south side of Cape Sebastian, is one of the better razor clam beaches on the Oregon Coast. On minus tides the beach is heavily utilized and many limits (24) of razors are taken.

The mouth of Hunter Creek is on the south end of Gold Beach. This is a small stream that has runs of large fall chinook, winter steelhead, and sea-run cutthroat trout. This stream does not have a 100 yard closure at its mouth. The most popular fishing in tidewater is in the vicinity of the old 101 bridge. Cutthroat are taken here in the spring and early fall; fall chinook enter the creek after the fall rains.

The beach in this area is abrupt but sandy. It has potential for surf perch, surf smelt, and striped bass when the smelt are present. However, this fishery is not pursued since the local residents are too involved with salmon and steelhead.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 1  
Hunter Cr. and Pistol R. Area Priority B  
Name Pistol River

Location Ten miles south of Gold Beach  
T. 38 S, R. 14 W, Sec. 19,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. NE, County Curry  
Ownership: Public State of Oregon  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Sand dunes  
Cover type Salt grass  
Road access State - gravel, Condition Good single lane  
Flows Tidal influence, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development None

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets X, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads X  
Parking area X; for 10 cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

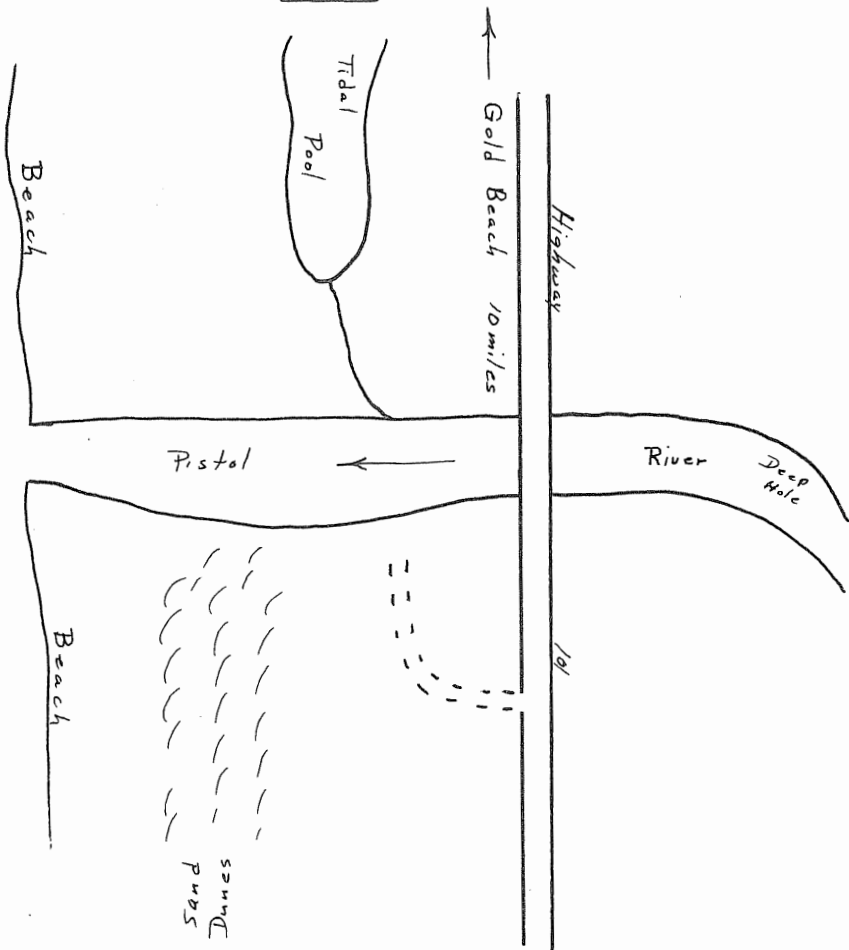
SITE # 1

FISHERY: Fall salmon, steelhead, sea-run cutthroat. This area is not fished except above the Hwy 101 bridge, and mostly for jack salmon and cutthroat.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium		Sa	Sa	
Light	Tr	SF		

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
Sg - Sturgeon,  
SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

SKETCH



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
- Sight-seeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- Beach combing
- Crabbing
- Clam digging

	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

OTHER

Safety Problems: Tidal currents

Group Facilities:

REMARKS This is a desirable location for a camping facility. Butter clams can be found on beach to the south. Myers creek to the north has razor clams.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 2  
Hunter Cr. to Pistol R. Area Priority Complete  
Name Myers Creek

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Location Eight miles south of Gold Beach  
T. 38 S, R. 14 W, Sec. 6,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. SW, County Curry  
Ownership: Public State of Oregon  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Sandy beach  
Cover type None  
Road access Parking along highway, Condition Gravel  
Flows Tidal surf, Water quality Ocean  
Present stage of development Parking along highway

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

FISHERY: Bottom fishing is almost non-existent even though possibilities exist.

Razor clam beach

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy	SF	SF		
Medium				
Light			SF	SF

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
Sg - Sturgeon,  
SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

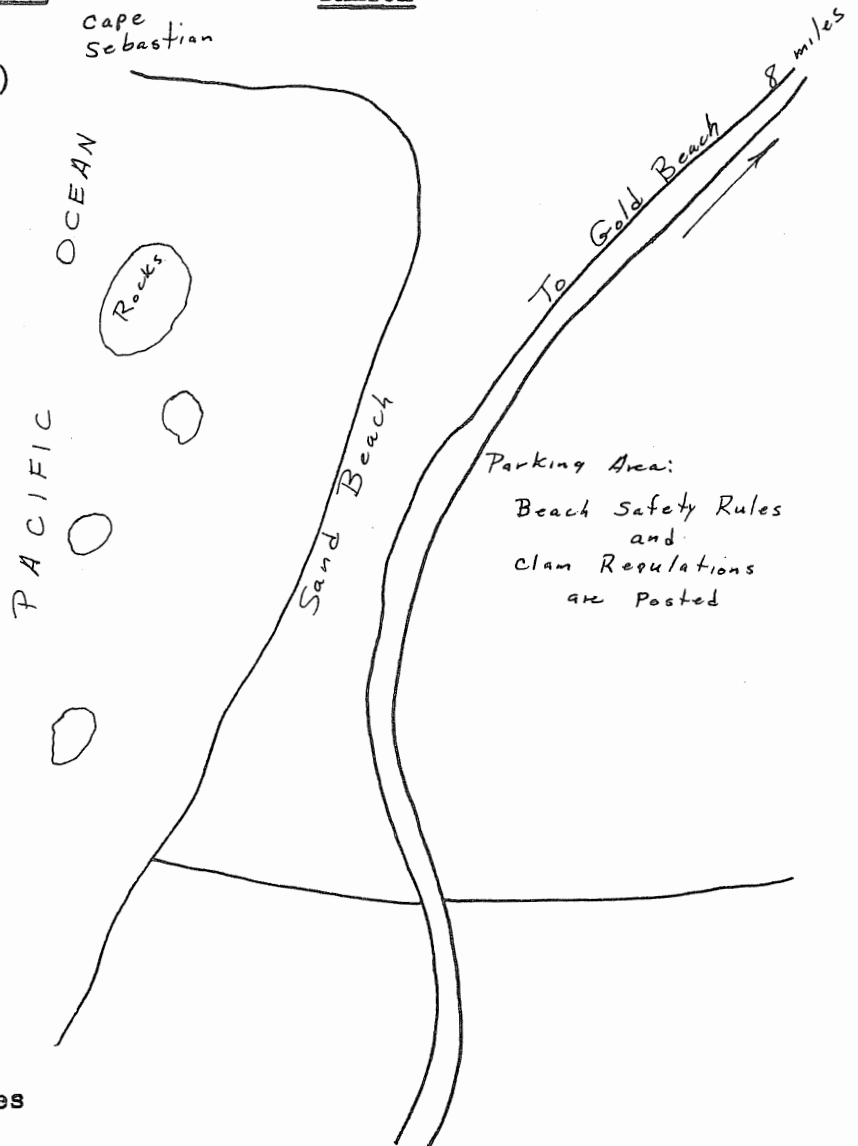
SKETCH

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
- Sight-seeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- Beach combing
- Crabbing
- Clam digging

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



OTHER

Safety Problems: Heavy surf

Group Facilities: Parking for buses

REMARKS This is a heavily used razor clam beach. Clam digging takes place on any minus tide when weather permits. Minus tides occur during A. M. hours in spring and summer and during P. M. hours in fall and winter. Consult a current tide table.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 3  
Hunter Cr. to Pistol R. Area Priority Complete  
Name Hunter Creek

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Location One mile south of Gold Beach on Hwy 101  
T. 37 S, R. 15 W, Sec. 12,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. S E, County Curry  
Ownership: Public State of Oregon  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Gravel and sandy beach  
Cover type Grass  
Road access Parking on highway, Condition Gravel  
Flows Tidal, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Complete

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_





## GOLD BEACH AREA

The Rogue river flows into the ocean at Gold Beach. The town of Wedderburn and the Rogue resorts are located on the north side of the river. The Rogue is a long river that headwaters in the Cascade Mountains and one of four systems in Oregon that has a substantial run of spring chinook salmon. The season starts in April and is over by the end of May. This fish has nation-wide fame and anglers come from many states. Boats are anchored in the river and a spinner is allowed to spin behind the boat in the current until a salmon strikes. Usually the fish hits with such force that he hocks himself.

The trout season opens in late May. Sea-run cutthroat trout are present on their return to the ocean and are taken by trolling or still-fishing with bait. June and July are quiet months in the Rogue Bay but July begins the offshore salmon fishing. Charter boats operate from the Rogue resorts and sometimes go out 10 miles to find fish for their customers. On calm days, when the salmon come inshore around the whistle and bell buoys, the skiffs go over the bar to pursue the coho and large fall chinook. In August the salmon begin to move into the river when as many as 100 boats can be seen trolling between the jetties. When a school moves in, success can be good with some chinook weighing over 30 pounds.

In recent years the jetties have become popular to bank anglers. Sea perch, lingcod, and assorted bottom fish are caught in spring and summer and the salmon are caught starting in August. The access roads to each of the jetties provide an avenue to miles of beach on each bank of the river. The expanse is only limited by the distance that the beachcomber desires to walk.

Bailey beach that is within two miles of Wedderburn offers good clam digging on minus tides. Access is provided via a gravel side road off the main highway.

Public boat launching facilities are the most needed facility in the tidal area. Three boat ramps are proposed; one is presently under construction.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 1  
Gold Beach Area Priority Complete  
Name South Jetty Access

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Location Northwest side of Gold Beach  
T. 36 S, R. 15 W, Sec. 36,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. NE, County Curry  
Ownership: Public Port of Gold Beach  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Gravel bar and rocky jetty  
Cover type None  
Road access Public - gravel, Condition Good  
Flows Tidal influence, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Complete

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

AREA Gold Beach

SITE # 1

FISHERY: Smelt, herring, perch, lingcod, fall chinook, coho. Perch fishing is good from the gravel bar that extends out from the boat basin.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light	BF	BF	Sa BF	

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
Sg - Sturgeon,  
SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

SKETCH

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  
 Sight-seeing  
 Skin and scuba diving  
 Swimming  
 Water skiing  
 Beach combing  
 Crabbing  
 Clam digging

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

(see page 61)

OTHER

Safety Problems: Heavy wave action on end of jetty

Group Facilities: Parking for buses

REMARKS

The beginning of the South Jetty is located at the west end of the Port of Gold Beach boat basin. A beach access road has been extended for approximately 1/2 mile south along the beach from the jetty and boat basin.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 2  
Gold Beach Area Priority Complete  
Name North Jetty Access

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Location 1/2 mile west of Wedderburn  
T. 36 S, R. 15 W, Sec. 36, 1/4 Sec. N W, County Curry  
Ownership: Public \_\_\_\_\_  
Private  Tax Lot No. 1500  
Owners U. S. Plywood Corporation

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Sandy beach and rocky jetty  
Cover type None  
Road access County - paved, Condition Good  
Flows Tidal influence, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Gravel access road and parking

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

AREA Gold Beach

SITE # 2

FISHERY: Smelt, herring, perch, lingcod, fall chinook and coho, sea-run cutthroat

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium		Smelt BF	Sa BF	
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
 Sg - Sturgeon,  
 SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
 Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

SKETCH

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
- Sight-seeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- Beach combing
- Crabbing
- Clam digging

	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

(see page 61)

OTHER

Safety Problems: Strong tidal currents  
Heavy waves at end of jetty

Group Facilities: Parking for buses

REMARKS

This jetty is used more heavily than the south one because the river side is sheltered from the prevailing northwest winds in the summer.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 3  
Gold Beach Area Priority A  
Name Port of Gold Beach

Location At north end of Gold Beach  
T. 36 S, R. 15 W, Sec. 36,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. NE, County Curry  
Ownership: Public Port of Gold Beach  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Flat graveled area  
Cover type Open with a few buildings  
Road access Public - graveled, Condition Good  
Flows Tidal, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Seasonal floating dock for about 30 pleasure boats

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type Concrete No. lanes 4  
Toilets X, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area X; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or 200 car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_





SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 4  
Gold Beach Area Priority Complete  
Name Rogue Bay Resorts

Location At Wedderburn across river from Gold Beach

T. 36 S, R. 15 W, Sec. 25,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. S  $\frac{1}{2}$ , County Curry

Ownership: Public \_\_\_\_\_

Private  Tax Lot No. 1100, 1200, 600, 700

Owners 3

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Flat to rolling - rocky soil

Cover type Buildings, paved streets and parking lots

Road access Paved - County, Condition Good

Flows Tidal, Water quality Good

Present stage of development Complete resort development

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_

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

Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Other development \_\_\_\_\_



SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 5  
Gold Beach Area Priority A  
Name Bridge Ramp

Location At Wedderburn at upstream side of bridge  
T. 36 S, R. 14 W, Sec. 30,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. S W, County Curry  
Ownership: Public \_\_\_\_\_  
Private X Tax Lot No. 3305, 1203  
Owners Lex Fromm

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Gravel bar  
Cover type None  
Road access Private - gravel, Condition Fair  
Flows Tidal\*, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Parking area and natural ramp  
\* Subject to winter floods

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres 2, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance Easement for development  
Development: Boat ramp: Type Concrete plank No. lanes 2  
Toilets X, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads X  
Parking area X; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or 40 car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

AREA Gold Beach

SITE # 5

FISHERY: Boat angling for spring and fall chinook, sea-run cutthroat and winter steelhead

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy	Sa		Sa	
Medium		Sa		
Light	Tr	Tr	St	St

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
Sg - Sturgeon,  
SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

SKETCH

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
- Sight-seeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- Beach combing
- Crabbing
- Clam digging

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

(see page 61)

OTHER

Safety Problems: Shallow water for moter driven boats

Group Facilities: Parking for buses

REMARKS The county obtained use on the private land through verbal agreement. This has been lost and the ramp will be moved to the mouth of Indian creek across the river. However, this is a very desirable location for a boat ramp and should be obtained if possible.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 6  
Gold Beach Area Priority Under construction  
Name County Ramp at Indian Creek

Location One mile up South Bank Road from 101 bridge  
T. 36 S R. 14 W, Sec. 30,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. S E, County Curry  
Ownership: Public \_\_\_\_\_  
Private X Tax Lot No. 5900  
Owners Perpetual easement from Knox to Curry county

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Tide flat  
Cover type Sand and gravel  
Road access County, Condition Good  
Flows Tidal, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Planning and development

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type Concrete plank No. lanes 2  
Toilets X, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area X; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or 40 car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_



SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 7  
Gold Beach Area Priority Complete  
Name Arntzen's Resort

Location One mile up South Bank Road from 101 bridge  
T. 36 S, R. 14 W, Sec. 30,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. S E, County Curry  
Ownership: Public \_\_\_\_\_  
Private X Tax Lot No. 5900  
Owners Arntzen

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Flat along road - steep bank to river  
Cover type Shade trees  
Road access Paved - County, Condition Good  
Flows Tidal \*, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Complete private resort  
\* This is the most sheltered of the Gold Beach resorts

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_





SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 8  
Gold Beach Area Priority B  
Name Bailey Beach

Location Two miles north of Wedderburn  
T. 36 S, R. 15 W, Sec. 13,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. S E, County Curry  
Ownership: Public Beach is State of Oregon  
Private X Tax Lot No. 600  
Owners U. S. Plywood Corp.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep banks to get to beach  
Cover type Prostrate shrubs and grass  
Road access Single lane gravel, Condition Good  
Flows Tidal surf, Water quality Ocean  
Present stage of development Road near beach

ACCESS PROBLEMS

This land is owned by U. S. Plywood and public access is not denied, however, it could be at any time.

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance Easement for access to beach  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area X; for 50 cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

AREA Gold Beach

SITE # 8

FISHERY: Razor clams, surf perch

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy	SF	SF		
Medium				
Light	BF	BF	BF	

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
 Sg - Sturgeon,  
 SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
 Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

SKETCH

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  
 Sight-seeing  
 Skin and scuba diving  
 Swimming  
 Water skiing  
 Beach combing  
 Crabbing  
 Clam digging

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

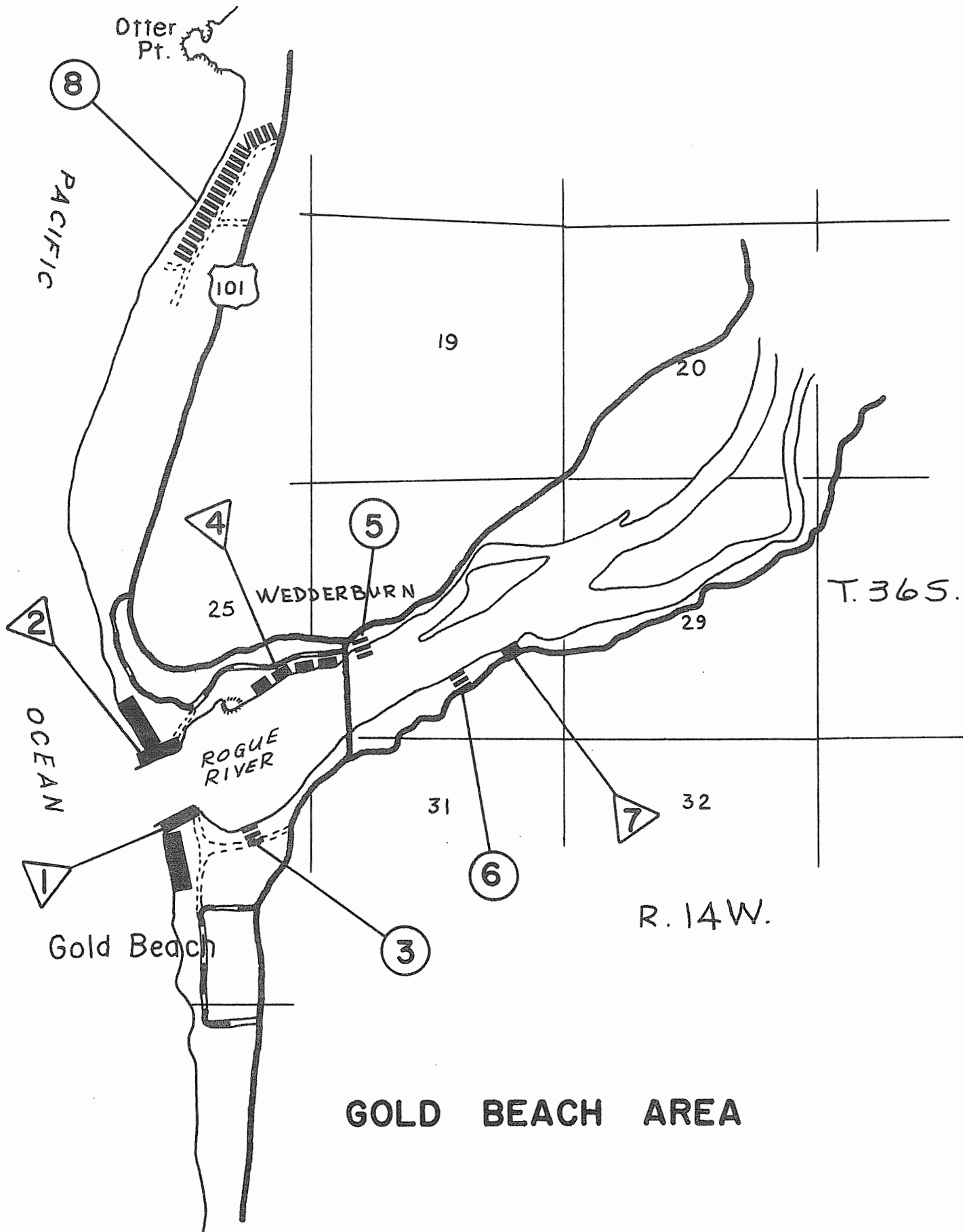
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OTHER

Safety Problems: Heavy surf at times  
 Rock ledges at Otter Point

Group Facilities:

REMARKS There are numerous trails from the road to the beach but they are steep. One jeep trail that goes almost to beach exists on north end. Otter Point has possibilities for rockfish.



## GOLD BEACH AREA

## OPHIR AREA

This is the section between Ophir and Humbug Mountain State Park. This strip of coastline is quite diversified. Along the southern portion there is a long expanse of sandy beach that is in close proximity with Highway 101. To the north the mountains tower straight from the ocean and form only a narrow sandy beach or an abrupt rocky drop off.

The beach to the south of Euchre Creek offers a good area for sea perch and surf smelt; this is a potential location for surf striped bass fishing when the smelt are in, and the bass move in shore to feed on the hordes of silvery smelt.

Euchre Creek is a small stream but does have runs of large fall chinook, sea-run cutthroat, and winter steelhead. Angling pressure is light, but if the watchful angler "hits the creek" at the right time the fishing can be excellent. Access to Euchre Creek will also provide an entrance to about 2½ miles of prime beach area to the north.

Sisters Rocks or Frankport, as it is called by the Curry County residents, is a large expanse of hard rock that juts out into the ocean. In years past, before the jetties at Gold Beach, barges were loaded with lumber at a dock on the sheltered south side of the rocks. In the last few years jetty rock has been taken from the area which has opened it for parking and fishing. The sheltered cove on the south side would make an excellent location for a boat launching facility. The offshore salmon fishery and bottom fishery has never been exploited in this area. Local commercial fishermen from Port Orford tell of 50 pound lingcod from the rocks off shore to the south.

Arizona Beach, at the mouth of Mussel Creek, is a privately owned facility that provides camping and picnic facilities to travelers for a fee. A road provides access to the beach for surf fishing and beach combing.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 1  
Ophir Area Priority B  
Name Euchre Creek

Location 10 miles north of Gold Beach on Hwy 101  
T. 35 S, R. 14 W, Sec. 8,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. N  $\frac{1}{2}$ , County Curry  
Ownership: Public \_\_\_\_\_  
Private X Tax Lot No. 100, 500  
Owners 2

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Sand - tidal zone  
Cover type Blackberries, willows, grass  
Road access None, Condition \_\_\_\_\_  
Flows Tidal influence, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development None

ACCESS PROBLEMS

Private land between highway and beach.

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres 1, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance Purchase and/or easement  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets X, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads X  
Parking area X; for 20 cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

AREA Ophir

SITE # 1

FISHERY: Fall chinook, winter steelhead, sea-run cutthroat, surf smelt in surf and potentially a striped bass fishery when smelt move inshore

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light	Tr		Sa	St

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
Sg - Sturgeon,  
SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

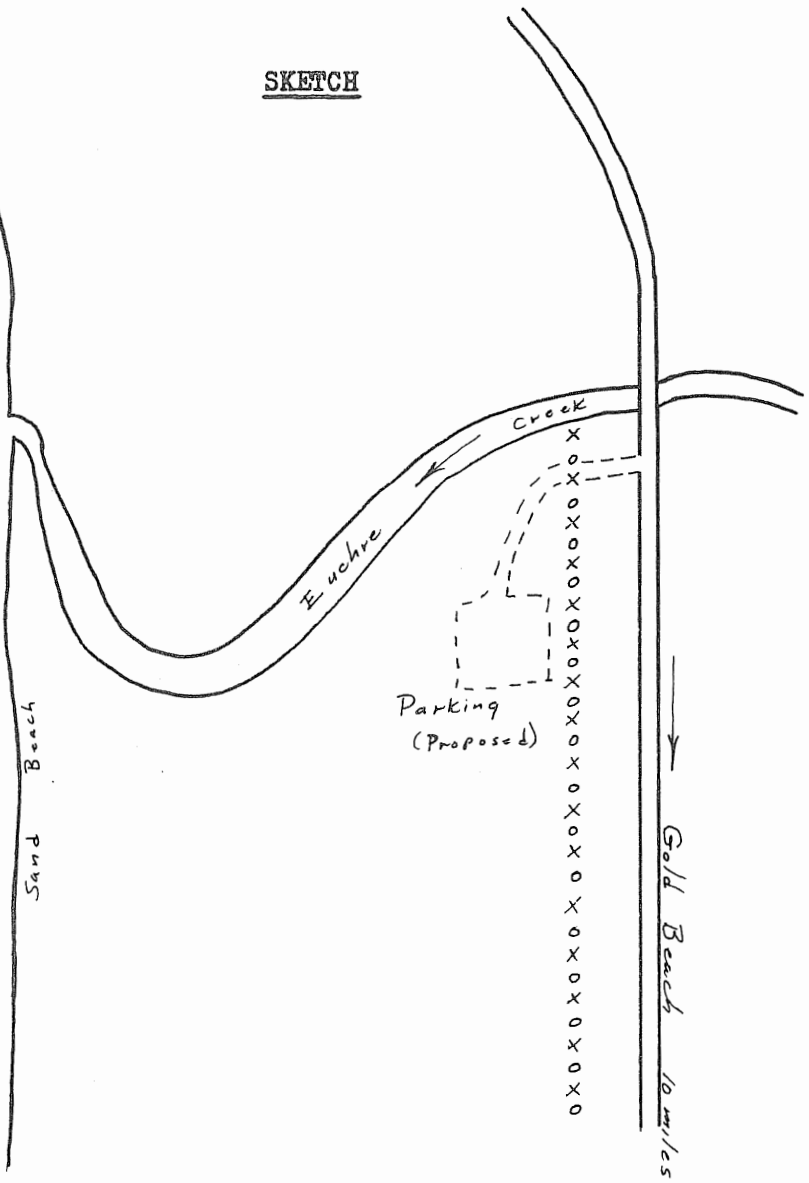
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Seasons (Check)

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
- Sight-seeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- Beach combing
- Crabbing
- Clam digging

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



OTHER

Safety Problems:  
Group Facilities:

REMARKS This is a small creek, but extremely large fall chinook enter the stream in the fall as soon as flows permit. The creek also has a good run of winter steelhead

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 2  
Ophir Area Priority B  
Name Frankport

Location 13 miles north of Gold Beach on Hwy 101  
T. 34 S, R. 14 W, Sec. 31,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. NE, County Curry  
Ownership: Public State Highway Department and  
Private X Tax Lot No. 3600  
Owners Sause Bros.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep and rocky  
Cover type Grass in a few places  
Road access Single lane gravel, Condition Steep  
Flows Tidal wave action, Water quality Ocean  
Present stage of development None

ACCESS PROBLEMS

Poor road from highway down to beach.

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type Concrete No. lanes 1  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Road Improvement  
Parking area X; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or 20 car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

AREA Ophir

SITE # 2

FISHERY: Offshore salmon and bottom fish

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
 Sg - Sturgeon,  
 SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
 Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

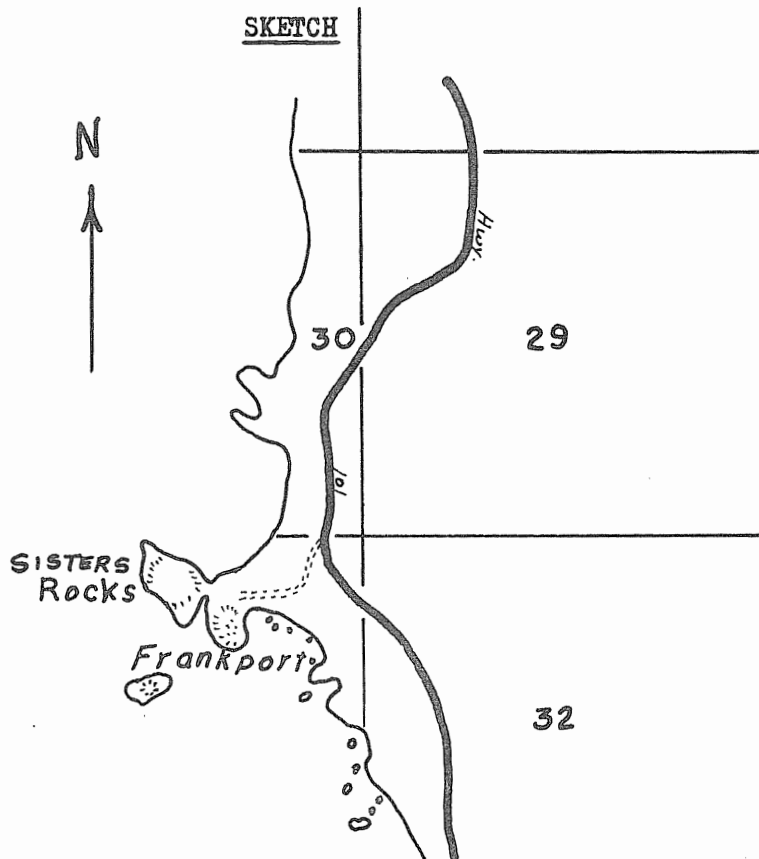
Seasons (Check)

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
- Sight-seeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- Beach combing
- Crabbing
- Clam digging

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

SKETCH



OTHER

Safety Problems: Steep rock shoreline with heavy wave action on the north side.

Group Facilities:

REMARKS This area at the present time is used for jetty rock. It is an ideal location for an ocean boat launching site and shore fishing area.  
 The site was used to load lumber from Gold Beach on barges before the jetties at Gold Beach.



SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 3  
Ophir Area Priority Complete  
Name Arizona Beach

Location 14 miles north of Gold Beach on Hwy 101  
T. 34 S, R. 14 W, Sec. 19,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. S E, County Curry  
Ownership: Public \_\_\_\_\_  
Private X Tax Lot No. 2303  
Owners Wm. E. Rasch

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Mountainous - sand beach at creek mouth  
Cover type Alders, fir trees and grass  
Road access Private - gravel, Condition Good  
Flows Tidal, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Camping and picnic area

ACCESS PROBLEMS

This is a commercial establishment that provides camping and picnicking for a fee.

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

AREA Ophir

SITE # 3

FISHERY: Bottom fish

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light		BF		

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
 Sg - Sturgeon,  
 SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
 Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

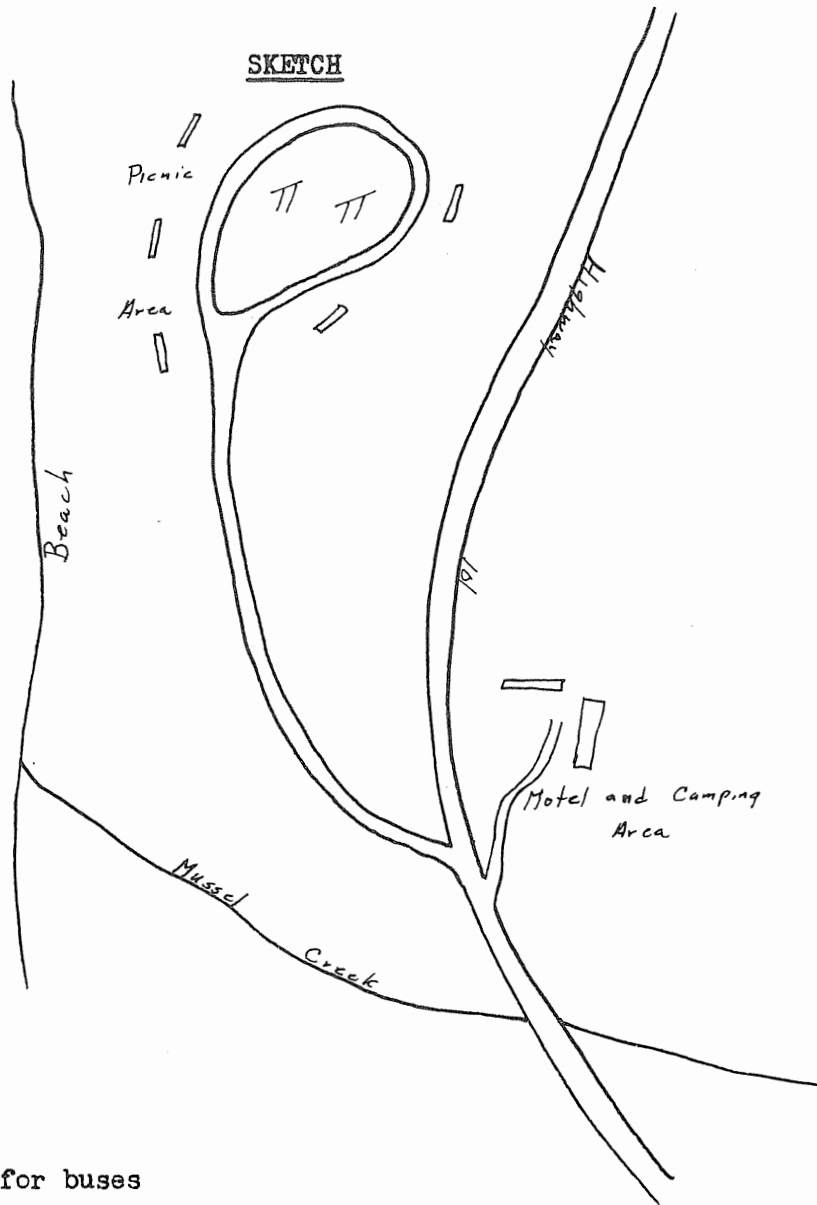
Seasons (Check)

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
- Sight-seeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- Beach combing
- Crabbing
- Clam digging

	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	X	X

SKETCH



OTHER

Safety Problems: Heavy surf

Group Facilities: Picnicking, parking for buses

REMARKS This provides a facility for campers and picnickers for a nominal fee.

## PORT ORFORD AREA

This section covers the area between Port Orford and Humbug Mountain State Park. The park is quite large (see site number 1) and provides camping, picnicking facilities, and access to the beach on the north side of Humbug Mountain. Brush Creek that flows through the park offers trout fishing in the spring and summer, and steelhead fishing in the winter.

The Port Orford waterfront and wharf is an ideal location for a sport boat launching facility because this cove is sheltered during the summer from the prevailing northwest winds. At the present time there is a hoist at the wharf and boats are launched for a fee, but at times the hoist is not in operation. Commercial salmon trollers work out of Port Orford and do quite well. This is proof that the salmon are there; all that is needed is a boat ramp and some fishermen. Also the reef at Redfish Rocks is a bonanza for lingcod and big red snapper.

At the north end of Garrison Lake off the Garrison Lake road there is a side road that gives vehicle access to the beach. Residents of the Port Orford area have begun to utilize the beach with beach buggies, a stripped down car or pickup with over-size tires and wheels. This is a growing recreational pastime and one that has grown tremendously in other coastal areas where sandy beaches permit vehicle travel.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 1  
Port Orford Area Priority Complete  
Name Humbug Mt. State Park

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Location 6 miles south of Port Orford on Hwy 101  
T. 33 S, R. 15 W, Sec. 25, 26,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. -----, County Curry  
Ownership: Public State of Oregon  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Mountainous  
Cover type Grass and shade trees in park  
Road access Paved, Condition Good  
Flows Seasonal fluctuation, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Complete

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

AREA Port Orford

SITE # 1

FISHERY: Trout in Brush Creek, striped bass and surf perch in the ocean.  
Winter steelhead in creek.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light	Tr	BF		St

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
Sg - Sturgeon,  
SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

SKETCH

(See fold out 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
- Sight-seeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- Beach combing
- Crabbing
- Clam digging

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

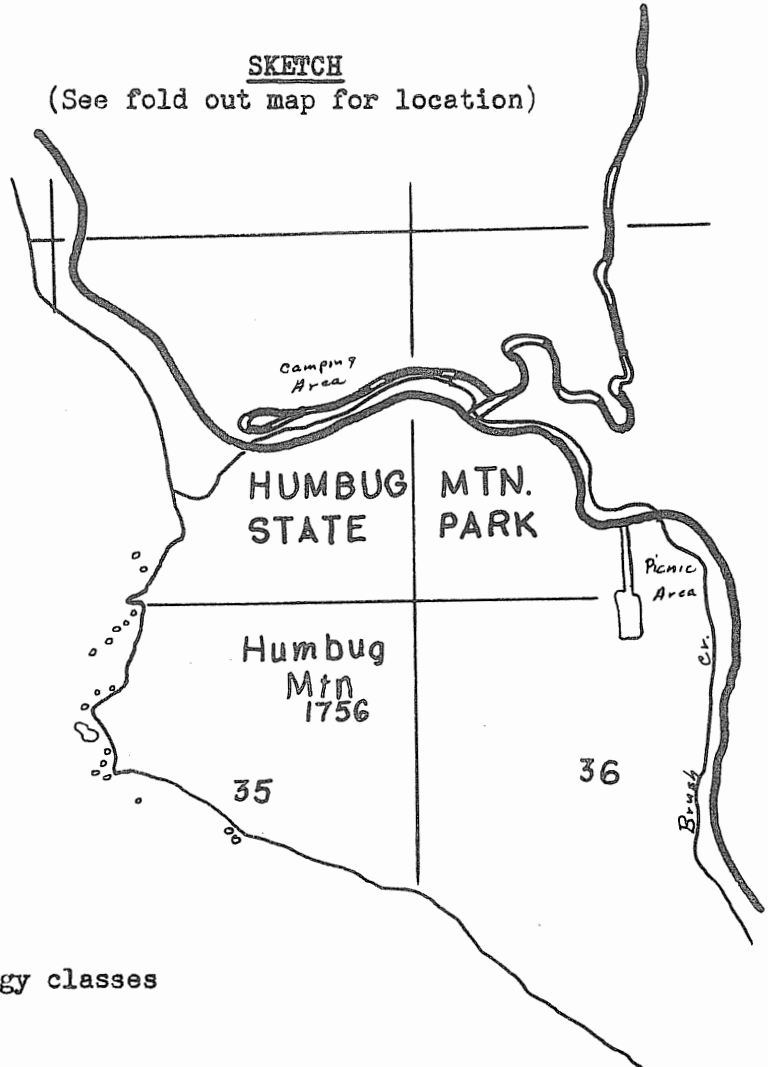
\* This is an area used by school biology classes

OTHER

Safety Problems: Heavy surf and rock ledges along beach

Group Facilities: Picnicking, camping, parking for buses

REMARKS The park provides 63 tent sites and 30 trailer sites with utility hookups. Firewood is available free of charge. A picnic area is located about 3/4 mile southeast of the campground entrance.



SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 2  
Port Orford Area Priority Complete  
Name Battle Rock State Park

Location At south end of Port Orford  
T. 33 S, R. 15 W, Sec. 4,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. S W, County Curry  
Ownership: Public State of Oregon  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Rolling hillsides  
Cover type Grass  
Road access Paved highway, Condition Good  
Flows Tidal surf, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Parking area

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

AREA Port Orford

SITE # 2

FISHERY: Surf perch and bottom fish

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light	BF	BF	BF	

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
 Sg - Sturgeon,  
 SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
 Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

SKETCH

Seasons (Check)

RECREATION  
(check)

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Boating, motor				
Boating, non-motor				
Camping, tent				
Camping, trailer				
Fishing, boat				
Fishing, shore	x	x	x	
Hiking *	x	x	x	
Horseback riding				
Hunting, big game				
Hunting, upland game				
Hunting, waterfowl				
Nature study				
Picnicking	x	x	x	
Sight-seeing	x	x	x	
Skin and scuba diving				
Swimming				
Water skiing				
Beach combing	x	x	x	
Crabbing				
Clam digging				

(see page 81)

\* Out to Battle Rock

OTHER

Safety Problems: Steep trails and dropoffs

Group Facilities: Parking for buses

REMARKS This is a historical site which provides access to the beach south of Port Orford.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 3  
Port Orford Area Priority A  
Name Fort Orford Docks

Location South side of city limits  
T. 33 S, R. 15 W, Sec. 5,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. SE, County Curry  
Ownership: Public \_\_\_\_\_  
Private  Tax Lot No. 100  
Owners Robert Raymond

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Boat basin w/short jetty  
Cover type None  
Road access Two lane gravel, Condition Fair  
Flows Tidal, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development None

ACCESS PROBLEMS

Private ownership at the wharf.

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres 1, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance Easement  
Development: Boat ramp: Type Concrete No. lanes 1  
Toilets , Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads Improvement  
Parking area ; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or 20 car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_



AREA Port Orford

SITE # 3

FISHERY: Offshore salmon and bottom fish. This area gets little or no sport boat use at the present time.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
Sg - Sturgeon,  
SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

SKETCH

Seasons (Check)

RECREATION  
(check)

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Boating, motor	X	X	X	
Boating, non-motor				
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				
Nature study				
Picnicking				
Sight-seeing				
Skin and scuba diving	X	X	X	
Swimming				
Water skiing				
Beach combing				
Crabbing				
Clam digging				

(see page 81)

OTHER

Safety Problems: Southwest winter storms

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

A boat ramp should be built in vicinity of dock and jetty. There is a fantastic bottom fishery and off-shore salmon fishery potential here. The prevailing wind in the summer is from the northwest which makes this a sheltered area during time of use.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 4  
Port Orford Area Priority Complete  
Name Garrison Lake Beach Access

Location 1/2 mile northwest of Port Orford  
T. 32 S, R. 15 W, Sec. 31,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. S E, County Curry  
Ownership: Public Beach is State of Oregon  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Sand Dunes  
Cover type Lodgepole pine, salt brush and grass  
Road access County, Condition Gravel  
Flows Tidal surf, Water quality Ocean  
Present stage of development Access road to beach

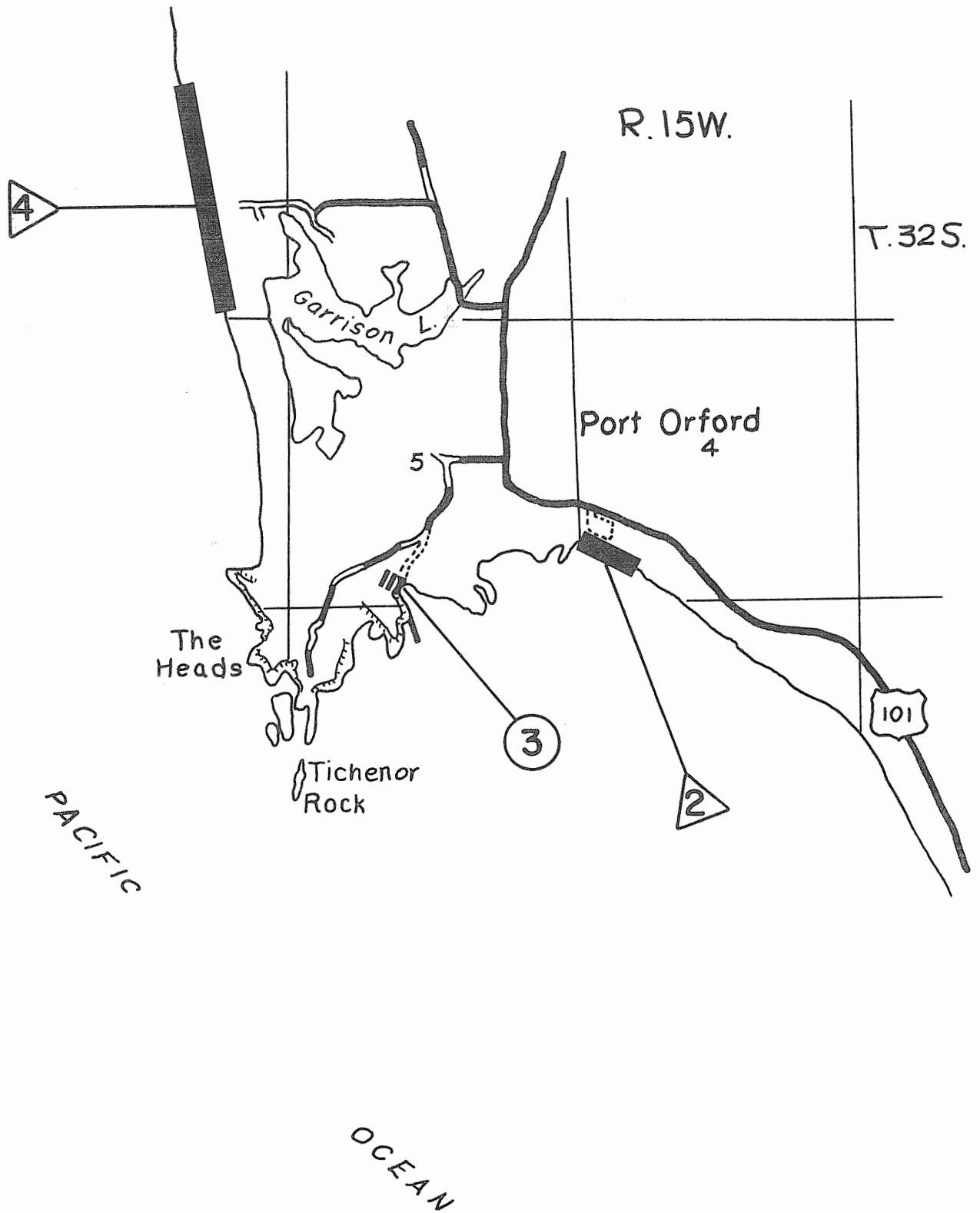
ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_



# PORT ORFORD AREA



## NORTH CURRY COUNTY

This area extends from Port Orford to the north Curry County line. The streams in this section are Elk and Sixes River and Floras Creek. Elk and Sixes Rivers are usually associated together because they are so geographically close and fish runs are equivalent. Both streams have good fall runs of large chinook and winter runs of steelhead. The sea-run cutthroat fishery is quite heavy in the tidal area of the Sixes, but not the Elk.

Floras Creek has good runs of fall chinook, winter steelhead, and sea-run cutthroat but angling pressure is very light.

There is an established troll fishery for cutthroat and chinook on the Sixes. A primitive mud ramp exists on private land and a charge is made for its use. A public launching facility in the area is one of the primary access needs in the north Curry County area.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 1  
North Curry County Area Priority B  
Name Elk River - South Side

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Location 3 miles north of Port Orford  
T. 32 S, R. 15 W, Sec. 19,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. SE, County Curry  
Ownership: Public \_\_\_\_\_  
Private  Tax Lot No. 4400 and 1800  
Owners Louie Knapp and Robert McKenzie

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Meadow  
Cover type Pasture with trees and brush along river  
Road access Private - single lane, Condition Gravel - fair  
Flows Tidal influence and, Water quality Good  
seasonal fluctuation  
Present stage of development None

ACCESS PROBLEMS

Private land along entire lower river but fishing access is not denied.

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage 1,000  
Type of conveyance Easement for road access to river  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

AREA North Curry County

SITE # 1

FISHERY: Fall chinook salmon, winter steelhead, sea-run cutthroat trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy			Sa	
Medium				
Light	Tr		Tr	St

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
 Sg - Sturgeon,  
 SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
 Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

SKETCH

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
- Sight-seeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- Beach combing
- Crabbing
- Clam digging

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

(see page 97)

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

The river is bordered on both sides by large ranches. On the south side a charge of \$1,00 is made per car for trespassing. This is a very popular fall chinook fishing area, large fish are common and angling pressure is heavy.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 2  
North Curry County Area Priority A  
Name Elk River - North Side

Location 4 miles north of Port Orford  
T. 32 S, R. 15 W, Sec. 17,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. SE, County Curry  
Ownership: Public \_\_\_\_\_  
Private  Tax Lot No. 200 and 300  
Owners Robert McKenzie and A. W. Sweet

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Meadow at edge of hill  
Cover type Pasture  
Road access Private - single lane, Condition Good gravel  
Flows Tidal influence and seasonal fluctuation, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Access road

ACCESS PROBLEMS

At the present time the rancher allows entry and parking free of charge

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage 2500  
Type of conveyance Easement  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area ; for 20 cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_





SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 3  
North Curry County Area Priority B  
Name Mouth of Elk River

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Location 3 miles north of Port Orford  
T. 32 S, R. 15 W, Sec. 19,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. N W, County Curry  
Ownership: Public \_\_\_\_\_  
Private  Tax Lot No. 1800  
Owners Robert McKenzie

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Sand beach adjacent to pasture land  
Cover type Grass and a few trees along river  
Road access Private - single lane, Condition Good gravel  
Flows Tidal influence, Water quality Excellent  
Present stage of development Gravel access road

ACCESS PROBLEMS

This area is in private ownership. However, anglers are allowed entry by permission.

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage 200 and access across fields to river  
Type of conveyance Easement  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area ; for 10 cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_



SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 4  
North Curry County Area Priority A  
Name Sixes River- Boat Ramp

Location 4 miles down Cape Blance Road  
T. 32 S, R. 16 W, Sec. 36,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. S E, County Curry  
Ownership: Public \_\_\_\_\_  
Private  Tax Lot No. 400  
Owners Piercy Sweet

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Meadow  
Cover type Pasture  
Road access Private - single lane, Condition Fair  
gravel  
Flows Tidal influence, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Mud boat slip

ACCESS PROBLEMS

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres 1, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance Easement for access to acquired land at ramp  
Development: Boat ramp: Type Concrete plank No. lanes 1  
Toilets , Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Road Improvement  
Parking area ; for \_\_\_\_\_ cars or 20 car-trailer units  
Other development At the present time the owner charges \$1.00 per car  
for fishing or \$10.00 per season.

AREA North Curry County

SITE # 4

FISHERY: Trolling for fall chinook and sea-run cutthroat trout. Bank angling for chinook, cutthroat and steelhead

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy			Sa	
Medium		Tr	Tr	
Light				St

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
Sg - Sturgeon,  
SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

SKETCH

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  
Sight-seeing  
Skin and scuba diving  
Swimming  
Water skiing  
Beach combing  
Crabbing  
Clam digging

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

(see page 99)

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS The cutthroat fishery starts in July and peaks in August. The fall chinook come in as soon as the sand is washed out of the mouth, usually in early November.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 5

North Curry County Area Priority B

Name Sixes River - Orchard Hole

Location 8 miles north of Port Orford on Cape Blanco Road

T. 32 S, R. 16 W, Sec. 1,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. SW, County Curry

Ownership: Public

Private  Tax Lot No. 1500

Owners F. J. Hughes

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Pasture

Cover type Grass and trees along river

Road access Private, Condition Poor

Flows Head of tide, Water quality Good

Present stage of development None

ACCESS PROBLEMS

Private land between road and river where vehicle travel is prohibited.

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage 300

Type of conveyance Easement to river

Development: \* Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_

Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads Improvement

Parking area ; for 20 cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units

\* Other development Build a cattle guard or fence a corridor to river. At the present time the land owner allows no cars through the pasture to the river. However, anglers are allowed to walk the 1/4 mile to the river.

FISHERY: Excellent fall chinook angling and spring and fall sea-run cutthroat fishing. Some winter steelhead

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy			Sa	
Medium				
Light	Tr		Tr	St

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
 Sg - Sturgeon,  
 SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
 Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

SKETCH

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
- Sight-seeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- Beach combing
- Crabbing
- Clam digging

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
	X	X	X	X

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OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS This is a good salmon hole at the head of tide.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 6

North Curry County Area Priority C

Name Sixes River - North Side

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Location 3 miles down Curry County Airport Road

T. 31 S, R. 16 W, Sec. 1,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. NE, County Curry

Ownership: Public

Private  Tax Lot No. 500

Owners F. J. Hughes

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Rolling hills

Cover type Pasture

Road access Private - gravel, Condition Fair

Flows Tidal influence, Water quality Good

Present stage of development None

ACCESS PROBLEMS

Anglers are allowed entry for a fee. Insured access is needed to both sides of river because of heavy pressure on a short time fall chinook fishery.

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_

Type of conveyance Easement to river

Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_

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

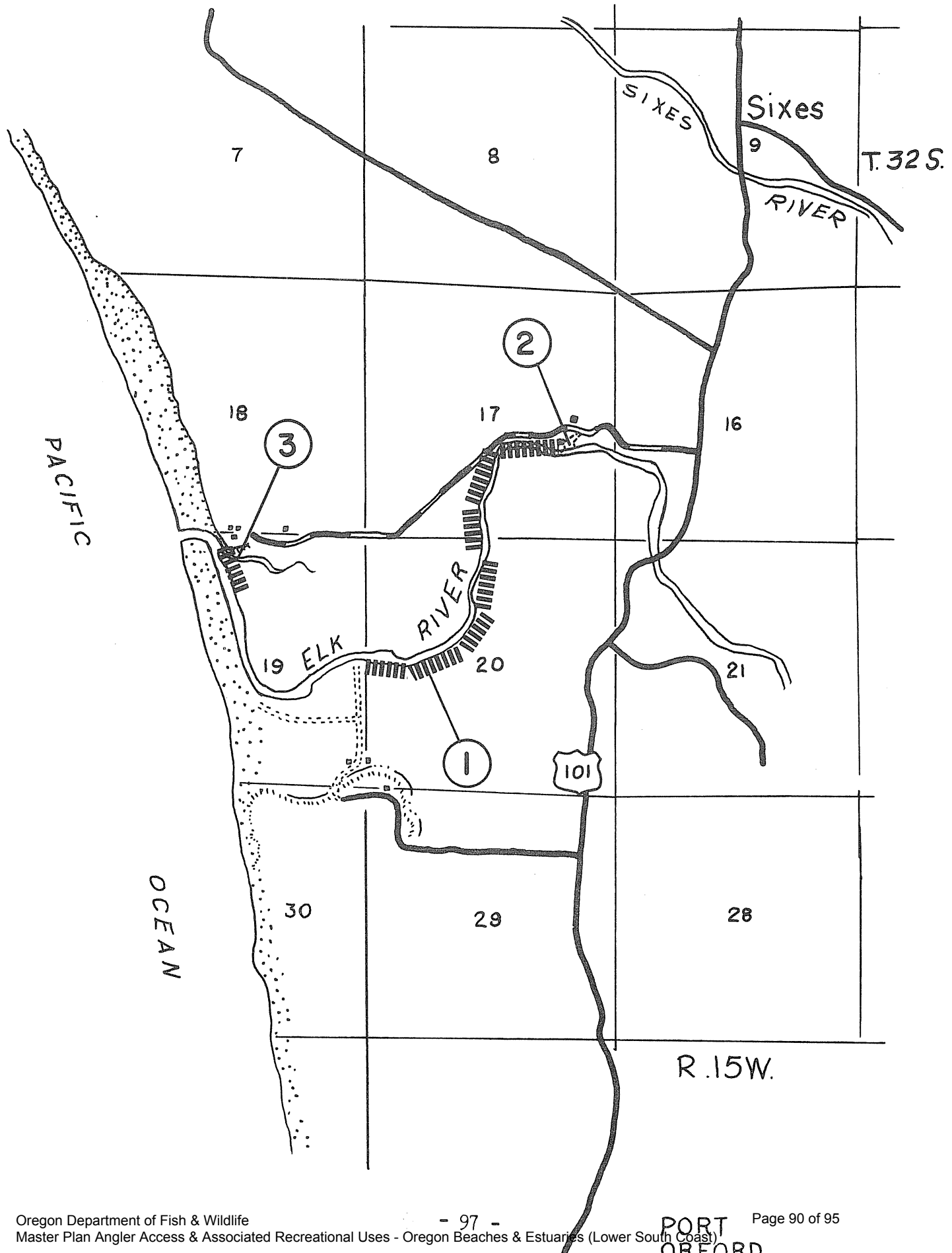
Parking area ; for 25 cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units

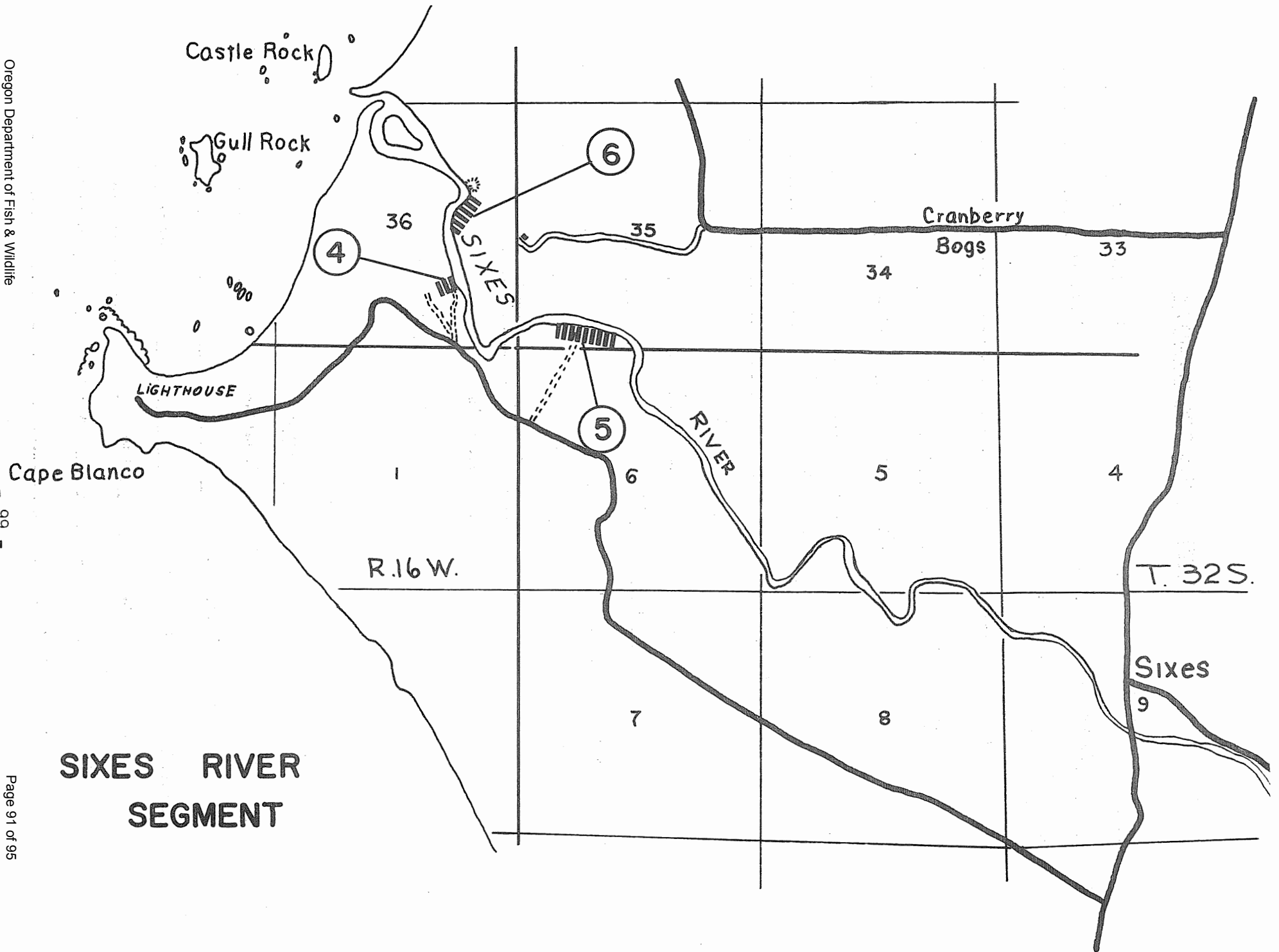
Other development \_\_\_\_\_





# ELK RIVER SEGMENT





# SIXES RIVER SEGMENT

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 7  
North Curry County Area Priority C  
Name Newbergh State Park

Location At end of Curry County Airport Road  
17, 18  
T. 31 S, R. 15 W, Sec. 19, 30,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. -----, County Curry  
Ownership: Public State of Oregon  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Rolling hills  
Cover type Fir trees and salt grass  
Road access County - paved, Condition Good  
Flows Surf, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development County road to state land

ACCESS PROBLEMS

There has been no access road extended to the beach.

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance \_\_\_\_\_  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets X, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Road Extension  
Parking area X; for 20 cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

FISHERY: Surf perch and bottom fish

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout  
 Sg - Sturgeon,  
 SF - Shell Fish, BF - Bottom Fish  
 Cb - Crabs, SP - Surf Perch)

SKETCH

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
- Sight-seeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing
- Beach combing
- Crabbing
- Clam digging

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

(see fold-out map)

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS This is a designated park where no development has been undertaken.

SALTWATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Lower South Coast Region Site No. 8  
North Curry County Area Priority C  
Name Florás Creek

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Location 2 miles west on Florás Lake Road  
T. 31 S, R. 15 W, Sec. 5,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Sec. S E, County Curry  
Ownership: Public Curry County and  
Private X Tax Lot No. 200  
Owners Marjorie Strain

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Meadow  
Cover type Pasture  
Road access Private - gravel, Condition Poor  
Flows Tidal, Water quality Good  
Present stage of development None

ACCESS PROBLEMS

Private land blocks access to lower creek. Road goes through pasture to creek but - "No Trespassing". During wet weather the pasture adjacent to lower creek floods and stays wet until periods of clear weather.

ACCESS NEEDS

Acquisition: Acres \_\_\_\_\_, Feet of frontage \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of conveyance Easement for road to county land  
Development: Boat ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ No. lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_, Trails \_\_\_\_\_, Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area X; for 20 cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
Other development \_\_\_\_\_

