

**GRANDE RONDE  
RIVER BASIN**

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



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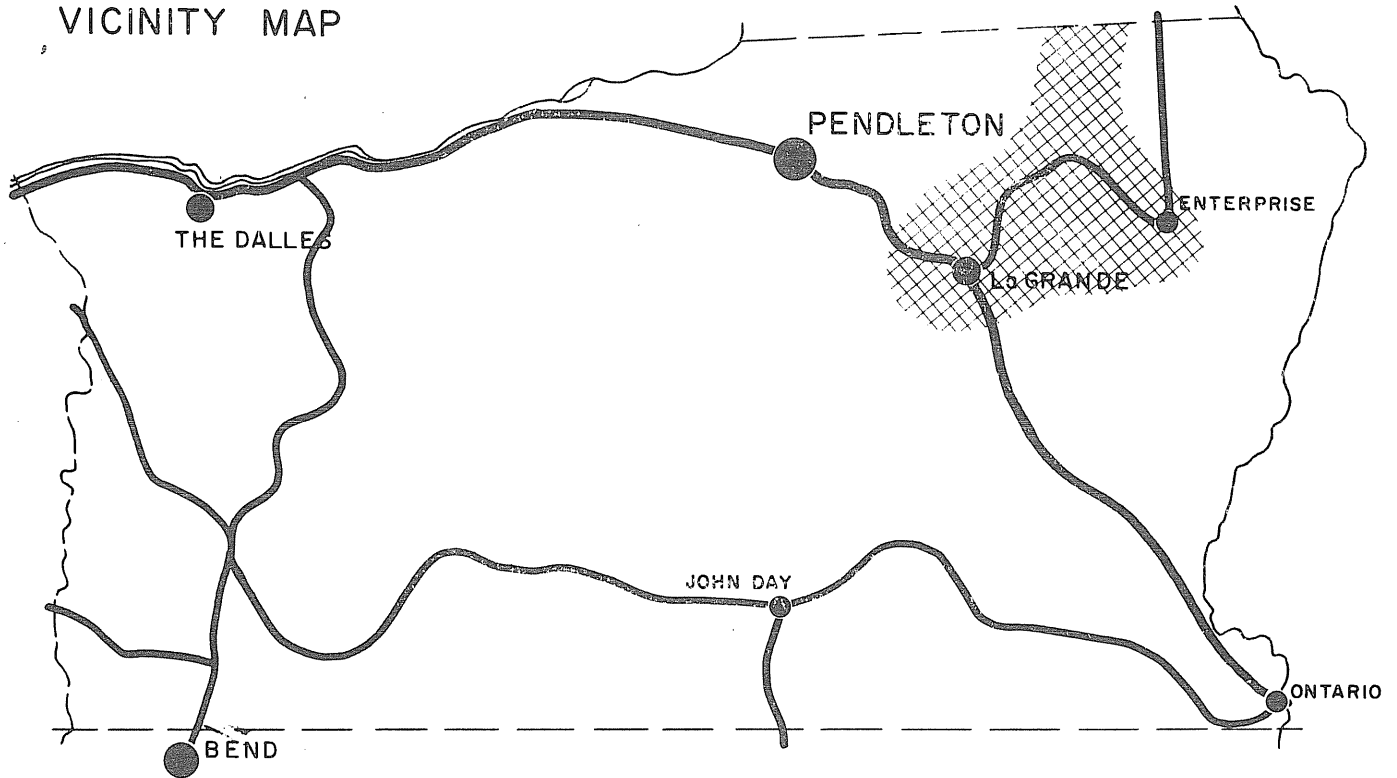
The Grande Ronde Basin is quite a large basin that drains most of the northeastern corner of our State. The system has five tributary rivers. Two are accessible by trail only, the Wenaha near the Washington state line and the Minam that flows northward between La Grande and Enterprise. Catherine Creek drains the upper eastern part of the Grande Ronde Valley; the Wallowa and Lostine Rivers flow out of the Wallowa Valley.

The Grande Ronde system supports a good fishery for salmon and steelhead. These fish migrate up the Columbia and Snake Rivers and travel approximately 650 river miles before they reach the spawning areas in the upper reaches of the basin. The Lower Grande Ronde enjoys a fall steelhead fishery; the upper tributaries have spring salmon and in some instances spring steelhead. In the peak of the season angling pressure is heavy and success is good.

This report details a plan that we hope can be followed to solve the access problems of the Grande Ronde Basin. 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.

Thirty-eight access sites have been recommended in the basin; 25 are complete, 13 need further development. The established camping areas on the Wenaha and Minam Rivers are pointed out on the fold-out map.

## VICINITY MAP



The Grande Ronde River has five main tributaries--the Wenaha, Minam, Lostine, and Wallowa Rivers; and Catherine Creek. The basin extends from the Washington state line to the summit of the Wallowa Mountains and La Grande to Enterprise.

One major highway, Interstate 80N through The Dalles and Pendleton, connects La Grande with the centers of population in western Oregon. State Highway 82 links La Grande with Enterprise.

## LOWER GRANDE RONDE

The Lower Grande Ronde, or that area below Rondowa, is mainly a canyon area with some portions accessible only by boat. The section in the vicinity of Troy from the mouth of Wallupa Creek to the Washington line is paralleled by a good, two-lane gravel road. At Wallupa Creek the road goes up over the divide and on into Wallowa. Troy is the headquarters of the Oregon Game Commission's Wenaha Management Area. Along the river in the vicinity of Troy, the Game Commission owns tracts of land that are adjacent to the river and access is no problem.

The use in this section is mainly by steelhead anglers in September and October and again in February and March, with elk hunters invading the area in November. Moderate angling pressure is exerted upon spring chinook salmon and rainbow trout in late spring and early summer. Fishing pressure is light for smallmouth bass in summer.

The section from Rondowa, the mouth of the Wallowa River, to Wallupa Creek is inaccessible by road. The upper two-thirds of this canyon is in the national forest and the majority of the lower third is Bureau of Land Management land. This canyon has been proposed as a scenic area. It is believed that this designation is best suited to this section of the river.

Rondowa is the upstream point of access to the canyon. All land adjacent to the river at this point is privately owned and an "A" priority for access has been designated. The only other access point to the upper end of the canyon is Minam and it is nine river miles above the scenic area.

The Wenaha joins the Grande Ronde at Troy. This river is only accessible by road for about 1/4 mile above the mouth. A trail begins at Troy and follows up the river for its entire length on the north side. Six camp sites

have been established at points along the trail, but no improvement has been made. They are just level places where a camp can be set up. These locations are pointed out on the fold-out map.



WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 1  
Lower Grande Ronde Area Priority Complete  
Name Burns Tract

Location One mile downstream from Wenaha Management/Headquarters, North Bank  
T 6N, R 43E, Sec. 34: River Mile 44 County Wallowa  
Ownership: Public Oregon Game Commission  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous - river in wide, deep canyon  
Cover type Hayfields near river - bunch grass and timber on canyon sides  
Road access Single lane gravel, Condition Good  
Flows High - spring  
Low - summer and fall Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

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

This site will accommodate steelhead and salmon anglers on a mile of prime  
river frontage.

AREA Lower Grande Ronde

SITE # 1

FISHERY: Steelhead, chinook salmon, a very few coho salmon in fall with the steelhead, trout and smallmouth bass in summer.

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

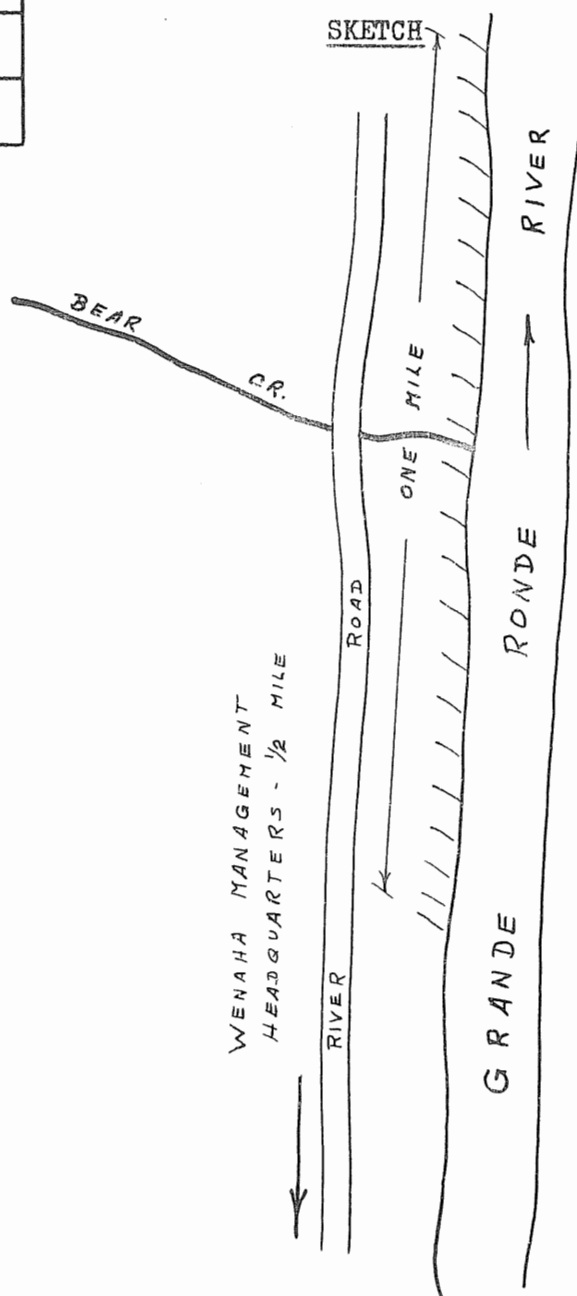
(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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	



OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

Elk, deer, and chukar hunters will use this area for camping.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 2

Lower Grande Ronde Area Priority Complete

Name Wenaha Management Headquarters

Location 1/2 mile downstream from Troy, North Bank

T 5N, R 43E, Sec. 4: River Mile 45 County Wallowa

Ownership: Public Oregon Game Commission

Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous - river in wide, deep canyon

Cover type Hayfields near river - bunch grass and timber on canyon sides

Road access Single lane gravel, Condition Good

Flows High - spring  
Low - summer and fall Water quality Good

Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

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

Development:

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

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

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

This site will accommodate steelhead and salmon anglers on four miles of  
prime river frontage (two miles of river on both sides).

FISHERY: Steelhead, chinook salmon, a very few coho salmon in the fall with the steelhead; trout and smallmouth bass in summer.

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

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

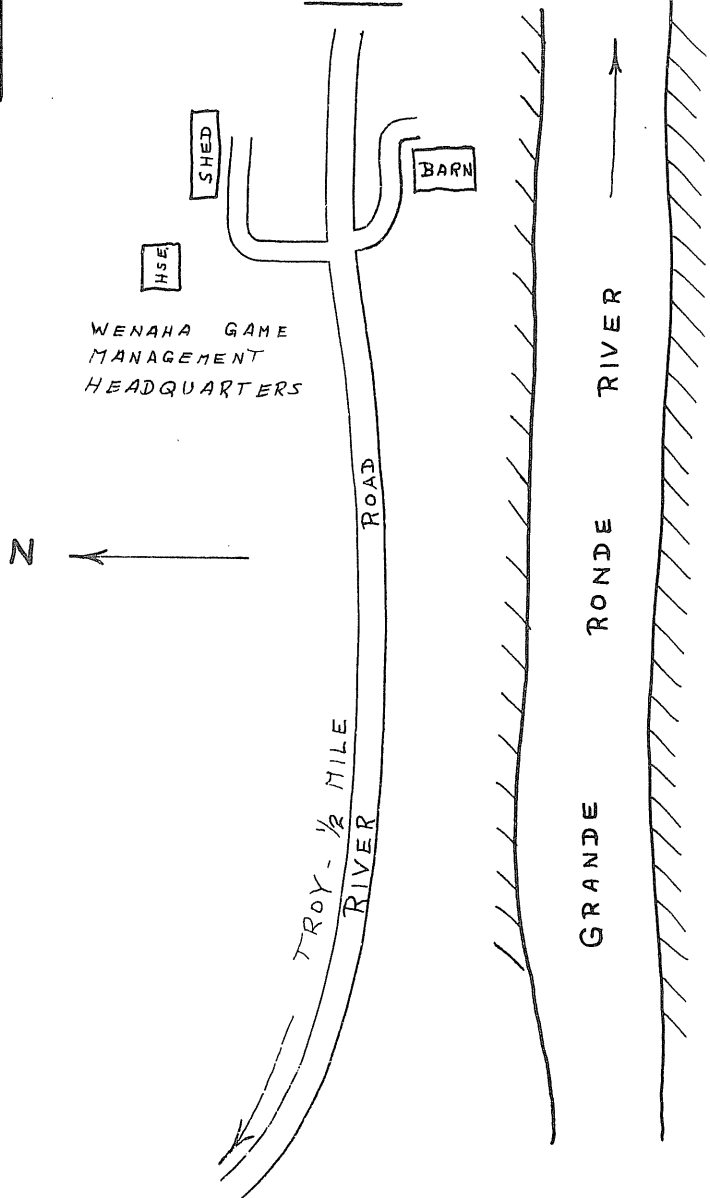
Seasons (Check)

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	

SKETCH



OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

This area is mainly fished for steelhead and salmon.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 3  
Lower Grande Ronde Area Priority Complete  
Name Mouth of Wenaha

Location Adjacent to the town of Troy, Northwest Bank  
T 5N, R 43E, Sec. 4: River Mile 45 $\frac{1}{2}$  County Wallowa  
Ownership: Public Oregon Game Commission  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous - riverbank is steep  
Cover type Timber and brush on hillsides  
Road access Single lane gravel, Condition Good  
Flows High - spring  
Low - summer and fall Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

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

This site will accommodate steelhead and salmon anglers on 3/4 mile of  
river frontage.



WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Wenaha River System Site No. 4  
Lower Grande Ronde Area Priority A  
Name Wenaha River Mill Site

Location 1/2 mile upstream from the mouth of Wenaha River South Bank  
T 5N, R 43E, Sec. 4: River Mile 1/2 County Wallowa  
Ownership: Public Oregon Game Commission  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Large flat adjacent to Wenaha River  
Cover type Scattered trees  
Road access Single lane dirt, Condition Fair  
Flows High - spring  
Low - summer and fall Water quality Good  
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

Boat Ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ Number of lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets x Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Roads Improvement  
Parking area x; For \_\_\_\_\_ cars or 30 car-trailer units

This site will accommodate anglers on the lower Wenaha River, camping for  
elk and deer hunters on the Wenaha Management Area.

FISHERY: Spring and fall steelhead, a few coho salmon and spring chinook and a few trout in summer.

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

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

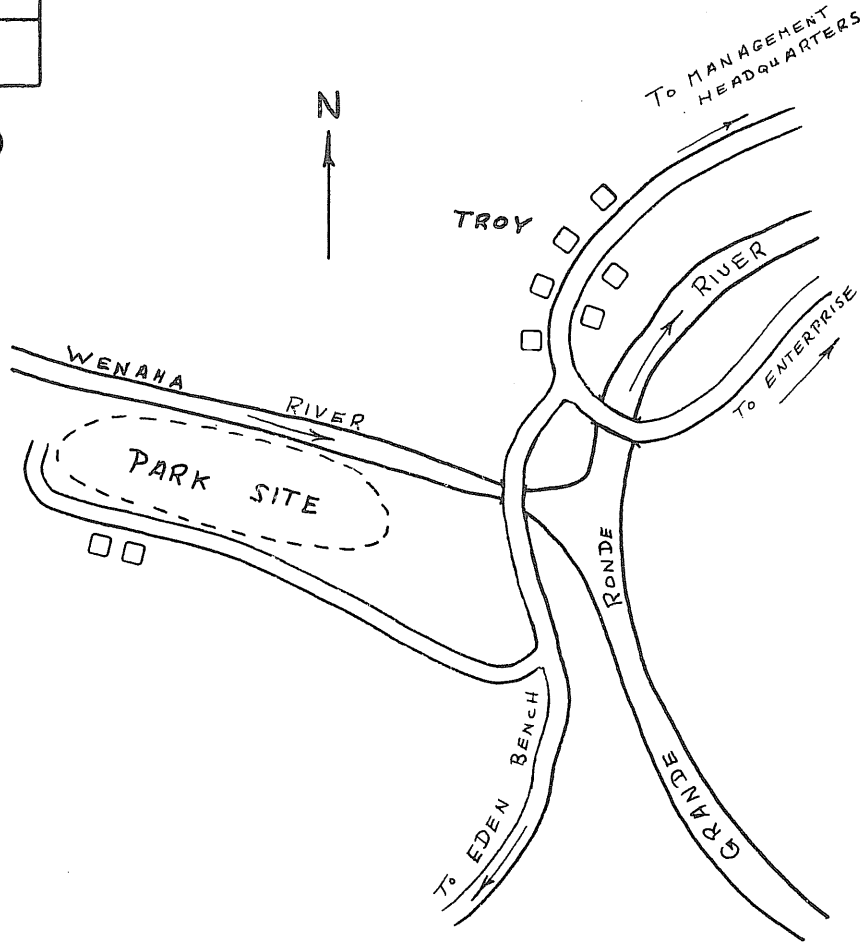
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Seasons (Check)

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	
			X	
			X	
		X	X	
		X	X	



OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities: This is a large and quite accessible area. There would be adequate room for group recreation.

REMARKS

This is a natural for a park site.



WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 5  
Lower Grande Ronde Area Priority Complete  
Name Wildcat Creek Easement

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Location 7 miles upstream from Troy, North and South Bank  
T 5N, R 43E, Sec. 19 : River Mile 53 County Wallowa  
20  
Ownership: Public Oregon Game Commission  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Steep mountains  
Cover type Bunch grass and timber  
Road access Single lane gravel, Condition Fair  
Flows High - spring  
Low - summer and fall Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Small parking area and one toilet

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

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

This site provides salmon and steelhead angler access and a take-out point  
for drift boats that float through the canyon from Rondowa.

AREA Lower Grande Ronde

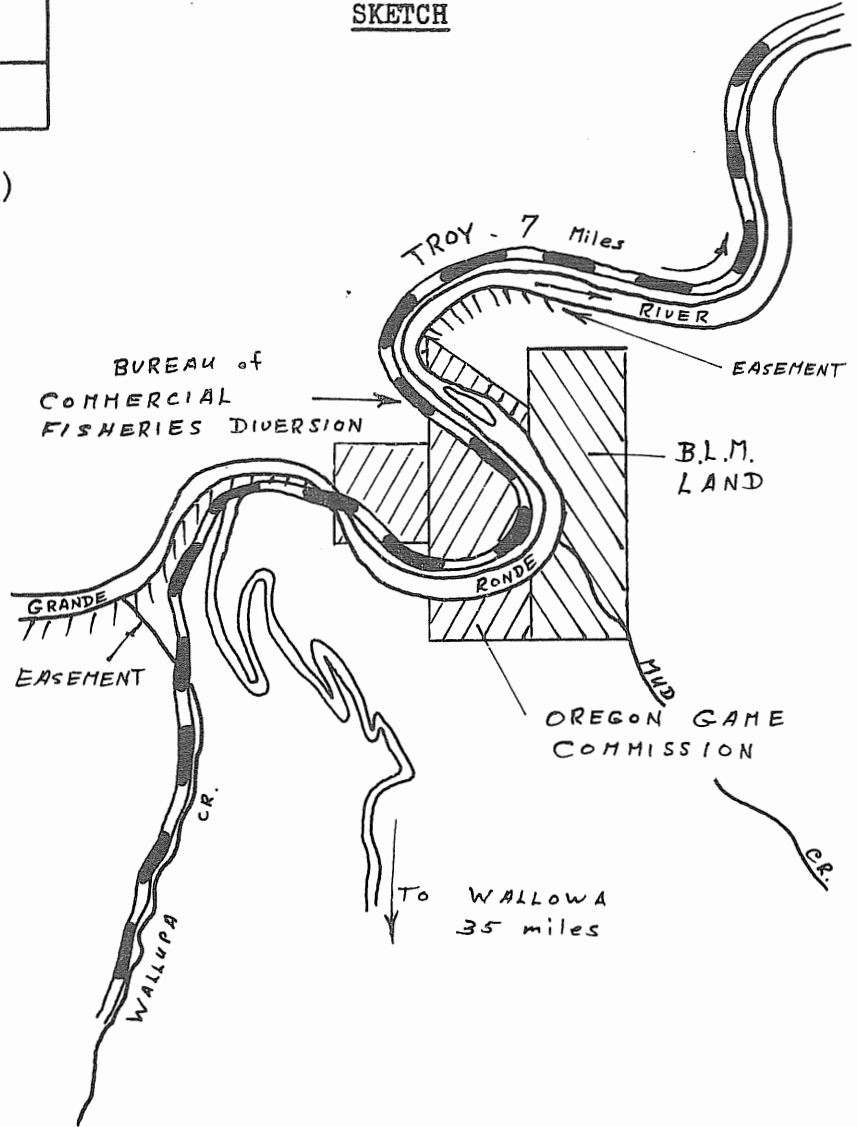
SITE # 5

FISHERY: Steelhead, chinook salmon, a very few coho salmon in fall with the steelhead; trout and smallmouth bass in summer.

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

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

SKETCH



Seasons (Check)

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
	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:

REMARKS

This is a large portion of public land adjacent to a good fishing area, in addition to being in the center of an excellent deer and elk hunting area.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 6  
Lower Grande Ronde Area Priority A  
Name Rondowa Access

Location At the confluence of the Grande Ronde and Wallowa Rivers East Bank  
T 3N, R 10E, Sec. 23 : River Mile 81 $\frac{1}{2}$  County Wallowa  
Ownership: Public \_\_\_\_\_  
Private  Tax Lot No. 1500 Number of owners 2  
1600

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous  
Cover type Timber and bunch grass  
Road access Single lane gravel, Condition Fair  
Flows High - spring  
Low - summer & fall Water quality Good  
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: \_\_\_\_\_ Acres, 1000 Feet of frontage  
Type of conveyance Easement

Development:

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

This site will provide a launching site for drift boaters on the Grande Ronde canyon and shore angler access on a prime section of salmon and steelhead water.



## GRANDE RONDE VALLEY

The Grande Ronde Valley is the area from Rondowa to the lower end of the state ditch where it returns to the Grande Ronde channel about two miles east of Alicel.

The river enters a canyon about two miles downstream from Elgin. This is the beginning of the canyon that extends clear to the mouth of the river where it empties into the Snake River in Washington. A single lane, dirt road parallels the river for four miles in the vicinity of Looking Glass and Rondowa; the remainder of the canyon is inaccessible by road, but the railroad follows the river all the way to Rondowa.

The river in the canyon is swift and wide and has no deep pool areas. Angling is restricted to fall, winter, and spring for trout. Summer angling is nonexistent because of extremely low flows and warm water temperatures.

The portion between the state ditch and Elgin flows through an agricultural area and all land that borders the river is privately owned. The fishway is restricted to warm-water game fish--crappie, brown bullheads, yellow perch, and largemouth bass.

Jubilee Meadows Impoundment is a proposed 97-acre lake that will be built in the summer of 1967 by the Oregon Game Commission. Jubilee Meadows is situated in the northernmost tip of Union County. The lake will be built on Mottet Creek, a tributary to Lookingglass Creek which joins the Grande Ronde at the town of Looking Glass.

Two major roads connect the meadows with areas of population--the Eden Bench Road from Troy and the Tollgate Road from Elgin. These two roads near Jubilee Meadows.

The elevation at the meadow is 4,800 feet. Coniferous trees predominate with the meadow being covered with lush grass. When the lake is filled and a fishery with trout is established, it will afford many hours of recreation to a large group of anglers.

A more detailed explanation of the recreation development at the lake can be found on the following site evaluation sheet.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. -  
Grande Ronde Valley Area Priority C  
Name Grande Ronde Valley

Location Between Alicel and Rondowa, - Bank  
T 1S  
R 1N, R 39E, Sec. -; River Mile 81-117 County Union  
2N,3N 40E  
Ownership: Public \_\_\_\_\_  
Private  Tax Lot No. - Number of owners Many

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Agricultural at upper end - canyon below  
Cover type Hay and grainfields - conifers and bunch grass  
Road access Paved highway near upper end, Condition Good  
Flows Low in summer Water quality Warm in summer  
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: \_\_\_\_\_ Acres, 5 miles of frontage  
Type of conveyance Easements

Development:

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

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

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

This site will accommodate trout and warm-water game fish anglers on the  
lower Grande Ronde.





WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 1  
Grande Ronde Valley Area Priority A

Name Jubilee Meadows Impoundment

Location At headwaters of Mottet Creek on Skyline Road

T 39E, R 4N, Sec. 8 : River Mile - County Union County adjacent  
17 to Umatilla County line.

Ownership: Public U. S. Forest Service

Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountain meadow

Cover type Grass in meadow - coniferous trees on edges

Road access Two lane gravel, Condition Good  
Good in spring

Flows Low in summer and fall Water quality Excellent

Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

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

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

Development:

Boat Ramp: Type Asphalt or concrete plank Number of lanes 1

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

Parking area x; For \_\_\_\_\_ cars or 50 car-trailer units

This site will accommodate lake anglers in northwest Union County.

ANTICIPATED FISHERY: Rainbow trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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
- 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	

SEE FOLD-OUT MAP

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities: Picnicking, camping

REMARKS The Forest Service will be establishing campgrounds, sanitary facilities, and roads adjacent to the lake. This will be done in six phases as money becomes available and the demand for facilities increases. The first phase will include 44 camp sites with stoves, tables, sanitary facilities, and an adequate road system to provide access to the camp sites.



## LA GRANDE AREA

The Grande Ronde River in the La Grande area is quite diversified in its physical character. Between the proposed Lower Grande Ronde Dam and Island City the river resembles a typical trout or steelhead stream with wide, gravel bars and long pools. This is the lower end of the steelhead spawning area.

Below La Grande the river enters the valley. It forms a deep channel through grainfields before it is diverted into the state ditch that is 10 feet deep and about 100 feet wide in some places. The river channel below the state ditch diversion has very little moving water and in summer forms a series of stagnant sloughs. As the river nears the lower end of the state ditch, it accumulates returning irrigation water and flows are a little greater. Catherine Creek adds very little water to the river since most of its water is diverted for irrigation.

The area from the proposed Lower Grande Ronde Dam to La Grande offers early spring steelhead angling (March) and spring trout fishing (April and May). The lower Grande Ronde sloughs provide a warm-water fishery for largemouth bass, crappie, yellow perch, and brown bullheads. Although steelhead migrate through the lower area no fishery has been established.

The highway follows the river above La Grande and in most instances angler access to the river is not denied. However, along a few oxbows that leave the highway, it would be advantageous to gain easements. With increased flows from the proposed Lower Grande Ronde Reservoir, all of the area above the confluence of the state ditch will be able to provide a fishery through the summer and time of present low flows. This area has been put under the category "gain access whenever and wherever possible."

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 1  
La Grande Area Priority Complete  
Name Hilgard State Park

Location On Interstate 80N - 7 miles west of La Grande, North Bank  
T 2S, R 37E, Sec. 31; River Mile 170 County Union  
Ownership: Public Oregon State Highway Commission  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous - narrow valley along river  
Cover type Coniferous trees - pine and fir  
Road access Freeway, Condition Excellent  
High - spring  
Flows Low - summer and fall Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

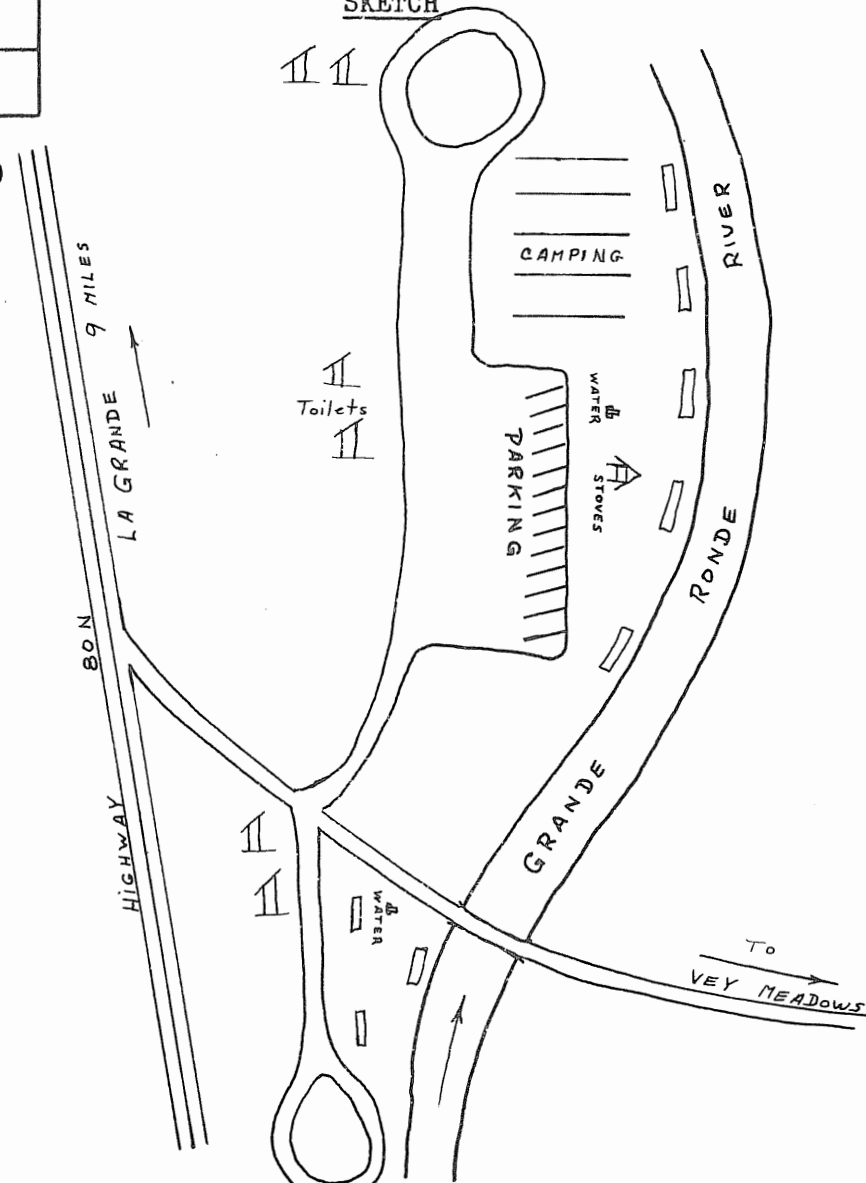
Boat Ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ Number of lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_ Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; For \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
This site accommodates steelhead and trout anglers on 1/4 mile of  
river in addition to highway travelers.

FISHERY: Early spring steelhead and later spring trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light	Tr St			

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

SKETCH



Seasons (Check)

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
	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

\* Children can splash around in the river to get cool.

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities: Picnicking, camping, parking for buses

REMARKS

This park is right on the freeway and is used mostly by overnights that are traveling through. Some hunters use it in the fall. A charge of 75¢ is made for each night's camping.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 2  
La Grande Area Priority A  
Name River above State Ditch

Location From Lower Grande Ronde Dam to confluence with state ditch Both Bank  
T 2S, R 37E, Sec. -; River Mile 153-173 County Union  
3S 38E, 39E  
Ownership: Public Oregon State Highway Commission and  
Private x Tax Lot No. - Number of owners Many

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountain meadows above, valley below  
Cover type Coniferous trees along mountain meadows to grainfields  
Road access Paved highway, Condition Good to excellent  
Flows High - spring  
Low - summer and fall Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Highway access to some sections

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: \_\_\_\_\_ Acres, 5 miles  
Type of conveyance Easements

Development:

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

This site will accommodate trout and steelhead anglers from the La Grande  
area along five miles of river.







## CATHERINE CREEK

Catherine Creek joins the Grande Ronde River channel about three miles northwest of Cove. Here the original channel of the Grande Ronde is virtually empty in summer except for some returning irrigation. The section below Lower Davis Dam is primarily a warm-water game fish area.

Lower Davis Dam is the lowest point in the Catherine Creek drainage where salmon angling takes place. Access to this area is no problem. The landowner allows anglers entry at the present time; however, a perpetual easement would be advantageous to insure future access.

The area from Union to Catherine Creek damsite is a good fishing area. Hatchery rainbow trout are stocked each year to supplement the fair population of native fish. The main angling pressure is exerted in the early summer when water flows are best. With the building of Catherine Creek Dam, larger flows would be sustained below the dam during the summer and if good minimum flows could be established through the fall and winter, a population of trout could be maintained. In the advent of a better trout fishery angler use would, in turn, become heavier. This section has been put under a "whenever and wherever" category with an "A" priority pending the construction of Catherine Creek Dam.

The section above Catherine Creek State Park and the North Fork Campground is the area of legal trout liberations. Nine thousand rainbows are stocked in this area annually in June, July, and August. The upper half of this section is within the national forest and access is no problem. The area below the national forest has been designated a "whenever and wherever" area.

About a mile below the confluence of the North and South Forks, the Mormon Church has an organizational camp. The public is permitted to use the grounds but not the buildings.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 1  
Catherine Creek Area Priority B  
Name Lower Davis Dam

Location 4 miles west of Union, Both Bank  
T 4S, R 39E, Sec. 3: River Mile 13 County Union

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

Private x\* Tax Lot No. 1400 Number of owners 2

\* Davis Brothers

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Level agricultural

Cover type Hayfields - a few willows and cottonwoods along river

Road access Single lane dirt, Condition Poor

Flows High - spring  
Low - summer and fall Water quality Poor in summer

Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: \_\_\_\_\_ Acres, 1000 Feet of frontage\*

Type of conveyance Easement

\* and road access and parking area.

Development:

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

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

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

This site will accommodate steelhead and salmon anglers on 1,000 feet of

Catherine Creek.



WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 2

Catherine Creek Area Priority D

Name High Valley Lake

Location 5 miles up Little Creek from Union, - Bank

T 4S, R 40E, Sec. 14; River Mile - County Union

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

Private  Tax Lot No. 2700  
3400 Number of owners 2

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous

Cover type Open - coniferous trees in draws

Road access Single lane dirt, Condition Good

Flows High - spring  
Low - summer and fall Water quality Good

Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

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

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

Development:

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

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

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

This site will accommodate trout anglers from the La Grande area.



WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 3  
Catherine Creek Area Priority Complete

Name Catherine Creek State Park

Location 8 miles upstream from Union, North Bank  
T 5S, R 41E, Sec. 6 : River Mile 27 County Union  
Ownership: Public Oregon State Highway Commission  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous - level next to creek  
Cover type Coniferous trees - pine and fir  
Road access Paved highway, Condition Good  
Flows High - spring  
Low - summer and fall Water quality Excellent  
Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

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

This site will accommodate anglers, picnickers, and campers on about 1/4  
mile of Catherine Creek.





WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 4

Catherine Creek Area Priority Complete

Name North Fork Campground

Location At the end of the North Fork Road, Both Bank

T 5S, R 42E, Sec. 7; River Mile - County Union

Ownership: Public U. S. Forest Service

Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous

Cover type Coniferous - pine and fir

Road access Single lane gravel, Condition Fair

Flows Stable Water quality Excellent

Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

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

Development:

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

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

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

This site accommodates anglers on upper Catherine Creek, deer and elk hunters in the fall, and a loading and unloading point for horse packers using the Catherine Creek trail.





## LOWER GRANDE RONDE RESERVOIR

In this section the river flows through a meadow. Rolling mountains that are heavily timbered with lodge pole and ponderosa pine border the meadow on both sides. Above the proposed reservoir the meadow narrows and the timber envelops the river.

Early spring steelhead and later spring trout angling are the fisheries in this area. No hatchery trout are stocked throughout this section because of extremely low summer flows and lack of pool habitat. A few legal rainbow are stocked at the mouth of Fly Creek and some drift down into this section.

Access is no problem since the highway parallels the river all the way.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 1  
Lower Grande Ronde/Reservoir Area Priority A

Name Lower Grande Ronde Reservoir (Proposed)

Location 15 miles from La Grande, - Bank  
T 3S, R 36E, Sec. -; River Mile 172.5-180 County Union  
Ownership: Public U. S. Forest Service and  
Private x Tax Lot No. - Number of owners Many

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountain meadow  
Cover type Coniferous trees along reservoir shore line  
Road access Highway adjacent to river, Condition Good  
Flows High - spring  
Low - summer and fall Water quality Good  
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development WHEN RESERVOIR IS BUILT:

Boat Ramp: Type Asphalt or concrete Number of lanes 2  
Toilets x Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Roads Along shore line  
Parking area x; For \_\_\_\_\_ cars or 50 car-trailer units

This site will accommodate trout anglers on the reservoir.

ANTICIPATED

FISHERY: Rainbow trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy	Tr			
Medium		Tr		
Light			Tr	

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout,  
Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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
- 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			

SEE FOLD-OUT MAP

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

The recommended development would need to be included when reservoir is built. Since the proposed reservoir is bordered by national forest on the west side, Forest Service developments should be included when reservoir is filled.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 2  
Lower Grande Ronde/Reservoir Area Priority Complete  
Name Red Bridge State Park

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Location 15 miles west of La Grande, West Bank  
T 3S, R 36E, Sec. 20; River Mile 178 County Union  
Ownership: Public Oregon State Highway Commission  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous - flat adjacent to river  
Cover type Coniferous trees - pine and fir  
Road access Paved highway, Condition Good  
Flows High - spring  
Low - summer and fall Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

Boat Ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ Number of lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_ Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; For \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
This site will accommodate spring trout anglers and picnickers during the  
summer months.

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## TONY VEY MEADOWS

This is the headwater area of the Grande Ronde River. It is located on the north side of the Blue Mountains; the stream begins along the Union-Grant County line.

This is not steep country. Rolling mountains are timbered with pine and fir where large meadows comprise most of the area along the streams. The majority of the system flows through the national forest and access is no problem. Tony Vey Meadows, a block of private ownership within the national forest, needs to be made accessible via an easement.

Spring and summer trout fishing is good in this area. The 9,000 hatchery rainbows that are released annually from the mouth of Fly Creek to the East Fork supplement the native trout population.

With the good road access into the national forest and the presence of gentle terrain, this makes a very popular deer and elk hunting area. Hunter use in the fall is heavy.

One Forest Service campground is located about one mile below Vey Meadows. The establishment of more campgrounds on Forest Service land would be beneficial and will be needed in the near future.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 1  
Tony Vey Meadows Area Priority Complete

Name Grande Ronde River Campground

Location Approximately a mile below Tony Vey Meadows, Both Bank  
T 5S, R 35E, Sec. 13: River Mile 194 County Union  
Ownership: Public U. S. Forest Service  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous with adjacent meadows  
Cover type Coniferous trees - pine and fir  
Road access Two lane gravel, Condition Very good  
Flows High - spring  
Low - summer and fall Water quality Excellent  
Present stage of development Camp with toilets, parking, picnic tables and running water.

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

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

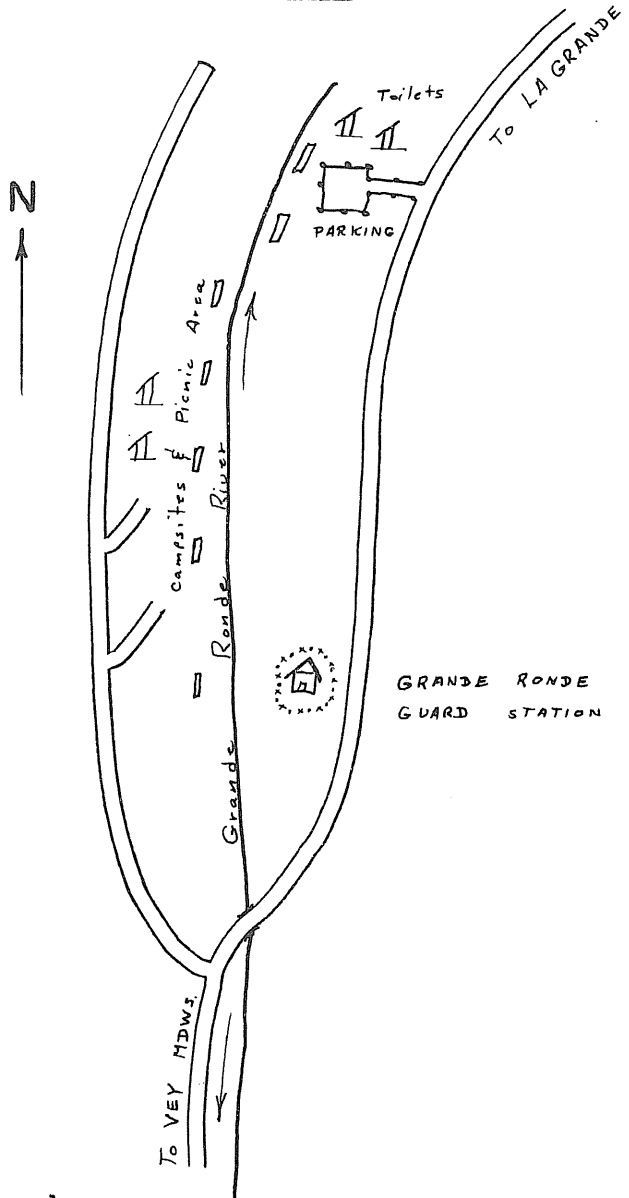
This site accommodates trout anglers and deer and elk hunters on the upper Grande Ronde.

FISHERY: Trout - some native fish are taken early in spring, but hatchery rainbow are stocked from the Fourth of July to mid-August. Trout angling pressure is heavy above here for hatchery rainbows.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		Tr		
Medium				
Light	Tr			

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

SKETCH



Seasons (Check)

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
		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

\* Schools bring classes to this area to study plants, animals, and resource management.

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities: Picnicking, parking for buses

REMARKS

This is a very nice camp in a level semimeadow area along the upper river. Summer flows are low; heaviest use of this area is by deer and elk hunters in the fall.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 2  
Tony Vey Meadows Area Priority A  
Name Tony Vey Meadows

Location About 25 miles southwest of La Grande, Both Bank  
T 5S, R 35E, Sec. -; River Mile 195-201 County Union  
36E  
Ownership: Public \_\_\_\_\_  
Private x Tax Lot No. 400 Number of owners \*1  
500  
600 \* Tony Vey

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountain meadows  
Cover type Meadow grass  
Road access Two lane gravel, Condition Good  
Flows Stable Water quality Excellent  
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: \_\_\_\_\_ Acres, 2 miles of frontage  
Type of conveyance Easement

Development:

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

This site will accommodate trout anglers from the La Grande area.





## MINAM RIVER AREA

The Minam River joins the Wallowa at the town of Minam along State Highway 82. The lower nine miles of the river are accessible by secondary road, the remainder of the system is accessible by trail.

Camping areas are established along the river and some tributaries; three guide camps are operated along the main river (these are located on the fold-out map). This river is a very popular horse pack-in area and is used heavily by fishermen in summer and deer and elk hunters in the fall.

It is recommended that the camp areas along the river and tributaries remain as they are and that the Minam River in the national forest be left a roadless area. The development of a campground at the national forest boundary is needed to accommodate elk hunters on the lower Minam. The existing road would need improvement to the forest boundary. The Moss Spring road from Elgin needs improvement to provide horse access to trails into the Minam canyon and for wheeled vehicle access to the divide west of the Minam River. This divide is the crossing for elk moving to winter range along the Minam and would afford excellent late season elk hunting.



## LOWER LOSTINE RIVER

The Lower Lostine River includes the part that flows through private land where the river is bordered by hayfields. The Lostine joins the Wallowa River about two miles upstream from the town of Wallowa. Even though all land is privately owned, there is no access problem for the few anglers that wish to fish this section of the river. Since the upper river is dotted with Forest Service campgrounds and all land is within the national forest, this area gets heavy use which draws anglers away from this lower section.

The development of one site is recommended for this section. An impoundment has been tentatively planned, by the landowner, at the OC Ranch. This location is about two miles from the upper end of the area and affords an excellent place for a lake of approximately 250 surface acres. This site is more fully described on the following site evaluation sheet.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 1  
Lower Lostine River Area Priority A  
Name OC Ranch Reservoir

Location 5 miles upstream from the town of Lostine, Both Bank  
T 1S, R 43E, Sec. 34: River Mile 10 County Wallowa  
Ownership: Public \_\_\_\_\_  
Private  Tax Lot No. 8200 Number of owners 1

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Alluvial plain - valley  
Cover type Pasture land with large deciduous trees along river  
Road access Graveled county road, Condition Good  
Flows Stable Water quality Excellent  
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

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

This site will provide a lake fishery near a populated area in the Wallowa Valley.

FISHERY: Lake fishing for trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light				

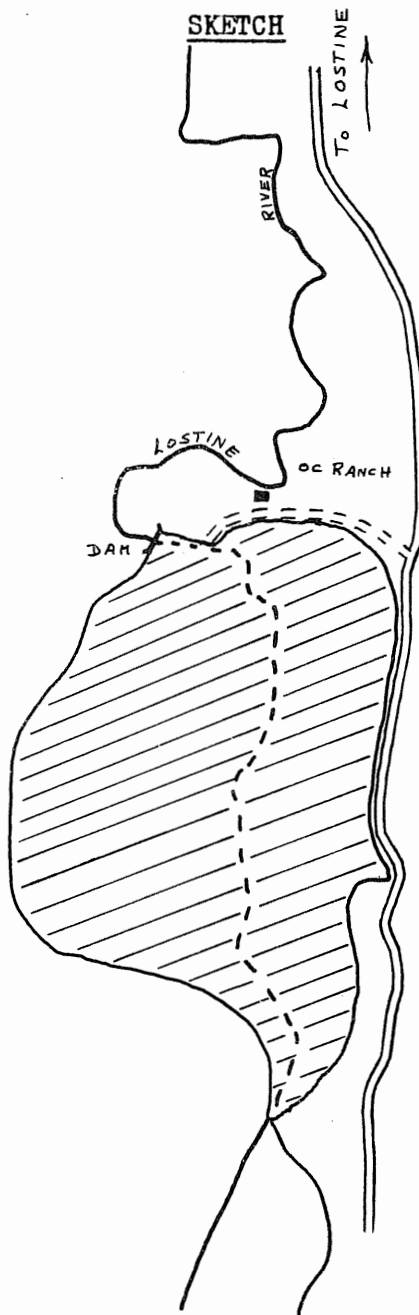
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Seasons (Check)

	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				
Horseback riding				
Hunting, big game				
Hunting, upland game				
Hunting, waterfowl				
Nature study				
Picnicking	X	X	X	
Sightseeing				
Skin and scuba diving				
Swimming	X	X	X	
Water skiing				

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

This place is a natural for construction of a fishing lake. Impoundment would be about 250 surface acres with a depth of 15-18 feet. Campgrounds could easily be established along the lake shore.

## UPPER LOSTINE RIVER

The Upper Lostine River lies within the national forest. This is a cool, semi-alpine area with pine and fir thickets adjacent to the river and on the steep mountain sides that form the Lostine canyon. The canyon floor is quite wide in places and offers excellent locations for development of campgrounds. Nine campgrounds have been developed along the Lostine road and are used heavily through the summer and fall. In addition, a horse packer at Lapover Ranch operates through the summer for anglers wishing to fish the high lakes in the Eagle Cap Wilderness Area and in the fall for deer and elk hunters. Two additional areas have been set up for unloading and loading horses for those with their own pack string.

The fishery is for trout--hatchery rainbow, native Dolly Varden, and brook trout. Since snow persists until the middle of June, the first hatchery releases are not made until just before the Fourth of July; additional releases extend into mid-August. Through this mid-summer period the upper river receives 7,000 legal rainbows.

No access problem exists and all access sites are considered complete.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 1

Upper Lostine River Area Priority Complete

Name Pole-Bridge Campground

Location 9 miles upstream from the town of Lostine, East Bank

T 2S, R 43E, Sec. 15: River Mile 14.5 County Wallowa

Ownership: Public U. S. Forest Service

Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous - river is in steep canyon

Cover type Lodge pole pine and fir

Road access Single lane gravel, Condition Fair

Flows Stable Water quality Excellent

Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

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

Development:

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

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

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

This site will accommodate campers and anglers on the Lostine River.

FISHERY: Summer and fall angling for rainbow and Dolly Varden trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		Tr	Tr	
Medium				
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

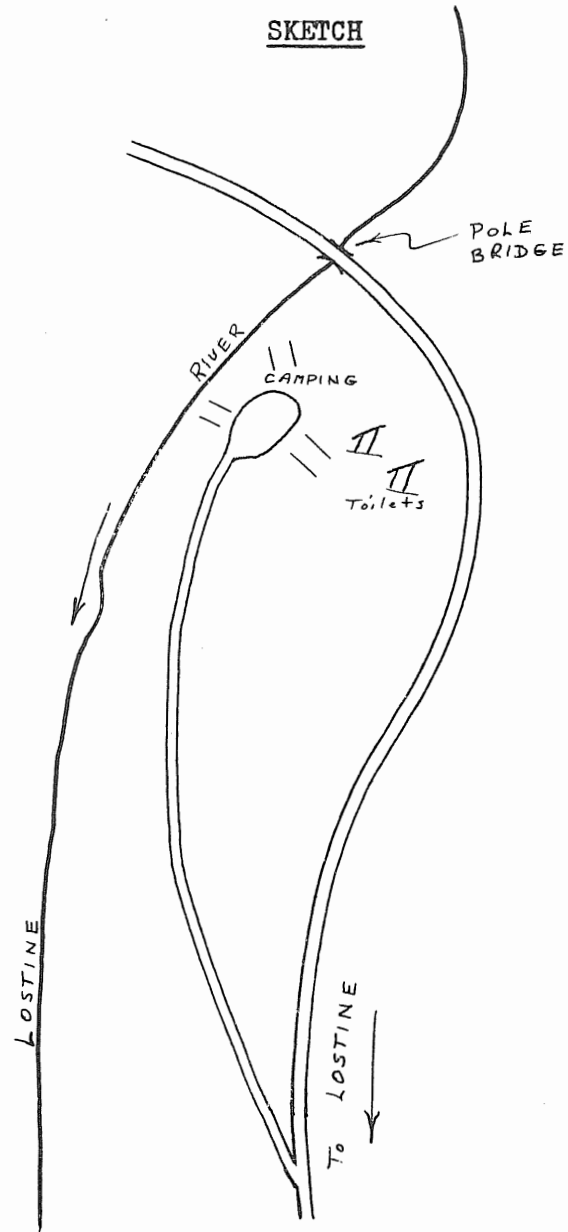
Seasons (Check)

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		

SKETCH



OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

This is a very nice campground situated just downstream from the high picturesque pole bridge in a narrow, steep-sided canyon. This is not a charge campground.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 2  
Upper Lostine River Area Priority Complete  
Name Williamson Cabin Campground

Location 12 miles upstream from the town of Lostine, East Bank  
T 2S, R 43E, Sec. 35: River Mile 18 County Wallowa  
Ownership: Public U. S. Forest Service  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous - river is in steep canyon  
Cover type Lodge pole pine with grass and brush understory  
Road access Single lane gravel, Condition Fair  
Flows Stable Water quality Excellent  
Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

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

This site will accommodate campers and anglers on the Lostine River.

FISHERY: Summer and fall angling for rainbow and Dolly Varden trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		Tr	Tr	
Medium				
Light				

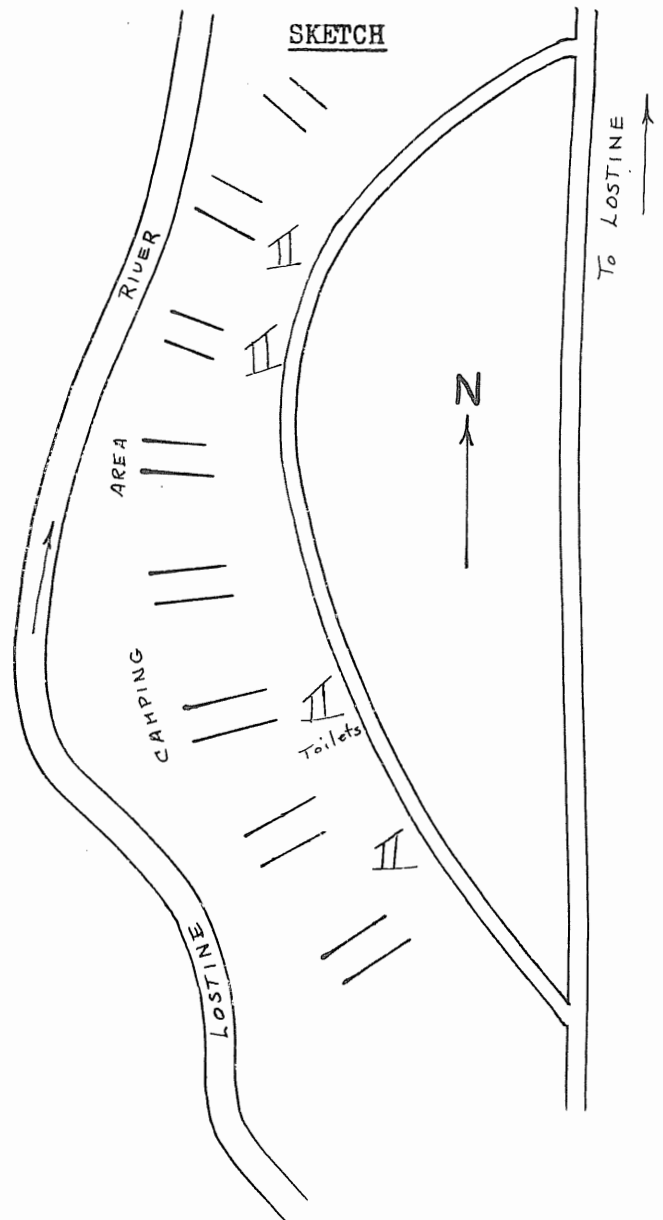
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Seasons (Check)

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		



OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities: Picnicking, camping, parking for buses

REMARKS This campground is situated on a wide level area. There is ample room for group facilities. This is a charge campground.



WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 3  
Upper Lostine River Area Priority Complete  
Name Lake Creek Campground

Location 12½ miles upstream from the town of Lostine, East Bank  
T 3S, R 43E, Sec. 2; River Mile 18½ County Wallowa  
Ownership: Public U. S. Forest Service  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous  
Cover type Coniferous trees - pine and fir  
Road access Single lane gravel, Condition Fair  
Flows Stable Water quality Excellent  
Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

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

This site will accommodate campers and anglers on the Lostine River.

FISHERY: Summer and fall angling for rainbow and Dolly Varden trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		Tr	Tr	
Medium				
Light				

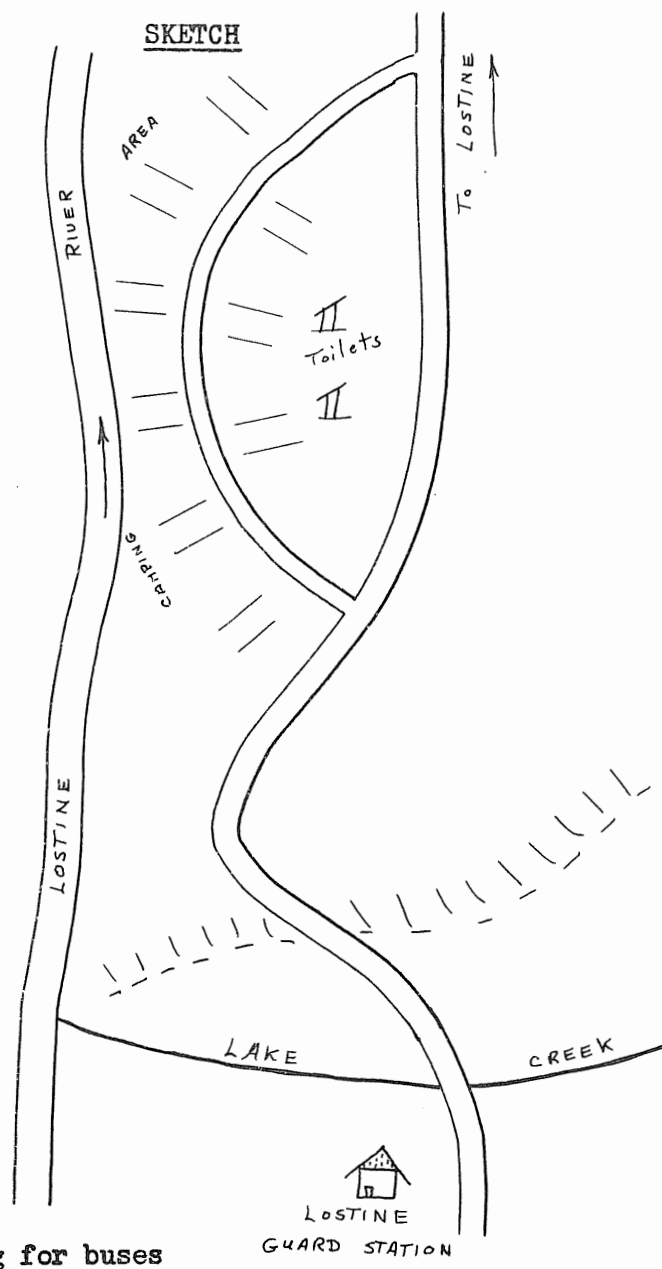
(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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		



OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities: Picnicking, camping, parking for buses

REMARKS

This is a charge campground. The area is adequate in size for group outings. The entrance road is wide and graveled.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 4  
Upper Lostine River Area Priority Complete  
Name Walla Walla Campground

Location 13½ miles upstream from the town of Lostine, East Bank  
T 3S, R 43E, Sec. 11: River Mile 19½ County Wallowa  
Ownership: Public U. S. Forest Service  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous - small level meadows adjacent to the river  
Cover type Coniferous trees - pine and fir  
Road access Single lane gravel, Condition Fair  
Flows Stable Water quality Excellent  
Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

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

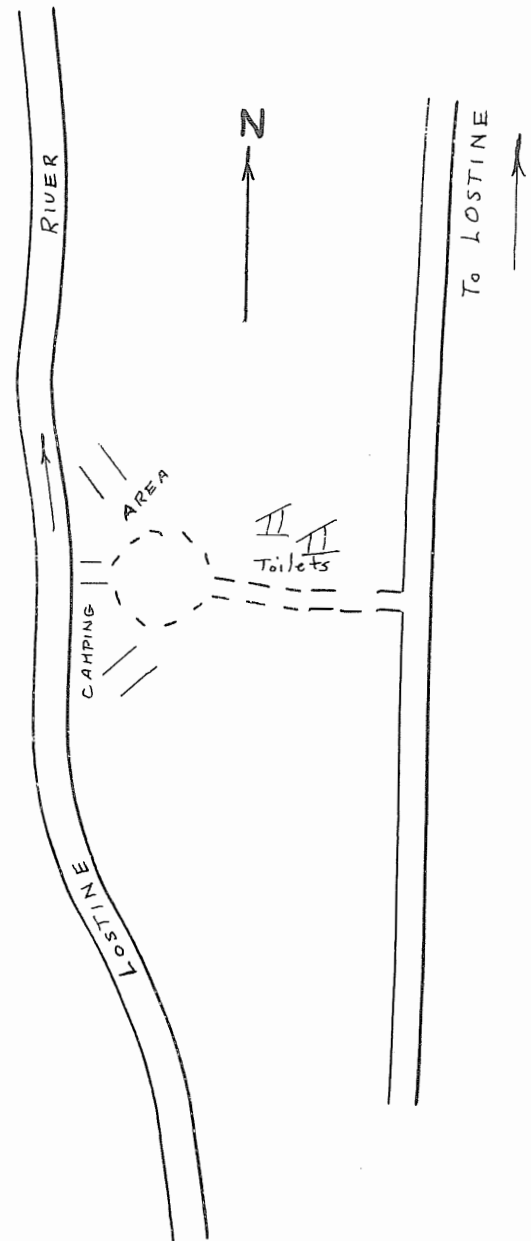
This site will accommodate campers and anglers on the Lostine River.

FISHERY: Summer and fall angling for rainbow and Dolly Varden trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		Tr	Tr	
Medium				
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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
- Sightseeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing

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

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

This is a small campground and the road is not graveled. This is not a charge campground.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 5

Upper Lostine River Area Priority Complete

Name Lillyville Campground and  
Trail Access

Location 15 $\frac{1}{2}$  miles upstream from the town of Lostine, East Bank

T 3S, R 43E, Sec. 23 : River Mile 21 $\frac{1}{2}$  County Wallowa

Ownership: Public U. S. Forest Service

Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous

Cover type Coniferous trees - pine and fir

Road access Single lane gravel, Condition Fair

Flows Stable Water quality Excellent

Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

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

Development:

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

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

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

This site provides trail access to the Bowman Trail which serves the high  
lakes at the headwaters of the Minam River.

FISHERY: Summer and fall angling for rainbow and Dolly Varden trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium		Tr	Tr	
Light				

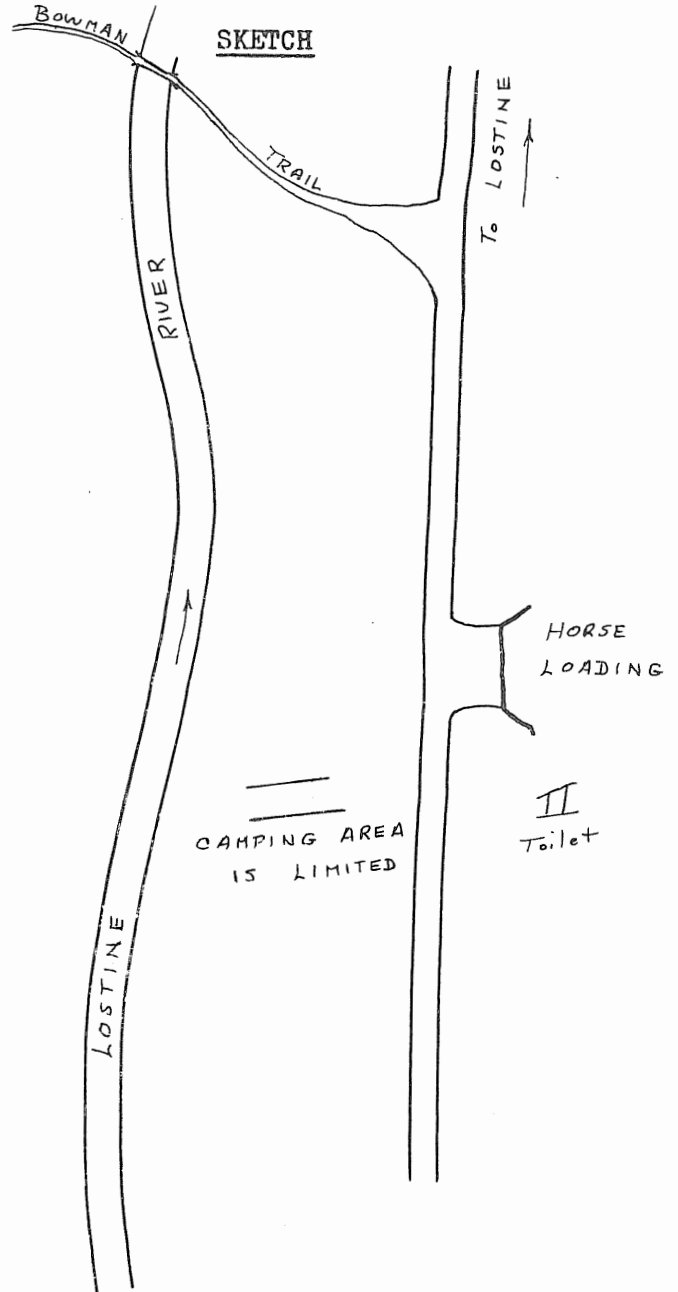
(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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		



OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

Loading and unloading area for packers using the Bowman Trail. No charge is made for its use.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 6  
Upper Lostine River Area Priority Complete  
Name King Campground

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Location 16 miles upstream from the town of Lostine, East Bank  
T 3S, R 43E, Sec. 23; River Mile 22 County Wallowa  
Ownership: Public U. S. Forest Service  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous  
Cover type Coniferous trees - pine and fir  
Road access Single lane gravel, Condition Fair  
Flows Stable Water quality Excellent  
Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

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

This site will accommodate campers and anglers on the Lostine River.

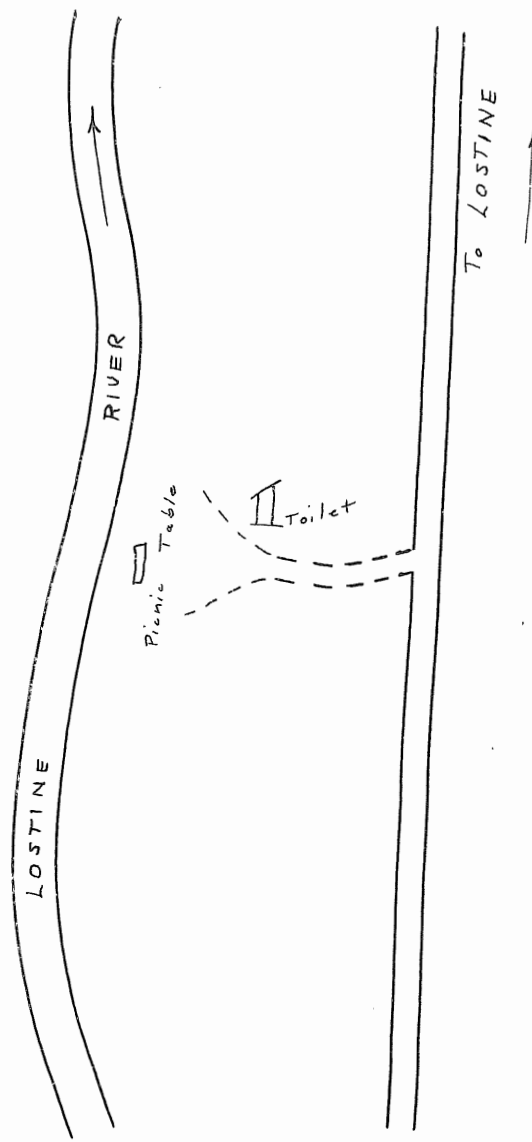
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FISHERY: Summer and fall angling for rainbow and Dolly Varden trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		Tr	Tr	
Medium				
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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
- Sightseeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing

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

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

Side road with one picnic table and one toilet. This is a small no charge isolated camping spot.



WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 7  
Upper Lostine River Area Priority Complete  
Name Lapover Ranch

Location 17½ miles upstream from the town of Lostine, East Bank  
T 3S, R 43E, Sec. 25; River Mile 22½ County Wallowa  
Ownership: Public U. S. Forest Service

Private X Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners 1\*

\*Hawkins from Wallowa

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous  
Cover type Coniferous trees - pine and fir  
Road access Single lane gravel, Condition Fair  
Flows Stable Water quality Excellent  
Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

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

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

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

This ranch provides guide service and pack horses for anglers and hunters  
wishing access to the Eagle Cap Wilderness Area.

FISHERY: Summer and fall angling for rainbow and Dolly Varden trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		Tr	Tr	
Medium				
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

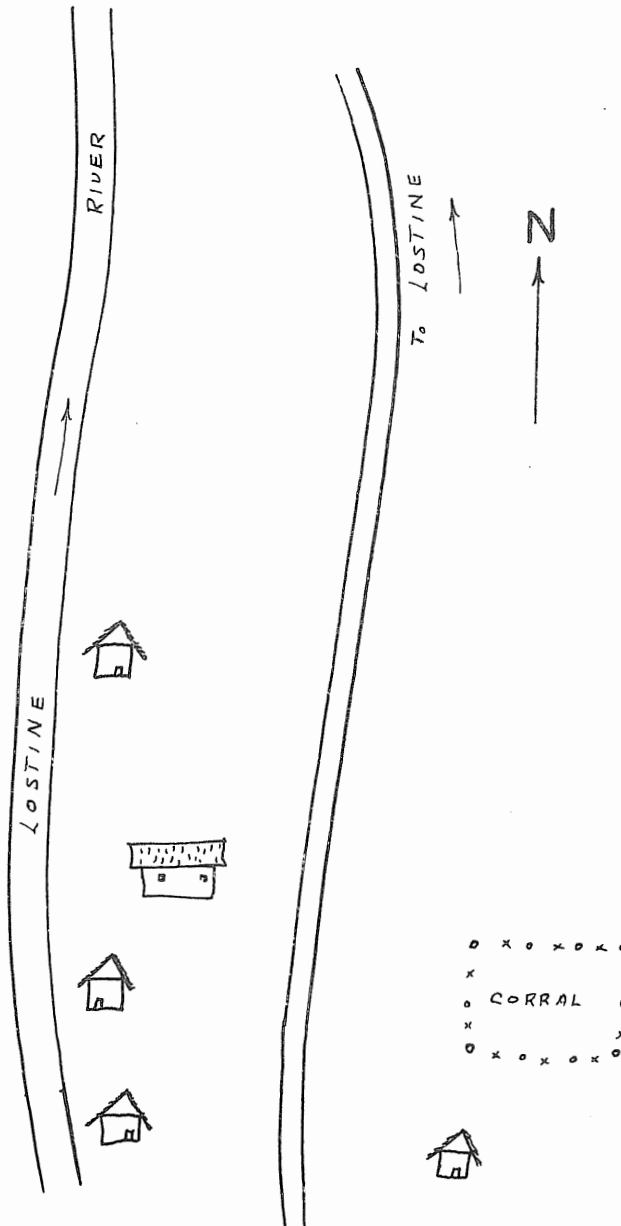
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Seasons (Check)

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	



OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

This outfit packs dudes into the Wallowas for fishing, deer and elk hunting, and sightseeing. Cabins are available at the ranch for over-night stays.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 8  
Upper Lostine River Area Priority Complete  
Name French Campground

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Location 17 miles upstream from the town of Lostine, East Bank  
T 3S, R 43E, Sec. 25; River Mile 23 County Wallowa  
Ownership: Public U. S. Forest Service  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous  
Cover type Coniferous trees - pine and fir  
Road access Single lane gravel, Condition Fair  
Flows Stable Water quality Excellent  
Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

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

This site will accommodate campers and anglers on the Lostine River.

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FISHERY: Summer and fall angling for rainbow and Dolly Varden trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		Tr	Tr	
Medium				
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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		

\* Classes on nature can be conducted to groups of youngsters.

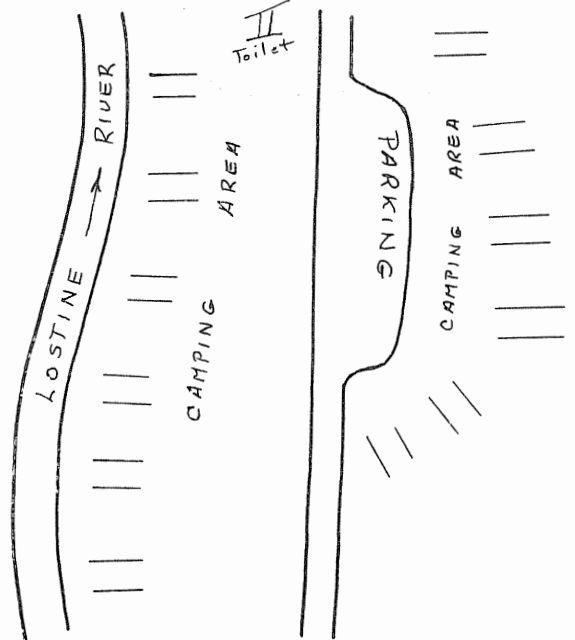
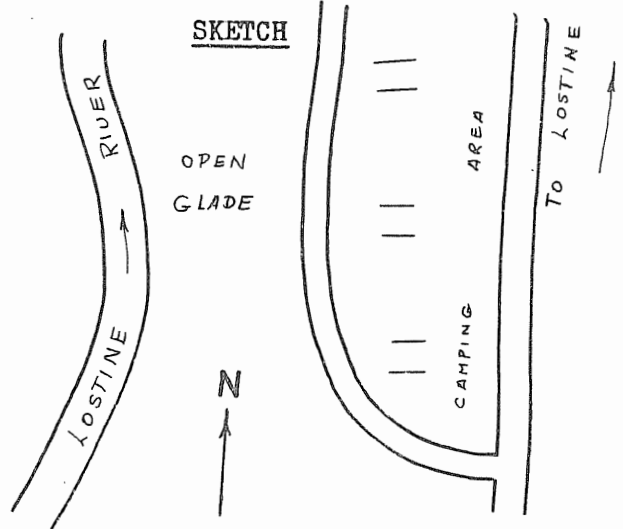
OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

This is mainly used as an organizational camp, such as girl scouts, 4-H groups, etc. The extension on the north side is approximately 1/4 mile from the main campground. No charge is made at this camp.



WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 9  
Upper Lostine River Area Priority Complete  
Name Arrow Campground

Location 17½ miles upstream from the town of Lostine, East Bank  
T 3S, R 43E, Sec. 25; River Mile 23½ County Wallowa  
Ownership: Public U. S. Forest Service  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous  
Cover type Coniferous trees - pine and fir  
Road access Single lane gravel, Condition Fair  
Flows Stable Water quality Excellent  
Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

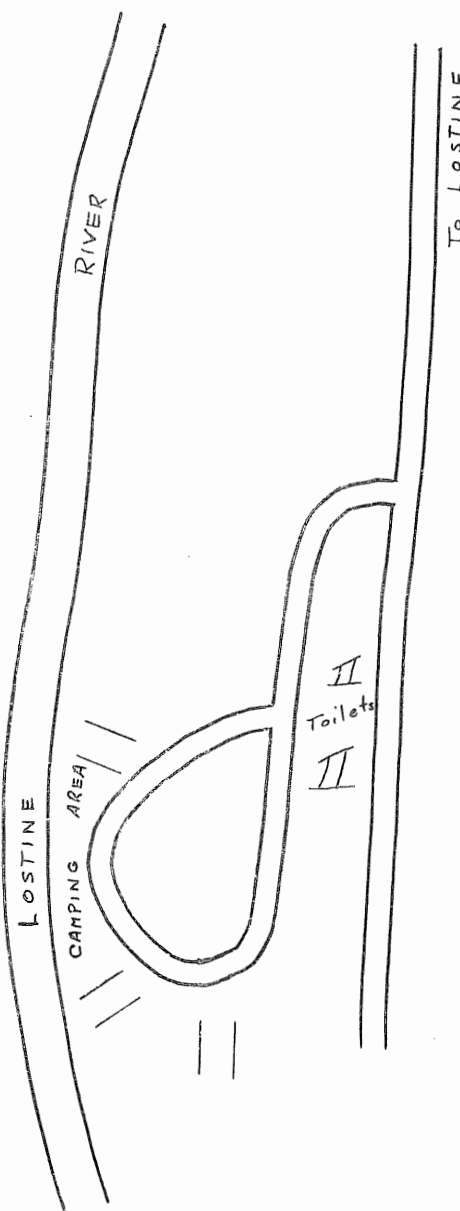
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Toilets \_\_\_\_\_ Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; For \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
This site will accommodate campers and anglers on the Lostine River.

FISHERY: Summer and fall angling for rainbow, Dolly Varden, and brook trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		Tr	Tr	
Medium				
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

SKETCH



Seasons (Check)

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
		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:

REMARKS

This is a nice, small secluded campground where no charge is made for camping.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 10  
Upper Lostine River Area Priority Complete  
Name Shady Campground

Location 18 miles upstream from the town of Lostine, East Bank  
T 3S, R 43E, Sec. 36; River Mile 24 County Wallowa  
Ownership: Public U. S. Forest Service  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous  
Cover type Coniferous trees - pine and fir  
Road access Single lane gravel, Condition Fair  
Flows Stable Water quality Excellent  
Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

Boat Ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ Number of lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_ Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; For \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
This site will accommodate campers and anglers on the Lostine River.

FISHERY: Rainbow, Dolly Varden, and brook trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		Tr	Tr	
Medium				
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

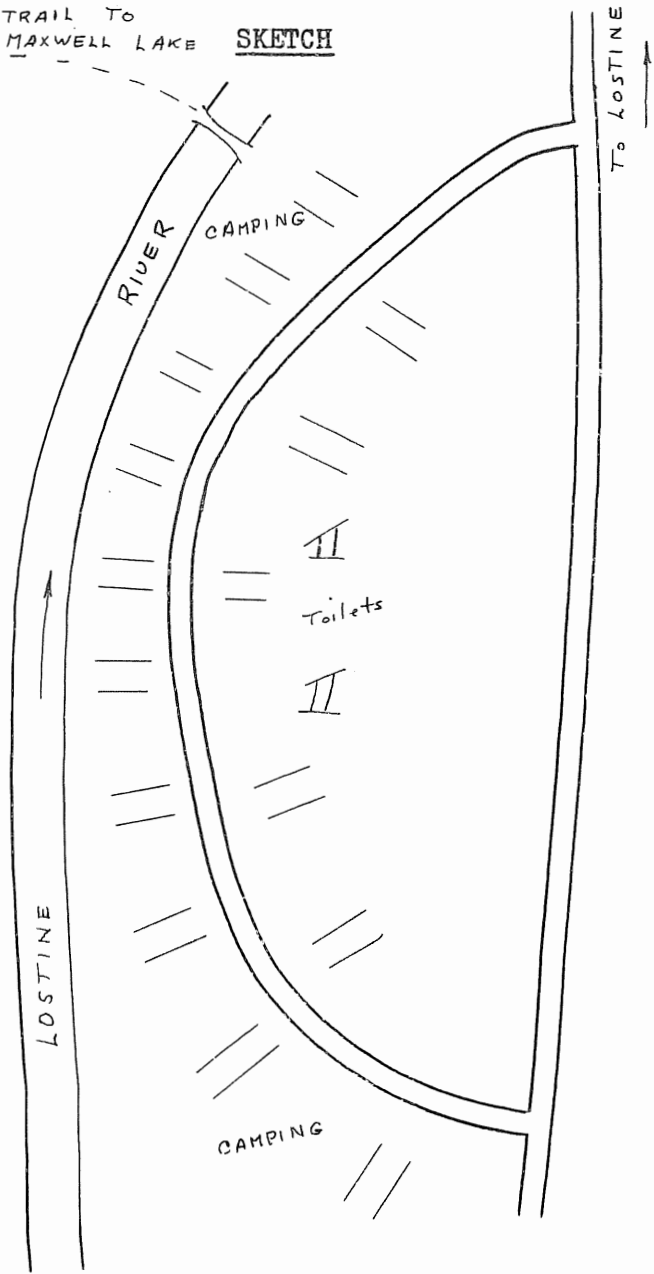
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Seasons (Check)

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	
		X	X	
		X		



OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

This campground has graveled roads, running water and a charge is made for camping.



WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 11

Upper Lostine River Area Priority Complete

Name Two Pan Campground

Location 19½ miles upstream from the town of Lostine, East Bank

T 4S, R 44E, Sec. 6; River Mile 25½ County Wallowa

Ownership: Public U. S. Forest Service

Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous - elevation 5584

Cover type Coniferous trees - lodge pole and fir

Road access Single lane dirt, Condition Fair

Flows Good Water quality Excellent

Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

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

Development:

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

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

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

This site will accommodate campers, hikers, and anglers on the headwater  
portions of the Lostine River.

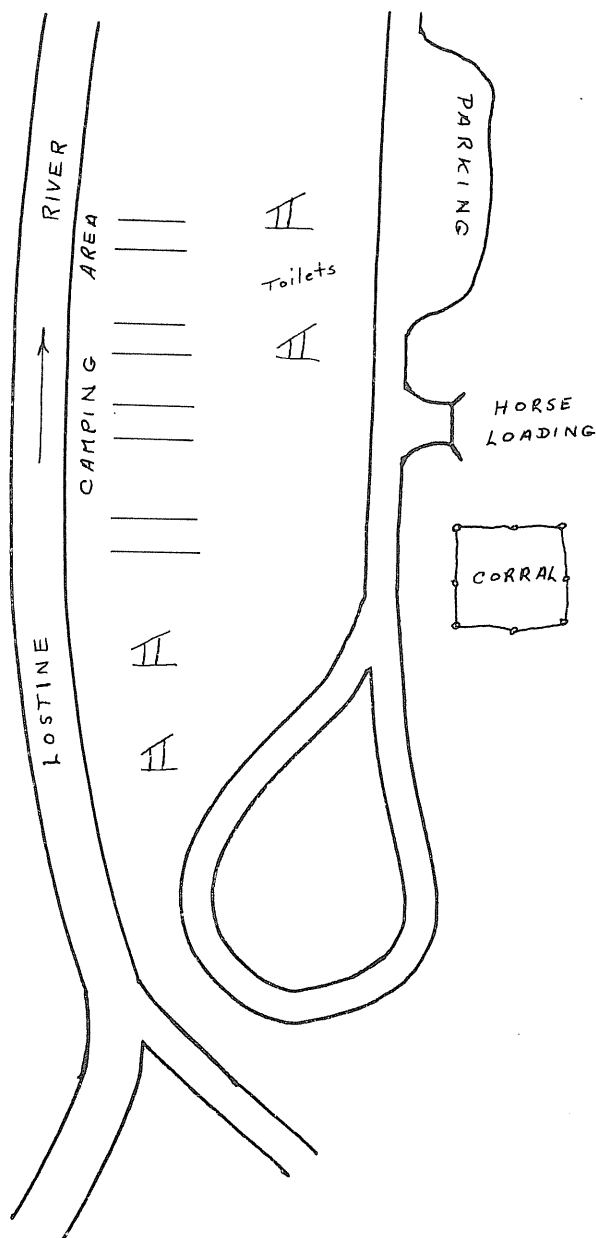
FISHERY: Trout in summer months - stocked rainbow and native Dolly Varden.

A few brook trout are taken in this upper area.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		Tr	Tr	
Medium				
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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
- 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			

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

This campground is located at the forks of the river. An area is provided to unload horses and a corral is present for confining horses.



## WALLOWA RIVER AREA

The Wallowa River travels a distance of 50 miles from Wallowa Lake, its source, to Rondowa where it meets the Grande Ronde. The lower 20 miles flow through a canyon; the upper 30 miles makes its way through the Wallowa Valley.

Irrigation diversions are numerous in the valley and water flows become quite low in late summer.

The major fisheries are for spring steelhead (late February and March) and trout. Ten thousand hatchery rainbows are planted in the river each year by the Game Commission to supplement native populations of fish. Angling pressure is centered along the accessible area from Rock Creek to a point about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles below the town of Minam. However, considerable fishing takes place early in the season in the valley where the highway makes the river quite accessible in many places.

In the area between Minam and Rock Creek, there are 14 wide areas or old sections of highway that provide access to the river in addition to the three developed roadside rest areas. Two access points are recommended below Minam.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 1  
Wallowa River Area Priority A  
Name Hatchery Hole

Location 1½ miles downstream from Minam, West Bank  
T 2N, R 41E, Sec. 19; River Mile 8 County Wallowa  
Ownership: Public Oregon Game Commission  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous - river in steep canyon  
Cover type Conifers on canyon walls, deciduous trees along river  
Road access Single lane dirt, Condition Fair  
Flows Good Water quality Good  
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

Boat Ramp: Type Concrete plank Number of lanes 1  
Toilets x Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area x; For \_\_\_\_\_ cars or 10 car-trailer units  
This site will provide a launching site for drift boaters and a shore access  
point for steelhead and trout anglers.

AREA Wallowa River

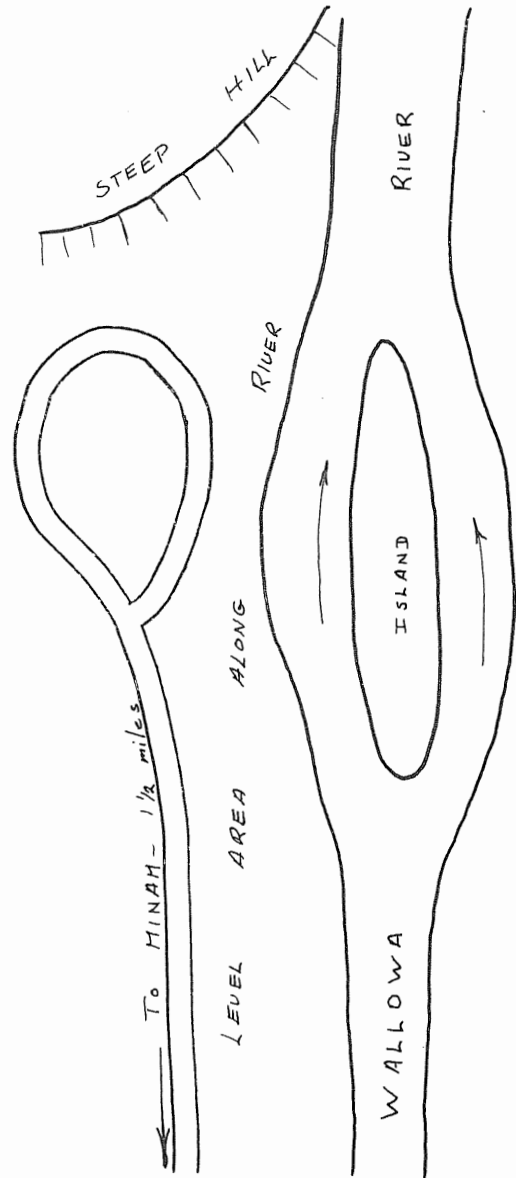
SITE # 1

FISHERY: Spring steelhead and hatchery rainbow trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium	St			
Light		Tr		

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

SKETCH



Seasons (Check)

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

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: There is adequate room for small group functions.

REMARKS

Drift trips on this section start either here or at Minam.  
This land is being negotiated for a state park.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 2

Wallowa River Area Priority B

Name Minam Access

Location 1/2 mile downstream from Minam, West Bank

T 2N, R 41E, Sec. 30; River Mile 9 County Wallowa

Ownership: Public Oregon State Game Commission

Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous - river in steep canyon

Cover type Coniferous and deciduous trees and brush

Road access Single lane dirt, Condition Fair

High - spring  
Flows Low - summer and fall Water quality Good

Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

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

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

Development:

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

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

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

This site will accommodate steelhead and trout shore anglers on a 1/4 mile  
of the river.

AREA Wallowa River

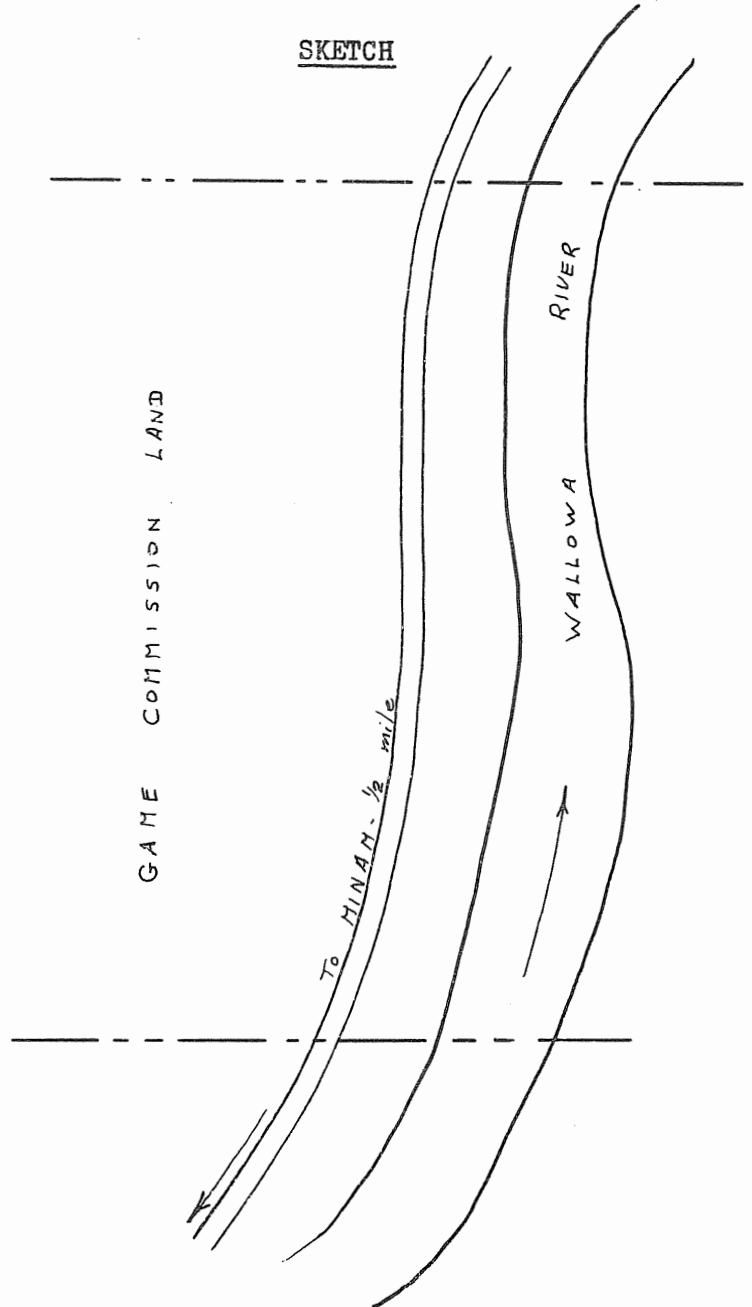
SITE # 2

FISHERY: Steelhead and trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium	St			
Light		Tr		

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

SKETCH



Seasons (Check)

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
	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 flat area adjacent to the river is quite narrow. Is a good fishing access location.



WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 3  
Wallowa River Area Priority Complete  
Name Roadside Rest Area

Location 2 miles east of Minam on Highway 82, North Bank  
T 2N, R 41E, Sec. 28; River Mile 12 County Wallowa  
Ownership: Public Oregon State Highway Commission  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous - level along river  
Cover type Deciduous trees and grass along river  
Road access Paved highway, Condition Excellent  
High - spring  
Flows Low - summer and fall Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

Boat Ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ Number of lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets \_\_\_\_\_ Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area \_\_\_\_\_; For \_\_\_\_\_ cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
This site will accommodate shore anglers along a very popular section of  
the Wallowa River.

AREA Wallowa River

SITE # 3

FISHERY: Spring steelhead and hatchery rainbow trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium	St			
Light		Tr		

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

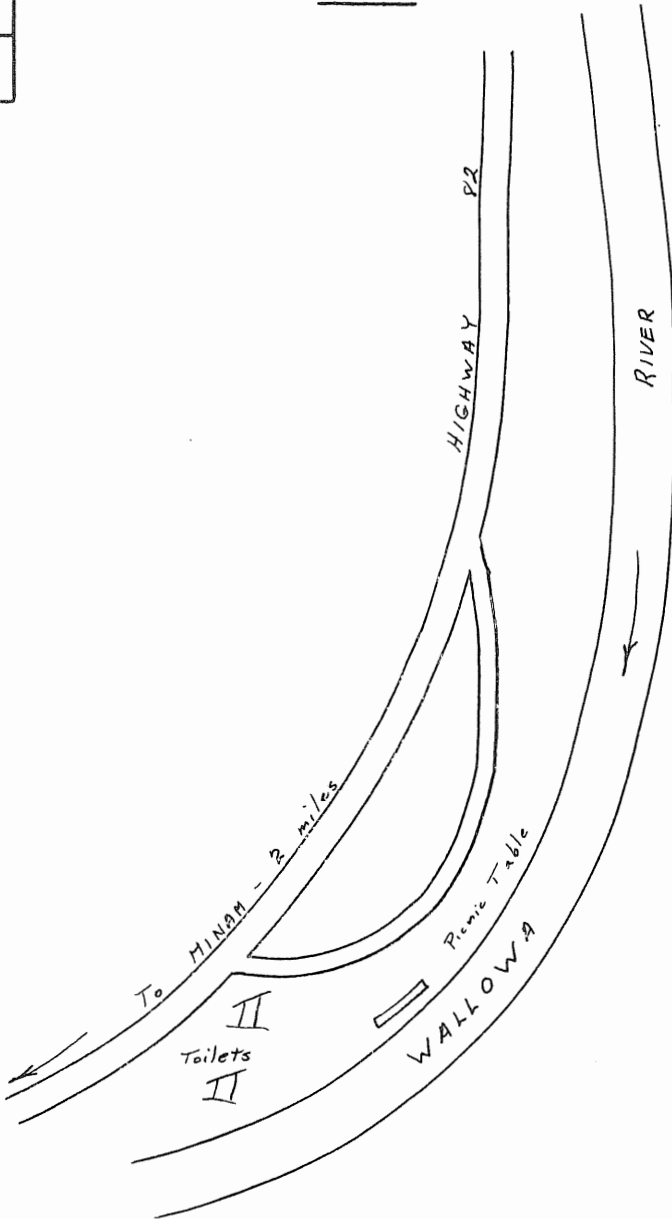
SKETCH

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
- Sightseeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing

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



OTHER

Safety Problems:  
Group Facilities:

REMARKS

This is just a wide, level spot next to the new highway.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 4

Wallowa River Area Priority Complete

Name Roadside Rest Area

Location 3 miles east of Minam on Highway 82, North Bank

T 2N, R 41E, Sec. 28; River Mile 13 County Wallowa

Ownership: Public Oregon State Highway Commission

Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous - level along river

Cover type Deciduous trees along river with grassy flats

Road access Paved highway, Condition Excellent

Flows High - spring  
Low - summer and fall Water quality Good

Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

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

Development:

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

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

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

This site will accommodate shore anglers along a very popular section of the  
Wallowa River.

AREA Wallowa River

SITE # 4

FISHERY: Spring steelhead and hatchery rainbow trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium	St			
Light		Tr		

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

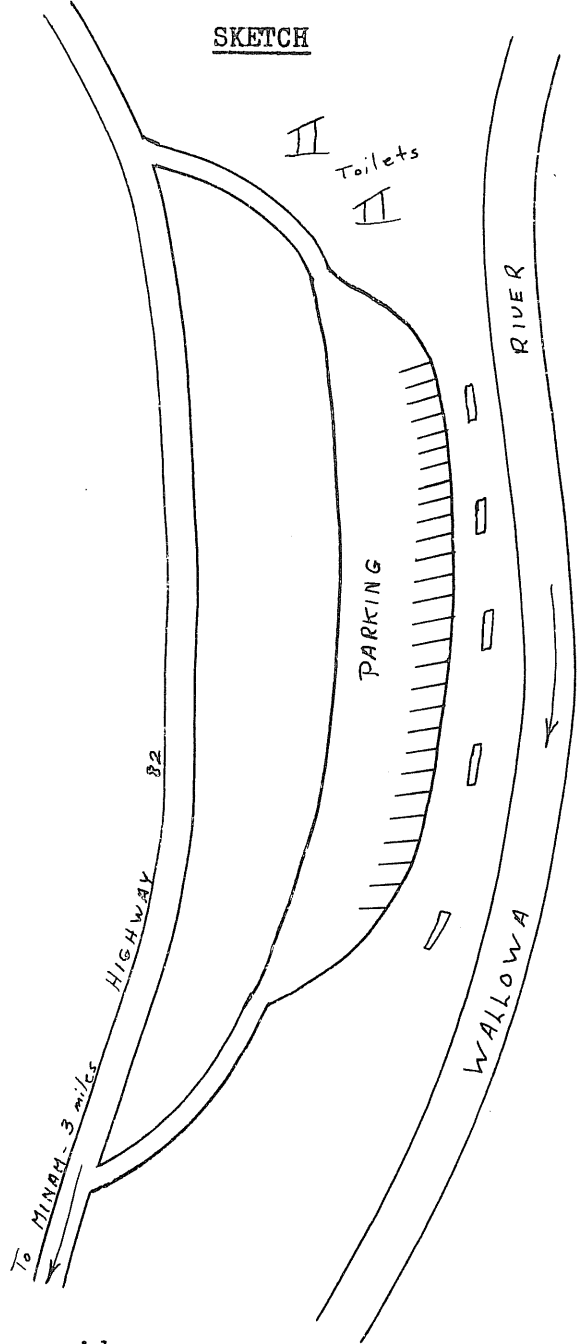
Seasons (Check)

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	

SKETCH



OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

No camping is allowed at this wayside.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 5  
Wallowa River Area Priority Complete  
Name Roadside Rest Area

Location 6 miles upstream from Minam, North Bank  
T 2N, R 41E, Sec. 36: River Mile 16 County Wallowa  
Ownership: Public Oregon State Highway Commission  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous - level along river  
Cover type Deciduous trees along river with grassy flats  
Road access Paved highway, Condition Excellent  
Flows High - spring  
Low - summer and fall Water quality Good  
Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

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

This site will accommodate shore anglers along a very popular section of  
the Wallowa River.

AREA Wallowa River

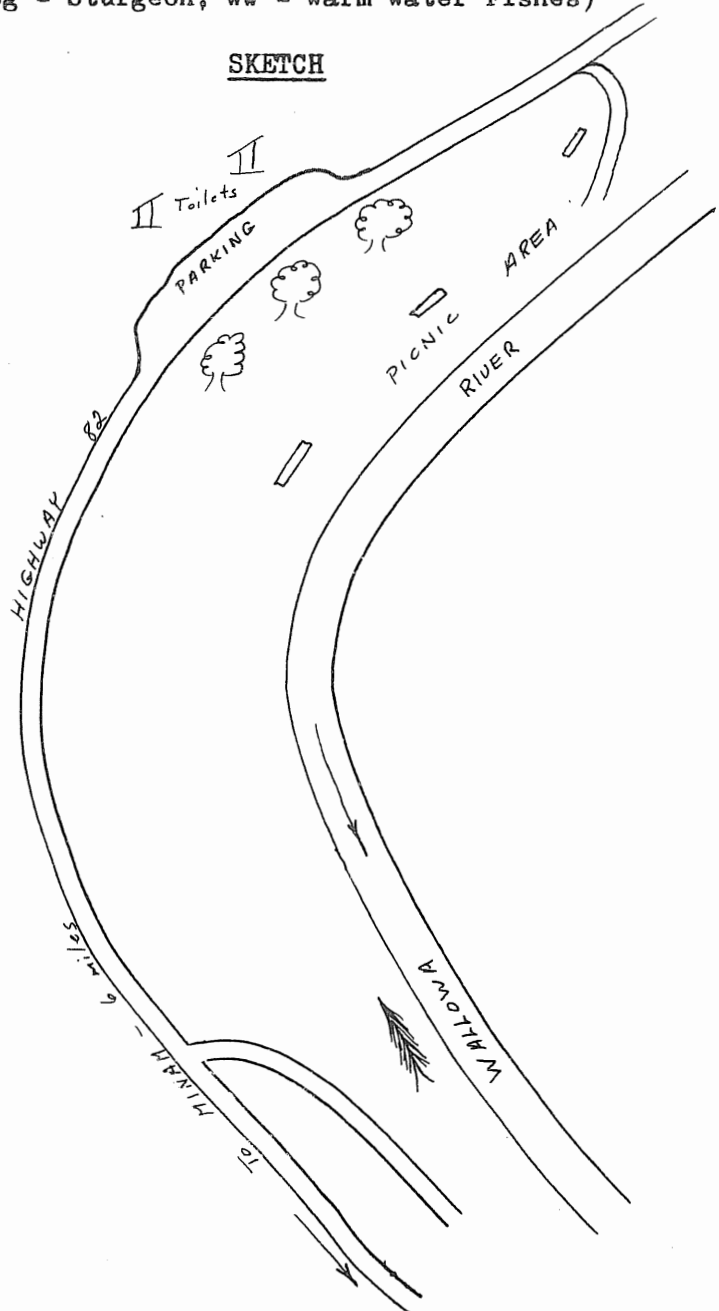
SITE # 5

FISHERY: Spring steelhead and hatchery rainbow trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium	St			
Light		Tr		

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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
- Sightseeing
- Skin and scuba diving
- Swimming
- Water skiing

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

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS No camping is permitted at this site, but is at downstream location.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 6  
Wallowa River Area Priority B  
Name Rock Creek Rest Area

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Location At Rock Creek bridge on Highway 82, North Bank  
T 2N, R 42E, Sec. 32; River Mile 18 $\frac{1}{2}$  County Wallowa  
Ownership: Public Oregon State Highway Commission  
Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Beginning of Wallowa Valley  
Cover type Willows along river  
Road access Paved highway, Condition Excellent  
Flows High - spring  
Low - summer and fall Water quality Good  
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

Boat Ramp: Type \_\_\_\_\_ Number of lanes \_\_\_\_\_  
Toilets x Trails \_\_\_\_\_ Roads \_\_\_\_\_  
Parking area x; For 5 cars or \_\_\_\_\_ car-trailer units  
This site will accommodate steelhead and trout anglers at the mouth of  
Rock Creek.

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AREA Wallowa River

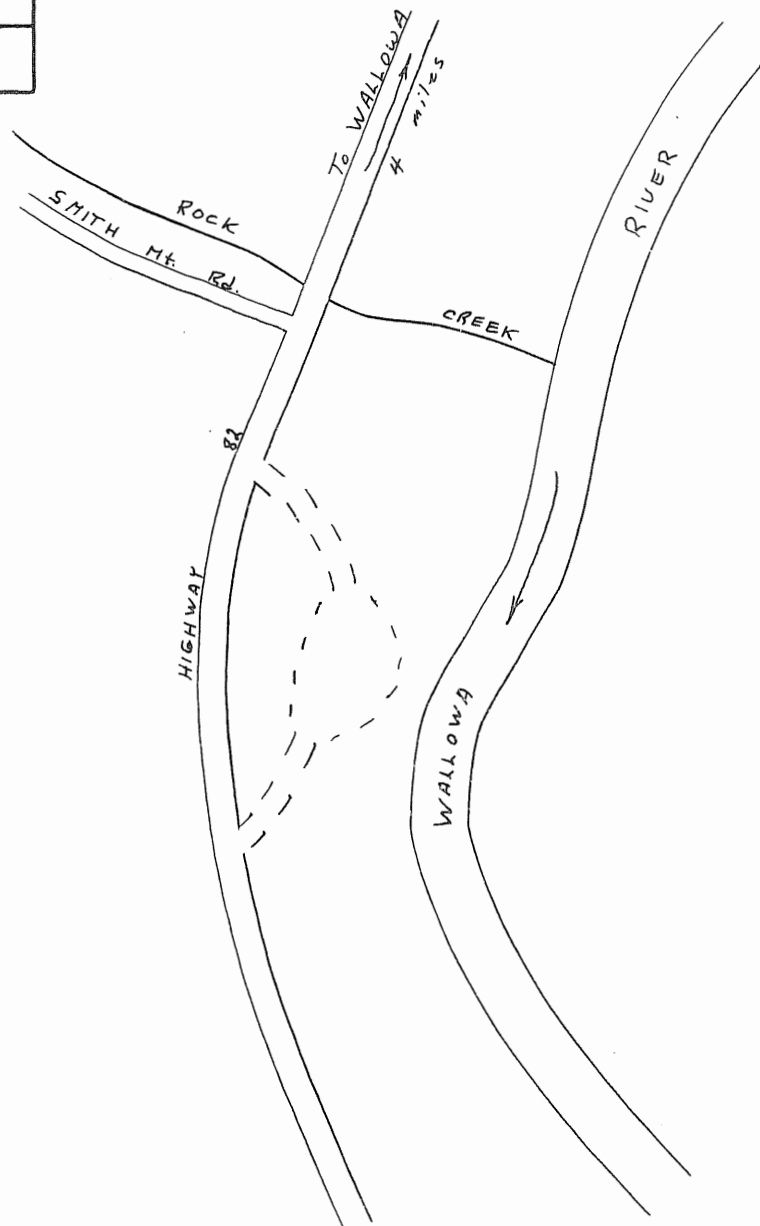
SITE # 6

FISHERY: Spring steelhead and hatchery rainbow trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium	St			
Light		Tr		

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

SKETCH



Seasons (Check)

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
	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:

REMARKS

This flat has good potential as a roadside rest area, but has not been developed.





## WALLOWA LAKE AREA

At the foot of the Wallowa Mountains the river enters the lake. Formed by glaciation, Wallowa Lake is about 3.5 miles long, covers 1,777 surface acres and is 283 feet deep. It is a very beautiful body of water with its deep blue that is accentuated by the towering snow-covered Wallowas in the background.

Being a deep lake it is well suited for kokanee. Also, lake trout or Mackinaw, Dolly Varden, whitefish, and rainbows are present. The majority of the catch is composed of rainbow trout and kokanee. It is stocked annually with approximately 250,000 kokanee fingerling and 35,000 legal rainbows. The river above the lake is stocked with 2,000 legal rainbows. Many of these fish make their way into the lake.

Wallowa Lake State Park is located at the south end of the lake in a setting of tall conifers. The park offers 147 camp sites with all sanitary and convenience facilities provided. The Oregon Game Commission has established a boat ramp at the north end of the lake.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 1  
Wallowa Lake Area Priority Complete

Name North End Boat Ramp

Location At north end of Wallowa Lake, North Bank

T 3S, R 45E, Sec. 5; River Mile 50 County Wallowa

Ownership: Public Oregon Game Commission Easement

Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Level - lake is surrounded by high mountains

Cover type Grass

Road access Paved highway, Condition Good

Flows None Water quality Good

Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

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

Development:

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

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

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

This site will accommodate boat anglers on Wallowa Lake.

AREA Wallowa Lake

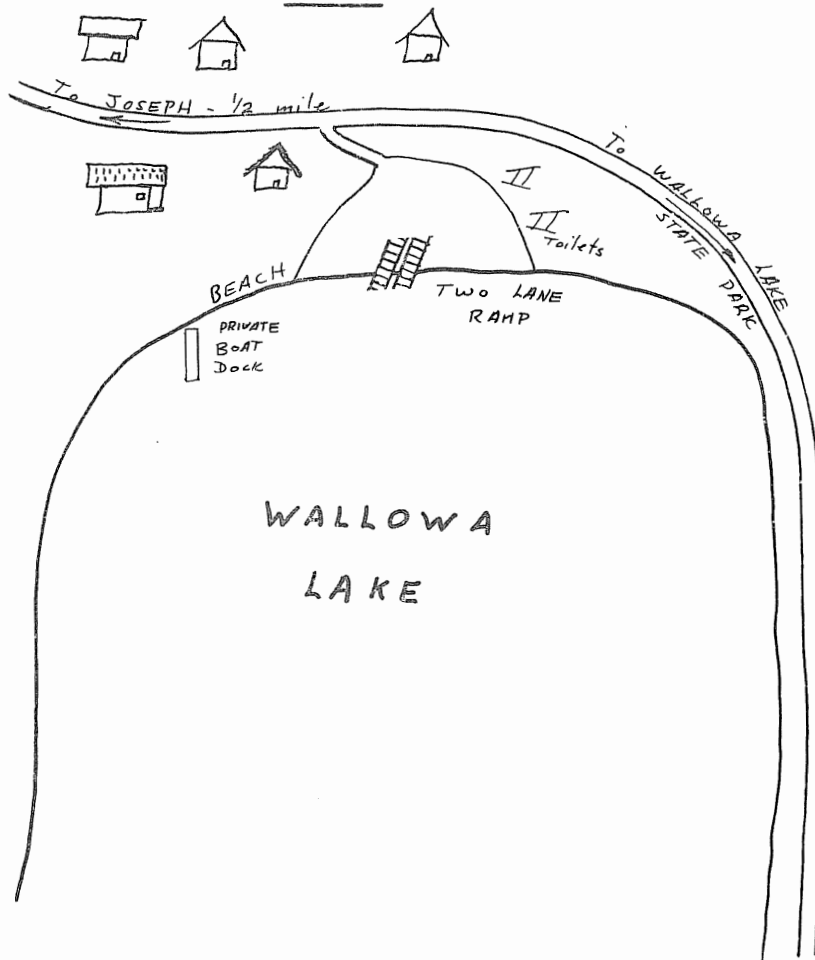
SITE # 1

FISHERY: Rainbow, Dolly Varden, and lake trout; kokanee and whitefish

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy	Tr			
Medium		Tr		
Light			Tr	

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

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
- 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				
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				
Picnicking				
Sightseeing				
Skin and scuba diving				
Swimming		X		
Water skiing		X		

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

This ramp provides boat access to Wallowa Lake that is away from the campers and picnickers at Wallowa Lake State Park.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Grande Ronde System Site No. 2

Wallowa Lake Area Priority Complete

Name Wallowa Lake State Park

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Location At the south end of Wallowa Lake, South Bank

T 3S, R 45E, Sec. 20: River Mile - County Wallowa

Ownership: Public Oregon State Highway Commission

Private \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Lot No. \_\_\_\_\_ Number of owners \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIPTION

Land Type Mountainous - Alluvial fan at park site

Cover type Coniferous trees - pine and fir

Road access Paved highway, Condition Good

Flows Stable Water quality Good

Present stage of development Complete

ANGLER NEEDS

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

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

Development:

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

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

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

This site will accommodate campers and anglers at the upper end of Wallowa Lake.

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AREA Wallowa Lake

SITE # 2

FISHERY: Rainbow, Dolly Varden, and lake trout; kokanee and whitefish

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy	Tr			
Medium		Tr		
Light			Tr	

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes)

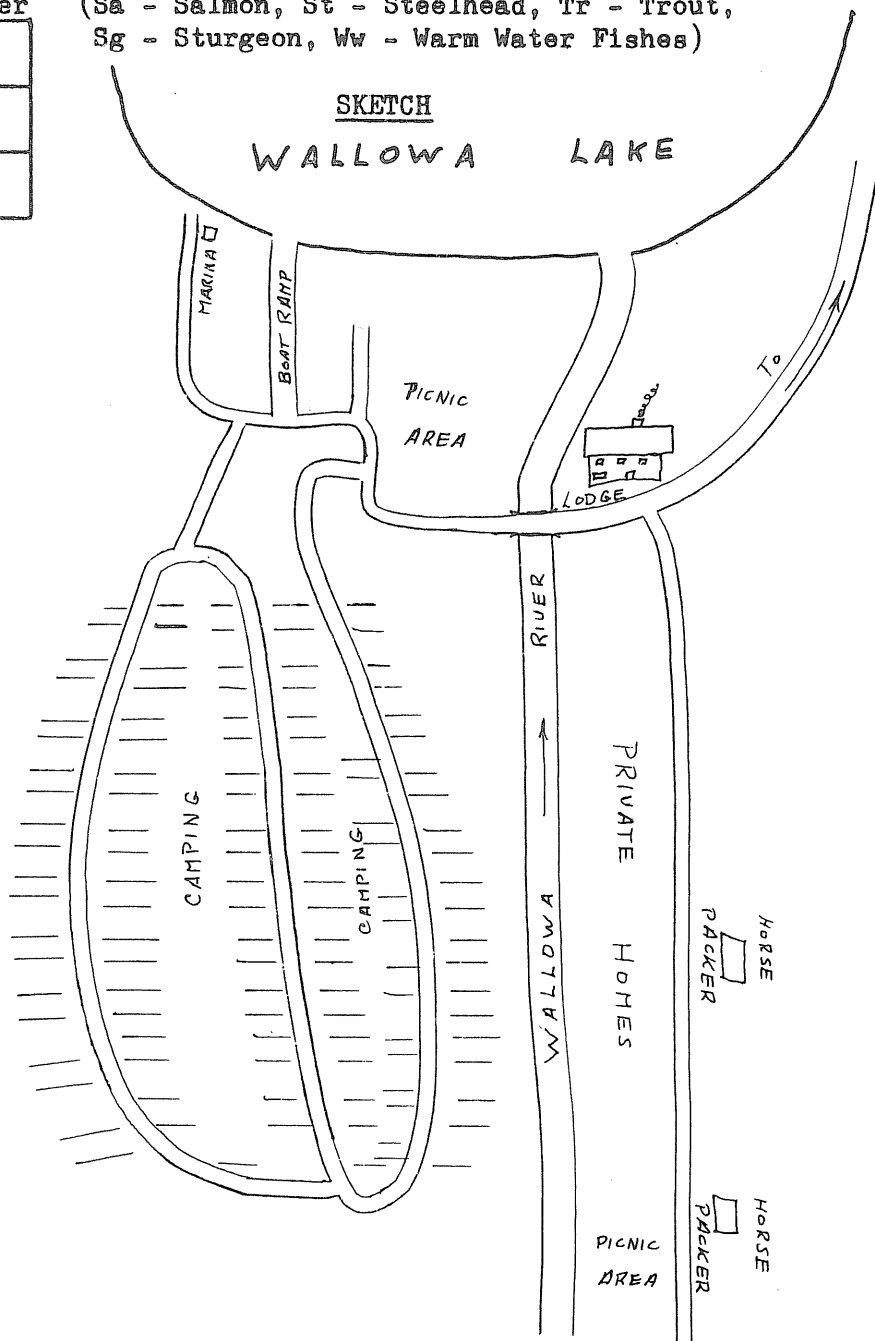
Seasons (Check)

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

\* Bird watching



REMARKS

The setting for this state park is extremely beautiful and the park is heavily used throughout the tourist season.

Two commercial horse packers work out of this area to provide access to the Eagle Cap Wilderness Area.

