

**UMATILLA
RIVER BASIN**

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



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This report details a plan that we hope can be followed to solve the access problems of the Umatilla River 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.

The Umatilla Basin is located in northeastern Oregon. It is bounded on the east and south by the Blue Mountains, on the west by the John Day River basin, and on the north by the Columbia River. The basin covers an area of approximately 2,210 square miles and is drained by 5,853 miles of stream. The principal tributaries of the Umatilla River are its North and South Forks, Meacham, McKay, Birch and Butter Creeks. The climate is temperate and semiarid with low annual precipitation. As a result a large percentage of the tributary streams become intermittent during the summer months. Of the total miles of stream, 206 miles are perennial and 5,647 miles are intermittent.

Most of the available water within the basin is consumed for irrigation and a very minimal amount is allocated for fish life and fish passage. Low flows and early irrigation in the lower Umatilla River area usually

restricts the latter portion of the steelhead run. Many of the fish die from exposure each year below the Westland, Cold Springs and Three Mile Falls Dam. McKay Reservoir, on McKay Creek, is another area where severe summer drawdowns have caused heavy fish losses. The flows in the upper Umatilla River are adequate and maintain fish life throughout the summer.

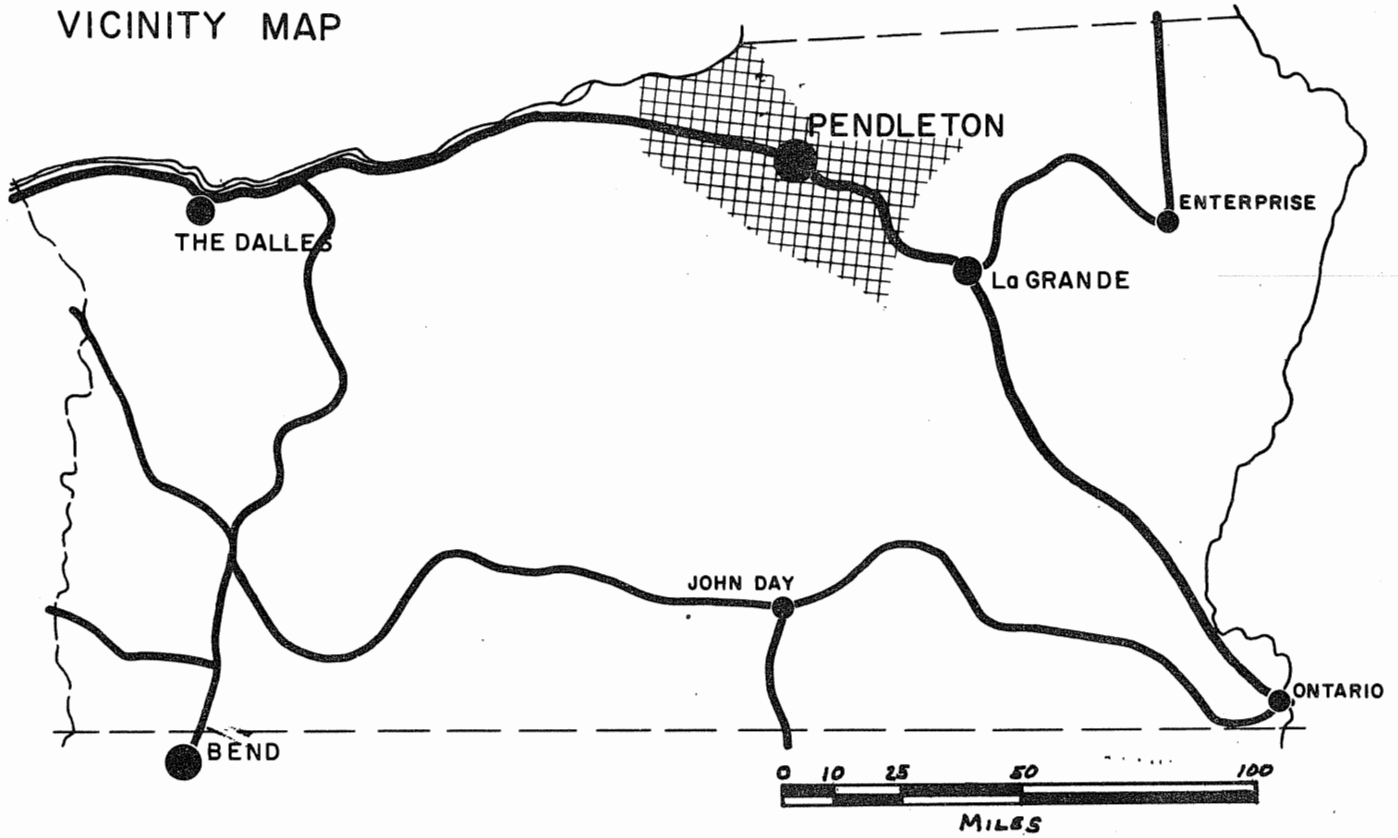
The Bureau of Reclamation is now making a comprehensive study of the basin and formulating a plan which would provide a supplemental water supply for irrigation, fish and wildlife, flood control, recreation, water quality control, and municipal and industrial water supply. Plans for the main stem include the following sites: a 163,000 acre-foot Ryan Reservoir just above the Meacham Creek confluence, a 107,000 acre-foot Beacon Reservoir on Tutuilla Creek; and a 73,000 acre-foot Stage Reservoir on Stage Gulch. A 20,000 acre-foot reservoir is also being considered on Lower Stage Gulch. Plans are also being made to provide supplemental water to the Birch Creek and Butter Creek drainages. Minimum pools and flows for fish requirement will be set on all these sites. When this project is completed, the water quality of the basin will be very favorable for fish production and should enhance the fishery considerably.

The fishery is quite diversified within the basin. Steelhead, trout and warm-water species are available for anglers. Steelhead provide a spring and winter fishery on the main stem, while the trout fishery is confined primarily to the upper river and its tributaries. An early trout fishery is also available on both Birch Creek and Butter Creek. There is some angling in the lower river on warm-water species; however, the majority of the angling occurs on McKay Reservoir.

During the low flow period in 1967, 75 to 80 miles of the river will be chemically treated to remove the rough fish populations. It is anticipated that a trout fishery as well as new anadromous rearing areas will be created.

Access within the basin is basically restricted only in the Meacham Creek drainage. The remainder of the basin meets all the present angler needs; however, recommendations have been made which would ensure future access to all the key sites throughout the basin. There are 17 sites included in this report. Of these three are complete and 14 are incomplete. The following area descriptions will describe these sites in detail.

VICINITY MAP



The Umatilla River Basin extends from the Columbia River, near Umatilla, east to the Blue Mountains, a distance of approximately 110 miles.

Interstate 80N and U. S. Route 30 connects Pendleton with the centers of population in western Oregon.

AREA I

Area I includes the main stem and all its tributaries west of river mile 52 (see map). The principal streams include the lower Umatilla River, Birch and Butter Creeks.

The fishery in this area is confined primarily to a spring and winter fishery for steelhead in the main stem, and an early trout fishery on the two tributaries. There is also a limited warm-water fishery on the main stem. Low stream flows are experienced in the early summer below Speare Canyon due to irrigation withdrawal. Five large irrigation canals divert water from the river below this point and completely block all upstream fish passage. A flow is maintained in the upper area throughout the summer; however, heavy rough fish populations compete with the salmonids in the rearing areas. When the chemical treatment project is completed, the sport fish populations should show a considerable increase in numbers.

Under the present conditions, access in this area is considered adequate; however, it is felt that some thought should be given to acquiring sites on the main stem to ensure future access. When the Bureau of Reclamation project becomes a reality, these sites will provide an important segment of the fishery management program. The sites on the lower three miles of the river are especially important since they will provide access to the pool area created by the John Day Dam. No sites have been suggested for the Butter Creek and the Birch Creek drainages because of the limited fishery.

A total of 11 sites has been recommended for this area. The following evaluation sheets describe these sites in more detail.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Umatilla River System Site No. 1
I Area Priority A
Name Lower Three Mile Falls Dam

Location Below Three Mile Falls Dam, East and west Bank
28 - 29 - 20
T 5 N, R 28 E, Sec. 21 - 17 - 18 River Mile 0 - 3 County Umatilla

Ownership: Public Corps of Army Engineers
Private X Tax Lot No. 5 N 28 C - 1500, 1600, 600, 800
Number of owners 6 200 5N 28 17 - 1301

DESCRIPTION

Land type Rolling hills with level areas adjacent to the river
Cover type Deciduous trees and shrubs
Road access County maintained, Condition Good - paved
Good - spring and winter
Flows Fluctuate seasonally Water quality Poor - summer
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: _____ Acres, 6 miles of frontage
Type of conveyance Easement or purchase

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____
Toilets _____ Trails _____ Roads _____
Parking area _____; For _____ cars or _____ car-trailer units

This site would provide permanent access to both banks of the river
down to the mouth.

AREA I

SITE # 1

FISHERY: The fishery is on steelhead at the present time; however, when the John Day Dam Pool is filled there should be a warm water fishery on the lower section of this area.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium	St			St
Light				

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

SKETCH

(See fold-out map)

Seasons (Check)

RECREATION
(Check)

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Boating, motor	X	X	X	X
Boating, non-motor				
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				
Picnicking				
Sightseeing				
Skin and scuba diving				
Swimming				
Water skiing				

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

This lower section of the river should have permanent access to ensure future public use. The filling of the John Day Dam Pool will create a good-sized recreation area along the river and this should not be under the private control of a few individuals.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Umatilla River System Site No. 2
I Area Priority B
Name Three Mile Falls Dam Site

Location Above Three-mile Dam, East Bank
T 5 N, R 28 E, Sec. 28 River Mile 3.75 County Umatilla

Ownership: Public _____
Private X Tax Lot No. 5 N 28 C - 1600
Number of owners _____

DESCRIPTION

Land type Rolling valley
Cover type Sage and pasture
Road access County maintained, Condition Good - paved
Flows Fluctuates seasonally Water quality Good - spring and winter
Poor - summer
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 4 Acres, 1/4 mile of frontage
Type of conveyance Purchase

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____
Toilets X Trails _____ Roads Gravel
Parking area X; For 20 cars or _____ car-trailer units

This site would provide access for bank anglers as well as a picnic area.

AREA I

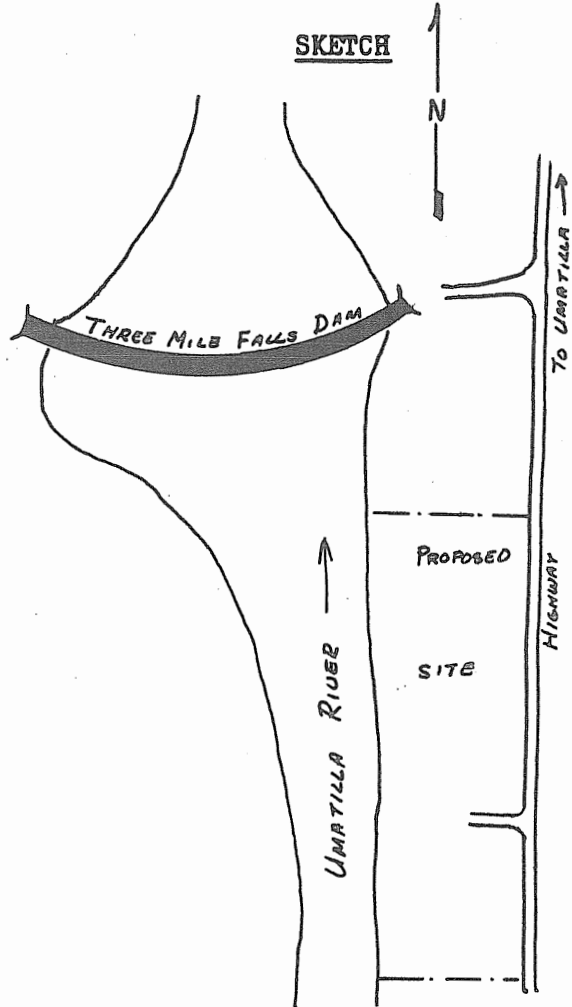
SITE # 2

FISHERY: This is a popular steelhead angling area. There is also a fishery on the warm-water species.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light	Ww St	Ww	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	

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 area is located above the Three-mile Dam and has good access off the highway.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Umatilla River System Site No. 3
I Area Priority B
Name West Hermiston Site

Location Hermiston Dump Road, East Bank
T 4 N, R 28 E, Sec. 9 River Mile 7 County Umatilla
Ownership: Public Umatilla County
Private X Tax Lot No. 4 N 28 B - 1500
Number of owners 1

DESCRIPTION

Land type Rolling hills with level area adjacent to the stream
Cover type Sage brush and pasture
Road access County maintained, Condition Good - dirt and sand
Good - spring and winter
Flows Fluctuate seasonally Water quality Poor - summer
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: _____ Acres, 1/4 mile of frontage
Type of conveyance Easement

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____
Toilets X Trails _____ Roads _____
Parking area X; For 15 cars or _____ car-trailer units

This site would provide access to a good steelhead angling hole.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Umatilla River System Site No. 4
I Area Priority A
Name Westland Bridge Hole

Location Above the Westland Bridge, East Bank
T 4 N, R 28 E, Sec. 16 - 17 River Mile 8.5 County Umatilla

Ownership: Public
Private X Tax Lot No. 4 N 2817 - 100
Number of owners 1

DESCRIPTION

Land type Rolling area with level area adjacent to the river
Cover type Grasses with deciduous trees and shrubs along the river
Road access County maintained, Condition Paved
Flows Fluctuate seasonally Water quality Good - spring and winter
Poor - summer
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 5.5 Acres, 200 yards of frontage
Type of conveyance Easement

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____
Toilets X Trails X Roads _____
Parking area _____; For _____ cars or _____ car-trailer units

This site would provide access to a popular steelhead area.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Umatilla River System Site No. 5
I Area Priority B
Name Maxwell Dam Site

Location Above and below the Maxwell Dam, North Bank
T 4 N, R 28 E, Sec. 29 River Mile 15 County Umatilla

Ownership: Public _____
Private X Tax Lot No. 4 N 28 C - 4000
Number of owners 1

DESCRIPTION

Land type Rolling hills with level areas adjacent to the river
Cover type Hay and pasture lands with sage brush
Road access Privately maintained, Condition Fair - dirt
Flows Fluctuate seasonally Water quality Good - spring and winter
Poor - summer
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: _____ Acres, 1/2 mile of frontage
Type of conveyance Easement

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____
Toilets X Trails _____ Roads _____
Parking area X; For 20 cars or _____ car-trailer units

This site will provide access to a good steelhead angling area.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Umatilla River System Site No. 6
I Area Priority B
Name Westland Dam Site

Location Below Westland Dam, East and West Bank
T 3 N, R 29 E, Sec. 21 River Mile 28 County Umatilla
Ownership: Public _____
Private X Tax Lot No. 3 N 24 - 7300, 7100
Number of owners 2

DESCRIPTION

Land type Narrow valley between rolling hills
Cover type Grasses with deciduous trees and shrubs along the river
Road access Private, Condition Good - gravel
Flows Fluctuates seasonally Water quality Good - spring and winter
Poor - summer
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 1/2 Acres, 300 yards of frontage
Type of conveyance Purchase or easement

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____
Toilets X Trails _____ Roads _____
Parking area X; For 30 cars or _____ car-trailer units

This site will provide bank access to a steelhead angling area.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Umatilla River System Site No. 7
I Area Priority B
Name Old Coe Dam Site

Location Old Coe Dam, North Bank
T 2 N, R 30 E, Sec. 1 - 11 - 12 River Mile 38.25 County Umatilla
Ownership: Public Umatilla County and Union Pacific Railroad
Private X Tax Lot No. 2 N 30 12, 200
Number of owners 3

DESCRIPTION

Land type Rolling hills with a narrow valley adjacent to the river
Cover type Grasses with deciduous trees and shrubs along the river
Road access Private, Condition Fair - dirt
Flows Fluctuate seasonally Water quality Good - spring and winter
Poor - summer
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: _____ Acres, 200 or 300 yards of frontage
with easement into the area
Type of conveyance Easement or purchase

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____
Toilets X Trails X Roads X
Parking area _____; For 20 cars or _____ car-trailer units

This site would provide access to a popular steelhead angling area.

AREA I

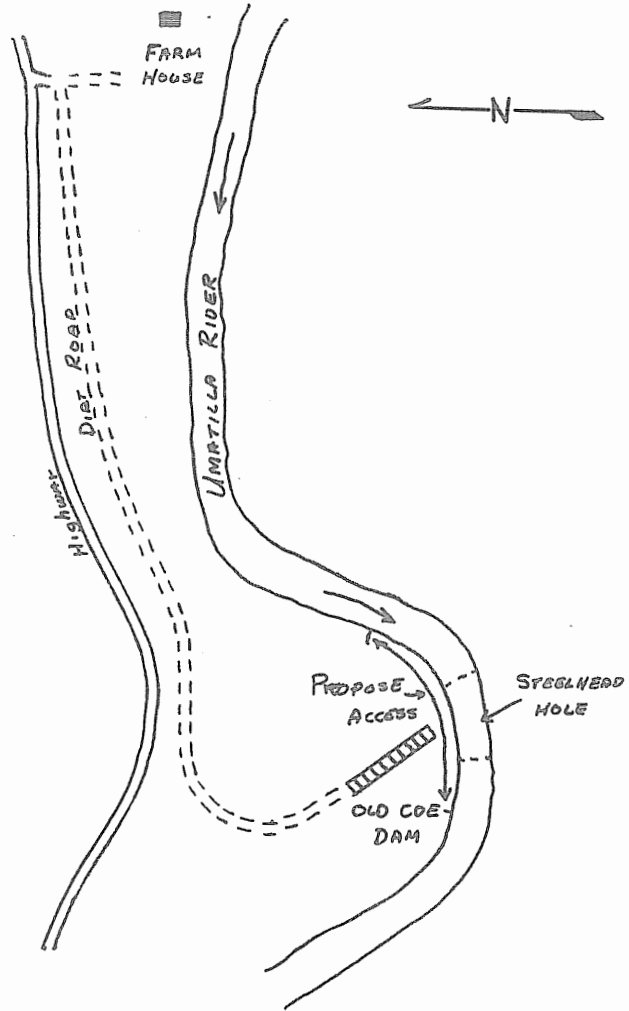
SITE # 7

FISHERY: The fishery is primarily on steelhead. However, there is a light fishery on rainbow trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium	St			St
Light	Tr	Tr	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	

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: Steep banks

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

This is an old dam which has been abandoned. The area directly below the dam is a very popular angling area.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Umatilla River System Site No. 8
I Area Priority A
Name Lower Campbell Site

Location Approximately 1/2 mile below Campbell, East Bank
T 2 N, R 31, Sec. 7 River Mile 43 County Umatilla
Ownership: Public Oregon Washington Railway and Navigation Company
Private X Tax Lot No. 2 N 31 - 900, 1100, O W R & N
Number of owners _____

DESCRIPTION

Land type Rolling hills with a narrow valley adjacent to the river
Cover type Deciduous trees and shrubs with grasses
Road access Private road off highway, Condition Fair - dirt
Flows Fluctuates seasonally Water quality Good - spring and winter
Poor - summer
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: _____ Acres, 1/4 mile of frontage
Type of conveyance Easement or purchase

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____
Toilets X Trails _____ Roads _____
Parking area X; For 10 cars or _____ car-trailer units

This site would provide access to a good steelhead angling area.

AREA I

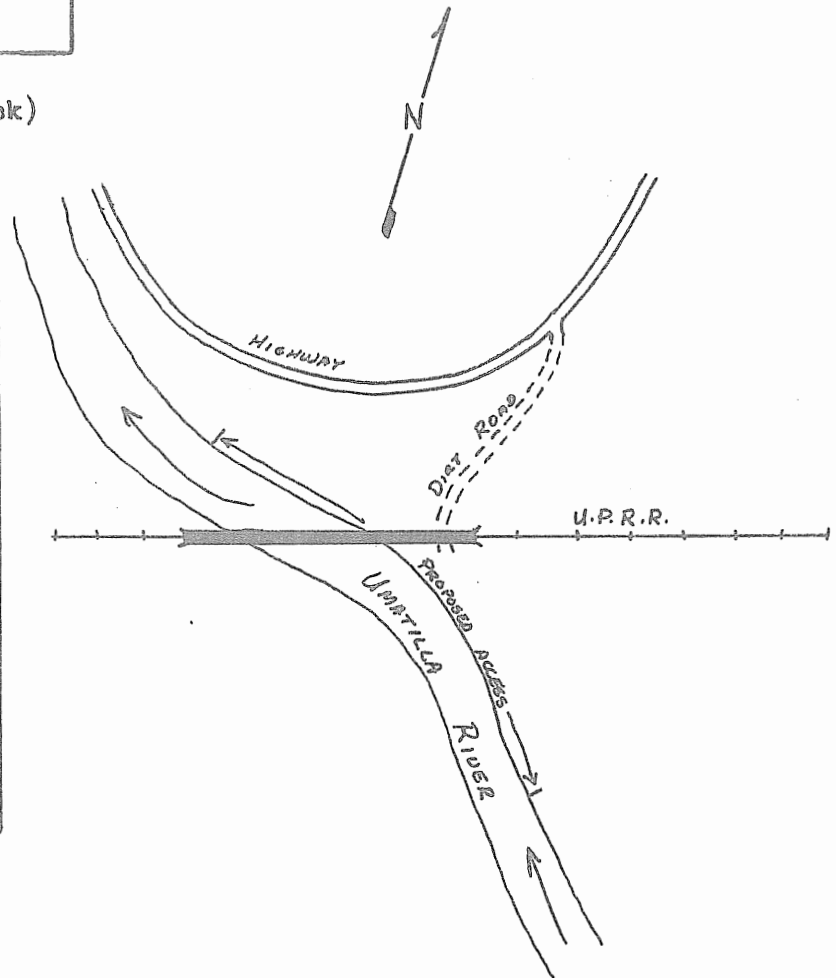
SITE # 8

FISHERY: The fishery is primarily on steelhead, with some incidental trout angling.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium	St			St
Light	Tr	Tr	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	

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

This site is comprised of a narrow strip of land paralleling the river for approximately 1/4 mile. This is a popular steelhead angling area.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Umatilla River System Site No. 9
I Area Priority B
Name Campbell Site

Location Near the Campbell location, North Bank
T 2 N, R 31 E, Sec. 7 - 8 - 18 River Mile 43.5 County Umatilla

Ownership: Public _____
Private X Tax Lot No. 2 N 31 - 1100
Number of owners _____

DESCRIPTION

Land type Rolling hills with level area adjacent to the river
Cover type Grasses with deciduous trees and shrubs along the river
Road access Private road, Condition Dirt - poor
Flows Fluctuate seasonally Water quality Good - spring and winter
Poor - summer
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 10 Acres, 0.25 mile of frontage
Type of conveyance Purchase

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____
Toilets X Trails _____ Roads X
Parking area X; For 30 cars or _____ car-trailer units

This site would provide bank access to a popular steelhead angling area.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Umatilla River System Site No. 10
I Area Priority A
Name M K Hole Site

Location Approximately one mile upstream from Barnhart Northeast Bank
T 2 N, R 31 E, Sec. 15 River Mile 47.25 County Umatilla

Ownership: Public _____
Private X Tax Lot No. 2 N 31 -3200
Number of owners _____

DESCRIPTION

Land type Rolling hills with narrow valley along the river
Cover type Grasses and deciduous trees
Road access Private, Condition Good - gravel
Flows Fluctuates seasonally Water quality Good - spring and winter
Poor - summer
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 1/4 Acres, 200 yards of frontage
Type of conveyance Purchase

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____
Toilets X Trails _____ Roads _____
Parking area X; For _____ cars or _____ car-trailer units

This site would provide access to a very popular steelhead angling area.

AREA I

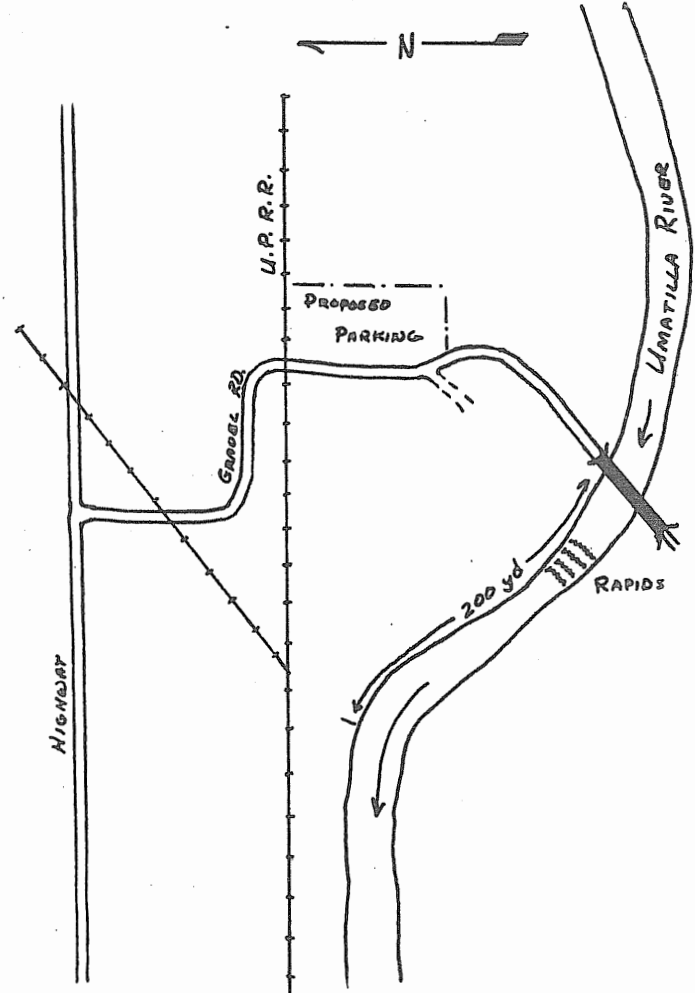
SITE # 10

FISHERY: The fishery is primarily on steelhead. However, there is some incidental trout angling

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium	St			St
Light	Tr	Tr	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 is a very popular steelhead area which could be developed quite easily into a recreation site. A small rapid, in the river, provides a natural area for steelhead angling.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Umatilla River System Site No. 11
I Area Priority B
Name Birch Creek Site

Location Downstream from the Rieth Bridge, North Bank
T 2 N, R 31 E, Sec. 13 River Mile 49.75 County Umatilla

Ownership: Public _____
Private X Tax Lot No. 2 N 31 13 - 600,300,400
Number of owners _____

DESCRIPTION

Land type Rolling hills with level areas
Cover type Grasses with deciduous trees and shrubs along the river
Road access Privately maintained, Condition Dirt
Flows Fluctuate seasonally Water quality Good - spring and winter
Poor - summer
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 5 Acres, 1500 feet of frontage
Type of conveyance Purchase or easement

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____
Toilets X Trails _____ Roads _____
Parking area X; For 20 cars or _____ car-trailer units

This site will provide bank access to a good steelhead angling area.

AREA II

Area II includes that portion of the basin which lies east of river mile 52 (see map). The principal streams of the area are the Umatilla River, its North and South Forks, Meacham and McKay Creek. Also included in this portion of the basin is McKay Reservoir.

Access is basically restricted to the Meacham Creek drainage. The entrance into the lower 15 miles of the creek is controlled by the Union Pacific Railroad and the Umatilla Indian Reservation. It would enhance the area considerably if an easement could be obtained from the railroad to utilize its maintenance road through this section of the stream. The nearest access route to the creek at this time is on the west rim of the canyon. This easement would not only open a good angling area but would also provide access to a good hunting area. Due to the close proximity of roads to the stream and national forest lands, access is considered adequate on the Umatilla River and its tributaries above Ryan Creek. The section of the Umatilla River from river mile 57.75 to river mile 83.75 flows through the Indian reservation but can be utilized by obtaining a permit from the Indian council. Access to the McKay Creek drainage is considered nearly adequate. Most of the angling pressure occurs on McKay Reservoir which has both facilities and access available for the public. One additional site, however, has been recommended below the dam.

The fishery consists of both anadromous and resident fish. Species present in the area include summer steelhead, spring chinook, coho, rainbow, Dolly Varden, whitefish, white crappie and brown bullhead catfish. Both steelhead and a remnant run of chinook utilize the area, excluding McKay Creek, for spawning and rearing. In 1966 the Bureau of Commercial

Fisheries stocked the upper Umatilla with coho salmon fry. From all indications these fish have shown excellent growth and have started migrating downstream. Angling is closed on all anadromous species on the areas upstream from Mission Bridge. The trout fishery consists primarily of stocked rainbow on the upper main stream and is stocked annually with approximately 12,000 legal trout. Meacham Creek contains native rainbow which provide an early fishery. Since access is poor in this region the native stock is not supplemented with hatchery fish. Stocking of rainbow is being discontinued at McKay Reservoir until such a time that the water picture improves. The repeated drawdowns in recent years have prevented the establishment of a continuing trout fishery. If and when the water storage patterns improve, a trout fishery will be reconsidered.

The reservoir was chemically treated in 1966 to reduce the remaining numbers of fish, primarily crappie, to minimize the predation on bass and bluegill fry which were stocked in the spring of 1967. It is felt that a spiny-ray population will be able to maintain themselves in spite of the drawdown.

There have been four sites included in this area. One on McKay Creek below the dam, two on the reservoir, and one at the mouth of McKay Creek, on the Umatilla River. These sites will provide both bank access and recreation areas. Two forest camps are also located on the upper main stem (see map).

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Umatilla River System Site No. 1
II Area Priority A
Name Oxbow Site

Location Near the mouth of McKay Creek, South Bank
T 2 N, R 32 E, Sec. 8 River Mile 52 County Umatilla
Ownership: Public _____
Private X Tax Lot No. 2 N 32 08 - 1000, 1001
Number of owners _____

DESCRIPTION

Land type Flat valley between rolling hills
Cover type Hay crops
Road access City maintained, Condition Good
Good - spring and winter
Flows Fluctuate seasonally Water quality Poor - summer
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 20 Acres, 1,000 feet of frontage
Type of conveyance purchase

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____
Toilets X Trails X Roads X
Parking area X; For 100 cars or _____ car-trailer units

This site would provide angling and picnic facilities.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Umatilla River System Site No. 2
II Area Priority B
Name Highway 395 Crossing Site

Location Hwy 395 bridge crossing, North Bank
T 2 N, R 32 E Sec. 34 River Mile 6 County Umatilla
Ownership: Public _____
Private X Tax Lot No. 2N 32 34 - 202
Number of owners 1

DESCRIPTION

Land type Rolling agricultural land
Cover type Grasses with willow and cottonwood along the creek
Road access Highway 395, Condition Good
Flows High - spring & summer Water quality Good
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 5 Acres, 200 yards of frontage
Type of conveyance Purchase or easement

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____
Toilets X Trails _____ Roads _____
Parking area X; For 20 cars or _____ car-trailer units

This site provides picnicking and bank angling.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Umatilla River System Site No. 3
II Area Priority Complete
Name Lower McKay Ramp

Location West bank directly above dam, West Bank

T _____, R _____, Sec. 2 River Mile 6.5 County Umatilla

Ownership: Public U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Private _____ Tax Lot No. _____

Number of owners _____

DESCRIPTION

Land type Sloping

Cover type Deciduous trees and shrubs along shoreline

Road access U. S. F. W. S. maintained, Condition Good-gravel

Flows Heavy summer drawdown Water quality Poor - summer
Good - spring

Present stage of development Completed

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: _____ Acres, _____ of frontage

Type of conveyance _____

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____

Toilets _____ Trails _____ Roads _____

Parking area _____; For _____ cars or _____ car-trailer units

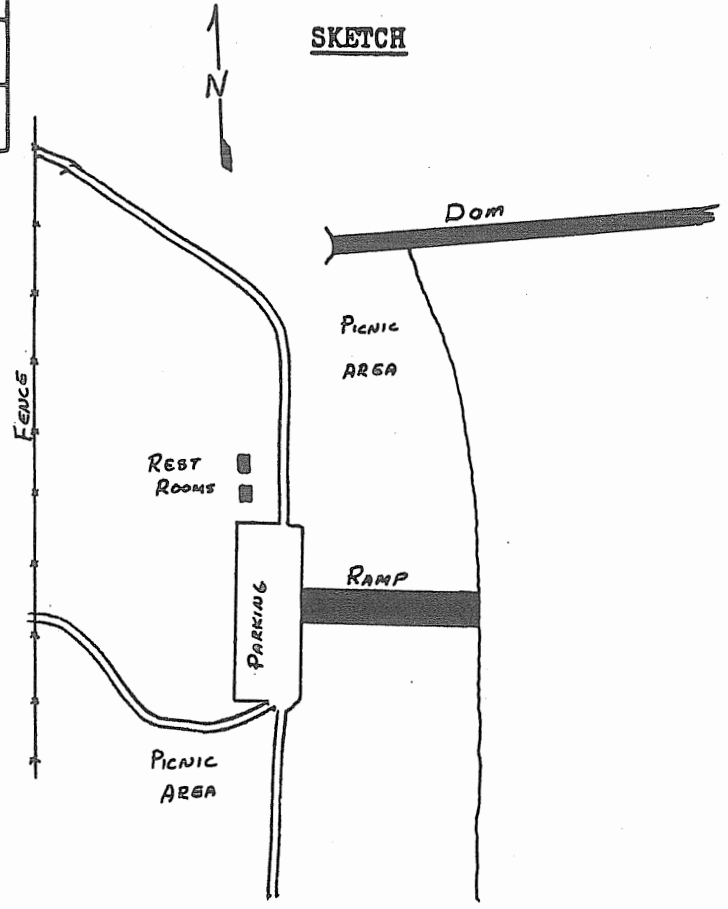
This site provides boat access to the reservoir and picnic facilities.

FISHERY: The fishery is primarily on warm-water species with a few trout being taken.

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

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

SKETCH



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

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 the only developed site within the McKay Reservoir Area. At the present time this is a small development; however, there is room for further expansion.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Umatilla River System Site No. 4
II Area Priority C
Name Upper McKay Reservoir Site

Location Upper end of reservoir, Southeast Bank
T 1 N, R 35 E, Sec. 11 & 14 River Mile 9 County Umatilla
Ownership: Public U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Private _____ Tax Lot No. _____
Number of owners _____

DESCRIPTION

Land type Sloping
Cover type Deciduous trees and shrubs with grasses
Road access U. S. F. W. S., Condition Dirt
Flows Heavy summer drawdown Water quality Good - spring; poor - summer
Present stage of development 3 garbage cans

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: _____ Acres, _____ of frontage
Type of conveyance _____

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____
Toilets X Trails _____ Roads _____
Parking area X; For _____ cars or 10 car-trailer units

This site would provide picnic and camping facilities as well as bank access.

AREA II

SITE # 4

FISHERY: Mainly warm-water species with occasional trout.

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

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

SKETCH

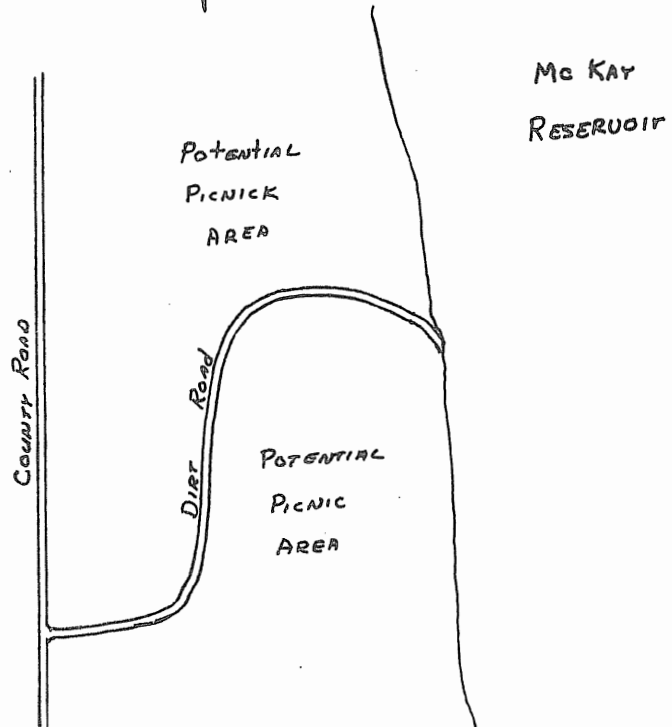


Seasons (Check)

RECREATION
(Check)

- Boating, motor
- Boating, non-motor
- Camping, tent
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	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
	X	X		
	X	X		
	X	X		
	X	X	X	
	X	X		



OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

There is an old road at this site which is used during full pool periods to launch boats. This site would provide a good camping area on the upper reservoir and would be used extensively before the summer drawdown occurred.

