

OREGON LAKES AND RESERVOIRS

WALLOWA COUNTY

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

Wallowa County, which is located in the northeastern corner of the state, is well known for its picturesque Wallowa Mountains and its abundant hunting and fishing opportunities. The terrain varies considerably from the high peaks of the Eagle Cap Wilderness Area to the lower cultivated and pasture lands of the Wallowa Valley.

The majority of the lakes being discussed in this report are located within the Eagle Cap Area and occur at elevations over 7,000 feet. Many of these lakes are the result of glacial action which through the centuries has gouged and dammed the earth creating the lake basins. Three lakes and one proposed reservoir located around the perimeter of the valley and one lake on the breaks of North Pine Creek have also been considered. All of these areas are located at elevations under 5,800 feet and can be reached quite easily from any of the major towns in the county.

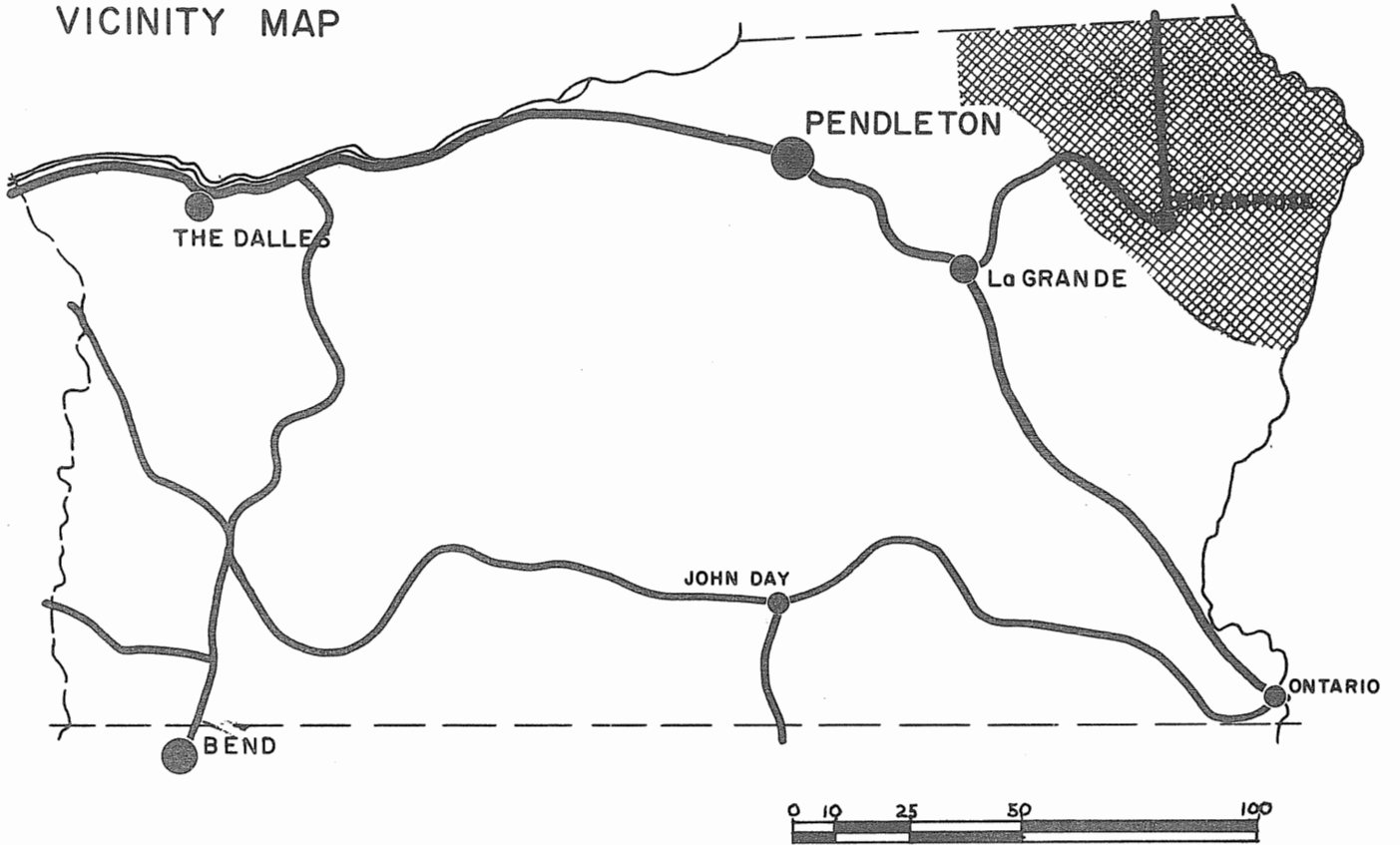
Access varies considerably between the two areas. The back country lakes lie entirely within the wilderness area and are only accessible by saddle

horse or by foot while the lower valley areas are accessible by roads. Access is considered adequate in both cases.

The fisheries consist of trout, salmon, whitefish and catfish. Good trout angling is available in the high lakes from June throughout the summer and fall with most of the angling pressure occurring during July and August. A variety of species including rainbow, cutthroat, golden, lake and brook trout can be taken. The season is also open the entire year to angling in those lakes above 5,000 feet elevation. The lower lakes are primarily rainbow fisheries; however, kokanee salmon contribute considerably to the Wallowa Lake fishery. The general season for this area begins in the latter part of April and extends to the last of October with the exception of Wallowa Lake which has an extended season to November 30.

Since there are two distinct recreational areas in the county, each has been handled separately according to its individual needs. The following sections describe these areas more fully and each location is described in detail.

VICINITY MAP



Wallowa County is located in the northeastern corner of the state and is connected with the centers of population in western Oregon by Interstate 80 N and State Highway 82. The county lies approximately 300 miles east of Portland.

AREA I

This area includes all the back country lakes in Wallowa County which are not accessible by roads. All the lakes are located in the Eagle Cap Wilderness Area of the Wallowa Mountains. These are rugged mountains consisting of high peaks with perennial snow and steep slopes. Many peaks exceed elevations of 9,000 feet. Sacajawea, with an elevation of 9,839 feet, is the highest. This wilderness area is treasured for its scenic beauty, good angling and hunting opportunities, solitude and the absence of man-made structures. Regulations have been established to preserve these natural conditions, so they can provide unparalleled opportunities for generations to come. All the lakes in the area are located at elevations above 7,000 feet with the highest at an elevation of 8,880 feet. Many of the lakes were formed by the gouging and the damming action of glaciers.

Since no roads are allowed within this region, the only means of access are by saddle horse or by foot. This type of access is preferred by the growing group of individuals who enjoy the pleasures of roughing it and spending time in the comparative solitude of the wilderness. Many of the lakes can be reached by well maintained forest service trails, while others have never had a trail blazed to their shores. The main access routes into this area are from Minam River, Lostine River, Wallowa River, Bear Creek, Hurricane Creek and Big Sheep Creek. Packers are available at various locations along most of the entrance roads and will provide daily or weekly trips into the area.

Good trout angling is available from June through the summer and fall. A variety of species including, rainbow, cutthroat, golden, lake and brook trout can be taken; however, brook trout are the predominant species. Several days should be spent in the mountains to avoid any temporary period during

which the fish might not be feeding. The season is open the entire year to angling with a daily bag limit of 30 fish of which not more than 10 singly or in aggregate may be golden, rainbow, cutthroat, or lake trout, and possession of 60 of which not more than 20 singly or in aggregate may be these species. In recent years the lakes have been stocked by the use of airplanes and through extensive experimentation, techniques have been developed whereby trout can be dropped economically with very little mortality. Biological data is gathered from the lakes by Oregon Game Commission personnel and each lake is managed according to its individual needs.

No recommendations, for further developments, have been proposed since regulations have been established to govern the management of the area. However, as each year passes, we find that the usage of the area is increasing tremendously and it is becoming more evident that some action should be taken toward these problems by a group of individuals who have specialized and understand the problems of wilderness recreation.

A description of 33 lakes can be found on the following evaluation sheets.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Aneroid Lake

Location Six miles by trail southeast of Wallowa Lake

Township 4 S Range 45 E Section 15, 16
21, 22 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Granite rimrock and boulders

Cover type Alpine, coniferous and deciduous trees and shrubs

Elevation 7500 feet Surface acres 39

Existing access Trail 1804 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

It would be desirable to place the private land at the south end of the lake into public ownership.

FISHERY

Good angling for both brook and rainbow trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		BT Rb		
Medium			BT Rb	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

Boating
 Camping
 Fishing, boat
 Fishing, shore
 Hiking
 Horseback riding
 Hunting, big game
 Hunting, upland game
 Nature study
 Picnicking
 Sight-seeing
 Swimming

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

REMARKS: There is a private concession on the south end of the lake. Cabin and boat rentals, as well as refreshments, are available to the public.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Rogers Lake

Location Five miles southeast of Wallowa Lake

Township 4 S Range 45 E Section 16, 22 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Alpine meadow

Cover type Alpine grasses with scattered trees and shrubs

Elevation 7,360 feet Surface acres 4.7

Existing access Trail 1804 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

This area is adequately developed to meet all the present angler needs.

FISHERY

Good for brook trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		BT		
Medium			BT	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

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

REMARKS: This is a shallow lake which is subject to winter kill.
There are good camping areas around the perimeter of the lake.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Dollar Lake

Location Southeast of Aneroid Lake off trail 1802

Township 4 S Range 45 E Section 27 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Glacial pocket with granite boulders

Cover type Alpine grasses with scattered trees and shrubs

Elevation 8,300 feet Surface acres 1.6

Existing access No marked trail Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

None

FISHERY

No fishery present

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

- Boating
- Camping
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sight-seeing
- Swimming

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

REMARKS: The water fluctuation in the lake is too great for successful fish propagation.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Jewett Lake

Location South of Aneroid Lake off trail 1804

Township 4 S Range 45 E Section 28 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Glacial pocket with granite rock slopes

Cover type Alpine grasses with scattered coniferous trees

Elevation 8,240 feet Surface acres 2.6

Existing access no marked trail Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

This lake could be stocked with rainbow trout, should the demand occur.

FISHERY

There are no fish in the lake at the present time.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

Boating
Camping
Fishing, boat
Fishing, shore
Hiking
Horseback riding
Hunting, big game
Hunting, upland game
Nature study
Picnicking
Sight-seeing
Swimming

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

REMARKS: Access is good to the lake. It can be reached quite easily from the Aneroid Lake Camp area. Probably the small size and the shallow depth would curtail a satisfactory fishery.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Bonny Lakes

Location Three miles northwest of the end of Big Sheep Creek road.

Township 4 S Range 45 E Section 25 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain A sunken meadow area

Cover type Alpine grasses and shrubs with coniferous trees around the margins.

Elevation 7,840 feet Surface acres 5.8

Existing access Trail 1802 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

None

FISHERY

There are no fish in the lakes.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

Boating
Camping
Fishing, boat
Fishing, shore
Hiking
Horseback riding
Hunting, big game
Hunting, upland game
Nature study
Picnicking
Sight-seeing
Swimming

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

REMARKS: These two lakes are too shallow to support fish life.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Billy Jones

Location Approximately 8 miles from the Fall Creek camp on Hurricane Creek.

Township 3 S, 4 S Range 44 E Section 32 - 5 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Granite rimrock and boulders

Cover type Alpine grasses

Elevation 8,500 feet Surface acres 5.8

Existing access Foot access only Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

This area meets all angler requirements at the present time.

FISHERY

There is a good fishery for large rainbow and smaller brook trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium		Rb		
Light			Rb	

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

- Boating
- Camping
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sight-seeing
- Swimming

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

REMARKS: This lake can be reached from the Hurricane Creek Trail. It receives a moderate amount of angling pressure.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Echo Lake

Location Six miles southwest from the end of the Hurricane Road.

Township 3 S Range 44 E Section 31 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep granite rimrocks and granite boulders

Cover type Alpine grasses, scattered trees and shrubs

Elevation 8,320 feet Surface acres 6.8

Existing access Trails 1807 and 1824 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

The area meets the present angler requirements.

FISHERY

There is a good fishery for smaller brook trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium		BT		
Light			BT	

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

Boating
Camping
Fishing, boat
Fishing, shore
Hiking
Horseback riding
Hunting, big game
Hunting, upland game
Nature study
Picnicking
Sight-seeing
Swimming

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

REMARKS: This lake can be reached from the Hurricane Creek trail.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Legore Lake

Location Below Twin Peaks on the Hurricane Divide

Township 3 S Range 44 E Section 8 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Volcanic rims and steep slopes on all sides

Cover type Alpine grasses and shrubs

Elevation 8,880 feet Surface acres 2.2

Existing access No trails Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

This area meets all angler requirements at the present time.

FISHERY

Brook trout were reintroduced in 1965.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light		BT	BT	

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

- Boating
- Camping
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sight-seeing
- Swimming

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

REMARKS: This is the highest lake in Oregon. The area was used by goat hunters during the 1966 hunting season.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Frances Lake

Location Headwaters of Lake Creek on the west side of the Hurricane Divide

Township 3 S Range 44 E Section 18- 19 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Granite slopes and boulder with large meadows

Cover type Alpine coniferous trees , deciduous shrubs and meadow grasses

Elevation 7,680 feet Surface acres 55

Existing access Trail 1663 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

This area meets all the present angler needs.

FISHERY

There is a good fishery on large trout reaching lengths of 16 inches.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		Rb BT Ct		
Medium			Rb BT Ct	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

- Boating
- Camping
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sight-seeing
- Swimming

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

REMARKS: This is a popular area and is utilized quite heavily by anglers. The lake is very productive because of its shallow shore areas.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Frazier Lake

Location Approximately 9 miles by trail south of Wallowa Lake

Township 5 S Range 45 E Section 6 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Sunken meadow area surrounded by granite boulders

Cover type Alpine grasses

Elevation 7,150 feet Surface acres 18

Existing access Trails 1820 and 1806 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

The area is considered adequate at the present time for angler use.

FISHERY

It is planned to introduce rainbow trout to enhance the fishery. Small brook trout provide a fair fishery at the present time.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		BT		
Medium			BT	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

Boating
Camping
Fishing, boat
Fishing, shore
Hiking
Horseback riding
Hunting, big game
Hunting, upland game
Nature study
Picnicking
Sight-seeing
Swimming

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

REMARKS: This lake can be reached from the West Fork trail.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Lee Lake

Location 10 miles by trail south of Wallowa Lake

Township 4 S Range 44 E Section 24 and 25 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep rimrocks and boulders

Cover type Scattered alpine trees and grasses

Elevation 7300 feet Surface acres 9.2

Existing access Trails 1820 and 1821 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

This area meets all the angler requirements at the present time.

FISHERY

The fishery is only fair for small brook trout up to 9 inches in length.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium		BT		
Light			BT	

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

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

REMARKS: Although access is easy to Lee Lake, the lake is not popular with the anglers.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Douglas Lake

Location Approximately 10½ miles by trail south of Wallowa Lake

Township 4 S Range 44 E Section 23 - 26 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Granite rims and boulders

Cover type Alpine trees and shrubs

Elevation 7,350 feet Surface acres 43.9

Existing access Trails 1820 - 1821 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

All angler needs are furnished at the present time.

FISHERY

The fishery is good for small brook trout with lengths to nine inches.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		BT		
Medium			BT	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

Boating
Camping
Fishing, boat
Fishing, shore
Hiking
Horseback riding
Hunting, big game
Hunting, upland game
Nature study
Picnicking
Sight-seeing
Swimming

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

REMARKS: This lake is located within the lake basin and receives heavy angling pressure throughout the summer.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area I

Name Horseshoe Lake

Location Nine miles by trail southwest of Wallowa Lake

Township 4 S Range 44 E Section 24 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Granite rims and slopes

Cover type Alpine conifers and grasses

Elevation 7,180 feet Surface acres 39.6

Existing access Trails 1820 - 1821 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

This area meets all angler requirements at the present time; however,
there is over use of the pasture area.

FISHERY

The fishery is good for small brook trout, eight to nine inches
in length.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		BT	BT	
Medium				
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

- Boating
- Camping
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sight-seeing
- Swimming

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

REMARKS: This area is used heavily by anglers.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Unit Lake

Location Approximately 10 miles by trail southwest of Wallowa Lake

Township 4 S Range 45 E Section 19 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Granite bluffs and boulders

Cover type Alpine conifers

Elevation 7,040 feet Surface acres 10

Existing access Trails 1820 - 1821 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

This area is considered adequate at the present time.

FISHERY

The fishery is good for both brook and rainbow trout. Rainbow reach lengths of 12 inches, while the brook trout obtain lengths of 9 inches.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		BT Rb		
Medium			BT Rb	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

Boating
 Camping
 Fishing, boat
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 Hiking
 Horseback riding
 Hunting, big game
 Hunting, upland game
 Nature study
 Picnicking
 Sight-seeing
 Swimming

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

REMARKS: This area receives heavy angling pressure and can be reached quite easily from Horseshoe Lake.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Razz Lake

Location Approximately 11 miles southwest of Wallowa Lake

Township 4 S Range 44 E Section 13 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep glacial formed area with granite rims and slopes

Cover type Alpine trees and shrubs

Elevation 8,470 feet Surface acres 13.5

Existing access No marked trail Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

This area meets all angler requirements at the present time.

FISHERY

Small brook trout provide good angling.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium		BT		
Light			BT	

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

Boating
Camping
Fishing, boat
Fishing, shore
Hiking
Horseback riding
Hunting, big game
Hunting, upland game
Nature study
Picnicking
Sight-seeing
Swimming

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

REMARKS: Razz Lake has been described as an area which will be left in a primitive state. Access to the lake is poor but a challenge to hikers and horsemen.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Ice Lake

Location Six miles southwest of Wallowa Lake

Township 4 S Range 44 E Section 12 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep granite slopes and meadows

Cover type Alpine conifers and grasses

Elevation 7,900 feet Surface acres 30

Existing access Trails 1820 and 1808 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

A trail to the west end of the lake is needed.

FISHERY

Good fishery for nine inch and over brook trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		BT		
Medium			BT	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

Boating
Camping
Fishing, boat
Fishing, shore
Hiking
Horseback riding
Hunting, big game
Hunting, upland game
Nature study
Picnicking
Sight-seeing
Swimming

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

REMARKS: Ice Lake is noted for its exceptionally fine angling. It can be reached quite easily from Wallowa Lake.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Crescent Lake

Location Eleven miles southwest of Wallowa Lake

Township 4 S Range 44 E Section 23 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep slopes with granite rims and boulders

Cover type Alpine coniferous trees and deciduous shrubs

Elevation 7,440 feet Surface acres 23.8

Existing access Trails 1820 and 1821 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

All angler needs are adequate at the present time.

A trail extends around the lake for angler access.

FISHERY

Generally good for brook trout with lengths up to 16 inches.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		BT		
Medium			BT	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

- Boating
- Camping
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sight-seeing
- Swimming

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

REMARKS: This lake is quite rich in fish food which accounts for the large fish.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Moccasin Lake

Location Eleven miles south of Wallowa Lake

Township 4 S Range 44 E Section 34 - 37 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Predominately granite rimrocks and boulders with meadows

Cover type Alpine grasses and conifers

Elevation 7,510 feet Surface acres 33.4

Existing access Trail 1810 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

The area is adequately developed at the present time.

FISHERY

The fishery is on brook trout. Generally, the fish are quite small, but occasionally a large brook trout can be taken.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		BT		
Medium			BT	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

- Boating
- Camping
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sight-seeing
- Swimming

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

REMARKS: The lake is located in the lake basin and can be reached from Wallowa Lake, Lostine River or Hurricane Creek trails.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Mirror Lake

Location Six miles up the East Fork Lostine River from the end of the road

Township 4 S Range 44 E Section 34 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Meadows with granite slopes and rimrocks

Cover type Alpine grasses with scattered conifers

Elevation 7,590 feet Surface acres 26.2

Existing access Trail 1662 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

The area is adequately developed at the present time.

FISHERY

The fishery is on brook trout. The fish are small; however, an occasional large fish is taken.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		BT		
Medium			BT	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

Boating
Camping
Fishing, boat
Fishing, shore
Hiking
Horseback riding
Hunting, big game
Hunting, upland game
Nature study
Picnicking
Sight-seeing
Swimming

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

REMARKS: The lake is located on the upper end of the lake basin. Because of the open area, camping sites are generally easy to locate.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Minam Lake

Location Approximately 6 1/2 miles south of the Lostine River's Two Pan Camp

Township 4 S Range 44 E Section 29 - 32 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Granite rims and boulders

Cover type Alpine conifers and grasses

Elevation 7,360 feet Surface acres 50

Existing access Trail 1670 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

All angler needs are furnished at the present time.

FISHERY

The fishery is 9" eastern brook trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		BT		
Medium			BT	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

Boating
Camping
Fishing, boat
Fishing, shore
Hiking
Horseback riding
Hunting, big game
Hunting, upland game
Nature study
Picnicking
Sight-seeing
Swimming

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

REMARKS: This is a natural lake which has had its outlet altered to form a reservoir. Consequently, the fishery is unpredictable.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Blue Lake

Location Approximately 8 miles south of the Lostine River's Two Pan Camp

Township 4 S Range 44 E Section 32 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Granite rimrock and boulders

Cover type Alpine conifers and grasses

Elevation 7,800 feet Surface acres 12

Existing access Trail 1670 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

Angler needs are considered adequate at the present time.

FISHERY

There is a good fishery for smaller brook trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium		BT		
Light			BT	

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

Boating
Camping
Fishing, boat
Fishing, shore
Hiking
Horseback riding
Hunting, big game
Hunting, upland game
Nature study
Picnicking
Sight-seeing
Swimming

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

REMARKS: This lake receives very little angling pressure.
It is located one mile from Minam Lake.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa Lake Area

Name Catched Two Lake

Location Three miles southeast from Two Pan Camp on the Lostine River

Township 4 S Range 43 E Section 2 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Granite rimrocks and small meadows

Cover type Alpine grasses and scattered alpine conifers

Elevation 7,690 feet Surface acres Unknown

Existing access Steep trail Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

This area meets the present angler requirements .

FISHERY

Good on small brook trout

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium		BT		
Light			BT	

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

Boating
 Camping
 Fishing, boat
 Fishing, shore
 Hiking
 Horseback riding
 Hunting, big game
 Hunting, upland game
 Nature study
 Picnicking
 Sight-seeing
 Swimming

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

REMARKS: This lake can be reached from the Lostine River trail. It has not been too popular of an area because of its isolation from other lakes and its steep terrain.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Swamp Lake

Location Headwaters of the North Minam River

Township 4 S Range 43 E Section 15 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Broken granite rims and meadows

Cover type Alpine grasses and conifers

Elevation 7,840 feet Surface acres 20

Existing access Trail 1675 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

This area meets all the angler requirements at the present time.

FISHERY

There is a fair fishery on golden trout and rainbow.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		GT Rb		
Medium			GT Rb	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

Boating
Camping
Fishing, boat
Fishing, shore
Hiking
Horseback riding
Hunting, big game
Hunting, upland game
Nature study
Picnicking
Sight-seeing
Swimming

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

REMARKS: This area is heavily used because of its good camping areas in the meadows and its location along a main trail.
This lake is one of the few lakes containing golden trout.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Long Lake

Location Head of North Minam River

Township 4 S Range 43 E Section 9 and 10 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Granite rims and slopes with meadows

Cover type Alpine grasses and conifers

Elevation 7,040 feet Surface acres 90

Existing access Spur trail off trail 1676 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

This area is adequately developed at the present time.

FISHERY

The fishery is on both rainbow and brook trout. Lengths of 14" are reached by the rainbow and 12" by the brook trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		BT Rb		
Medium			BT Rb	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

- Boating
- Camping
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sight-seeing
- Swimming

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

REMARKS: There are good camping sites and good stream fishing areas at the lake.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Cheval Lake

Location Headwaters of Lost Chance Creek

Township 4 S Range 43 E Section 21 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep broken granite area

Cover type Sparse alpine trees and alpine grasses

Elevation 7,800 feet Surface acres 5

Existing access Trails 1676 and 1681 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

There are no recommendations for this area. It is isolated and receives little angling pressure.

FISHERY

There is a good fishery on brook trout eight to nine inches in length.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light		BT	BT	

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

Boating
 Camping
 Fishing, boat
 Fishing, shore
 Hiking
 Horseback riding
 Hunting, big game
 Hunting, upland game
 Nature study
 Picnicking
 Sight-seeing
 Swimming

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

REMARKS: The main access route is from the Minam River.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area
 Name Steamboat Lake
 Location Head of the North Minam River
 Township 4 S Range 43 E Section 11 -12 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Surrounded by granite rims and slopes with limited meadow areas
 Cover type Alpine conifers and grasses
 Elevation 7,360 feet Surface acres 75
 Existing access Trail 1675 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

The area is considered adequate at the present time.

FISHERY

There is a good fishery with brook trout averaging nine inches in length.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		BT		
Medium			BT	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

- Recreation
- Boating
 - Camping
 - Fishing, boat
 - Fishing, shore
 - Hiking
 - Horseback riding
 - Hunting, big game
 - Hunting, upland game
 - Nature study
 - Picnicking
 - Sight-seeing
 - Swimming

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

REMARKS: This is one of the heavier used areas. It lies on the popular trail between Elk Creek and North Minam Meadows.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Bear Lake

Location Head of Bear Creek

Township 3 S Range 43 E Section 21 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Alpine meadow with granite rim to the east

Cover type Alpine grasses

Elevation 7,880 feet Surface acres 6

Existing access No trails Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

This area meets all the present angler requirements.

FISHERY

Good fishery on small brook trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium		BT		
Light			BT	

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

- Boating
- Camping
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sight-seeing
- Swimming

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

REMARKS: This lake can be reached from the Bear Creek trail.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Maxwell Lake

Location Approximately 4 miles southwest from Shady Camp on the Lostine River

Township 3 S Range 43 E Section 34 - 35 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Granite rims with scattered meadows

Cover type Alpine conifers and grasses

Elevation 7,760 feet Surface acres 6

Existing access Trail 1674 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

This area meets all the angler needs at the present time.

FISHERY

There is good angling on small brook trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		BT		
Medium			BT	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

Boating
 Camping
 Fishing, boat
 Fishing, shore
 Hiking
 Horseback riding
 Hunting, big game
 Hunting, upland game
 Nature study
 Picnicking
 Sight-seeing
 Swimming

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

REMARKS: This is a lake which can be reached quite easily by anglers from the Lostine River.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Laverty Lakes

Location Approximately 5½ miles west of the Lostine River off Bowman Trail

Township 3 S Range 43E Section 22 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Granite rims to the west and break - off to the east

Cover type Alpine grasses with sparse alpine timber

Elevation 7,500 feet Surface acres Unknown

Existing access No trails Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

No developments are recommended for this area.

FISHERY

The fishery is on small brook trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium		BT		
Light			BT	

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

- Boating
- Camping
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sight-seeing
- Swimming

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

REMARKS: This area is approximately 1 mile from Chimney Lake. Because it can be reached easily, no trails are recommended for the area. It could be preserved in a primitive state.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area
 Name Hobo Lake
 Location Approximately 8 miles by trail from the Lostine Road
 Township 3 S Range 43 E Section 21 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep granite rimrock and boulders with limited meadows
 Cover type Alpine grasses and scattered conifers
 Elevation 8,320 feet Surface acres 10
 Existing access Trail 7659 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

The area meets the present angler needs.

FISHERY

There is a slow fishery on small golden trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium		GT		
Light			GT	

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

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

REMARKS: This lake is known for its golden trout fishery. It is one of the few lakes within the wilderness area which provides a fishery on this species of fish.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name John Henry Lake

Location Wilson Basin between North Minam River and the Lostine River

Township 3 S Range 43 E Section 28 - 33 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Steep granite slope with some meadows and flat areas

Cover type Heavily forested with alpine conifers

Elevation 7,120 feet Surface acres 6

Existing access Trail 1651 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

This area meets all the present angler needs.

FISHERY

The fishery is on small brook trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium		BT	BT	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

Boating
Camping
Fishing, boat
Fishing, shore
Hiking
Horseback riding
Hunting, big game
Hunting, upland game
Nature study
Picnicking
Sight-seeing
Swimming

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

REMARKS: There is good natural reproduction but very little harvest of brook trout.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area
 Name Green Lake
 Location Three miles southwest of North Minam Meadows
 Township 3 S Range 43 E Section 31 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Rimmed on three sides by granite
 Cover type Alpine conifers and grasses
 Elevation 7,100 feet Surface acres 16
 Existing access Trail 1666 Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

The area is considered adequately developed to meet the present angler needs.

FISHERY

Excellent fishery on large brook trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium		BT	BT	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

- Boating
- Camping
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sight-seeing
- Swimming

	S	S	F	W
	X	X		
	X	X		
	X	X		
	X	X		
			X	
	X	X		
	X	X		
	X	X		
			X	

REMARKS: The lake is rich in food material and produces large brook trout.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area

Name Chimney Lake

Location Approximately 4½ miles west of the Lostine River off the Bowman Trail

Township 3 S Range 43 E Section 22 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Granite glacial pocket with limited meadow area

Cover type Alpine conifers and grasses

Elevation 7,700 feet Surface acres 5

Existing access Trail 1659 off Bowman trail Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

All the angler requirements are adequate at the present time.

FISHERY

There is a good fishery for brook trout with lengths to nine inches.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		BT		
Medium			BT	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

- Boating
- Camping
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sight-seeing
- Swimming

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

REMARKS: This is a popular lake used by anglers who hike in from the Lostine River.

BACK COUNTRY LAKE ACCESS EVALUATION

Wallowa County Area
 Name Wood Lake
 Location North of Chimney Lake approximately two miles
 Township 3 S Range 43 E Section 15 Ownership U. S. F. S.

DESCRIPTION

Terrain Granite slopes and large meadows
 Cover type Alpine conifers and grasses
 Elevation 7,400 feet Surface acres 4
 Existing access Trail 7659 off Bowman trail Water quality Good

ANGLER NEEDS

The area is adequate at the present time.

FISHERY

Good fishery on golden and brook trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		GT BT		
Medium			GT BT	
Light				

(Ct - Cutthroat trout, GT - Golden trout, LT - Lake trout, BT - Brook trout, Rb - Rainbow trout, Br - Brown trout, K - Kokanee)

Recreation

- Boating
- Camping
- Fishing, boat
- Fishing, shore
- Hiking
- Horseback riding
- Hunting, big game
- Hunting, upland game
- Nature study
- Picnicking
- Sight-seeing
- Swimming

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

REMARKS: This is one of the few lakes in the wilderness areas which supports golden trout.

AREA II

Area II includes all the lakes in the county which have road access. Three lakes occur in the upper Wallowa Valley, one lake on the breaks of North Pine Creek and one proposed reservoir on Bishop Creek. The three lakes located around the valley are Wallowa Lake, Papoose Lake and Kinney Lake. The remaining lake is Duck Lake.

Wallowa Lake is a glacial-formed lake which is about 3.5 miles long, covers 1,777 surface acres and is 283 feet deep. The main contributors to this fishery are the kokanee salmon and the rainbow trout; however, there are some catches of lake trout, Dolly Varden and whitefish. The lake is stocked annually with approximately 200,000 kokanee fingerling and 35,000 legal rainbows. The river above the lake is also stocked with 2,000 legal rainbow. Many of these fish make their way into the lake. Access is considered adequate at the lake. The Wallowa State Park is located at the south end of the lake and offers accommodations for 147 camps as well as picnicking and boating facilities. Additional camping facilities are also being constructed. The Oregon Game Commission has established a boat ramp at the north end of the lake.

Kinney Lake is a small reservoir lake east of Wallowa Lake on the sloping foothills. This lake has 22.3 surface acres and is stocked annually with approximately 10,000 fingerling rainbow trout. The fishery is primarily on rainbow; however, there are also brown bullhead catfish taken. Access to the lake is good and with some improvements to the parking and picnicking areas it will be adequate to accommodate the public. It would also improve the area if the east and southeast sides of the lake were placed into public ownership.

Papoose Lake is a small lake covering approximately three surface acres and is located just inside the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest boundary

southeast of Wallowa Lake. The fishery is on rainbow trout; however, it is very poor due to a heavy rough fish population. The U. S. Forest Service is considering a plan to rehabilitate the area. The plans would include the removal of the natural outlet and replacing it with a larger dam to increase the surface acreage of the lake. Picnic and camping facilities could also be included in the plans quite easily. At the present time the road goes within 300 to 400 yards of the lake.

Duck Lake is a small lake located in the headwaters of Duck Creek, a tributary to North Pine Creek. The lake covers an area of 19 surface acres and provides good angling on both rainbow and brook trout. Fish up to 20 inches in length can be taken. Access is considered adequate since the lake lies entirely within the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest.

The proposed Maxville Reservoir is located 16 miles north of Wallowa near the old town of Maxville. The impoundment would cover an area of approximately 100 surface acres and would provide an excellent picnic and camping area. It is also anticipated that a good trout fishery could be created in the reservoir.

The following evaluation sheets describe the above areas in more detail.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

LAKES AND RESERVOIRS

Grande Ronde River System Site No. 1
Wallowa County Area II Priority Complete
Name Wallowa Lake (State Park)

Location At the south end of lake, South Bank
T 3S, R 45 E, Sec. 20 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 and deciduous shrubs
Road access State maintained, Condition Good - paved
Flows Stable Water quality Good
Present stage of development Complete

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

AREA II

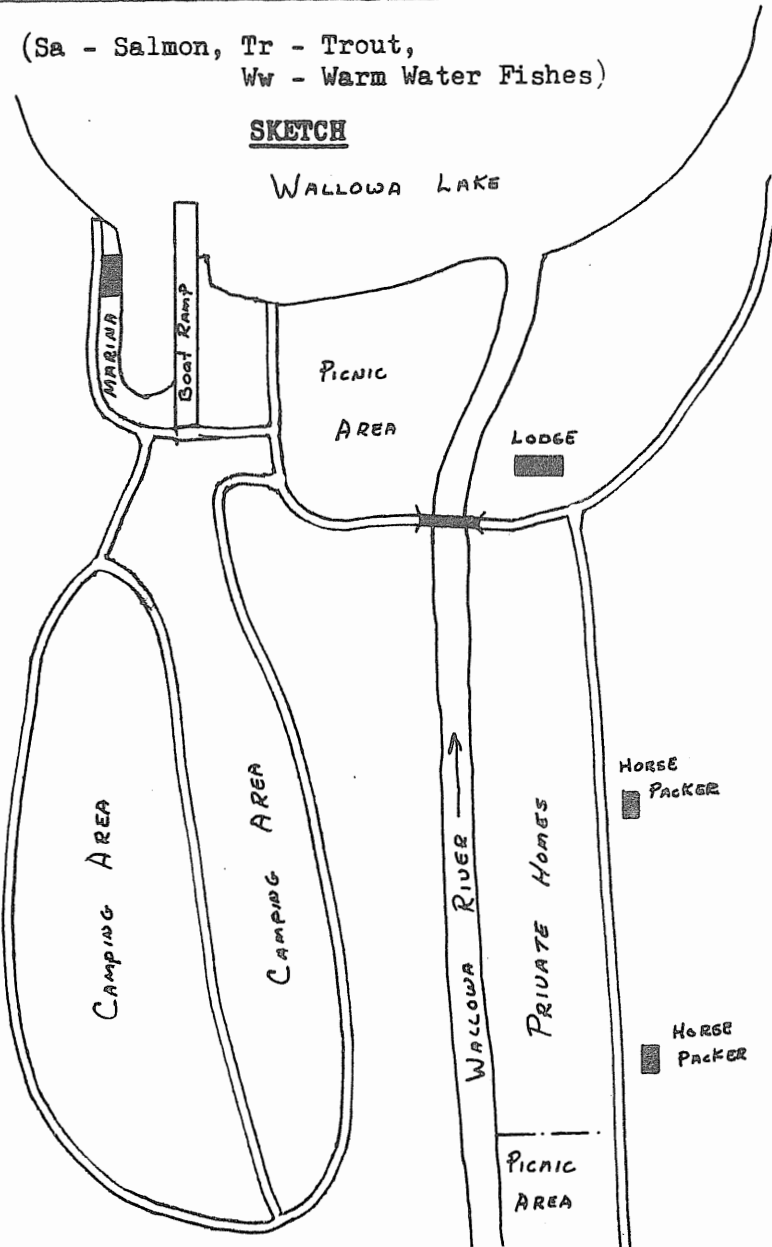
SITE # 1

FISHERY: There is a good fishery on rainbow trout and kokanee salmon with incidental catches of Dolly Varden, lake trout and whitefish.

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

(Sa - Salmon, Tr - Trout, 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	
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		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
- * Bird watching

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

This area is called Wallowa Lake State Park. 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.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

LAKES AND RESERVOIRS

Grande Ronde River System Site No. 2
Wallowa County Area II Priority Complete
Name Wallowa Lake (North End Ramp)

Location At north end of lake, North Bank
T 3 S, R 45 E, Sec. 5 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 State highway, Condition Good - paved
Flows Stable Water quality Good
Present stage of development Complete

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 will accommodate boat anglers at Wallowa Lake.

AREA II

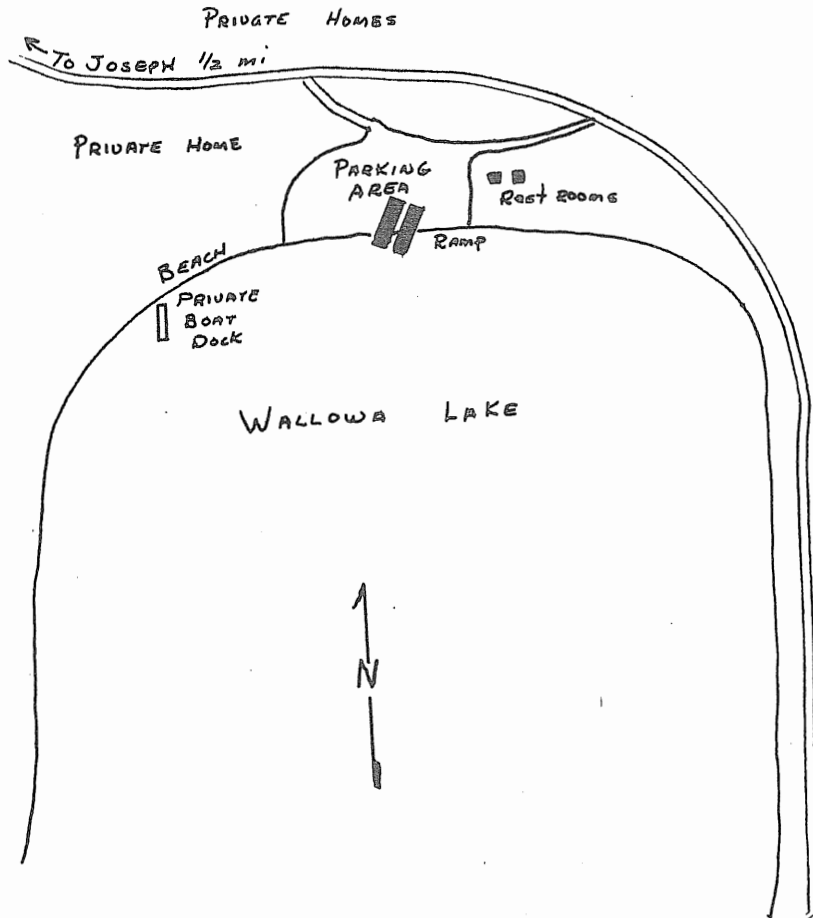
SITE # 2

FISHERY: There is a good fishery on rainbow and kokanee with incidental catches of Dolly Varden, lake trout and whitefish.

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

(Sa - Salmon, Tr - Trout, 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		

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 ramp provides boat access to Wallowa Lake that is away from the campers and picnickers at Wallowa State Park. The site is called the North End Boat Ramp.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

LAKES AND RESERVOIRS

Grande Ronde River System Site No. 3
Wallowa County Area II Priority B
Name Papoose Lake

Location North side of Ferguson Ridge, North Bank
T 3 S, R 46 E, Sec. 30 County Wallowa
Ownership: Public U. S. Forest Service
Private _____ Tax Lot No. _____
Number of owners _____

DESCRIPTION

Land type Sloping forested area
Cover type Coniferous trees
Road access U. S. Forest Service, Condition Fair
*Flows Fluctuates Water quality Fair to poor
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____
Toilets X Trails X Roads Need improved
Parking area X; For 20 - 30 cars or _____ car-trailer units
This site would provide picnicking and boat angling.

* The lake is fed by springs and snow runoff.

AREA II

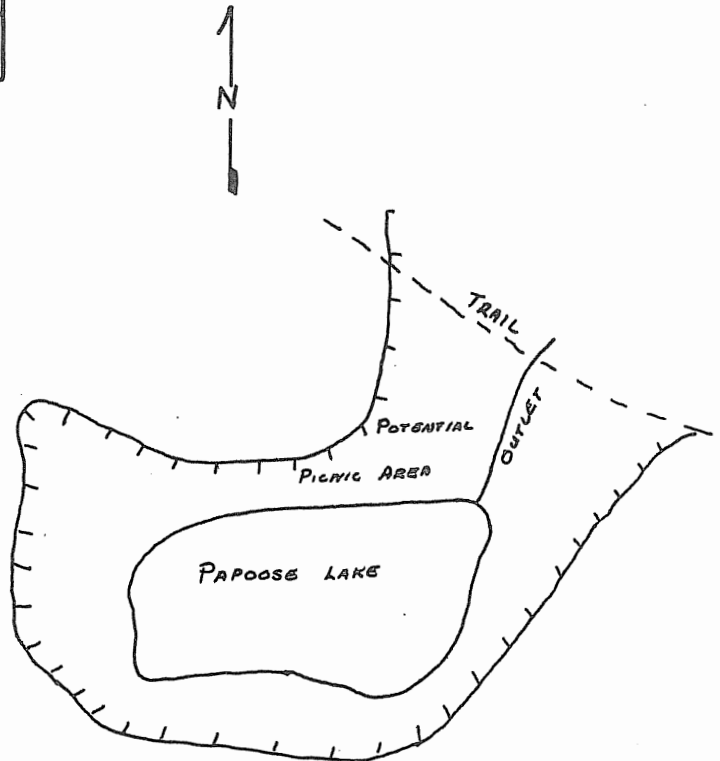
SITE # 3

FISHERY: Rainbow angling is poor due to the rough fish populations.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light		Tr	Tr	

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

SKETCH



Seasons (Check)

RECREATION
(Check)

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

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

The forest service plans to rehabilitate the area sometime in the future. The plans include the removal of the natural outlet and replacing it with a larger dam to increase the surface acreage. The rough fish population will also be removed. Definite plans have not been made.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

LAKES AND RESERVOIRS

Grande Ronde River System Site No. 4
Wallowa County Area II Priority B
Name Kinney Lake

Location Nine miles east of Joseph, South Bank
T 3 S, R 46 E, Sec. 8 County Wallowa

Ownership: Public _____
Private X Tax Lot No. 2400, 2500
Number of owners 2

DESCRIPTION

Land type Sloping agricultural land
Cover type Grass and cottonwood trees
Road access County maintained, Condition Fair- dirt
Flows Fluctuate Water quality Fair
Present stage of development Two toilets and three garbage cans

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 10 Acres, 2,080 of frontage
Type of conveyance Purchase

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____
Toilets _____ Trails _____ Roads need graveled
Parking area X; For 20 cars or _____ car-trailer units
This site provides an area for both angling and picnicking.

AREA II

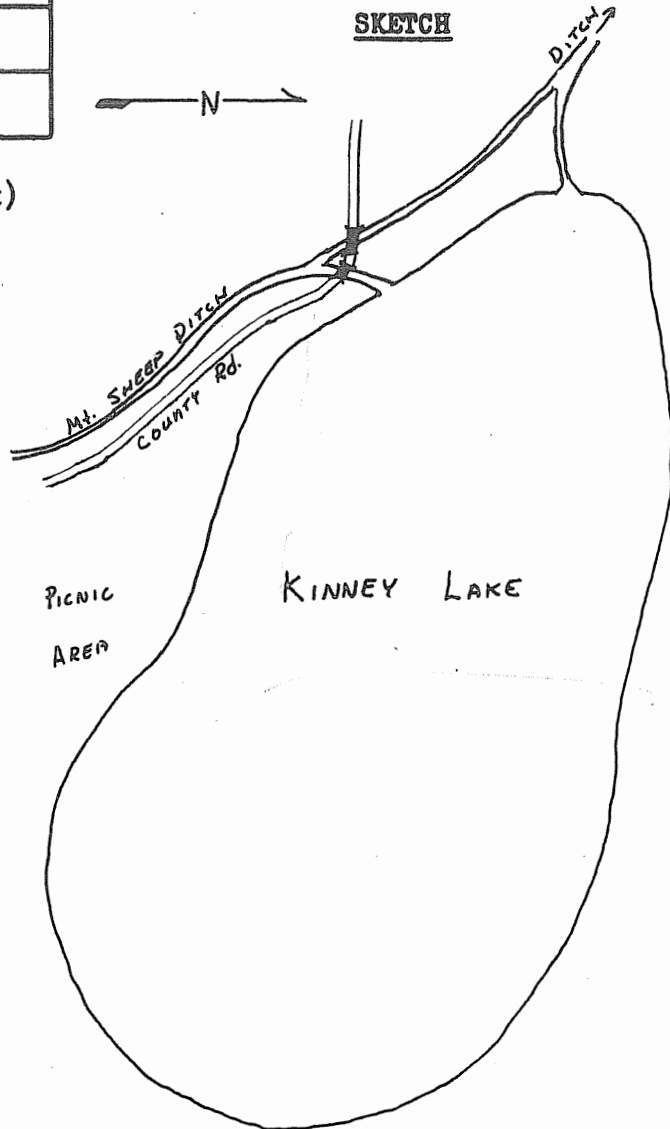
SITE # 4

FISHERY: The fishery is on rainbow trout and small brown bullhead catfish.

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

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

SKETCH



Seasons (Check)

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

RECREATION
(Check)

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

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

This lake is used as an irrigation impoundment by a local ditch company. Improvements such as tables and fire sites would improve this area considerably.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

LAKES AND RESERVOIRS

Pine Creek System Site No. 5
Wallowa County Area II Priority C
Name Duck Lake

Location Headwaters of Duck Creek, West Bank
T 55, R 5 W, Sec. 30 County Wallowa

Ownership: Public U. S. Forest Service
Private _____ Tax Lot No. _____
Number of owners _____

DESCRIPTION

Land type Mountainous
Cover type Coniferous trees
Road access Forest Service maintained, Condition Fair
Flows Stable Water quality Good
Present stage of development Hunter camps

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

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

This site provides angling, picnicking and camping.

AREA II

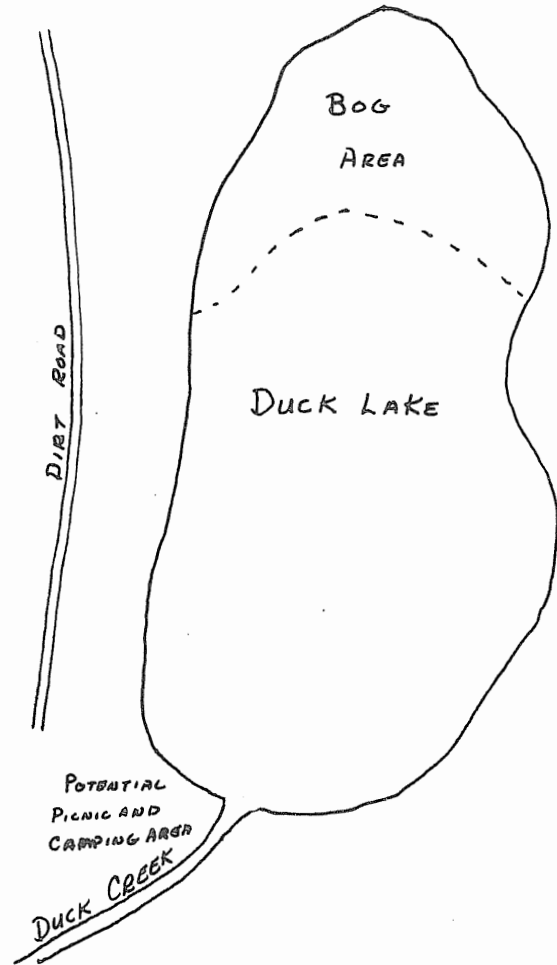
SITE # 5

FISHERY: The fishery consist of both brook and rainbow trout.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy	Tr			
Medium		Tr	Tr	
Light				

(Sa - Salmon, Tr - Trout,
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		

OTHER

Safety Problems: Bog area on the west end of lake.

Group Facilities:

REMARKS The surrounding terrain is fairly steep and is covered with timber. The east end of the lake could possibly be developed into a picnic or camping area. At the present time only hunter camps exist.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

LAKES AND RESERVOIRS

Grande Ronde River System Site No. 6
Wallowa County Area II Priority A
Name Maxville Reservoir Site

Location West side of Maxville on Bishop Creek,
T 3 N, R 42 E, Sec. 15 and 16 County Wallowa

Ownership: Public _____
Private X Tax Lot No. 3 N 42 - 200
Number of owners 2 3 N 42 - 600

DESCRIPTION

Land type Flat plateau
Cover type Grass and deciduous shrubs
Road access County road, Condition Good - gravel
Flows Spring fed area Water quality Good
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 70 Acres, _____ of frontage
Type of conveyance Purchase

Development:

Boat ramp: Type Gravel Number of lanes 1
Toilets X Trails X Roads X
Parking area X; For 100 cars or _____ car-trailer units

This site will provide a reservoir fishery on trout.

AREA II

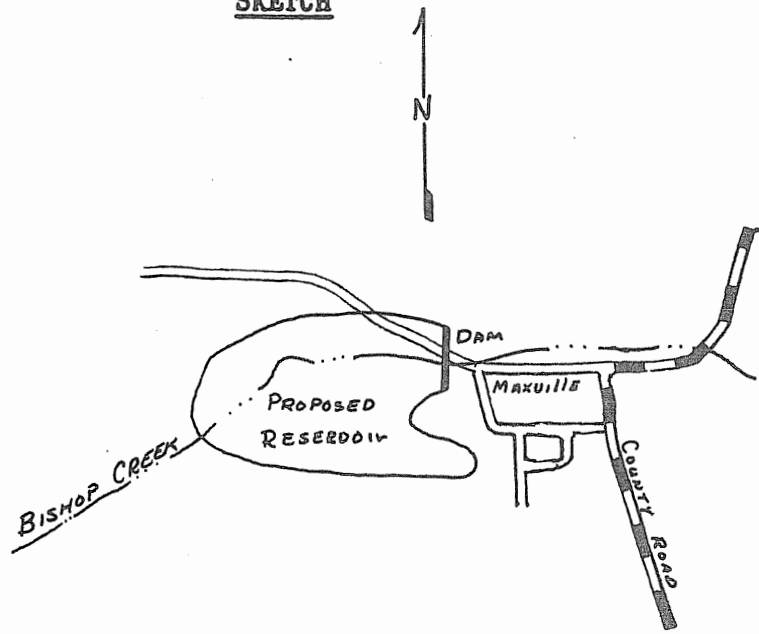
SITE # 6

FISHERY: At the present time there is a population of catfish in the area;
 however, when the reservoir is constructed a trout fishery would be
 created.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium				
Light	Ww	Ww	Ww	

(Sa - Salmon, Tr - Trout,
 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	X	X	

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS This site could be developed quite nicely into a picnic and camping area. The surrounding area is used quite heavily during the hunting season.