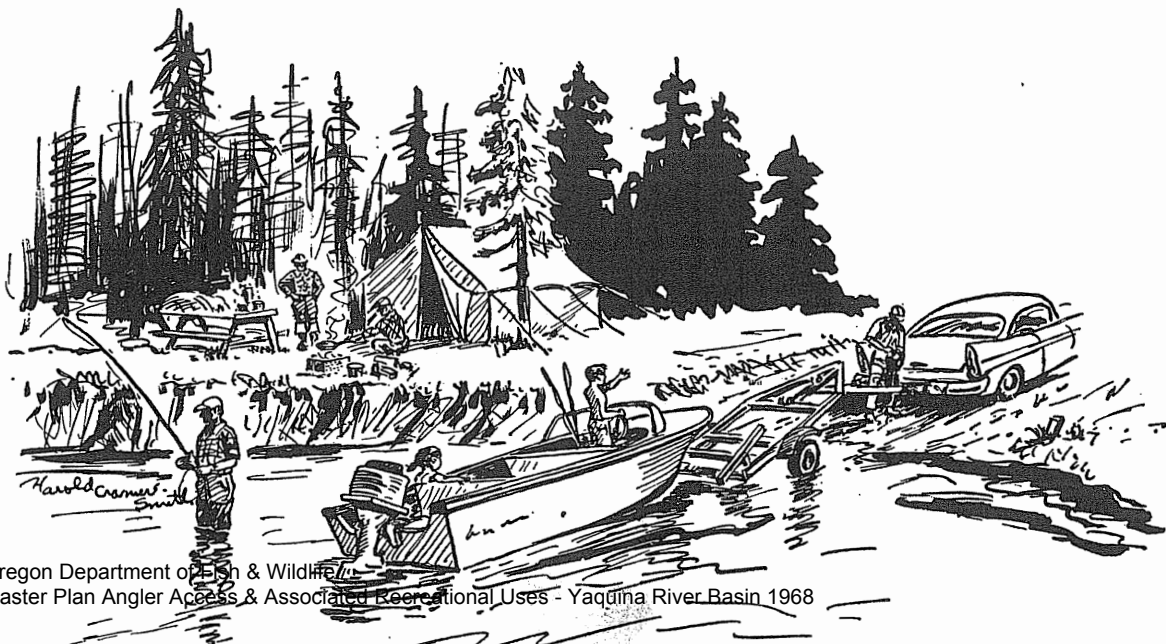


**YAQUINA
RIVER BASIN**

**MASTER PLAN
FOR ANGLER ACCESS AND
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YAQUINA RIVER BASIN

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This report details a plan that we hope can be followed to solve the access problems of the Yaquina 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 Yaquina River Basin, located in the Central Coast Area, is within close proximity to the population centers of the Willamette Valley. Newport, at the mouth of the Yaquina River, is approximately 110 miles southwest of Portland via Highways U. S. Highway 99 W, Oregon 18 and U. S. 101. The cities of Eddyville and Newport are 36 and 50 miles respectively from Corvallis via U. S. 20.

The Yaquina River heads in the Coast Range mountains in eastern Lincoln County and flows westward, entering the Pacific Ocean at Newport. In the upper reaches, the river flows through narrow valleys of timber and farm land. The gradient is generally moderate, creating numerous pools and riffles. Farther downstream the valleys open up where the gradient of the river becomes gentle to flat, resulting in a sluggish, slow-moving stream. The lower 23 miles of the Yaquina River is influenced by tidal fluctuations.

Annual rainfall in the basin varies from about 70 inches on the coast to over 100 inches in the Coast Range. Most of the rainfall occurs in the fall and winter months resulting in high winter runoff. Lowest stream flows occur from June through September. Water quality is generally good throughout the watershed, except for the middle Yaquina, Lower Big Elk Creek and the tidewater area above Toledo during the low flow periods.

The fisheries on the Yaquina River are primarily for anadromous forms. Angler use of the offshore salmon fishery at Newport is the highest on the Oregon Coast. In 1968, an estimated 60,000 anglers crossed the Yaquina Bay bar and caught 27,600 coho, 2,600 chinook and 9,700 non-game marine fish. In addition, about 30,000 anglers were recorded angling in the bay area for salmon, cutthroat, perch and flounder. A significant sport crab fishery also occurs in the bay throughout the year.

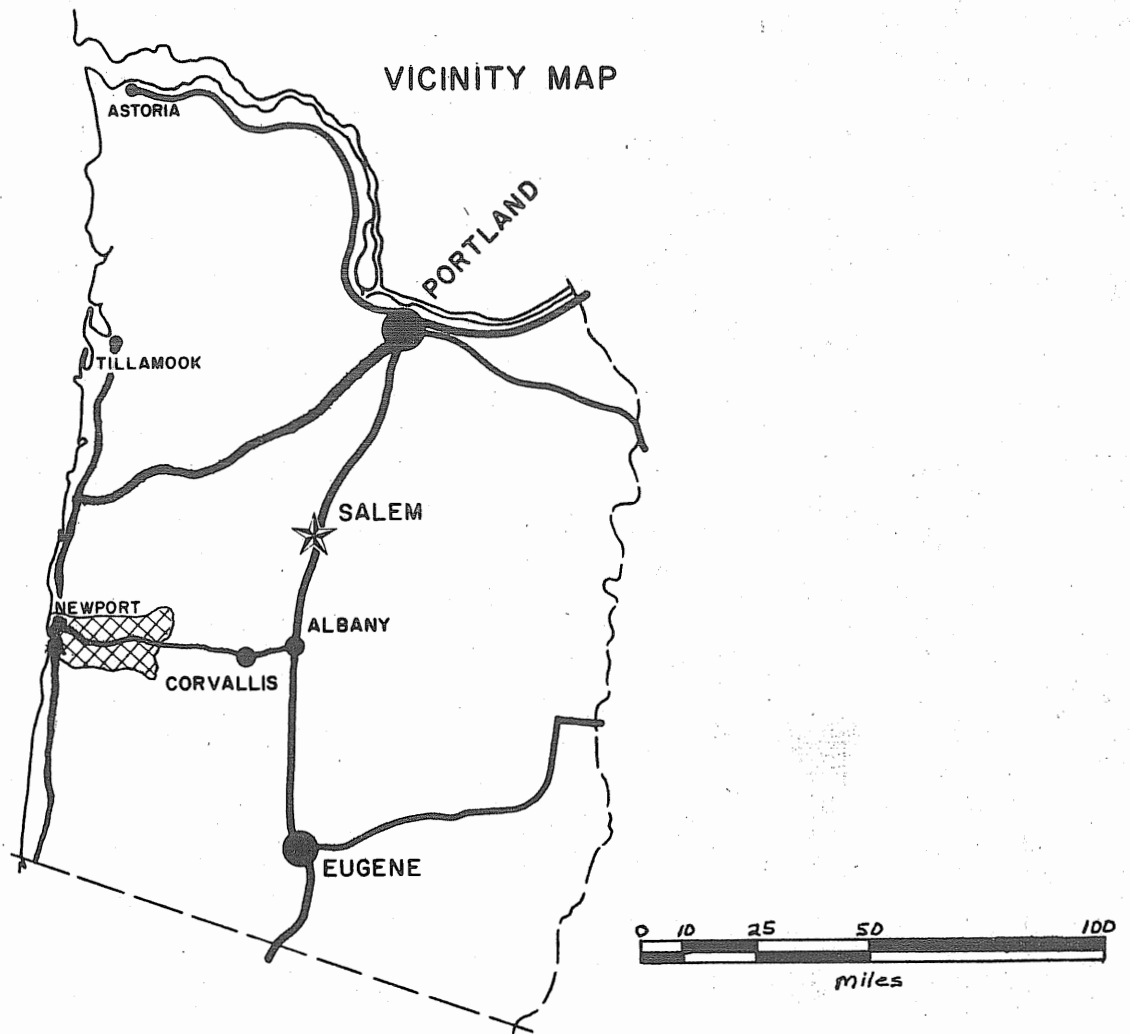
About 100,000 offshore salmon anglers are anticipated by 1975. To meet the growing demand of the ocean and bay anglers, additional launching and moorage facilities will be required to accommodate these people.

The Yaquina River and Elk Creek are noted for their excellent resident and sea-run cutthroat trout fishery. Peak angling occurs in the late spring and early fall months for trout. Although a moderate sized run of winter steelhead exists in the river, the present fishery is small due to the anglers' preference for the more popular nearby streams.

The ownership along the Yaquina River is almost entirely private. There are only four publicly owned access sites that have been developed. Within the tidewater area, there are six private boat landings and five charter boat services which presently serve the public for a fee. At a number of areas along

the river, anglers are gaining access by trespass. To assure continued public access and angler utilization of the fishery resource, 14 additional sites have been recommended for procurement and development within the Yaquina River Basin.

The basin has been divided into three areas. The characteristics of each area have been described and a plan for public access is outlined in the following sections.



The Yaquina River heads in the Coast Range of eastern Lincoln County and flows west to enter Yaquina Bay and the ocean at Newport.

Major access routes to the basin are U. S. Highway 101 which crosses the bay at Newport and U. S. Highway 20 which follows the river to Eddyville. Additional county roads along the river make the basin quite accessible.

YAQUINA RIVER

Area I (Tidewater)

This area includes that portion of the river from the mouth upstream to river mile 23 at Elk City. This entire section of the stream is under tidal influence with saline waters extending up the bay approximately eight miles.

The lower four miles, which includes most of the bay area, has extensive tide flats exposed during low tides. Above this point the stream is intermittently bordered by brushy banks, alder and second growth timber with occasional large grass flats.

Three types of fisheries are available to the angler in this area. There is an ocean sport fishery for salmon and bottom fish; a bay fishery for bottom fish, crabs and shellfish, and a troll fishery for salmon and sea-run cutthroat trout in the upper tidewater area. Nearly all of the angling is from boats except for the jetties and a light shore fishery near the upper end of tidewater.

The most intensive angler use on these fisheries is for the salmon in the ocean during the summer. As this fishery tapers off in late summer, the angling effort is shifted to the fall troll fishery in the upper tidewater area. The year-round bay fishery, which is becoming more popular is the heaviest in the spring and summer. Clam digging in the bay is mainly a summer attraction, although they are available throughout the year during low tides.

There are three public access developments and six private landings within the tidewater portion of the Yaquina River system. The private facilities within the bay area presently serve the public at a reasonable cost. An additional twelve sites have been selected and are recommended for development to meet the increasing public access needs in this section of the Yaquina River.

All of the access sites, present and proposed, are further described on the following evaluation sheets.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Yaquina River System Site No. 1
I Area Priority B

Name South Jetty Small Boat Basin

Location Yaquina Bay along the South Jetty, South Bank

T11 S, R 11 W, Sec. 17 River Mile 1 County Lincoln

Ownership: Public (Lincoln County and US Government)

Private Tax Lot No. 399, 1200, 1300, 300

Number of owners 3

DESCRIPTION

Land type Large sand flat above tide

Cover type Grass in some areas

Road access County, Condition Paved

Flows Tidal Water quality Good

Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 50 Acres, _____ of frontage

Type of conveyance Purchase and use agreement

Development:

Boat ramp: Type Concrete Number of lanes 2 +

Toilets Trails _____ Roads

Parking area ; For 350 cars and 325 car-trailer units

This site has been under study by the Newport Junior Chamber of Commerce.

The site is adjacent to the proposed state park area to the south.

AREA I

SITE # 1

FISHERY: Coho salmon and chinook salmon in the ocean fishery. Perch, flounder, crabs and clams in the bay.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		Sa		
Medium	BF	SF	Sa	
Light	SF	Cb	SF, BF	BF

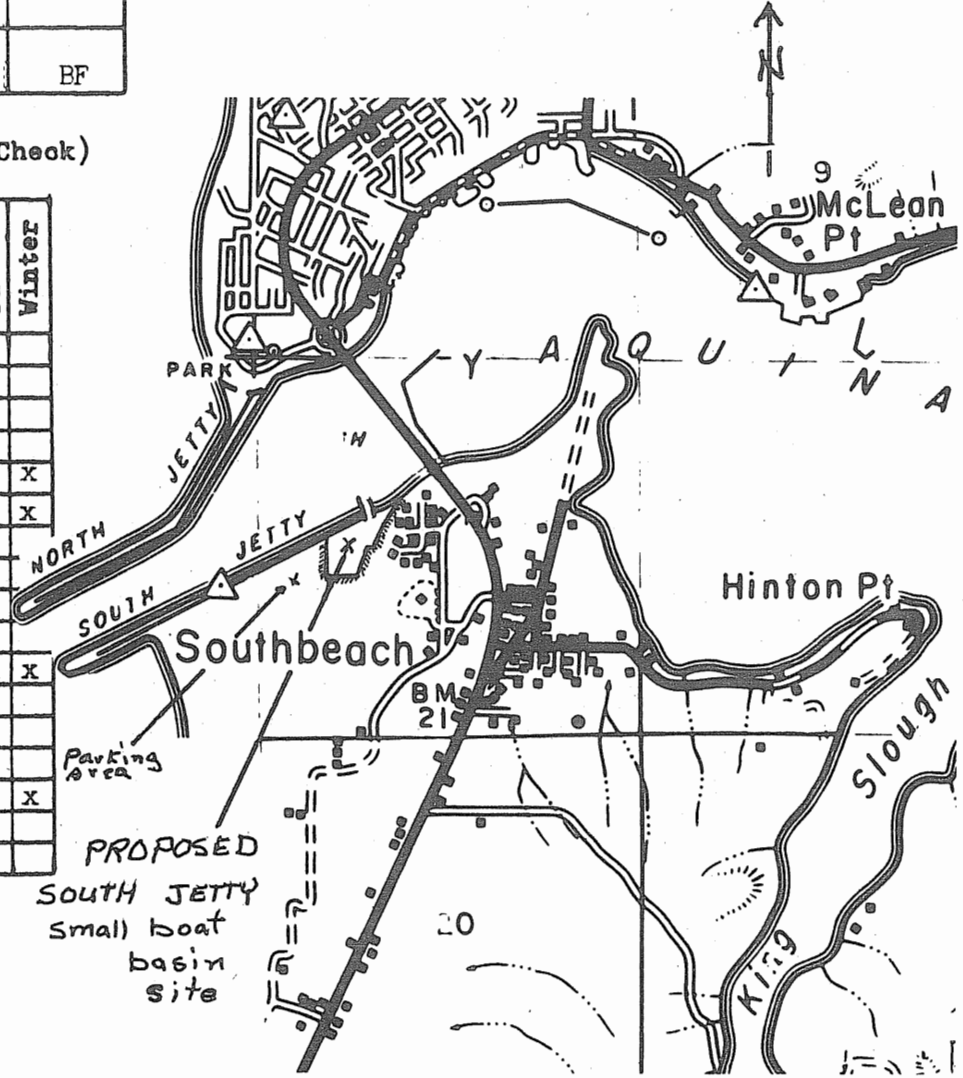
(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Wv - Warm Water Fishes, BF - Bottom Fish, SF - Shellfish, Cb - Crabs) SKETCH

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

Seasons (Check)

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



OTHER

Safety Problems: Rough bar, strong winds and heavy fog at times.

Group Facilities: Parking and picnic facilities.

REMARKS This site could be used as an expansion area of the South Beach small boat basin. If constructed as planned the moorage area would be protected from the surge in the bay. The plans call for breaching the jetty, dredging and constructing the moorage outside the south jetty.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Yaquina River System Site No. 2
I Area Priority A

Name South Beach fishing pier

Location Yaquina Bay, South Beach area, South Bank

T11 S, R 11 W, Sec. 17 River Mile 1 County Lincoln

Ownership: Public (Port of Newport)

Private _____ Tax Lot No. 100

Number of owners 1

DESCRIPTION

Land type Tide flat

Cover type None

Road access _____ County _____, Condition Paved

Flows Tidal Water quality Good

Present stage of development Abandoned shipping pier

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 1 acre for parking and the existing pier for fishing

Type of conveyance Purchase

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____

Toilets X Trails _____ Roads _____

Parking area X; For 50 cars or _____ car-trailer units

This site would provide an excellent opportunity for people without boats
to fish and crab in the bay area.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Yaquina River System Site No. 3
I Area Priority A

Name South Beach Small Boat Basin

Location Yaquina Bay - South Beach, South Bank

T 11 S, R 11 W, Sec. 17 River Mile 1 County Lincoln

Ownership: Public (Port of Newport)

Private _____ Tax Lot No. 100

Number of owners 1

DESCRIPTION

Land type Large flat sand fill area

Cover type Bare sand

Road access County, Condition Paved

Flows Tidal Water quality Good

Present stage of development None at present, this is a proposed site.

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 50 Acres, _____ of frontage

Type of conveyance Use agreement

Development:

Boat ramp: Type Concrete Number of lanes 2 +

Toilets X Trails _____ Roads _____

Parking area X; For 100 + cars and 100 + car-trailer units

This site under consideration by the Port of Newport and other interested groups would provide needed launching and moorage for sportcraft in the lower bay area.

FISHERY: Coho salmon and chinook salmon in the ocean fishery. Perch, flounder, crabs and clams in the bay.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		Sa	Sa	
Medium	BF	BF SF		
Light	SF Cb	Cb	Cb SF, BF	BF

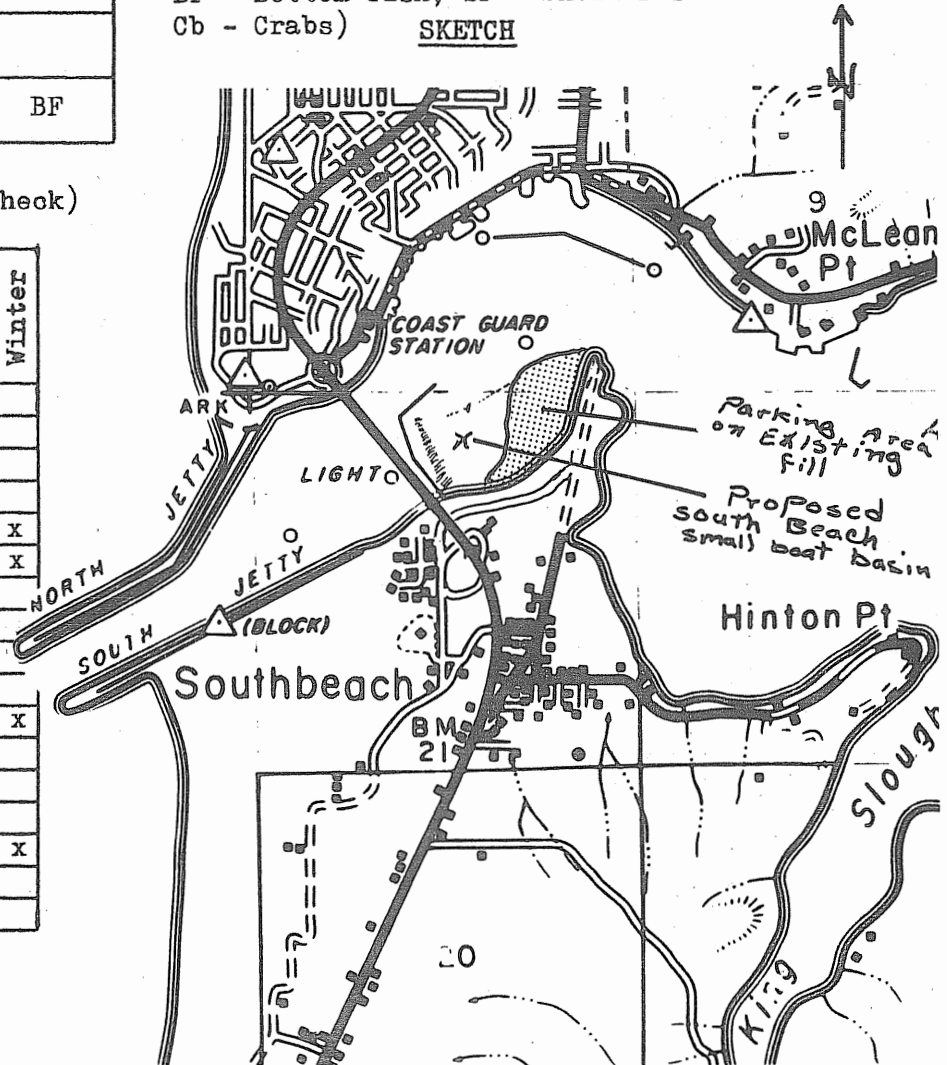
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Seasons (Check)

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

RECREATION
(Check)

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



OTHER

Safety Problems: Strong winds, rough water and heavy fog at times.

Group Facilities: Parking

REMARKS

Heaviest use of the launching and moorage facilities would be in the summer during the ocean salmon fishery. Moorage may be limited during the winter due to occasional strong winds and heavy surge in the bay.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Yaquina River System Site No. 4
I Area Priority B

Name Bay Front Fishing Pier

Location Newport waterfront, North Bank
T 11 S, R 11 W, Sec. 8 River Mile 1.5 County Lincoln
Ownership: Public City of Newport
Private _____ Tax Lot No. 2100
Number of owners 1

DESCRIPTION

Land type Fill at end of street
Cover type None
Road access City street, Condition Paved
Flows Tidal Water quality Good
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

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

This proposed pier at the end of Fall Street (Canyon Way) should be extended ten to fifteen feet beyond the existing piers if at all possible. This extension of the pier as shown in the sketch would accommodate a greater number of anglers.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Yaquina River System Site No. 5 through 8
I Area Priority Complete

Name Newport Bayfront Launching Sites

Location Newport bayfront, North Bank

T 11 S, R 11 W, Sec. 8 & 9 River Mile 1 to 2 County Lincoln

Ownership: Public (Port of Newport)

Private X Tax Lot No. Many

Number of owners _____

DESCRIPTION

Land type Small flats along bayshore

Cover type Mixed trees and shrubs

Road access County road, Condition Paved

Flows Tidal Water quality Good

Present stage of development Complete launching and parking facilities

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: _____ Acres, _____ of frontage

Type of conveyance _____

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____

Toilets _____ Trails _____ Roads _____

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

These sites provide launching for a fee and parking for persons angling in the ocean and bay areas, but parking areas are inadequate during peak use.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Yaquina River System Site No. 9
I Area Priority A

Name Idaho Point Road Access

Location 2 miles southeast of Newport on Yaquina Bay South Bank

T 11 S, R 11 W, Sec. 16 River Mile 2.5 County Lincoln

Ownership: Public _____

Private X Tax Lot No. Many

Number of owners Many

DESCRIPTION

Land type Small flat areas adjacent to tide flats.

Cover type Deciduous trees and shrubs

Road access County, Condition Paved

Flows Tidal Water quality Good

Present stage of development None, but used by clam diggers.

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 1 Acres, _____ of frontage

Type of conveyance Purchase

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____

Toilets X Trails _____ Roads _____

Parking area X; For 25 cars or _____ car-trailer units

This area is used quite heavily by clam diggers. Parking is along the side
of the road.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Yaquina River System Site No. 10
I Area Priority B
Name Kings Slough Moorage

Location 2 miles southeast of Newport on Yaquina Bay, South Bank
T 11 S, R 11 W, Sec. 16 River Mile 3 County Lincoln
Ownership: Public _____
Private X Tax Lot No. 800
Number of owners 1

DESCRIPTION

Land type Small flat point along bay shoreline
Cover type Deciduous trees and shrubs
Road access County, Condition Paved
Flows Tidal Water quality Good
Present stage of development Small private dock

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 5 Acres, _____ of frontage
Type of conveyance Purchase

Development:

Boat ramp: Type Concrete Number of lanes 2+
Toilets X Trails _____ Roads _____
Parking area X; For _____ cars or 100 car-trailer units

This site would provide launching and moorage in a protected area of the
lower bay.

AREA I

SITE # 10

FISHERY: Coho salmon and chinook salmon in the ocean. Perch, flounder
and crabs in the bay.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy		Sa		
Medium	BF	BF,Cb	Sa	
Light	Cb		BF,Cb	BF

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

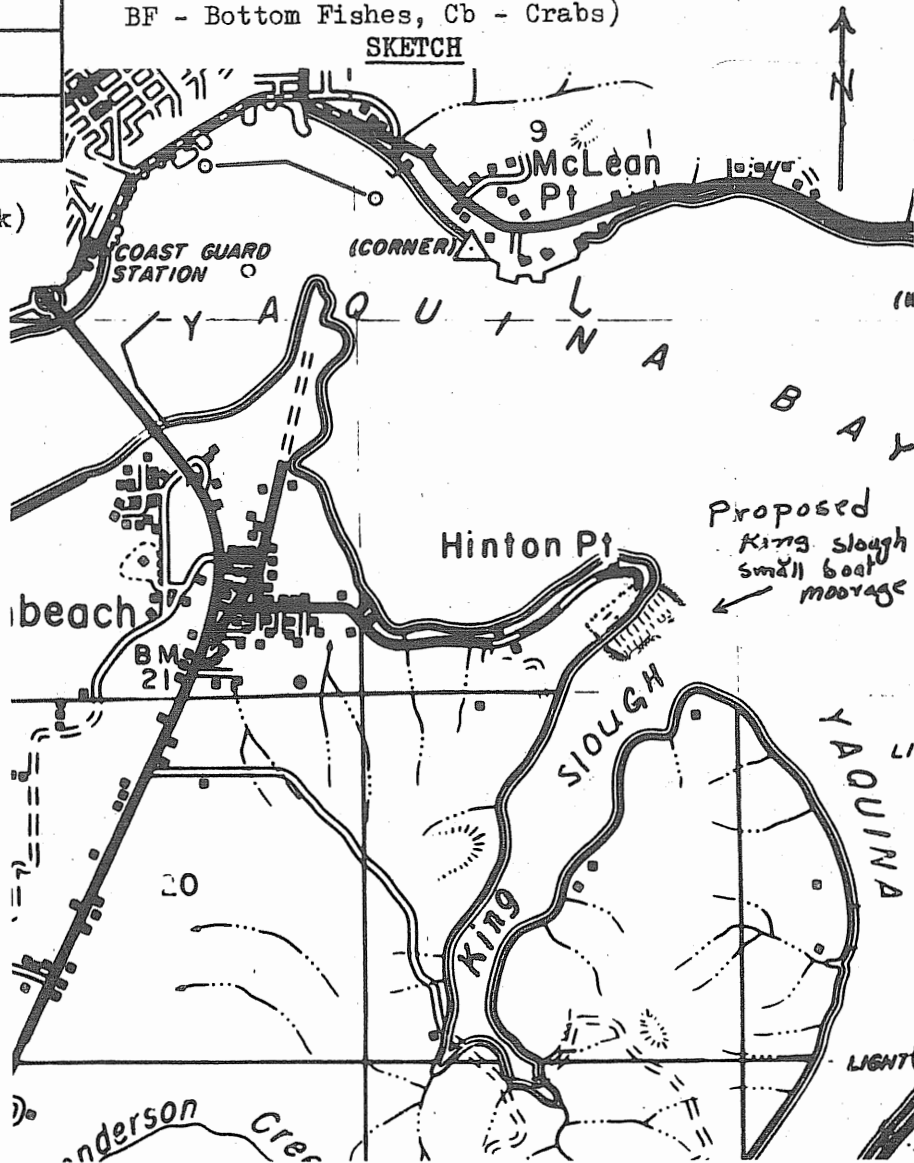
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Seasons (Check)

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

RECREATION
(Check)

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



OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Yaquina River System Site No. 11
I Area Priority B
Name Sally's Bend Access

Location 2 1/2 miles east of Newport on Yaquina Bay, North Bank
T 11 S, R 11 W, Sec. 10 & 15 River Mile 3 - 3 1/2 County Lincoln
Ownership: Public _____
Private X Tax Lot No. Many
Number of owners Many

DESCRIPTION

Land type Tidal flat
Cover type Deciduous trees next to roadway
Road access County, Condition Paved
Flows Tidal Water quality Good
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 2 - 3 Acres, for parking and access along the bay shore
Type of conveyance _____

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____
Toilets X Trails _____ Roads _____
Parking area X; For 50 cars or _____ car-trailer units

This area needs parking and access to the clam beds wherever possible. At present the clam beds are reached by boat along this section of the bay.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Yaquina River System Site No. 12 through 14

I Area Priority Complete

Name Upper Bay Moorages

Location 5 miles south of Newport, East Bank

T 11 S, R 11 W, Sec. 22 & 27 River Mile 4 - 6 County Lincoln

Ownership: Public _____

Private X Tax Lot No. Many

Number of owners 3

DESCRIPTION

Land type Small to large flats along bayshore

Cover type Deciduous trees and shrubs

Road access County, Condition Paved

Flows Tidal Water quality Good

Present stage of development Complete launching, parking and moorage facilities

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: _____ Acres, _____ of frontage

Type of conveyance _____

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____

Toilets _____ Trails _____ Roads _____

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

These sites provide launching, parking and moorage for persons using the bay areas as well as the ocean fishery.

FISHERY: Coho salmon, chinook salmon, cutthroat trout, perch, flounder, crabs
and clams.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy			Sa	
Medium	BF	Tr, Sa	Tr	
Light	Cb, SF	BF Cb, SF	BF Cb, SF	

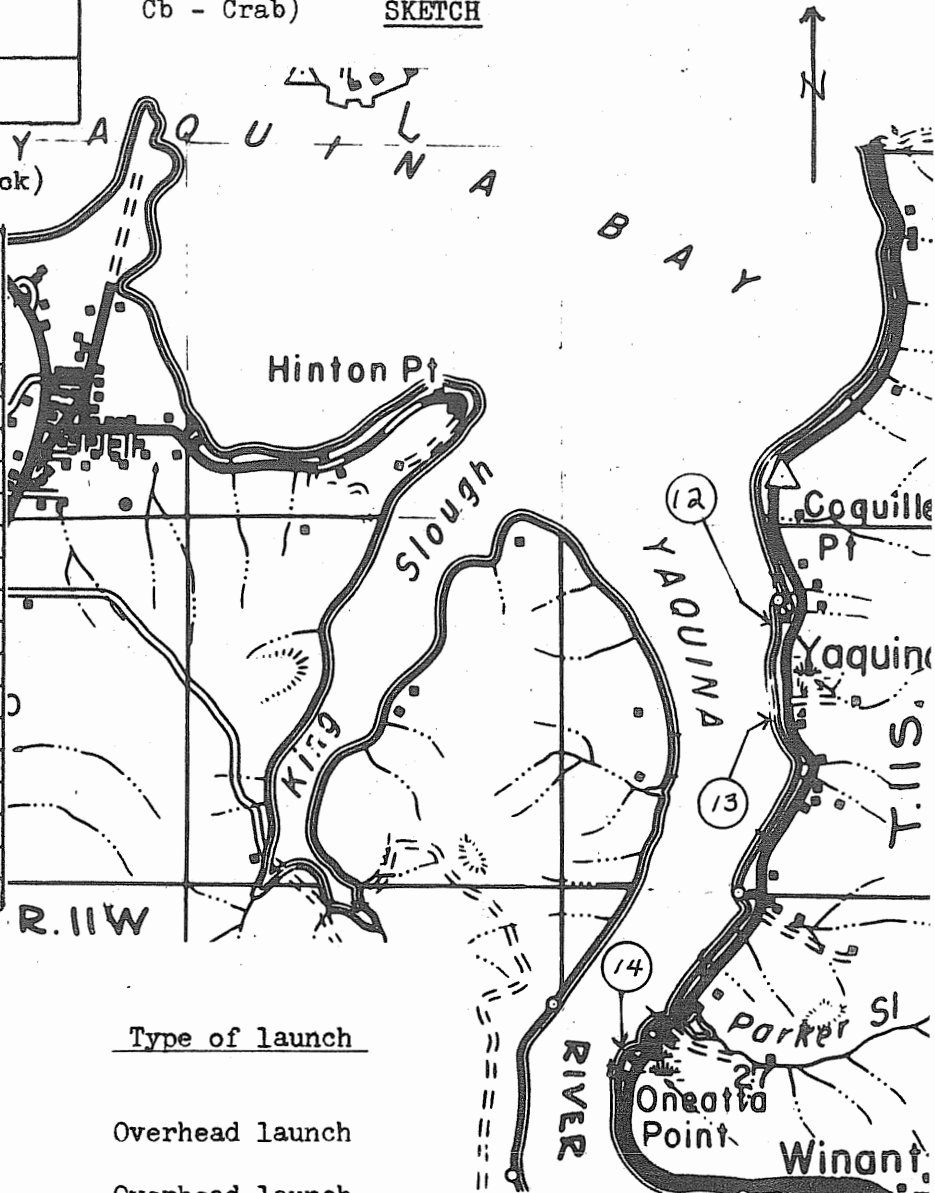
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 Sg - Sturgeon, Ww - Warm Water Fishes,
 BF - Bottom Fish, SF - Shell Fish,
 Cb - Crab) SKETCH

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

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



#	Name of site	Type of launch
12	Sawyers Moorage	Overhead launch
13	Yaquina Marina	Overhead launch
14	River Bend Marina	Overhead launch

REMARKS

These fee launching areas are adequate at this time.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Yaquina River System Site No. 15

I Area Priority C

Name North Bay Road Access

Location 6 miles east of Newport on North Bay road, North Bank

T 11S, R 11W, Sec. 27 River Mile 5.5-6.5 County Lincoln

Ownership: Public _____

Private Tax Lot No. 2100

Number of owners 1 (Georgia Pacific)

DESCRIPTION

Land type Wide shoulders along roadway

Cover type Deciduous trees and shrubs

Road access County, Condition Paved

Flows Tidal Water quality Good

Present stage of development None, but used

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 1 Acres, _____ of frontage

Type of conveyance _____

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____

Toilets Trails _____ Roads _____

Parking area ; For 25 cars or _____ car-trailer units

This site will provide assured access for bank angling in this area of

the bay fishery.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Yaquina River System Site No. 16
I Area Priority B
Name Pooles Slough Area

Location 10 miles west of Toledo on South Bay Road, South Bank
T 11 S, R 11 W, Sec. 34 River Mile 6.5 County Lincoln
Ownership: Public _____
Private X Tax Lot No. Many
Number of owners Many

DESCRIPTION

Land type Flat land at mouth of slough
Cover type Douglas fir and alder with small brush
Road access _____ County _____, Condition Gravel
Flows _____ Tidal _____ Water quality Good
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 2 Acres, _____ of frontage
Type of conveyance Purchase

Development:

Boat ramp: Type Concrete Number of lanes 1
Toilets X Trails X Roads _____
Parking area X; For 30 cars or 10 car-trailer units
This area should be considered for development when the south bay road is
extended across the slough.

AREA I

SITE # 16

FISHERY: Trolling for coho salmon, chinook salmon, cutthroat trout in Yaquina Bay in this area. Still fishing from boats for perch in the bay.

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

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

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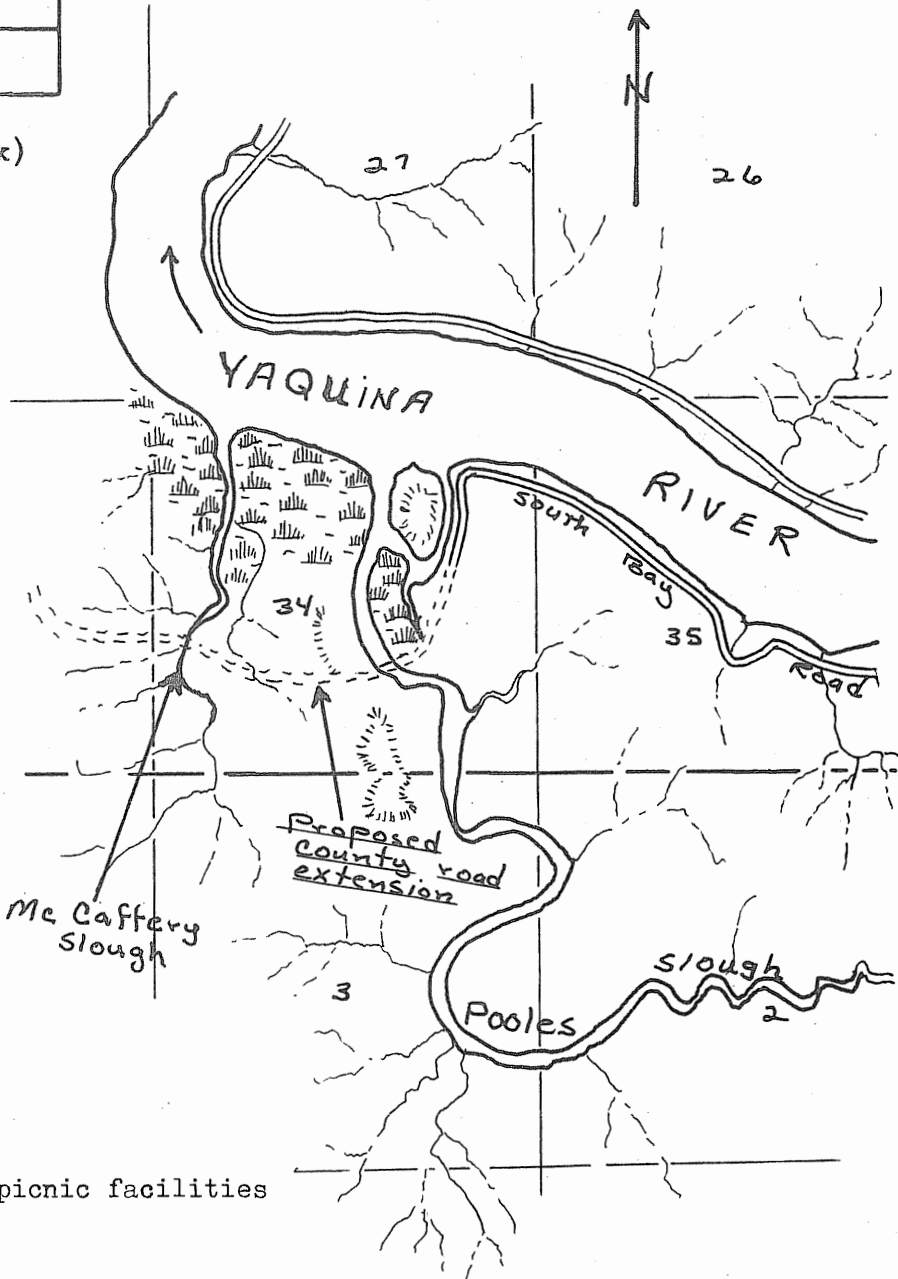
Seasons (Check)

* Potential

RECREATION
(Check)

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

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



OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities: * Parking and picnic facilities

REMARKS

* Present plans call for extending the South Bay Road to connect with State Highway 101. If a boat ramp and parking and picnic area were constructed at the crossing on Pooles Slough, this recreation would be available to the public. The island at the mouth of Pooles Slough should also be considered as a recreational area for camping and picnicking.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Yaquina River System Site No. 17
I Area Priority A

Name Boone - Nuet Slough Project

Location 9 miles east of Newport on North Bay Road, North Bank
10 W 30
T 11 S, R 11 W, Sec. 25 River Mile 9.5 County Lincoln

Ownership: Public Lincoln County
Private X Tax Lot No. Many
Number of owners Many

DESCRIPTION

Land type Low flats at slough channels
Cover type Deciduous trees and shrubs
Road access County, Condition Paved
Flows Tidal Water quality Good
Present stage of development Plans

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 2 Acres, _____ of frontage
Type of conveyance Purchase

Development:

Boat ramp: Type Concrete Number of lanes 1
Toilets X Trails _____ Roads _____
Parking area X; For 25 cars or 15 car-trailer units

This site will provide boat launching for recreational use in this section
of the river.

AREA I

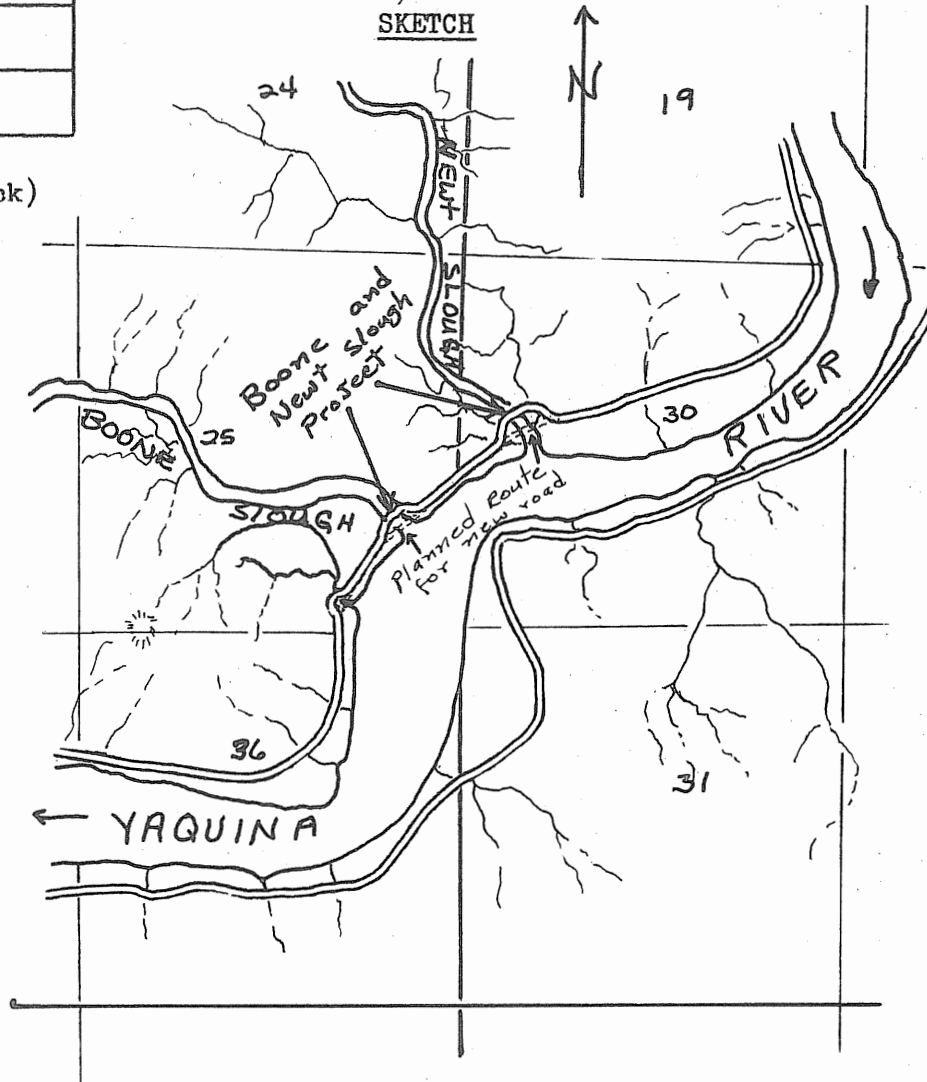
SITE # 17

FISHERY: Troll fishery for coho salmon, chinook salmon, cutthroat trout and a minor fishery for bottom fish in the lower bay area.

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

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

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				
Hiking				
Horseback riding				
Hunting, big game				
Hunting, upland game				
Hunting, waterfowl			X	X
Nature study				
Picnicking	X	X	X	
Sightseeing				
Skin and scuba diving				
Swimming		X		
Water skiing	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: Picnic and parking facilities.

REMARKS

When the road is built across Boone and Newt Sloughs, the tentative county plans include a boat access site between the new and old roads. The bridges constructed over the sloughs will be high enough to provide boat passage beneath them.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Yaquina River System Site No. 18
I Area Priority C
Name South Bay Road

Location South Bay road west of Toledo, South Bank
11 W
T 11 S, R 12 W, Sec. Many River Mile 6 - 10 County Lincoln
Ownership: Public Lincoln County
Private X Tax Lot No. Many
Number of owners Many

DESCRIPTION

Land type Small flats between roadway and the bay
Cover type Fir, alder and deciduous brush
Road access County, Condition Gravel
Flows Tidal Water quality Good
Present stage of development County roadway

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 1 or 2 Acres for parking and launching
Type of conveyance Purchase

Development:

Boat ramp: Type Concrete Number of lanes 1
Toilets X Trails _____ Roads _____
Parking area X; For _____ cars or 15 car-trailer units
This site will provide additional boat launching on the south of the upper
bay.

AREA I

SITE # 18

FISHERY: Coho salmon, chinook salmon, cutthroat trout and ocean perch. Soft-shell clams are found throughout the south shoreline of the bay.

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Heavy				
Medium	BF	Sa	Tr Sa	
Light	SF	Tr BF,SF	BF	

(Sa - Salmon, St - Steelhead, Tr - Trout, Sg - Sturgeon, Wv - Warm Water Fishes, BF - Bottom Fish, SF - Shellfish)

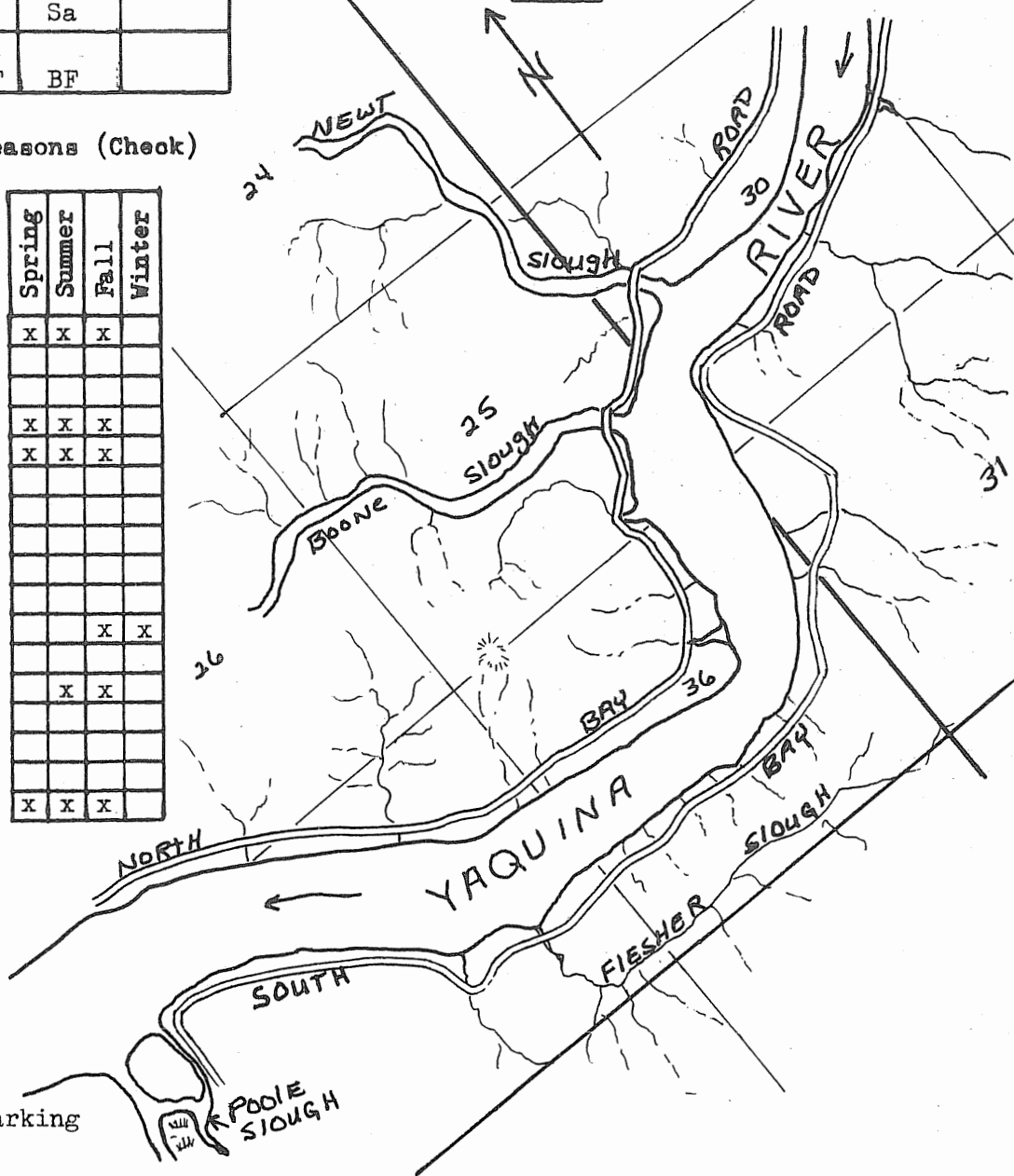
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Seasons (Check)

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

RECREATION
(Check)

- Boating, motor
- Boating, non-motor
- Camping, tent
- Clam digging
- 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: Parking

REMARKS

A boat launching site should be considered along this area when the South Bay Road is improved, or if an additional launching site for the upper bay area is needed in the future.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Yaquina River System Site No. 19
I Area Priority B

Name Toledo Airport Boat Ramp

Location 2 miles south of Toledo, East Bank
T 11 S R 10 W, Sec. 20 River Mile 11 County Lincoln

Ownership: Public (Port of Toledo) Lincoln County

Private _____ Tax Lot No. 1201, 1200

Number of owners 2

DESCRIPTION

Land type Large flat between county road and bay

Cover type Grass and sandy shoreline

Road access County, Condition Paved

Flows Tidal Water quality Good

Present stage of development Completed ramp and parking area.

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: _____ Acres, _____ of frontage

Type of conveyance Use agreement to assure public access over county land.

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____

Toilets _____ Trails _____ Roads _____

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

This boat ramp and parking area, the result of a cooperative agreement

between the Port of Toledo, Lincoln County, and the Oregon State Game

Commission is adequate at this time.

AREA I

SITE # 19

FISHERY: Troll fishery for coho salmon, chinook salmon, cutthroat trout in the bay. Clamming in the tide flats along the bay.

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

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

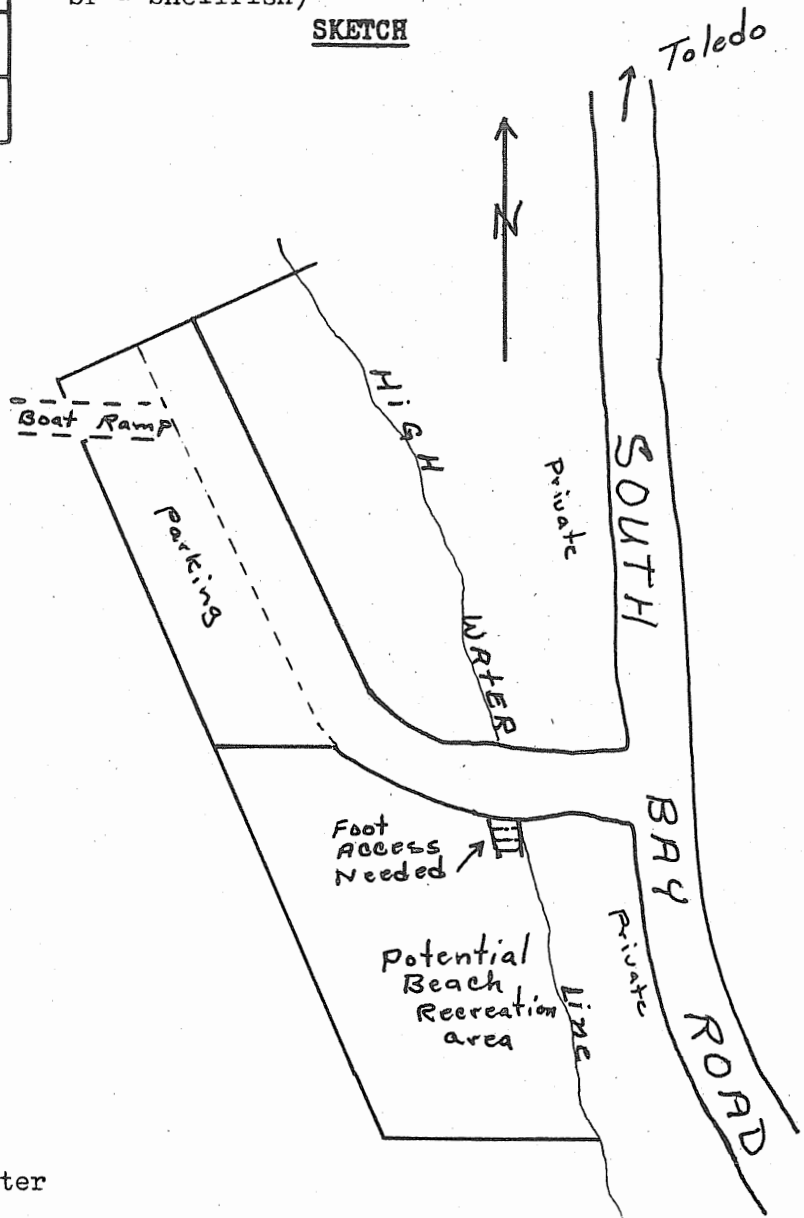
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Seasons (Check)

RECREATION
(Check)

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

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



OTHER

Safety Problems: Debris in the water

Group Facilities: Parking, picnicking and swimming

REMARKS The beach and tide flat area south of the ramp and parking lot is owned by Lincoln County and leased to Georgia Pacific Corporation. This potential recreational area for swimming, water skiing and picnicking is available between medium and low tides. Foot access from the parking lot to the beach is needed as people are now parking on the county road and crossing private land to reach the beach area.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Yaquina River System Site No. 20
I Area Priority C

Name Mill Creek Boat Ramp

Location 3.5 miles southeast of Toledo, South Bank
T 11 S, R 10 W, Sec. 21 & 28 River Mile 15 County Lincoln

Ownership: Public _____
Private X Tax Lot No. 200, 1200
Number of owners 2

DESCRIPTION

Land type Low flat along river above high tide mark
Cover type Grass and small shrubs
Road access County, Condition Paved
Flows Tidal effect Water quality Good
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: 1 Acres, _____ of frontage
Type of conveyance Purchase

Development:

Boat ramp: Type Concrete Number of lanes 1
Toilets X Trails _____ Roads _____
Parking area X; For _____ cars or 15 car-trailer units

This site will provide launching between the two existing ramps.

AREA I

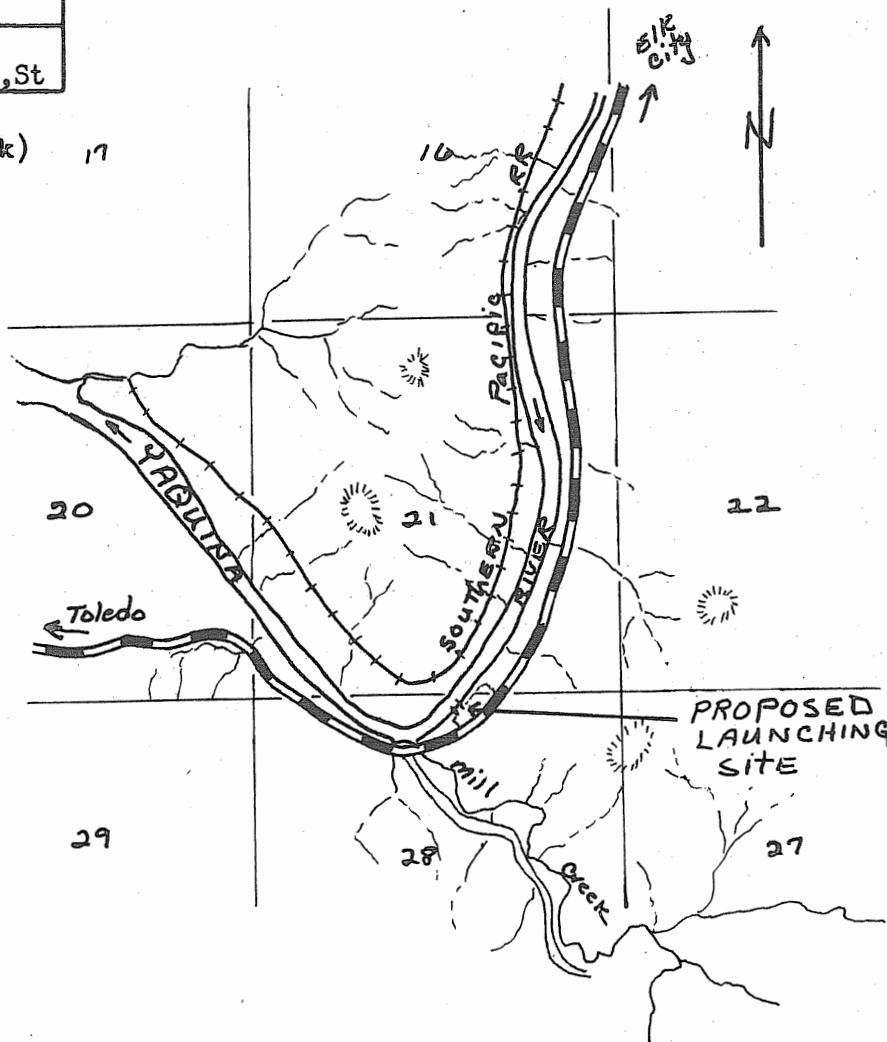
SITE # 20

FISHERY: Cutthroat trout, coho salmon, chinook salmon and steelhead trout.

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

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

SKETCH



Seasons (Check) 17

RECREATION
(Check)

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

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities:

REMARKS

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Yaquina River System Site No. 21
I Area Priority Complete
Name Elk City Boat Ramp

Location at confluence of Elk River and Yaquina River, South Bank
T 11 S, R 10 W, Sec. 14 River Mile 22.5 County Lincoln
Ownership: Public Lincoln County
Private _____ Tax Lot No. _____
Number of owners 1

DESCRIPTION

Land type Low flat bench
Cover type Alder and maple with grass understory
Road access County, Condition Gravel
Flows Tidal affect Water quality Good
Present stage of development Complete boat ramp, parking and picnic area.

ANGLER NEEDS

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

Development:

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

This site is adequate at this time.

AREA II

This area includes the middle Yaquina River from Elk City to the winter angling deadline at river mile 39. Also included in this area is that portion of Elk Creek upstream from Elk City to Grant Creek which is the winter angling deadline.

Both streams flow through narrow valleys with gentle to moderate slopes. The streams are bordered by deciduous trees and brush intermingled with conifers. Some of the larger flats are utilized for farmland and pasture.

Stream gradient on the Yaquina is relatively flat with only occasional riffles giving the stream a slow flowing sluggish appearance along most of this area. Elk Creek in contrast has a moderate gradient with numerous pools and riffles.

This area receives light use by bank anglers in pursuit of fall salmon, winter steelhead and trout in season. The heaviest use occurs during the opening of the trout season in the spring and in the winter when the steelhead are in the river.

The only developed site in this area is the U. S. Forest Service campground at Big Elk Guard Station on Elk Creek. Although most of the land in this area is private, access by implied consent is presently available to the angler. As angling pressure increases, access should be acquired wherever and whenever it is needed to assure public use of the fishery resource in this area.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Yaquina River System Site No. 1

II Area Priority B

Name Lower Elk Creek

Location Elk City to Grant Creek (River Mile 21.5), Both Banks

11 S 9 W
T 12 S, R 10 W, Sec. Many River Mile 2-21.5 County Lincoln

Ownership: Public U. S. Forest Service

Private X Tax Lot No. Numerous

Number of owners Many

DESCRIPTION

Land type Narrow valley with small to large flats along the river.

Cover type Conifers, deciduous trees, brush and farmland.

Road access County, Condition Gravel

Flows High-winter; low-summer Water quality Good

Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: Parking areas and river access wherever and whenever necessary.

Type of conveyance Purchase

Development:

Boat ramp: Type _____ Number of lanes _____

Toilets X Trails X Roads X

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

This site will provide bank angling along this section of the lower river.

FISHERY: Bank angling for coho salmon, chinook salmon, steelhead and cutthroat trout.

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

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

SKETCH

See map.

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		

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities: Parking and picnic facilities.

REMARKS

This section of the river receives only light to moderate angling pressure now, but as angling pressure increases, access should be acquired to assure public use of the fishery resource.

WATER ACCESS SITE EVALUATION

Yaquina River System Site No. 2
II Area Priority C
Name Middle Yaquina River

Location Elk City to winter closure (River Mile 39), Both Banks
10 S 9 W
T 11 S, R 10 W, Sec. Many River Mile 25-39 County Lincoln
Ownership: Public X
Private X Tax Lot No. Numerous
Number of owners Many

DESCRIPTION

Land type Narrow valley with small flats to large fields
Cover type Conifers, deciduous trees, brush and farmland.
Road access State and county, Condition Paved and graveled
Flows High-winter; low-summer Water quality Good
Present stage of development None

ANGLER NEEDS

Acquisition: Parking areas and river access wherever and whenever necessary.
Type of conveyance Purchase

Development:

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

This site will provide bank angling along this section of the river.

FISHERY: Bank angling for coho salmon, chinook salmon, steelhead and cutthroat trout.

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

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

SKETCH

See map.

Seasons (Check)

RECREATION
(Check)

	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Boating, motor				
Boating, non-motor				
Camping, tent	x	x	x	
Camping, trailer				
Fishing, boat				
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		
Water skiing				

OTHER

Safety Problems:

Group Facilities: Parking and picnic facilities

REMARKS

This area receives light angling from a few of the local people along the river. If angling pressure increases, access should be acquired to assure public use of the fishery resource.

AREA III

Included in this area are the upper drainages of the Yaquina River and Elk Creek, as well as the entire drainage of Little Elk Creek.

This area above the winter angling deadlines has a cumulative total of approximately 35 miles of stream providing summer trout angling.

All three streams originate on the west slopes of the coast range mountains and flow westerly through narrow valleys of timber and farmland. Stream flows are generally good in the spring, but quite low in the summer. The stream gradient is generally moderate creating numerous small pools and riffles.

Angler use of this area is very light and occurs mainly in the spring at the opening of trout season. Most of the anglers are local people from nearby communities. Access to the stream is considered adequate at this time, so no public access developments are suggested for this area at this time.