

DRAFT Fish or Wildlife Management Plan Template DRAFT

This outline is intended to serve as a tickler for information that could be included in a Management Plan for fish or wildlife mitigation lands. Not all of these topics apply in all instances and there may be other topics that are not listed that should be covered in a particular area's plan.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY (if it's a large document)

CHAPTER I. INTRODUCTION

Background and Purpose

Northwest Power Planning Council Goals and Objectives

Guiding Policies and Responsibilities

Bonneville Power Administration

Managing Agency Guidance

Fish/Wildlife Area Goals from MOA, Conservation Easement, Managing entity

Ties to other documents (sub-basin plans, existing EIS, etc)

Summary of the Planning Process (date Draft MP posted, meetings, who reviewed and commented, date of Final approval, updates)

CHAPTER II. AREA DESCRIPTIONS AND MAPS

Property locations and size (include an updated map of all included lands).

History of land purchases

History of land use on property(ies)

Ownership and Use of Adjacent Lands

Climate

Soils and Topography

Hydrology and Watersheds

Habitat Cover Types and Vegetation

Invasive species and their management

Fire History

Fish and Wildlife Resources

Special Status Habitats (including wetlands) and Species

Cultural Resources

User groups and Recreational History

Transportation and Access

CHAPTER III. MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES, ISSUES AND STRATEGIES

Potential funding mechanisms for implementing projects

Environmental compliance requirements

- NEPA
- ESA
- NHPA
- Other

Specific management objectives and strategies (below are some example objectives)

- **Objective: Protect, restore and enhance fish and wildlife populations and their habitats**
 - Improve or Maintain Big Game Populations
 - Protect, Enhance and Restore Function and Structure of Native Habitats

- Monitor and Control of Noxious Weeds
- Enhance and Protect Endangered, Threatened, and Sensitive Species
- Improve and Maintain Fish Populations
- Protect Upland Game Birds
- Protect and Manage Non-Game Species

- **Objective: Provide sustainable fish and wildlife-related recreational and commercial opportunities compatible with maintaining healthy fish and wildlife populations and habitats.**
 - Provide Public Access Compatible With Fish, Wildlife and Habitat Protection
 - Provide Commercial Opportunities Compatible With Fish, Wildlife and Habitat Protection
 - Provide Fish and Wildlife Recreational Opportunities

- **Objective: Minimize adverse interactions between humans and wildlife**
 - Provide Refuge Areas For Wildlife and Reduce Winter Disturbance
 - Implement Strategies to Reduce Elk Damage on Private Lands

- **Objective: Ensure activities, programs, facilities and lands are consistent with local, state and federal regulations that protect and recover fish, wildlife and their habitats**
 - Manage Noxious Weeds in a Manner Consistent With Local, State, and Federal Regulations
 - Manage Species and Habitats in Compliance With ESA and EPA Regulations.
- Recommendations Compiled by Other Regional Planning Efforts**
 - Provide Fire Management
 - Pay PILT (Payment In Lieu of Taxes) and Assessment Obligations

- **Objective: Work with (Tribal/State) governments to ensure fish and wildlife management objectives are achieved**
 - Discuss Mutual Concerns for Wildlife Resources With Tribal/State Representatives

- **Objective: Reconnect with those interested in Washington's fish and wildlife**
 - Offer Volunteer Projects to Involve the Public in Wildlife Area Efforts
 - Participate in Local Cooperative Projects
 - Be Responsive to Public Concerns and Implement the “Good Neighbor” Policy

- **Objective: Provide sound operational management of lands, facilities and access sites**
 - Monitor Livestock Grazing to Ensure Proper Land Use
 - Maintain Roads and Trails as Necessary to Perform Management Functions
 - Remove Old Ranching Debris From Newly Acquired Properties
 - Maintain a Knowledgeable and Well-trained Workforce
 - Maintain or Remove Facilities, Outbuildings and Structures

CHAPTER IV. PERFORMANCE MEASURES, EVALUATIONS AND UPDATES

Monitoring and Evaluation Techniques

Annual Evaluation of Performance

Periodic Updates to the Management Plan

MANAGEMENT STAFF AND RESPONSIBILITIES

REFERENCES

POTENTIAL APPENDICES

- PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT, COMMENTS ON MANAGEMENT PLAN
- PLANNING DOCUMENTS GUIDING MANAGEMENT
- WEED MANAGEMENT PLAN
- FIRE MANAGEMENT PLAN
- ACCESS MANAGEMENT PLAN
- WATER RIGHTS
- HEP SURVEY RESULTS
- PLANT AND WILDLIFE SPECIES WITH FEDERAL OR STATE LISTED STATUS
- COMMON SCIENTIFIC NAMES OF SPECIES MENTIONED IN THE TEXT
- CULTURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN
- SUMMARY OF SURVEYS CONDUCTED ON SITE

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