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State Recreation Agency Seeks Citizens for Advisory Committee

OLYMPIA – The Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation is looking for three volunteers to serve on a planning advisory committee that will help design a statewide recreation participation survey.

The Interagency Committee is looking for someone whose livelihood depends on outdoor recreation, such as someone involved in selling or making outdoor equipment, consulting on recreation or serving as a recreation guide. In addition, the agency seeks one representative from eastern Washington and one from western Washington who is interested in outdoor recreation and has a background in marketing, research or statistics.

The advisory committee will help develop the methodology, evaluate potential contractors and set desired data outcomes for a statewide assessment of outdoor recreation participation. Volunteers will attend a half-day meeting in Olympia this spring, spend a few hours reading proposals from potential contractors and other materials and attend a day-long contractor evaluation session in the summer.

To apply, send a letter of interest by May 20 to Jim Eychaner, Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation, P.O. Box 40917, Olympia WA 98504-0917, or email: JimE@iac.wa.gov.

A sample of the previous assessment of outdoor recreation, called the State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Planning Document (SCORP), is available at the Interagency Committee Web site at: http://www.iac.wa.gov/iac/docs.htm under “recreation trends.”

The Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation was established in 1964 to finance recreation and conservation projects throughout the state.

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