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**TOPIC #6: BOATING FACILITIES PROGRAM FUNDING - STATE AGENCY
CATEGORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008**

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Presented By: Marguerite Austin and Marc Duboiski, Outdoor Grants Manager

Proposed Action: Funding decision

Summary:

The Boating Facilities Program (BFP) provides funds for state agency sites and facilities that support motorized recreational boating. This includes facilities on both salt and fresh water bodies. This year, eighteen State Agency category projects requesting more than \$7.7 million were submitted for BFP funding consideration.

This memorandum outlines the results of the review and evaluation process, staff's recommendation for approval of the ranked list of projects to be submitted to the Governor and Legislature, and staff's funding recommendation for use of the estimated \$4.5 million available for fiscal year 2008 projects.

Staff Recommendation:

After reviewing the results of the scoring and ranking of projects, and considering comments from evaluators and applicants, staff recommends approval of the ranked list of projects shown in Table 1— *Boating Facilities Program – State, Fiscal Year 2008*. Table 1 also shows staff's recommendation for distribution of approximately \$4.5 million for this list of projects, which would provide full funding for projects 1-11.

There are two projects that tied for twelfth place and are at the funding line. Both projects were submitted by State Parks. After consultation with State Parks, IAC staff recommends providing partial funding for Parks' stated higher priority, Cape Disappointment Boat Launch Paving, so they can complete some much need vehicle-trailer parking. If and as other funds are available, staff will distribute the complete funding for Cape Disappointment, and the James Island ADA Moorage will be the next alternate funded.

Staff's funding recommendation is based on the following elements:

- Projects and sponsors meet IAC eligibility requirements
- Project rankings were determined by the adopted evaluation process
- Project funding as specified in statute and IAC adopted policies, and
- An attempt to fund as many projects as possible.

To expedite use of previously allocated BFP dollars, staff also recommends immediately using available BFP-State funds for the top ranked projects, Lake Sammamish Handling Piers, Phase 2 and Silver Lake Public Access, Phase 2. These two projects were on last biennium's IAC-approved and legislatively-reviewed BFP funding list. However, neither was able to complete the original project. In both cases, after the grant award and while completing the design and permitting phases, the agencies realized escalating costs would not allow them to complete the projects as originally planned. Because of the sizeable amount of funds needed to implement the construction phase, each agency received approval to switch the original development project to design/permit projects only for the previous biennium (FY06), and to resubmit the project for construction dollars in the FY 08 list.

If approved by the Board, using the funds currently available, IAC staff will issue agreements for the first two projects. Lake Sammamish Handling Piers would receive full funding, using \$314,000 of the currently available \$365,322. Silver Lake Public Access would receive partial funding from the remainder of the current funds. As additional funds become available, either through unexpended funds from other current approved projects or the new appropriations, monies would be added to the Silver Lake project until it is fully funded.

Resolution #2006-40 is provided for Board consideration.

Background:

IAC Manual #9, *Boating Facilities Program: Policies and Project Selection* outlines policies for BFP projects which allows funding for:

- Acquisition of land and water to support motorized recreational boating
- Capital improvement projects that include renovation and/or new development of facilities and amenities used exclusively or primarily by recreational boaters, and
- Planning to include engineering, environmental review, and permits.

Policies applicable for BFP-State category projects include:

- Eligibility for state agencies only
- 100% grants for an individual project with no matching share requirement, and
- No limits on the maximum grant request, however, an agency's total request may not exceed twice the estimated funds available.

Evaluation Summary

The BFP Advisory Committee is comprised of public agency professionals and citizens recognized for their expertise and knowledge regarding boating issues. Members of this Committee, who evaluated BFP-State category projects on September 27, 28 and 29, include:

NAME	CITY	AGENCY/ORGANIZATION	POSITION
Bill Brandt	Olympia	Olympia Yacht Club	Citizen at Large
David G. Smith	Moses Lake	Columbia Basin Walleye Club	Citizen at Large
John S. Sillers	Richland	Walla Walla Yacht Club	Citizen at Large
Cheryl Maynard	Olympia	Port of Olympia	Local Agency
Dona Wuthnow	Friday Harbor	San Juan County Parks	Local Agency
Paul Whitemarsh	Pasco	Pasco Parks & Recreation	Local Agency
Curt Pavola	Olympia	Department of Natural Resources	State Agency
Jeff Skriletz	Olympia	Department of Fish & Wildlife	State Agency
Mike Allen	Olympia	State Parks & Recreation Commission	State Agency

The results of the evaluations, provided for IAC Board consideration, are found in *Table 1 – Boating Facilities Program – State, Fiscal Year 2008*.

Analysis:

BFP funds come from a portion of the motor vehicle gasoline tax paid by boaters and not refunded as allowed by law. By statute funds for BFP grants are divided equally between state and local agencies. Anticipated revenue for the next biennium is \$8.4 million, resulting in \$4.2 million for BFP-State category projects. In addition, funds from current BFP projects that were completed under budget are also available for redistribution.

This chart shows the funding picture for fiscal year 2008 projects.

BFP-STATE CATEGORY FUNDS	FY2006
2007-2009 Appropriation	\$4,224,255
Unexpended Funds	<u>\$365,322</u>
Estimated Funds Available	\$4,589,577
Funds Requested	<u>\$7,765,835</u>
Unfunded Requests	\$3,823,742

Historically BFP-State category funds are all allocated during the first year of the biennium. This is reflected in staff's funding recommendation.

Next Steps:

After funding approval, IAC staff will ensure funded applicants complete any post approval requirements (e.g. submittal of milestones, verification of control and tenure documents, etc.), ensure project agreements are executed, and monitor for compliance. If an applicant is unsuccessful in meeting the post approval requirements, or if additional funds become available from projects that are completed under budget, the ranked list of alternate projects remain eligible for funding through February 2008.

Attachments:

- Resolution #2006-40
- Table 1 – *Boating Facilities Program – State, Fiscal Year 2008 (2006-40)*
- State Location Map for BFP-State Category projects
- BFP Evaluation Criteria Summary
- BFP-State Project Evaluation Scoring Summary
- BFP-State Project Synopses

RESOLUTION #2006-40
Boating Facilities Program - State Agency Projects
Fiscal Year 2008

WHEREAS, eighteen State Agency Boating Facilities Program projects are submitted for fiscal year 2008 funding consideration by the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC), and

WHEREAS, all eighteen projects have been evaluated in open public meetings against an evaluation instrument approved by the Board, and

WHEREAS, all projects meet program requirements as stipulated in statute, administrative rule, and policy, and

WHEREAS, allocation of unused BFP-State funds to the top ranked projects will expedite use of existing monies available for BFP-State projects,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that IAC hereby approves the ranked list of projects as depicted in Table 1, *Boating Facilities Program – State, Fiscal Year 2008 (2006-40)*, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all projects shown in Table 1, *Boating Facilities Program – State, Fiscal Year 2008* be forwarded to the Governor and the Legislature for executive and legislative approval, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board approves funding for the projects as specified in Table 1 and the Director be authorized to promptly execute project agreements for funding of the top two ranked projects using available BFP-State funds, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director be authorized to execute any and all project agreements necessary to facilitate prompt project implementation of the remaining FY2008 projects following executive and legislative review.

Resolution moved by: _____

Resolution seconded by: _____

Adopted/Defeated/Deferred (circle one)

Date: November 16, 2006



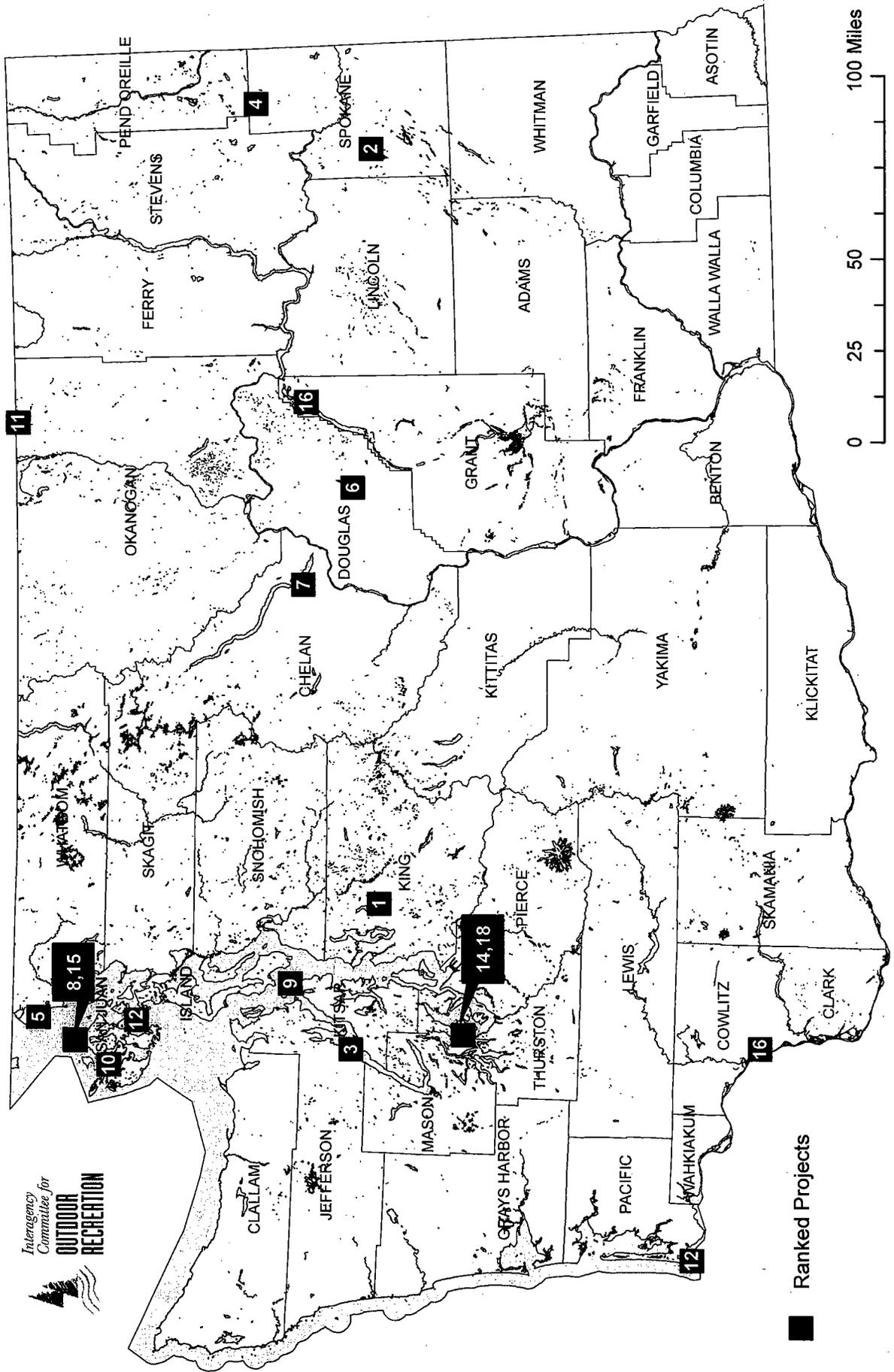
Table 1
Boating Facilities Program - State
State Fiscal Year 2008

Rank	Score	Number	Project Name	Project Sponsor	IAC Request	Sponsor Match	Total Cost	Staff Recommendations	Cumulative Request
1 of 18	62.000	06-1974D	Lake Sammamish Handling Piers--Phase 2	State Parks	314,000	314,000	628,000	314,000	314,000
2 of 18	59.444	06-1766D	Silver Lake Public Access Phase 2	Fish & Wildlife Dept of	301,842		301,842	301,842	615,842
3 of 18	58.222	06-1770D	Pleasant Harbor Boat Launch Phase 2	Fish & Wildlife Dept of	352,554		352,554	352,554	968,396
4 of 18	55.667	06-1771D	Eloika Lake Public Access	Fish & Wildlife Dept of	345,607		345,607	345,607	1,314,003
5 of 18	55.444	06-1642D	Birch Bay - Boat Launch Redevelopment	State Parks	440,611		440,611	440,611	1,754,614
6 of 18	54.778	06-1774N	Jameson Lake Boat Launch	Fish & Wildlife Dept of	185,000		185,000	185,000	1,939,614
7 of 18	51.111	06-1734N	Lake Chelan Boat Ramp Improvements	State Parks	133,000		133,000	133,000	2,072,614
8 of 18	48.333	06-1644D	Sucia Island - ADA Moorage	State Parks	920,384		920,384	920,384	2,992,998
9 of 18	48.000	06-1768N	Point No Point Boat Launch Planning	Fish & Wildlife Dept of	250,000	50,000	300,000	250,000	3,242,998
10 of 18	45.889	06-2157D	Jones Island - ADA Moorage	State Parks	951,018		951,018	951,018	4,194,016
11 of 18	45.667	06-1776N	Sidley Lake Boat Launch	Fish & Wildlife Dept of	102,500		102,500	102,500	4,296,516
12 of 18	45.556	06-1665D	Cape Disappointment Boat Launch Paving*	State Parks	695,860		695,860	293,061	4,992,376
12 of 18	45.556	06-1643D	James Island - ADA Moorage	State Parks	966,807		966,807	Alternate	5,959,183
14 of 18	45.111	06-1972N	Joemma Breakwater & Boat Launch Planning	State Parks	126,500	126,500	253,000	Alternate	6,085,683
15 of 18	44.111	06-1645D	Sucia Island - Desalination Plant	State Parks	567,471		567,471	Alternate	6,653,154
16 of 18	43.889	06-1748D	Steamboat Rock State Park Boat Moorage	State Parks	664,160		664,160	Alternate	7,317,314
16 of 18	43.889	06-1777D	Modrow Boat Launch	Fish & Wildlife Dept of	195,196		195,196	Alternate	7,512,510
18 of 18	35.667	06-2142D	Joemma Beach Comfort Station	State Parks	253,325	253,325	506,650	Alternate	7,765,835
					7,765,835	743,825	8,509,660	4,589,577	

OTE: Estimated funds available \$4,589,577 (\$4,224,255 new funds 2007-2009 (requested, but not yet approved), \$365,322 unexpended funds)
) 06-1974D, 06-1766D - Direct available unexpended funds to these projects. These projects have existing legislative authority.
) 06-1665D and 06-1643D are both 12th ranked projects. The applicant has requested that funds be allocated to their first priority - Cape Disappointment.

Boating Facilities Program -- State Agency Projects

SFY 2008 Ranked Projects



Ranked Projects

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October 2006

Boating Facilities Program Evaluation Criteria

BOATING FACILITIES PROGRAM - CRITERIA SUMMARY					
Score	#	Item	A-D-P	Mult/Max.	Policy
Team	1	Need	A-D-P	3 /15	A-1
Team	2	Site Suitability	A-D-P	3 /15	A-1, C-2
Team	3a	Urgency	A	2 /10	A-3, C-5
Team	3b	Project Design	D	2 /10	C-1, C-4
Team	3c	Planning Success (A&E only)	P	2 /10	B-5
Team	4	Cost-Benefit	A-D-P	2 /10	A-2, A-3
Team	5	Boating Experience	A-D-P	2 /6	A-2
Team	6	Boats on Trailers	A-D-P	2 /10	C-1
Team	7	Readiness	A-D-P	5	B-5
IAC Staff	8	Matching Shares (local agencies)	A-D-P	4	C-3
IAC Staff	9	Proximity to people	A-D-P	1	RCW
IAC Staff	10	GMA preference (local agencies)	A-D-P	0	RCW
TOTAL POINTS POSSIBLE, ALL CATEGORIES			Local A-D-P	= 76	
			State A-D-P	= 73	

KEY TO PRECEEDING TABLE:

IAC Staff	=	Question scored in advance by IAC staff.
Team	=	Question scored by evaluation team.
Item	=	Question title or subject.
Number	=	Item number
A	=	Acquisition proposal.
D	=	Development or renovation proposal.
P	=	Plan proposal (architecture-engineering or permit related)
Mult/Mx	=	Multiplier and maximum points possible for this criterion
Policy	=	See IAC's <i>Boating Facilities Program Plan</i> (11/2003)



**Evaluation Summary
Boating Facilities Program -State
State Fiscal Year 2008**

Rank	Name/Sponsor	1 Need	2 Site Suitability	3 Urgency Design or Planning Success	4 Cost Benefit	5 Boating Experience	6 Boats on Trailers	7 Readiness	8 Matching Share	9 Proximity to People	Total
4	Elolika Lake Public/Fish & Wildlife	10.667	13.000	8.000	7.111	4.000	8.444	3.444	0.000	1.000	55.667
5	Birch Bay - Boat/State Park	12.333	10.667	7.111	7.111	4.667	8.667	4.889	0.000	0.000	55.444
6	Jameson Lake Boat/Fish & Wildlife	11.333	12.667	7.333	6.667	4.222	8.444	4.111	0.000	0.000	54.778
7	Lake Chelan Boat/State Park	11.667	12.333	6.000	6.889	3.778	8.000	2.444	0.000	0.000	51.111
8	Sucia Island - ADA/State Park	10.667	13.000	7.111	6.222	2.889	4.667	3.778	0.000	0.000	48.333
9	Point No Point /Fish & Wildlife	11.333	9.667	6.000	5.333	3.333	7.778	3.556	0.000	1.000	48.000
10	Jones Island - ADA/State Park	9.667	12.333	6.889	6.000	2.889	4.444	3.667	0.000	0.000	45.889
11	Sidley Lake Boal/Fish & Wildlife	10.000	9.000	6.667	6.444	3.111	6.889	3.556	0.000	0.000	45.667
12	Cape Disappointment/State Park	10.000	12.333	6.222	5.111	1.778	6.000	4.111	0.000	0.000	45.556
12	James Island - ADA/State Park	9.333	11.000	7.111	6.222	2.667	5.556	3.667	0.000	0.000	45.556
14	Joemma Breakway/State Park	9.000	11.000	6.222	6.222	2.889	5.556	3.222	0.000	1.000	45.111
15	Sucia Island - Desal/State Park	10.000	11.667	7.111	5.778	2.444	3.778	3.333	0.000	0.000	44.111
16	Steamboat Rock /State Park	9.000	12.000	6.222	4.667	2.444	6.444	3.111	0.000	0.000	43.889
16	Modrow Boat Launch/Fish & Wildlife	11.333	10.000	5.111	6.667	2.222	5.556	3.000	0.000	0.000	43.889
18	Joemma Beach Comfort/State Park	6.667	10.000	6.000	3.556	1.556	3.333	3.556	0.000	1.000	35.667

Evaluators Score Questions: 1-7
Prescore Questions: 8-9

BOATING FACILITIES
PROGRAM
STATE FISCAL YEAR 2008

STATE AGENCY CATEGORY

PROJECT SYNOPSES



BOATING FACILITIES PROGRAM
State Agency Category for Fiscal Year 2008
Project Summaries in Ranked Order

State Parks \$314,000 \$314,000 \$628,000
Lake Sammamish Handling Piers--Phase 2

On a busy summer weekend over 500 boats are launched from this popular state park, which provides the only public launch on Lake Sammamish. This project will replace six boat launch piers with five boarding floats, controlled by pilings. This will allow the launch to remain useable during the spring high-water conditions in the lake. All five floats will be accessible.

The handling piers are over thirty years old and they exhibit wear that does not adhere to present day property damage prevention or public safety standards. The total length of the floats will be increased from 40 to 60 feet in order to provide room to accommodate additional boats during the loading/unloading stages. This should facilitate less waiting time between launches. The 5 new floats will serve the existing 9 launch lanes. These floats will be designed and permitted by the time this grant receives funding. (06-1974D-FY08)

Fish & Wildlife Dept of \$301,842 \$0 \$301,842
Silver Lake Public Access Phase 2

This application is for the construction phase (Phase 2) of a two-part project. Phase 1 (planning and permitting) is currently under way and was funded by the IAC.

Silver Lake in Spokane County is an extremely popular year-round recreational site for fishing, boating, swimming and wildlife watching. Silver Lake has one of the better warm water fisheries in the Spokane area and also enjoys a good trout fishery. The WDFW access site is particularly busy all spring, summer and well into the fall, both on weekends and during the week. In order to accommodate the heavy use, the access site has two concrete plank boat ramps and two concrete vault toilets.

Because the ramps have fallen into disrepair both need replacing. The installation of a boat-loading/unloading dock will greatly facilitate this launch and retrieval. There will also be grading and fencing repair. This project will provide ADA access to the toilets and boat ramps. (06-1766D-FY08)

Fish & Wildlife Dept of \$352,554 \$0 \$352,554
Pleasant Harbor Boat Launch Phase 2

The objective of this project is to renovate one of the few public marine boat launching facilities on the west side of the Hood Canal to accommodate the high use it experiences. This renovation will provide a needed deep-water access. Currently this site is very primitive except for a new boat ramp that was constructed under a previous IAC grant. When completed this facility will triple the number of users it can currently accommodate. It will include additional parking, ADA accessibility, security lighting, and correct the erosion and sediment entering into the bay. Site design and permitting has been completed. (06-1770D-FY08)

Fish & Wildlife Dept of Eloika Lake Public Access	\$345,607	\$0	\$345,607
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Eloika Lake in Spokane County is one of eastern Washington's premier largemouth bass and pan fish lakes. This natural lake, located just 30 minutes north of the state's second largest city of Spokane, provides excellent year-round fishing opportunity to all anglers, from families to those in organized bass fishing clubs. Although the state has owned and maintained an access site on the lake for 39 years, the aged boat launch, pit toilet, fencing, and parking area are in need of repair and improvement. Additionally, the current boat launch and toilet facilities offer no accommodation for disabled individuals. In an effort to maximize the recreational potential of the Eloika Lake site, the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife wants to make the necessary improvements to provide quality access to all boaters and anglers.

Considering this high priority need, the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife proposes making improvements at the Eloika Lake access site which include: 1) Replacement of the existing boat ramp; 2) Installation of an ADA certified boat loading dock; 3) Installation of an ADA certified restroom facility; 4) Replacement of the existing fencing; and 5) Grading the parking area at the site. This project has the support of the areas anglers and bass clubs who utilize the site. It is certain that once completed, the proposed improvements will greatly benefit all users for a variety of pursuits and pleasures. (06-1771D-FY08)

State Parks Birch Bay - Boat Launch Redevelopment	\$440,611	\$0	\$440,611
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Birch Bay State Park is a 193-acre full service park located approximately 20 miles northwest of Bellingham. It serves nearly 40,000 overnight guests and 800,000 day use visitors a year. The communities of Birch Bay, Whatcom County, and the Port of Bellingham have identified a real need for a public boat launch facility within the bay. The population of the community has grown from 2,656 in 1990 to over 6,500 current residents with 2,000 new homes and condos proposed in the urban growth area. During the summer months, the population rises to nearly 15,000 people.

The project site had previously been used as a formal private launch associated with a commercial business. When the land use changed into residential, State Parks bought the property on the southern boundary of the park that included the primitive launch. The use of the current primitive facility is approximately 600 boaters a year. The proposed project will include a new surfaced ramp, a paved approach and staging area, a parking lot and a new restroom facility that will serve trailered and car top boats for fishing and shellfish harvesting as well as boating within the area around Birch Bay. (06-1642D-FY08)

Fish & Wildlife Dept of Jameson Lake Boat Launch	\$185,000	\$0	\$185,000
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This project is a planning proposal that will complete the design and permitting for future reconstruction of the launch area. Future improvements will raise the ground, install three new boat launches, install three ADA parking spots, a trail system, new pavement, and re-route road, convert lower road to bank fishing with no vehicle travel, add gravel to west and all upper parking areas, remove old posts and cable and replace with large barrier rock. The project also will include installation of two new toilets at the boat launch area, drainage culverts where needed, and an informational kiosk. (06-1774N-FY08)

State Parks \$133,000 \$0 \$133,000

Lake Chelan Boat Ramp Improvements

This grant requests project design and permitting funds at Lake Chelan State Park for replacement or significant renovation of the existing boat ramp/dock and expansion of the parking area. At this stage, the grant only seeks money for design and permitting due to the involvement of the Corps of Engineers and Endangered Species Act protected species in these waters. This park receives considerable use, typically operating at full capacity. It is identified for "Visible Improvements" in the Centennial 2013 Plan and functions as a destination facility with 81% of the campers coming from westside counties or out of state.

This project is a State Parks' priority because, despite high use and being one of only two boat ramps on that end of the lake, the wooden dock is antiquated and partially sunk, with long, exposed bolts. The dock was originally placed too far from the ramp, making handling very difficult when launching or retrieving. The single narrow ramp has severe two-foot drop offs on either side, making launching very slow and particularly problematic for larger boats. Severe weather and water conditions can develop quickly, making efficient boat retrieval a significant safety concern. The site does not have ADA access. Parking is undersized. The current boat ramp and dock conditions create a hazard to boats and boat trailers operating from the facility. (06-1734N-FY08)

State Parks \$920,384 \$0 \$920,384

Sucia Island - ADA Moorage

Sucia Island is a 564-acre marine park located 2.5 miles north of Orcas Island in San Juan County. The island is the most popular state park destination for boaters in the San Juan Islands serving 90,000 visitors annually. The park has: 60 campsites, three reservation group camps, picnic and day use facilities, 10 miles of trails, an underwater scuba park, a water system, 48 moorage buoys and 100 feet of moorage floats.

This project will include installation of an ADA ramp from the mooring floats to the beach, a restroom access upgrade to ADA standards, and an ADA campsite. Additionally, two Adirondack sleeping shelters and two ADA drinking fountains will provide much needed amenities for all boaters. The project will also replace aging and outdated water access facility infrastructure with a new trestle (pier), piles and floats. (06-1644D-FY08)

Fish & Wildlife Dept of \$250,000 \$50,000 \$300,000

Point No Point Boat Launch Planning

Point No Point is located at the northern tip of the Kitsap Peninsula. The 4-acre site was acquired by WDFW in 1996 with IAC funds to ensure the public's continued access to an important marine fishery. The rail system at the resort was developed in the 1920's and is now condemned. This project would provide engineering, permitting, and a site survey for a design to construct a permanent concrete elevated launch extending from the existing launch platform to about a -1 tide.

Planning would also include upland design for increased parking and a turnaround area. Discussions are currently taking place with permitting agencies to develop a permissible plan without surprises. A feasibility study has been completed and a concept design is currently being completed under a federal grant to help start the permitting process so that we would be ready to permit upon approval of this application.

This site has been historically popular due to the presence of baitfish and consequently salmon in the Possession Point area. The location of the site affords the recreational fishing community direct access to one of the most consistent and productive year round fishing areas in Puget Sound. The site also offers a reasonably rapid exit spot during inclement weather. The nearest ramps are over 9 miles away in Kingston or 15 miles away at Salisbury Point. Design and permitting work will be completed by a consultant, with surveying and contract supervision done in-house. (06-1768N-FY08)

State Parks **\$951,018** **\$0** **\$951,018**
Jones Island - ADA Moorage

Jones Island is a 188-acre marine park located one mile west of Orcas Island in San Juan County. The island is a popular destination for boaters in the San Juan Islands serving 60,000 visitors annually. The park has: 21 campsites, a reservation group camp, restrooms (including one ADA), trails, a water system, seven moorage buoys and 256 feet of moorage floats. Despite the ADA restroom, universal access is limited.

This project will include installation of an ADA ramp from the mooring floats to the beach, an upgrade of the trail systems to ADA standards, an ADA campsite and an ADA restroom upgrade. Additionally, a picnic shelter, three adirondack sleeping shelters, and two ADA drinking fountains will provide much needed amenities for all boaters. The project will also replace aging and outdated water access facility infrastructure with a new trestle (pier), piles and floats. (06-2157D-FY08)

Fish & Wildlife Dept of **\$102,500** **\$0** **\$102,500**
Sidley Lake Boat Launch

Sidley Lake, in northern Okanogan County, is located 20 miles east of Oroville, near the Canadian border. This beautiful destination lake experiences growing year-round use from both U.S. and visiting Canadian residents. Currently, facilities at this lake are very limited. It experiences heavy usage for fishing and boating and presently offers only a primitive boat launch, no restroom facilities and no parking.

Sidley Lake hosts an annual ice-fishing festival with large numbers of people participating. This use has prompted county commissioners, local grange and fishing groups to encourage WDFW to begin improvements to accommodate the increased usage for both convenience and safety.

A generous land-gift offer from a private landowner gives WDFW the opportunity to develop this facility to appropriately support current and future usage. This planning proposal will design and permit future improvements that will include a concrete plank boat ramp, a vault toilet and parking area. This project proposal has broad support from area residents, county officials and sportsman's groups. (06-1776N-FY08)

State Parks **\$695,860** **\$0** **\$695,860**
Cape Disappointment Boat Launch Paving

This project will finish the boat launch access and associated parking areas at Cape Disappointment. The planning, specifications, and renovation elements for the boat launch itself were funded previously. The breakwater has been installed and the boat launch will be replaced this fall. Under an agreement with The Confluence Group (TCG), new elements of a Lewis and Clark Trail project were to be developed in the park including moving the boat launch comfort station and resurfacing the boat launch parking areas by TCG. Funding, through The Confluence Group, for these project components did not materialize.

The intent of this grant is to widen and resurface the boat launch entrance road, pave areas within the park that are closest to the boat launch and extend an area that has been used for temporary parking (currently graveled). Underground utilities will be installed, a new comfort station, additional park furniture (picnic tables and benches) for boaters to use, and landscaping that is required to buffer the parking areas from the rest of the park. (06-1665D-FY08)

State Parks \$966,807 \$0 \$966,807

James Island - ADA Moorage

James Island is a 113-acre marine park located 3 miles west of Fidalgo Island (Anacortes) in San Juan County. The island is located at the eastern entrance to Thatcher Pass, the most highly trafficked entry point into the San Juan Islands. This and its close proximity to launch facilities at Anacortes make it an attractive stop off point and a popular destination for smaller trailered boats. The islands serve an estimated 20,000 visitors annually. The park has: 16 campsites, picnic facilities, trails, five moorage buoys, and 80 feet of moorage floats.

This project will include installation of an ADA ramp from the mooring floats to the beach and a restroom access upgrade to ADA standards. The project will also replace aging and outdated water access facility infrastructure with a new trestle (pier), piles and floats. (06-1643D-FY08)

State Parks \$126,500 \$126,500 \$253,000

Joemma Breakwater & Boat Launch Planning

Joemma Beach State Park is a 110-acre marine camping park with 3,000 feet of saltwater frontage on southeast Key Peninsula. The park is very popular with boaters, kayakers, and canoeists. More than 65,000 people use the park each year, and that number is expected to increase.

This project will plan and permit a floating breakwater near the moorage floats to break up waves before they batter the floats, thus increasing their longevity. This project will also include plan and permit improvements to the park's boat launch, adding boarding floats and an improved launch ramp. The current boat launch is difficult to use because the beach slope is very gentle and because there are no boarding floats.

(06-1972N-FY08)

State Parks \$567,471 \$0 \$567,471

Sucia Island - Desalinization Plant

Sucia Island is a 564-acre marine park located 2.5 miles north of Orcas Island in San Juan County. The island is the most popular state park destination for boaters in the San Juan Islands serving 90,000 visitors annually. The park has: 60 campsites, 3 reservation group camps, picnic and day use facilities, 10 miles of trails, an underwater scuba park, a water system, 48 moorage buoys and 100 feet of moorage floats. The current water system includes 5 wells and approximately 16,000 gallons of storage. Historically, water demands by users exceed the supply. Since 2000, the wells have gone dry by early August forcing shut down of the water system. Current operations include restricted delivery that includes posted water conservation notices; a reduction of operating taps, and restricted flow.

With a current design and permitting grant, State Parks is engaged in the engineering and regulatory process of the project. Feasibility studies addressing life cycle costs, maintenance and operations have concluded that a solar powered desalinization plant is the best solution to the water issue on this island. While the proposed system is not common, it is not complex

either. The solar power system is a larger version of a residential system and the desalinization plant is similar to common shipboard systems with minor modifications. This project involves construction of the system and includes the site work, electrical/ solar upgrades and treatment plant building with mechanical equipment that treats and distributes to existing holding tanks. (06-1645D-FY08)

State Parks **\$664,160** **\$0** **\$664,160**

Steamboat Rock State Park Boat Moorage

This grant request provides moorage facilities at Steamboat Rock State Park. This park is extremely popular with boaters, providing facilities for many local fishermen and destination camper/boaters from out of state and western Washington. Unfortunately, vehicle/trailer parking is undersized for demand; and parking expansion is extremely constrained by site limitations. In order to avoid the parking issue, some camping boaters and day users drag their boats up on shore that damages the shoreline zone.

Boat moorage opportunities are needed to enhance recreation and avoid shoreline damage. This will also relieve parking pressure as campers will be more inclined to bring their vehicle/boat trailers back to the campsite if they can safely moor their boats while camping. This grant provides moorage at one key day-use location and one campground loop. Once that program proves successful, additional moorage opportunities may be sought in the future. (06-1748D-FY08)

Fish & Wildlife Dept of Modrow Boat Launch **\$195,196** **\$0** **\$195,196**

The Modrow Bridge Recreational Access Area Site is located within a 45-minute drive of one of the largest metropolitan areas in the Northwest (Portland/Vancouver), and has become a fishing destination, as well as a recreational opportunity for a variety of other recreational pursuits and activities. The current facilities have reached the end of their structural life and do not meet ADA standards. The site has also become increasingly popular with bird watchers and boaters.

This project will provide a single ADA compliant toilet that will replace two non-compliant fiberglass units, a new boat launch, an entrance gate, signs, perimeter survey and fencing. The land survey will establish the boundary and the fencing will provide a visual reference for the site so that there will be no question as to the perimeter. The fencing will also provide a measure of security for vehicles left at the site while their owners are either fishing or boating. (06-1777D-FY08)

State Parks **\$253,325** **\$253,325** **\$506,650**

Joemma Beach Comfort Station

Joemma Beach State Park is a 110-acre marine camping park with 3,000 feet of saltwater frontage on southeast Key Peninsula. The park is very popular with boaters, kayakers, and canoeists. More than 65,000 people use the park each year, and that number is expected to increase.

This project will add a comfort station with waterborne restrooms and shower facilities, providing sanitary facilities for day and overnight boaters and other users. Currently just two CXT vault toilets service the boating facilities at Joemma Beach State Park; there are no waterborne restrooms in the park. The comfort station design is 80% complete, and SEPA is complete on the project. (06-2142D-FY08)