

Draft Agenda
Lake Ozette Sockeye Steering Committee Meeting
Tuesday, December 12, 2006
Olympic National Park Headquarters Campus, Macy House Meeting Room
[for location details and directions to facility, see pages 2 and 3]
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

- 10:00 a.m. **Introductions and Review Agenda**
Updates and Announcements
- Report-out about NOAA Critical Habitat Coverage (Rosemary Furfey, Tim Tynan)
 - Update on Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary (Rosemary Furfey)
 - Update on Clallam County Resolution (Rosemary Furfey)
 - Announcement of NOPEL Posting of Limiting Factors Analysis (Rosemary Furfey) and Update on Executive Summary
- 10:15 a.m. **Review and Acceptance of November 14, 2006 Meeting Notes and Action Items from Meeting (Attachment 1)**
- 10:20 a.m. **Review of Recovery Plan Requirements and Schedule (Attachment 2)**
(Rosemary Furfey, NOAA)
- 10:25 a.m. **TRT Update and Latest Viability Criteria Document** (Rosemary Furfey)
- 10:45 a.m. **Recovery Plan Strategies and Actions, 2nd Round (Attachment 3)**
--- Refine Recovery Strategies and Actions worksheets to provide details and specifics
- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch Break**
- 12:30 p.m. **Recovery Plan Strategies and Actions, 2nd Round (continued)**
--- Refine Recovery Strategies and Actions worksheets to provide details and specifics
- 2:50 p.m. **Next Steps and Meetings**
- Update on next meeting date (possibly February 2007 instead of January)
- 3:00 p.m. **Adjourn**

Attachments:

- 1) Draft November 14, 2006 Meeting Notes and Action Items
- 2) Draft Lake Ozette Sockeye Salmon Recovery Plan Schedule and Key Agenda Items
- 3) Recovery Plan Strategies and Actions Worksheets

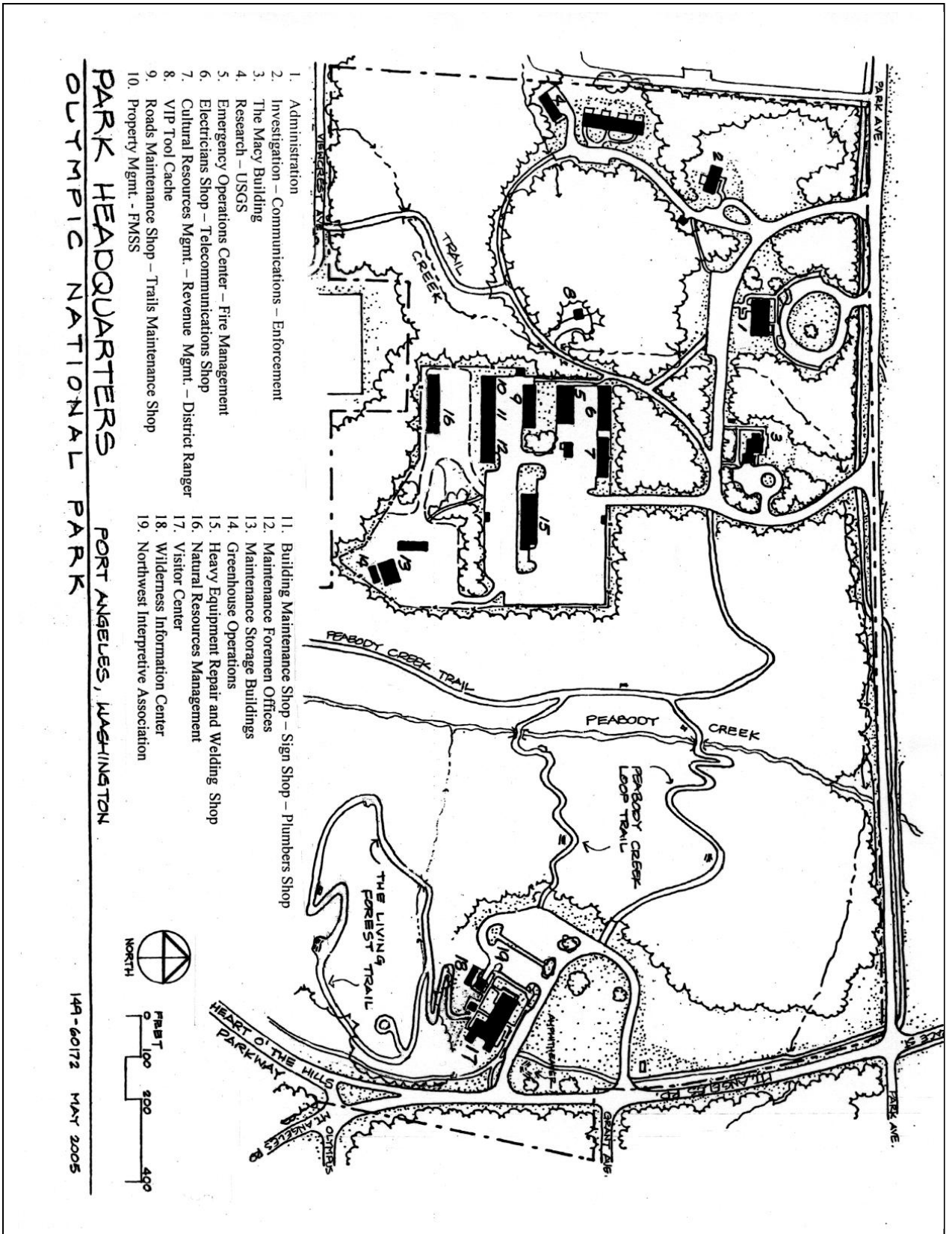
**LAKE OZETTE STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
MEETING LOCATION AND DIRECTIONS:**

Olympic National Park, Macy House Meeting Room
ONP Park Headquarters Map, Page 3 (*see #3, The Macy Building*)
http://www.stateparks.com/olympic_headquarters.html

- To get to the headquarters campus, visitors should turn south on Race Street from Front/First Street (main one-way roads through Port Angeles, depending on direction).
- Signs will indicate that this is the route to Hurricane Ridge.
- Go one block past the stoplight on Lauridsen Blvd.
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**Lake Ozette Sockeye Steering Committee Meeting
Facilitator's Meeting Summary**

Olympic National Park Headquarters Campus, Macy House Meeting Room, Port Angeles, WA
December 12, 2006
10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Participants for the Meeting

See Attachment I for a list of meeting participants.

Summary of Recovery Planning Tasks/Actions

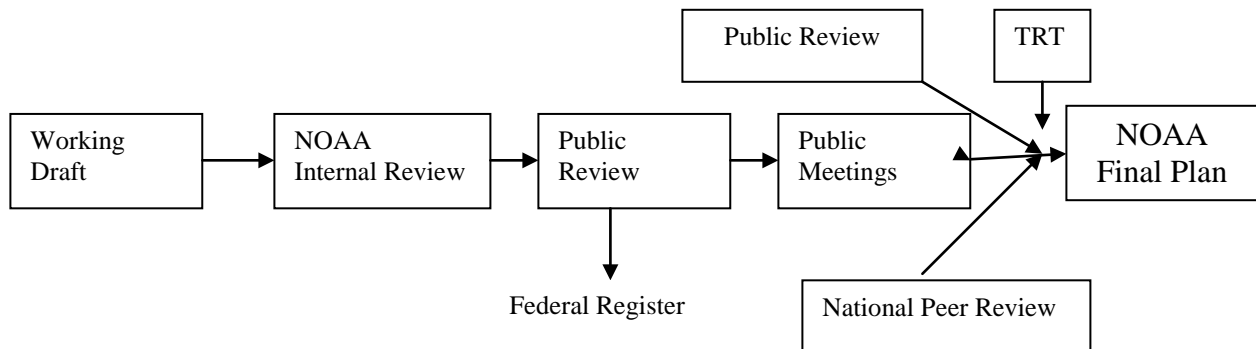
- The December TRT meeting announcement and agenda will be sent to the Steering Committee.
- A draft public information and involvement plan will be developed.
- A revised goals/strategies/actions document that contains additional specificity about goals will be sent to the Steering Committee by December 15 for its review by January 5. The focus of the additional review is more specificity about actions [note: the review deadline was changed to January 12 due to a December 22 distribution.]
- How can actions addressed by the HCP be improved and/or accelerated?
- There will be no Steering Committee meeting in January. Rosemary will schedule the next meeting either in early March (March 6 or 13) or late February (February 27).
- The initial Draft Recovery Plan will be distributed for Steering Committee review and comment at least two weeks before the next scheduled Steering Committee meeting.

Updates and Announcements

- **NOAA Critical Habitat:** Rosemary Furfey and Tim Tynan gave a report about NOAA Critical Habitat coverage. There was a question about the lack of nearshore ocean habitat within the Critical Habitat slide (of Mike Haggerty's PowerPoint document). It was noted in discussion that available actions in the nearshore critical habitat are limited. Coal Creek was added through public comment, and the lower 2.5 miles is now designated as critical habitat. Ed Bowen expressed concern about the critical habitat designation process. He considers the process flawed because in his opinion it is not transparent to the public. NOAA Fisheries indicated that for Lake Ozette sockeye, the critical areas appear to be correct, and the information is on the NOAA website.
- **Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary Update:** Rosemary Furfey provided an update on the Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary. She shared information about the Lake Ozette Recovery Plan with representatives from the Sanctuary, i.e., Carol Bernthal, George Galasso and Liam Antrim. The Sanctuary is updating its Management Plan in 2007. There is an opportunity to add identified monitoring and research needs for the nearshore and ocean environments to the Sanctuary's new management plan. Opportunities also exist to identify future partnerships and funding in order to collect data to meet the needs of the Lake Ozette effort.
- **Clallam County Resolution:** Rosemary Furfey provided an update about the Clallam County Resolution of November 14. She confirmed that the resolution was passed on November 14 and was supportive of the Lake Ozette recovery effort. Rosemary noted that she will update the Clallam County Commissioners as needed once the Draft Recovery Plan is completed. She noted that the Commissioners were very supportive of the effort.
- **NOPE Website and Document Posting:** Rosemary Furfey provided an update about the NOPE website and posting of the Limiting Factors Analysis. She noted that the website is a way for NOPE and NOAA to share information. Posting will be by chapters so the public can easily download the information. This will apply to both the Draft Limiting Factors and Draft Recovery

Plan. As part of the public involvement effort, copies of the document should also be made available in libraries, Peninsula College, etc. The website should also outline clearly where the public can find the materials. Concern was expressed about having posted an earlier version of the LFA if there are revisions within the current version to be posted. Rosemary clarified that the document would be identified as an “internal working draft LFA.”

- It was suggested that a flow chart be prepared that outlines the schedule/plan for the LFA and Recovery Plan.



Process:

1. Internal working draft LFA
2. NOAA writes the Draft Recovery Plan
3. Resource constraints – produce Draft Plan
4. Meet with the Lake Ozette Steering Committee in early March
5. Review Draft: Co-Managers and Steering Committee
6. Post on the website
7. Take comments and response by NOAA
8. New (revised) draft for NOAA internal review (legal, headquarters)
9. New (revised) draft for public, peer review: publish notice in Federal Register; note: peer review beyond that of TRT – national scientists.
10. Comment period – public meetings, workshop(s)
11. Response to comments
12. Final Recovery Plan

It was noted in discussion that responses to comments are provided and that the Final Recovery Plan includes formal responses to the comments. It was further noted that scientists familiar with Lake Ozette will be sought for the Scientist Peer Review. It was suggested that a public review plan be prepared that outlines the dates and includes assurances of ample opportunity for public review and comment.

- **Update on WRIA 20:** Phil Miller reported that WRIA 20 has embarked on a process of negotiation to become a Lead Entity. There is a need to identify the conveners for the Lead Entity. He noted that Cheryl Baumann is currently the Lead Entity Coordinator for WRIA 20 and that there is a tie-in with the Lake Ozette Recovery Plan. This would be the fourth Lead Entity on the coast. Lead Entity possibilities are Clallam County, Forks, Jefferson County, Makah Tribe, Quileute Tribe or the Hoh Tribe. The Governor's Office may hire a consultant-facilitator to assist in this process.
- **Coast Lead Entity Project Update:** An update was provided about the Coast Lead Entity process. It was reported that the group is moving forward, has hired a facilitator and is working to finalize its Work Plan and to identify stakeholders who want to be involved in the process. It was noted that this effort is similar to the Upper Columbia where there is regional coordination and individual lead entities.

- Derek Poon announced that Shared Strategy is in the process of determining how to provide funding. A Recovery Plan that is science based, such as that for Lake Ozette, should become more straightforward to fund.
- DNR is getting ESA coverage in the HCP because of the state-owned aquatic lands in Lake Ozette (they own bottom lands of lake).

Review and Acceptance of November 14, 2006 Meeting Notes and Action Items from Meeting

The following corrections to the November 14 meeting notes were provided:

- Page 1, Updates and Announcements, Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary (OCNMS): delete the prior Ed Bowen sentence and replace with the following: Ed Bowen reported that he had attended the OCNMS advisory committee meeting in November and requested the council to consider participating in a nearshore assessment for the purpose of sockeye recovery and in filling data gaps for all salmonid species that may populate the coastline. Steve Franklin, from Olympic National Park and an attending member of the council, responded that monitoring the coastline is difficult; and, that this challenge should be considered by the Recovery Plan in making recommendations in support of an assessment.
- Correct the phone numbers in the attendance chart for Joseph Murray (360-963-2379) and Norm Schaaf (360-452-2367); and correct Ed Bowen's affiliation to read "Ozette Citizen."

The November meeting summary will be revised for the record accordingly.

It was also noted that the CMER acronym was incorrectly extended in the recent Draft Strategies and Actions Templates for Input document. The document will be updated with the correct extension, i.e., Cooperative Monitoring, Evaluation and Research (CMER).

Review of Recovery Plan Requirements and Schedule

Rosemary Furfey reported that NOAA Fisheries is targeting the end of February for the Draft Recovery Plan. She noted that an initial Draft Plan would be distributed to the Steering Committee at least two weeks ahead of its scheduled meeting.

The Draft Limiting Factors Analysis (DLFA) will be posted on the NOPL website as a "working draft". It was noted that the revised DLFA document will have blanks filled in and GIS information.

Rosemary reported that NOAA Fisheries has begun working on the Recovery Plan Executive Summary document.

The ingredients used for the Recovery Plan are:

- Limiting Factors Analysis, TRT,
- Goals/Strategies/Actions,
- Broad Sense Recovery Goals, and
- Vision statement.

The updated Limiting Factors Analysis is needed as soon as possible. Mike Haggerty noted that he has completed segments of it.

The February schedule for the Draft Plan represents a potential time crunch. The possibility exists to simultaneously work on different segments of the documents in order to efficiently produce the sections

of the Plan. It was suggested that the production schedule be practical, especially given the upcoming holidays. Phil Miller recommended that the Draft Plan volume be concise.

TRT Update and Latest Viability Criteria Document

Rosemary noted that Norma Jean could not attend today's meeting. Rosemary reported that she had talked with Mary Ruckelshaus about the viability criteria evaluation they are doing. At this point, the TRT has not made any substantial changes to the original draft, and that they plan to meet to talk about the interaction with Mike Haggerty's Life Cycle Model. The TRT is scheduling a December 21st meeting (Seattle Aquarium) to talk about the Life Cycle Model (note: the previously scheduled meeting was canceled due to weather). The TRT meeting announcement and agenda will be sent via email to the Steering Committee members.

Phil Miller asked if the TRT viability criteria could be translated into the Recovery Plan from the TRT report so that it is easily understood. It was indicated that this indeed could be done.

A question was raised about the number of completed Recovery Plans. Derek Poon noted that there are currently three completed Plans with formal NOAA response, i.e., Puget Sound, Lower Columbia and Upper Columbia. Of those three, the first two did not meet the 4F section requirements.

Concern was expressed about how Recovery Plans impact existing laws and requirements. This was responded to with the statement that a Recovery Plan cannot create an obligation or a requirement, but it does provide recommendations and actions that can be implemented by governmental authorities.

Concern was then raised about not requiring changes within the Recovery Plan (i.e., then why bother with producing a Plan?). The FFR meets the rules of the ESA (e.g., recover endangered stock). The response to this question is that the Recovery Plan reinforces what is already required and provides help with funding.

It was noted in discussion that there is language within the ESA about not allowing a "taking" unless there is a HCP which specifies when and under what conditions a "taking" can occur. This led to further discussion on who monitors HCP's. It was stated that NMFS is the enforcement agency, but that they rely a lot on observations and complaints by stakeholders.

Discussion ensued about what an ESA Plan allows and how the ESA recovery plan relates to the Forest and Fish HCP. Derek Poon noted that there is a check and balance between the HCP and the FFR. The listed species is the check. If the species is declining, Section 7 of the ESA is reopened and re-evaluated.

Recovery Plan Strategies and Actions, 2nd Round

For the 2nd round of activity and input to the Plan strategies and actions, it was noted that the Plan Goals needed more specificity. Essentially, the Steering Committee needs to concentrate on the aspects of "what, where, when, why, how and how much." It was explained that rather than being open-ended, Goals should instead be specific about what one is working toward. A sample Goal statement would be: Restore hydrologic process "to achieve recovery" and "prevent sediment deposits." The idea is to define what the end points for the Goals are. Goal statements are typically fairly general, yet more detail is needed. A suggestion was made to perhaps include "Objectives" as the more detailed component of the goals. A more detailed Goal helps guide the specificity of the corresponding Action.

Comments:

1. All data needs to be shared; citizens should be able to see data. Any data that directly or indirectly relates to the sockeye population/ESU should be made available at-large in implementing the recovery plan. The purpose of making this data available is to support and refine limiting factors analysis, to support isolating additional limiting factors, and to act as a cornerstone in adaptive management. Unpublished and non-peer reviewed reports that are used in development of limiting factors have data that needs to be included in a central database, for use by any and all involved in recovery implementation. The purpose is for cross-checking the relevancy of such data and how it is applied in the report, identifying any fallacies in the use of the data, in identifying further refinement and the need for follow-on investigation into the hypothesis generated from the use of such data. Data that is collected from any form of US/State/County government involvement or funding, and cannot be substantiated to be proprietary in nature, should be made available for public access/scrutiny.
2. Small scale local actions should be added. A mechanism needs to be implemented to solicit and investigate potential actions and strategies that exist at the grass-roots, community-within-the-basin level. A long term understanding and common sense approach to issues that exist within the basin are difficult to capture in the current process; it is essential to the success of the plan to not let the opportunities that may develop from identifying these actions and strategies remain outside of the activities from implementing the recovery plan. At best, actions that are captured in such a process would be small scale and mesh within a specific standard designed and developed for this particular watershed. Small scale should be supported by a simple and speedy concept of identifying the particular project, acquiring funds that aren't limited because of being such small scale, cross line communication with other larger scale/scientific efforts being implemented to support complementing each other, and instituting a quick evaluation process to determine success potential or need for refinement. One additional goal of developing such a mechanism should be to implement the actions and strategies developed from this particular process; besides the probability of having a good understanding of what needs to take place, the responsibility would promote the long term stewardship by having "ownership of the process," a motivational factor that is key in any long term success of recovery.
3. Federal funding: Federal government needs to increase funding for recovery activities. This Plan recognizes a larger percentage of the ESU is under exclusive Federal jurisdiction than other ESA listed salmonids. This plan supports the need for the equivalent to that percentage of funding responsibility originates from a Federal source. This includes basin specific funding that is not co-dependent on the Washington State salmon recovery program (i.e., SRFB). The emphasis is placed on the amount of financial recovery burden on the State and the community at large in comparison to the percentage of ESU that is under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Federal government, regardless of whether such a source is one of a Federal legislative nature (through direct support in competing for established Federal programs, e.g., Department of Interior and Commerce grants), or some other Federal mechanism. Federal funding will require:
 - federal legislation
 - DOI and DOE grant program linkage
 - Direct federal funding
4. For implementation, we want/need a data clearinghouse for implementers to review/use the data.
5. Recovery actions: WDFW – wetland areas; suggest an action to develop a way to identify small scale actions.
6. General Points

- Major impacts are singularly related to forestry activities.
- Actions are too vague; who would implement?
- Industrial forestry is causing impacts; actions to deal with sediment
- Want to strengthen the DNR rules and implementation oversight
- Want independent oversight

It was noted in discussion that there are major impacts that are singularly related to forestry activities. As currently written, the actions are too vague, and it is unknown who would implement them. Of particular concern are actions that deal with sediment. It was suggested that the Washington DNR rules and implementation oversight be strengthened, and that an independent oversight mechanism be initiated. One comment was mentioned that from one forest company perspective, they will not support any action that undermines the forest practices.

7. Anchor Habitat Concept: Consider focusing on specific areas such as:

- Umbrella Creek
- Olsen Beach

It was noted that the document actually gets at the issue of anchor habitats in the sub-basin prioritization.

8. Implementing the HCP: One comment was in support of seeing a reference to implementing the HCP and embracing the HCP as part of the Recovery Plan. An additional action was mentioned of accelerating HCP activities with increased funding.
9. General Topic: There should be involvement and follow-up on how the HCP practices are being monitored and implemented. One member wants evidence that the HCP rules are working or that the regulations are effective. There was a suggestion for a need for an independent group.
10. One desire is to prioritize RMAP forestry actions in key areas.
11. One individual wants to support the HCP and mentioned that the HCP supports the state's Clean Water Act.
12. One thought is that the timber industry should accelerate its activities in the high priority areas.
13. It was suggested that the Shoreline Management Program recommendations be moved to the Riparian Processes.
14. RMAP Actions: The following was suggested:
- Study success or failure of RMAP
 - Provide funding to accelerate RMAP actions
15. One comment is that the goals need to be more specific – what is the “why”
16. For hydrologic processes, one suggestion is to address low flow for smolts in Ozette River
17. Sediment Actions: Some suggested focusing on sediment actions. One comment included meeting Makah water quality standards.

18. It was mentioned that there is a need to be able to answer the question of which actions address the top priorities; link actions to priorities for recovery (link goals to the Limiting Factors).
19. Questions to the Steering Committee regarding the Plan and Plan implementation:
 - Can you support the Plan?
 - Can you support the Plan with qualifications?
 - Are you willing, as a Steering Committee member, to be involved in Plan implementation?
20. Actions and Guidance: It was asked if the actions are prioritized, especially in terms of the sockeye populations. It is critical that the action contributes to meeting the goal.
21. A question was raised as to how we get to clearer goals.
22. It was also suggested that public outreach be added.

Next Steering Committee Agenda Topics (date TBD)

- Review Comments on the latest version of the Goals/Strategies/Actions document (re: version number 3).
- Recovery Plan Review, Discussions, Comments, and Finalization
- Draft Public Information and Involvement Plan and Schedule
- Implementation

Future Meeting Dates

The following Steering Committee meeting dates were identified:

- **CANCELED:** ~~Tuesday, January 23, 2007, 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Olympic National Park Headquarters Campus, Macy House Meeting Room, Port Angeles, WA~~
- Possibilities for the next Steering Committee meeting (10:00 AM to 3:00 PM) include:
 - Preferred - Tuesday, March 6, 2007; Olympic National Park Headquarters Campus, Macy House Meeting Room, Port Angeles, WA
 - Option - Tuesday, March 13, 2007, Olympic National Park Headquarters Campus, Macy House Meeting Room, Port Angeles, WA; or
 - Option - Tuesday, February 27, 2007, Olympic National Park Headquarters Campus, Macy House Meeting Room, Port Angeles, WA.

The Steering Committee will be notified when the date/time/location information has been confirmed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM.

**ATTACHMENT I: Lake Ozette Steering Committee Meeting, List of Meeting Participants
December 12, 2006**

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