



Agenda Item #5

Program Response to Recreation Assessment



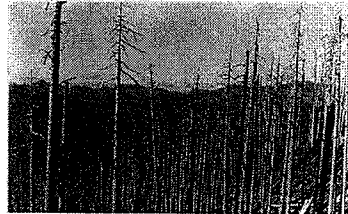
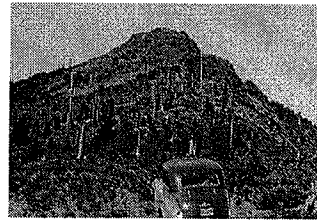
Performance Measures

- **Performance Measure #7:**
 - Availability, quality and public use of recreation opportunities and educational programs
- **Target:**
 - Maintain current recreational benefits consistent with existing and anticipated future resources.



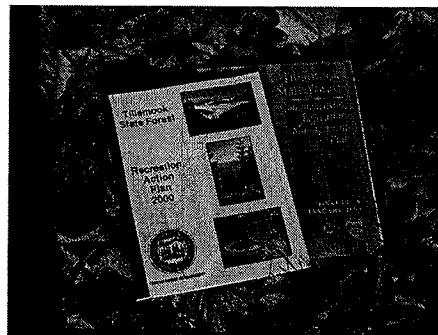
History and Background

- 1931 Acquisition Act – origin of recreation as a purpose for state forest management.
- Early recreation policy – key driver was fire prevention.



History and Background

- 1980's – little or no management of recreational use.
- 1993 – The Tillamook Recreation Plan “redefines” recreation management policy.
- 1998 – Board of Forestry defines “Greatest Permanent Value” in OAR.





Recreation plans



- Clatsop and Santiam Recreation plans developed and adopted in 2000.
- Currently implementing action plans for all three recreation plans.



Recreation Implementation

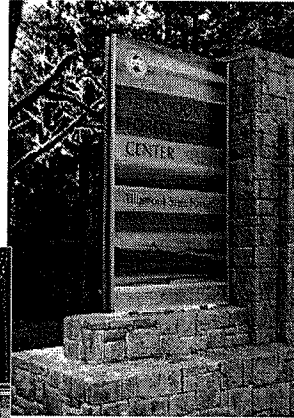
- 1991 – 2008
 - zero to over 20 full-time and seasonal employees
- Since 1993
 - No managed facilities to over 35 sites

Type of facility	Year	Number	Open Status
RECREATION FACILITIES			
Big Lake	1991	1	Open
Big Lake	1992	1	Open
Big Lake	1993	1	Open
Big Lake	1994	1	Open
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Big Lake	2043	1	Open
Big Lake	2044	1	Open
Big Lake	2045	1	Open
Big Lake	2046	1	Open
Big Lake	2047	1	Open
Big Lake	2048	1	Open
Big Lake	2049	1	Open
Big Lake	2050	1	Open



Education and Interpretation

- Part of the expansion...
 - Network of interpretive sites.
 - Tillamook Forest Center.



2nd Party Assessment

- Conducted at the request of Department of Forestry.
- Prepared by David Reed and Associates.
- Final report received by Department in May of 2007.



Assessment Results

- **Key messages:**
 - Program lacks a strong strategic direction, or desired future condition.
 - Action plans for individual forests need updating.
 - Lack of consistent standards and practices across the districts.
 - Minimal staffing for a very complex program and services.
 - Increasing use levels are placing demands on both the resource and the staff.



Program Response

- **Key themes and categories for action plan:**
 - Strategic direction for the program
 - Recreation planning
 - Standards and consistency
 - Workforce organization and capacity
 - Business management practices
 - Communication about program
 - Monitoring and information systems



Program Response

- Plan for moving forward with action plan:
 - Information item for Board of Forestry at March 5 meeting.
 - Draft action plan shared with State Forests Advisory Committee at March 7 meeting.
 - Draft plan distributed to three Recreation Advisory Committees (Tillamook, Clatsop and Santiam)
 - Public review and comment for 30-days following March 7.
 - Finalize action plan in April/May



Questions/Discussion