

Table 1: Parkwide Prescriptions

TOPIC	Alternative A – Current Management (No Action) (regulations require this alternative)	Alternative B – Resource Protection Emphasis	Alternative C – Visitor Opportunities Emphasis	Alternative D - Preferred Alternative
DESIRED NATURAL RESOURCE CONDITIONS				The National Park Service has not yet designated/developed a preferred alternative.
Rivers, Floodplains, Stream Dynamics	Stream dynamics would be modified on a case- by- case basis to protect roads and facilities.	Natural stream dynamics would be restored and some roads and facilities would be removed where at risk.	Natural stream dynamics would be restored. Wilderness boundaries would be modified to accommodate roads relocated away from river meander areas.	
Intertidal Marine Reserves	Creating a network of intertidal marine reserves would be considered in collaboration with the Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary.	Creating a network of intertidal marine reserves would be considered in collaboration with the Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary.	Creating a network of intertidal marine reserves would be considered in collaboration with the Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary.	
Exotic Species	Exotic species would be removed where possible. New exotics would be excluded where feasible.	Exotic plant and animal species would be removed.	Exotic plant and animal species would be maintained only when they meet park purposes (e.g., cultural landscapes).	
Extirpated Plant and Animal Species	Extirpated native species would be reestablished where feasible. Species may include wolf, fisher, and fish species.	Extirpated native species would be reestablished where feasible. Species might include wolf, fisher, fish species, and others.	Extirpated native species would be reestablished where feasible. Species might include wolf, fisher, fish species, and others. Visitor education about extirpated species would be increased.	
DESIRED CULTURAL RESOURCE CONDITIONS				
	Throughout the park historic properties would be managed consistent with Secretary of Interior’s standards.	Throughout the park historic properties would be managed consistent with Secretary of Interior’s standards.	Throughout the park historic properties would be managed consistent with Secretary of Interior’s standards.	
	Historic structures and landscapes might be modified for visitor and park administrative purposes.	Historic structures and landscapes might be modified for visitor and park administrative purposes.	Historic structures and landscapes might be modified for visitor and park administrative purposes.  Where appropriate, and a need can be justified, structures compatible with the character of existing or previously existing park historic structures might be built in historic areas in and out of wilderness.	
VISITOR OPPORTUNITIES				
General	Frontcountry day use visitation would not be limited. Wilderness visitation would be limited in specific areas.	Frontcountry and wilderness visitation would be restricted in some areas for resource protection and restoration.	Increases in frontcountry visitation might be accommodated with in- park and regional facilities to disperse use.	
	Visitors would have opportunities to experience the entire spectrum of park resources.	Visitors would have fewer opportunities to experience the entire spectrum of park resources than currently exist.	Visitors would have increased opportunities to experience the range of natural and cultural resources and recreate at both in- park and regional sites, such as park trails connected with local, regional, and national trail systems.	
	Commercial guided activities would continue at current levels.	The level and type of commercial guided activities would be managed for resource protection.	Additional commercial guided activities would be permitted to encourage wilderness visitation.	

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Education	A variety of educational opportunities on a limited basis would be provided in the park, with emphasis on continuing the existing education program and maintaining existing facilities.	A variety of educational opportunities would be provided in the park with less emphasis on facilities and more on personal guided activities and remote education than currently exist.	The variety of educational opportunities would be expanded and could include regional learning/ tourism centers and partnerships – with emphasis on how to recreate safely and how to protect resources. The park would provide education input and staff to regional education centers.	The National Park Service has not yet designated/developed a preferred alternative.
	Education programs would focus on the diversity of resources, stewardship, park values, and recreational opportunities in the park.	Education programs would increase focus on wilderness education, leave- no- trace practices, minimum impacts, and stewardship.	Education programs would be coordinated with partners and could expand the focus to include the Olympic Peninsula, its ecosystems, and cultural heritage (e.g., living history, cultural demonstrations, Native American lifeways, and historic settlements).	
	Facilities would continue to be in the frontcountry, in the primary resource that is being interpreted.	Some facilities might be outside the park.  National Park Service would partner with tribes and regional organizations to integrate local facilities and explore educational opportunities about natural and cultural resources.	New or expanded facilities might be constructed to meet increased visitation.	
	Outreach programs for school and community groups would be provided to improve general understanding of park resources.	Increased outreach programs for schools, tribes, and community organizations would focus on improving general understanding of park resources and the protection of resources and natural processes.	There would be increased outreach programs for schools, tribes, and community organizations about visitor opportunities.	
FACILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE				
	The number of roads, trails, and related facilities would be kept at current levels.	The number of roads, trails, and related facilities would be reduced.	The number of roads, trails, and related facilities would be increased where appropriate and feasible.	
	There would be limited operation of seasonal mass transit.	There would be mandatory seasonal mass transit (e.g., buses, snow coaches) in congested areas.	There would be optional seasonal mass transit in congested areas.	
	Bicycling opportunities would be allowed on existing park roads and the Spruce Railroad grade.	Bicycling opportunities would be allowed only on existing park roads.	Bicycling opportunities would be increased with bike lanes and links to a regional bikeway in nonwilderness.	