

COMMUNITY RELATIONS PLAN

**Stehekin and Newhalem Firing Ranges
North Cascades National Park Complex
Stehekin and Newhalem, Washington**

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North Cascades National Park Complex (NOCA)
Community Relations Program is committed
to promoting communication between citizens and the Park.

Active public involvement is crucial to the success of any public project.

NOCA's community relations activities at the
Stehekin and Newhalem Firing Ranges
are designed to:

Inform the public of the nature of the environmental issues associated with the site.

Involve the public in the decision-making process that will affect them.

Involve the public in the responses under consideration to remedy these issues.

Inform the public of the progress being made to implement the remedy.

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1.0 Overview of the Community Relations Plan

North Cascades National Park Complex (NOCA) is exercising its authority as lead agency under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) to undertake response activities as set forth herein at the Stehekin and Newhalem Firing Ranges (Sites) within NOCA. The response activities will address the nature and extent of contamination, human health and ecological risk, applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements (ARARs), community relations and other requirements consistent with CERCLA and the National Oil Pollution and Hazardous Substances Contingency Plan (NCP).

NOCA developed this Community Relations Plan (CRP) to facilitate two-way communication between the communities surrounding the Stehekin and Newhalem Firing Ranges and NOCA, and to encourage community involvement in decisions and activities at the Sites. NOCA will utilize the community relations activities outlined in this plan to ensure that residents of the communities are informed and provided opportunities to be involved.

This CRP addresses the Stehekin and Newhalem Firing Range's relationship with the communities and NOCA (Section 2.0), provides a background of the communities (Section 3.0), presents NOCA's community relations program (Section 4.0), and provides a listing of resources available (Appendices).

2.0 Capsule Site Description

This Section presents general information about the Sites.

2.1 Site History

2.1.1 Stehekin

- The Site is owned by the National Park Service and is located in the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area within NOCA. Various types of small arms such as pistols, rifles, and shotguns are believed to have been used at the range since the 1980s or earlier. The Site has been used by National Park Service (NPS) employees in an official capacity and Stehekin community residents as well as Washington State Patrol officers and other law enforcement agencies on occasion. This site is closed annually from March 15th to June 15th for the protection of the Northern Spotted Owl, which is a federally listed threatened species.

- The sole Contaminant of Concern (COC) at the Site is lead derived from non-industrial firing range activities.
- NOCA is evaluating the Site to address lead impacts related to firing range-based lead impacts. The potential impacts were initially identified in a Site Assessment conducted in 2003 and documented in the Preliminary Assessment of Two Sites, North Cascades NPS Complex, Stehekin, Washington (Kleinfelder, 2003a).
- The *Stehekin River Corridor Implementation Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement* analyzed a range of management actions to respond to the increased magnitude and frequency of flooding in the Stehekin River corridor, and the Record of Decision was signed in 2013. NOCA's preferred action includes rerouting the Stehekin Valley Road directly behind the Site's target zone, thereby requiring Site closure and restoration. Based on nearly a dozen public comments, the idea of relocating the Stehekin Firing Range was considered but dismissed based on continuing conflicts with NPS policy. NPS Management Policies¹ directs parks "to prevent or minimize the release of contaminants on or that will affect NPS lands or resources," and states that the NPS "will identify, assess, and take response actions as promptly as possible to address releases and threatened releases of contaminants into the environment." Continuing to operate and manage an NPS firing range allowing lead bullets would therefore not align with the park's guiding policies or mission.
- There has been no documented community reaction to the potential for hazardous levels of lead contamination in soil at the Site.

2.1.2 Newhalem

- The Site is owned by the National Park Service and is located in the Ross Lake National Recreation Area within NOCA. Various types of small arms such as pistols, rifles, and shotguns are believed to have been used at the range by community residents and agency employees since the mid-1950s, when the range was reputedly established by Seattle City Light. Recreational competitions and an active gun club consisting primarily of Newhalem residents were prevalent throughout the 1960s and into the 1970s.²
- The sole Contaminant of Concern (COC) at the Site is lead derived from non-industrial firing range activities.

¹ National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior. Management Policies 2006. Washington, D.C.

² Bill Newby, personal communication, January 27, 2014.

- NOCA is evaluating the Site to address lead impacts related to firing range-based lead impacts. The potential impacts were initially identified in a Site Assessment conducted in 2003 and documented in the Preliminary Assessment of Firing Range, North Cascades NPS Complex, Newhalem, Washington (Kleinfelder, 2003b).
- There has been no documented community reaction to the potential for hazardous levels of lead contamination in soil at the Site.

2.2 Site Description/Location

2.2.1 Stehekin

- The Site is located within Lake Chelan National Recreation Area in NOCA, in the vicinity of the unincorporated community of Stehekin, Chelan County, Washington.
- The Site is located at the end of a 300-foot access road diverging from the Stehekin Valley Road approximately 7.5 miles from Stehekin Landing. A Site Location Map for Stehekin is presented in Figure 2-1.
- The Site sits in a forested area on the extreme lower flank of Rainbow Mountain, adjacent to McGregor Meadows. The Stehekin River flows approximately 130 yards due south of the Site, while the nearest residence is approximately 1200 yards to the southeast.
- The firing range is about 25 yards in length with four target boards. The firing range is located in a former soil borrow pit, which creates a large berm along the north, east, and west sides of the target area (Figure 2-2).

2.2.2 Newhalem

- The Site is located within Ross Lake National Recreation Area in NOCA in the vicinity of the unincorporated community of Newhalem, Whatcom County, Washington.
- The Site is located approximately 650 yards northwest of the Skagit River (at river mile 92) to the north of Washington State Route 20 near milepost 119. A Site Location Map for Newhalem is presented in Figure 2-3.
- The Site clearing lies within a mixed conifer and deciduous forest on the western side of an old alluvial deposit from Goodell Creek. Two NPS campgrounds (Goodell Creek Campground and Newhalem Creek Campground) and the North Cascades Visitor Center

are located within 1300 yards of the Site, although the nearest permanent residence is over 2000 yards from the Site.

- The firing range is about 75 yards in length with eight target boards and a berm backstop (Figure 2-4).

2.3 Site Inspections and Cleanup Activities

This Section describes previous inspections at the Sites. The use of “green” ammunition was recommended and adopted to reduce the overall deposition of lead into the environment at the Site. NPS Firing Range Lead Release and Green Ammunition Use Surveys indicate an annual release of “green” ammunition (in addition to lead) by NPS personnel within the park boundaries since 2007. No cleanup activities have been conducted at the Sites.

2.3.1 Stehekin

There has been one previous investigation conducted at the Site as follows:

Preliminary Assessment of Two Sites, North Cascades NPS Complex, Stehekin, Washington (Kleinfelder, 2003a).

The soil and air exposure pathways for spent lead bullets and clay pigeon fragments were assessed at the Site. The results of the investigation stated that existing data and information did not indicate a threat to human health, the surrounding environment, or local wildlife (Kleinfelder, 2003a). No data was collected at the Site.

2.3.2 Newhalem

There has been one previous investigation conducted at the Site as follows:

Preliminary Assessment of Firing Range, North Cascades NPS Complex, Newhalem, Washington (Kleinfelder, 2003b).

The soil and air exposure pathways for spent lead bullets and clay pigeon fragments were assessed at the Site. The results of the investigation stated that existing data and information did not indicate a threat to human health, the surrounding environment, or local wildlife (Kleinfelder, 2003b). No data was collected at the Site.

3.0 Community Background

This Section presents background information on the local communities and potential concerns.

3.1 Community Profile

3.1.1 Stehekin

The unincorporated community of Stehekin is an isolated inholding community that consists of approximately 75 year-round permanent residents, plus up to 300 seasonal residents on over 400 acres of privately owned land within the boundary of Lake Chelan National Recreation Area.

The U.S. Census Bureau does not track population data for unincorporated communities. The population of Chelan County based on a 2012 estimate by the U.S. Census Bureau is 73,687. The population change from 2010 through 2012 is 1.7%. The population consist of 94.4% White persons, 1.7% American Indian persons, 0.6% Black persons and 2.7% persons of Latino or Hispanic origins (<http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/53/53007.html>). These statistics are generally representative of Stehekin.

The nearest school is located approximately four miles away from the Site.

3.1.2 Newhalem

The unincorporated community of Newhalem consists of less than 400 permanent residents. Newhalem is a company town owned by Seattle City Light (SCL) and surrounded on all sides by Ross Lake National Recreation Area. Residents consist of government workers and their families who are employed by either SCL's Skagit River Hydroelectric Project or other local, state, and federal agencies. The number of residents living in Newhalem has dropped steadily over the years as hydroelectric processes became more mechanized and processes can be operated remotely from Seattle.

The U.S. Census Bureau does not track population data for unincorporated communities. The population of Whatcom County based on a 2012 estimate by the U.S. Census Bureau is 205,262. The population change from 2010 through 2012 is 2.0%. The population consist of 87.9% White persons, 3.1 % American Indian persons, 1.2% Black persons and 8.4 % persons of Latino or Hispanic origins (<http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/53/53073.html>). These statistics are generally representative of Newhalem.

There are no schools within five miles of the Site.

3.2 History of Community Relations

3.2.1 Stehekin

During the public comment period for the *Stehekin River Corridor Implementation Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement (SRCIP / FEIS)*, which analyzed a range of management actions including closure of the Stehekin Firing Range in order to re-route the Stehekin Valley Road, nearly a dozen comments recommending retention or relocation of the shooting range were received. Additional comments recommending installation of mechanical devices to contain lead shot were also received. The Record of Decision, which was signed in 2013, documents NOCA's decision to close the Site in order to re-route the Stehekin Valley Road. The Park's response to public comments, as documented in the SRCIP / FEIS, emphasized that:

- The Site contains contaminants (lead shot) requiring cleanup under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA);
- Establishing a new shooting range on public land is inconsistent with NPS policies; and
- The initial construction cost and ongoing maintenance and waste disposal costs associated with managing a shooting range – which would include a mechanized bullet collection system in accordance with Best Management Practices – are expected to be high.

The Park's response also acknowledged the possibility of constructing such a facility on private land, which would be subject to Chelan County zoning.

One comment was received during the SRCIP / FEIS public comment period from the North Cascades Conservation Council in support of closing the Stehekin Firing Range.

To date, there has been no documented history of community actions to address lead-contaminated soil problems at the Site.

NOCA is the only active Potentially Responsible Party (PRP) associated with Site.

3.2.2 Newhalem

The Newhalem Firing Range has been closed to all individuals except NPS Law Enforcement personnel and other law enforcement personnel authorized by the Chief Ranger since July 2013. There has been no documented history of community actions to address problems at the Site.

Under Section 107(a) of CERCLA, all parties, including the government and PRPs, may recover from other PRPs the costs it voluntarily incurred beyond its equitable share to clean up a contaminated site. CERCLA Section 107(a)(1) imposes liability on the current owner(s) and operator(s) of a vessel or facility from which there has been a release of a hazardous substance, even if they did not own or operate the facility at the time of disposal of hazardous substances. CERCLA Section 107(a)(2) imposes liability on any person who owned or operated a facility at

the time of disposal of any hazardous substance at the facility. Thus, unlike current owners and operators, a former owner or operator is liable only if disposal of hazardous substances occurred while the person owned or operated the facility. CERCLA Section 107(a)(3) imposes liability on a person who arranged for disposal of hazardous substances at any facility owned or operated by another party and containing such hazardous substances. Although the statute does not use the term “generator,” this term is commonly used to refer to an entity who generated the hazardous substance, or arranged for its disposal or treatment, or did both.

As the current owner and operator of the Site, NOCA is the only active Potentially Responsible Party (PRP) associated with Site. However, other entities may retain liability given the range of PRPs defined in CERCLA Section 107(a). NOCA can identify PRPs by collecting site documents, conducting interviews, and performing research, and may seek to obtain PRP participation through settlements. NOCA also has the authority to take the lead for cleanup activities and seek to recover its costs from PRPs.

3.3 Key Community Concerns

3.3.1 Stehekin

Community concerns expressed thus far focus more on the Stehekin Firing Range closure and lack of relocation than on hazardous or potentially hazardous waste and cleanup.

3.3.2 Newhalem

As of the date of this CRP, there have been no community concerns.

3.4 Response to Community Concerns

3.4.1 Stehekin

As documented in “Appendix 21: NPS Responses to Comments on the DEIS” of the *Stehekin River Corridor Implementation Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement (SRCIP / FEIS)*, the Park responded to public comments regarding closure and relocation of the Stehekin Firing Range. NOCA did not undertake any additional community relation activities prior to the CRP.

The primary community concern is related to the loss of the firing range.

3.4.2 Newhalem

There were no community concerns expressed prior to this CRP, and NOCA did not undertake any community relation activities prior to the CRP.

The primary community concern will likely be related to the loss of the firing range and the potential liability of additional PRPs.

3.5 Summary of Communication Needs

3.5.1 Stehekin

- No specific communication needs were expressed by the community. NOCA will follow the guidance in the Superfund Community Relations Handbook and the Superfund Community Relations Toolkit.

3.5.2 Newhalem

- No communication needs were expressed by the community. NOCA will follow the guidance in the Superfund Community Relations Handbook and the Superfund Community Relations Toolkit.

4.0 NOCA's Community Relations Program

The overall goal of NOCA's community relations program is to promote two-way communication between citizens and NOCA and to provide opportunities for meaningful and active involvement by the community in the Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis process. NOCA will implement the community relation activities described below.

4.1 The Plan

4.1.1 Stehekin

Issue 1: Keeping the public informed and up to date.

Activity 1A: Designate a NOCA Community Relations Coordinator (CRC).

- Objective: To provide a primary liaison between the community and the Park, and to ensure prompt, accurate, and consistent responses and information dissemination about the Site. In those instances where NOCA's CRC may be unable to provide adequate information (such as on technical issues), inquiries will be directed to the appropriate NOCA contact.
- Method: NOCA will designate a CRC to handle Site inquiries and serve as a point of contact for community members. Kerri Cook is the NOCA CRC assigned to the Site. She is also NOCA's Project Manager for the Site. Ken Hires, Stehekin District Interpreter, will serve as the on-site CRC located in Stehekin.

- Timing: The CRC was designated on the effective date of this CRP.

Activity 1B: Prepare and distribute Site fact sheet and technical summary.

- Objective: To provide citizens with current, accurate, easy-to-read, easy-to-understand information about the Stehekin Firing Range.
- Method: Fact sheets will be posted on the Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) website and handed out at the public meeting. In addition, copies will be available at the information repository.
- Timing: NOCA will prepare and distribute fact sheets prior to the implementation of the Removal Action.

Activity 1C: Provide a phone number for the community to contact NOCA.

- Objective: To enable citizens to get the latest information available when they want it, rather than having to wait for a meeting or a fact sheet, and without incurring any cost.
- Method: NOCA has designated the CRC's phone number (360-854-7280, Appendix A) as the community contact phone number.
- Timing: The line is currently operational (360-854-7280).

Activity 1D: Maintain a complete and accurate mailing list for the Site.

- Objective: To facilitate the distribution of site-specific information to everyone who needs or wants to be kept informed about the site.
- Method: NOCA will create a mailing list that includes potentially interested organizations, individuals, and regulators.
- Timing: NOCA will begin updating the existing Stehekin-based mailing list immediately and will review/revise it periodically to keep it current.

Activity 1E: Establish and maintain an Information Repository.

- Objective: To provide a convenient location where residents can go to read and copy official documents and other pertinent information about the site and NOCA activities.
- Method: Repositories will be established at the NOCA Headquarters located at 810 State Route 20, Sedro Woolley, WA 98284 and the Golden West Visitor Center located in

Stehekin, WA 98852. The repositories are a reference collection of Site information containing the Administrative Record file, the Community Relations Plan, and other site-specific information. This repository will be accessible to the physically challenged, will have copier facilities, and will be available during normal business hours.

- Timing: NOCA established the local repositories on October 21st, 2013. NOCA adds new documents as they become available.

Activity 1F: Provide Site information on the Internet.

- Objective: To increase availability of information.
- Method: NOCA will post all relevant documents to the Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) website (<http://parkplanning.nps.gov/NOCAFiringRanges>). This site is also available to receive public comment at any time during the EE/CA process.
- Timing: Website will be “published” and visible to the public prior to the release of the EE/CA.

Activity 1G: Hold a public meeting in Stehekin.

- Objective: To inform community members of CERCLA requirements and exchange information and ideas with community members as to how public health and environmental threats from lead-contaminated soil should be addressed.
- Method: NOCA will conduct one public meeting in Stehekin.
- Timing: The public meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 22nd, 2014 from 7 – 9 pm (during the EE/CA public comment period). The location of this meeting will be the Stehekin Community Building.

Activity 1H: Establish and maintain the Administrative Record.

- Objective: To provide community members with a record of all documents, resources, etc. used by NOCA in reaching all decisions about the Site and its cleanup.
- Method: NOCA will provide one set of the Administrative Record for the Site at NOCA Headquarters, located at 810 State Route 20, Sedro Woolley, WA 98284, and one set at the Golden West Visitor Center, located in Stehekin, WA 98852.

- Timing: The Administrative Record is opened as soon as Site investigation begins and remains open until the Final EE/CA Action Memorandum is signed.

Issue 2: Provide adequate and meaningful opportunities for community involvement.

Activity 2A: Solicit comments during a Public Comment Period.

- Objective: To give community members an opportunity to review and comment on the Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis (EE/CA). This provides the citizens with meaningful involvement in the process and also provides NOCA with valuable information for use in making decisions.
- Method: NOCA will announce the comment period with a press release. Announcements will appear in local newspapers; they will include particulars on duration, how to make comments, where to submit comments, etc.
- Timing: The comment period will be announced in July 2014. The comment period will last a minimum of 30 days.

Activity 2B: Prepare and issue a Responsiveness Summary.

- Objective: To summarize comments received during comment periods, to document how NOCA has considered those comments during the decision-making process, and to provide responses to major comments.
- Method: NOCA will prepare a Responsiveness Summary. The Responsiveness Summary will include four sections: 1. Overview; 2. Background on Community Relations; 3. Summary of comments received and NOCA responses; 4. EE/CA concerns. All information, both technical and nontechnical, will be conveyed in a manner that is easily understood.
- Timing: NOCA will issue the Responsiveness Summary after comments are received.

Activity 2C: Revise the Community Relations Plan (CRP).

- Objective: To identify and address community needs, issues, or concerns regarding the site or the cleanup remedy that are not currently addressed in this CRP.

- Method: The Revised CRP will update the information presented in the previous version of the CRP.
- Timing: NOCA will revise the CRP as community concern warrants.

4.1.2 Newhalem

Issue 1: Keeping the public informed and up to date.

Activity 1A: Designate an NOCA Community Relations Coordinator (CRC).

- Objective: To provide a primary liaison between the community and the Park, and to ensure prompt, accurate, and consistent responses and information dissemination about the Site. In those instances where NOCA's CRC may be unable to provide adequate information (such as on technical issues), inquiries will be directed to the appropriate NOCA contact.
- Method: NOCA will designate a CRC to handle Site inquiries and serve as a point of contact for community members. Kerri Cook is the NOCA CRC assigned to the Site. She is also NOCA's Project Manager for the site.
- Timing: The CRC was designated on the effective date of this CRP.

Activity 1B: Prepare and distribute site fact sheet and technical summary.

- Objective: To provide citizens with current, accurate, easy-to-read, easy-to-understand information about the Newhalem firing range.
- Method: Fact sheets will be posted on the Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) website and handed out at the public meeting. In addition, copies will be available at the information repository.
- Timing: NOCA will prepare and distribute fact sheets prior to the implementation of the Removal Action.

Activity 1C: Provide a phone number for the community to contact NOCA.

- Objective: To enable citizens to get the latest information available when they want it, rather than having to wait for a meeting or a fact sheet, and without incurring any cost.

- Method: NOCA has designated the CRC's phone number (360-854-7280, Appendix A) as the community contact phone number.
- Timing: The line is currently operational (360-854-7280).

Activity 1D: Maintain a mailing list for the Site.

- Objective: To facilitate the distribution of site-specific information to everyone who needs or wants to be kept informed about the site.
- Method: NOCA will create a mailing list that includes potentially interested organizations, individuals, and regulators.
- Timing: NOCA will begin working on this mailing list immediately and will review/revise it periodically to keep it current.

Activity 1E: Establish and maintain an Information Repository.

- Objective: To provide a convenient location where residents can go to read and copy official documents and other pertinent information about the site and NOCA activities.
- Method: A repository will be established at the NOCA Headquarters located at 810 State Route 20, Sedro Woolley, WA 98284. The repository is a reference collection of Site information containing the Administrative Record file, other site-specific information and the Community Relations Plan. This repository will be accessible to the physically challenged, will have copier facilities, and will be available during normal business hours.
- Timing: NOCA established the local repository on October 21st, 2013. The repository is located at 810 State Route 20, Sedro Woolley, Washington. NOCA adds new documents as they become available.

Activity 1F: Provide Site information on the Internet.

- Objective: To increase availability of information.
- Method: NOCA will post all relevant documents to the Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) website (<http://parkplanning.nps.gov/NOCAFiringRanges>). This site is also available to receive public comment at any time during the EE/CA process.

- Timing: Website will be “published” and visible to the public prior to the release of the EE/CA.

Activity 1G: Hold a public meeting in Newhalem.

- Objective: To inform community members of CERCLA requirements and exchange information and ideas with community members as to how public health and environmental threats from lead-contaminated soil should be addressed.
- Method: NOCA will conduct one public meeting in Newhalem.
- Timing: The public meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 24th, 2014 from 5 – 7 pm (during the EE/CA public comment period). The location of this meeting will be Seattle City Light’s Currier Hall in Newhalem, WA.

Activity 1H: Establish and maintain the Administrative Record.

- Objective: To provide community members with a record of all documents, resources, etc. used by NOCA in reaching all decisions about the Site and its cleanup.
- Method: NOCA will provide a copy of the Administrative Record for the Site at NOCA Headquarters, located at 810 State Route 20, Sedro Woolley, Washington.
- Timing: The Administrative Record is opened as soon as Site investigation begins and remains open until the Final EE/CA Action Memorandum is signed.

Issue 2: Provide adequate and meaningful opportunities for community involvement.

Activity 2A: Solicit comments during a Public Comment Period.

- Objective: To give community members an opportunity to review and comment on the Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis (EE/CA). This provides the citizens with meaningful involvement in the process and also provides NOCA with valuable information for use in making decisions.
- Method: NOCA will announce the comment period with a news release. Announcements will appear in local newspapers; they will include particulars on duration, how to make comments, where to submit comments, etc.

- **Timing:** The comment period will be announced in July 2014 as appropriate. The comment period will last a minimum of 30 days.

Activity 2B: Prepare and issue a Responsiveness Summary.

- **Objective:** To summarize comments received during comment periods, to document how the NOCA has considered those comments during the decision-making process, and to provide responses to major comments.
- **Method:** NOCA will prepare a Responsiveness Summary. The Responsiveness Summary will include four sections: 1. Overview; 2. Background on Community Relations; 3. Summary of comments received and NOCA responses; 4. EE/CA concerns. All information, both technical and nontechnical, will be conveyed in a manner that is easily understood.
- **Timing:** NOCA will issue the Responsiveness Summary after comments are received.

Activity 2C: Revise the Community Relations Plan (CRP).

- **Objective:** To identify and address community needs, issues, or concerns regarding the site or the cleanup remedy that are not currently addressed in this CRP.
- **Method:** The Revised CRP will update the information presented in the previous version of the CRP.
- **Timing:** NOCA will revise the CRP as community concern warrants.

4.2 Time Frame Summary for Community Relations Activities

4.2.1 Stehekin

The following table summarizes the time frame for community relations tasks.

ACTIVITY	TIME FRAME
Designate a NOCA Community Relations Coordinator (CRC)	Completed
Prepare and distribute site fact sheets and technical summaries	Ongoing, as needed
Provide a phone number for the community to contact NOCA	Completed

Maintain a mailing list for the Site	Ongoing
Establish and maintain Information Repositories	Established, update as needed
Provide Site information on the Internet	Currently available; update as needed
Hold a public meeting	During Public Comment Period
Establish and maintain the Administrative Record	Established, update as needed
Solicit comments during a Public Comment Period	As needed and required
Prepare and issue a Responsiveness Summary	Following public comment periods
Revise the Community Response Plan (CRP)	As needed

4.2.2 Newhalem

The following table summarizes the time frame for community relations tasks.

ACTIVITY	TIME FRAME
Designate a NOCA Community Relations Coordinator (CRC)	Completed
Prepare and distribute site fact sheets and technical summaries	Ongoing, as needed
Provide a phone number for the community to contact NOCA	Completed
Maintain a mailing list for the Site	Ongoing
Establish and maintain Information Repositories	Established, update as needed
Provide Site information on the Internet	Currently available; update as needed
Hold a public meeting	During Public Comment Period
Establish and maintain the Administrative Record	Established, update as needed
Solicit comments during a Public Comment Period	As needed and required
Prepare and issue a Responsiveness Summary	Following public comment periods
Revise the Community Response Plan (CRP)	As needed

5.0 References

Kleinfelder, 2003a, Preliminary Assessment of Two Sites, North Cascades NPS Complex , Stehekin, Washington.

Kleinfelder, 2003b, Preliminary Assessment of Firing Range, North Cascades NPS Complex, Newhalem, Washington.

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Appendix B Local & State Agencies

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