

# Olympic National Park Wilderness Stewardship Plan

## DRAFT Management Zones

### March 2014

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<b>Trail Type(s)</b>	Nature Trails, Coastal Travelways	All Purpose Trails, Foot Trails Coastal Travelways	Secondary, Foot Trails Coastal Travelways	Primitive, Coastal Travelways	Way Trails and Routes, Coastal Travelways	Trail-less, Coastal Travelways
<b>Examples</b>	Sol Duc Falls, Marymere Falls, west side of Staircase Rapids	Hoh River Trail	Bogachiel River Trail	Skyline Trail	Bailey Range	
<b>ZONE CONCEPT</b>	<p>The primary trails in this zone would be Nature Trails. This zone could also include minor segments of other maintained trail types (i.e., All Purpose, Secondary, Foot, and Primitive trails). *Designated paths/routes, not part of the maintained trail system (e.g., way trails, social trails, routes, and coastal travelways) could be present.</p> <p>*(Note: routes and coastal travelways are not “trails” and “designated paths/routes” is the language used in the 2008 GMP).</p> <p>Resources would be protected while providing access by trails and related facilities (i.e., bridges, boardwalks/puncheon) to park wilderness.</p> <p>Camping at designated sites would be accommodated.</p> <p>Many trails would be</p>	<p>The primary trails in this zone would be All Purpose and Foot Trails. This zone could also include minor segments of other maintained trail types (i.e., Secondary and Primitive trails). Designated paths/routes, not part of the maintained trail system (e.g., way trails, social trails, routes, and coastal travelways) could be present.</p> <p>Resources would be protected while providing access by trails and related facilities (i.e., bridges, boardwalks/puncheon) to park wilderness.</p> <p>Camping at designated sites would be accommodated.</p> <p><b>All Purpose (2s) Trails:</b> Would be maintained for pack or riding stock.</p> <p><b>Foot Trails (2f):</b> Pack or riding stock would be prohibited, except occasional</p>	<p>The primary trails in this zone would be Secondary and Foot Trails. This zone could also include minor segments of other maintained trail types (i.e., Primitive trails). Designated paths/routes, not part of the maintained trail system (e.g., way trails, social trails, routes, and coastal travelways) could be present.</p> <p>Resources would be protected while providing access by trails and related facilities (i.e., boardwalks/puncheon) to park wilderness.</p> <p>Camping at designated sites would be accommodated.</p> <p><b>Secondary (3s) Trails:</b> Would be maintained for pack or riding stock.</p> <p><b>Foot Trails (3f):</b> Pack or riding stock would be prohibited, except occasional administrative use if determined to be the minimum</p>	<p>The primary trails in this zone would be Primitive Trails. Designated paths/routes, not part of the maintained trail system (e.g., way trails, social trails, routes, and coastal travelways) could be present.</p> <p>Resources would be protected and primitive recreational opportunities with fewer maintained trails provided than Zones 1-3.</p> <p>Camping would be accommodated at designated sites or on durable surfaces.</p> <p>Pack or riding stock would be prohibited.</p> <p>Access or use might be restricted or limited for resource protection.</p>	<p>The primary trails in this zone would be Way Trails. Other designated paths/routes, not part of the maintained trail system (e.g., social trails, routes, and coastal travelways) could be present.</p> <p><b>Way Trails:</b> Officially recognized paths open to hikers only. Previously established by ongoing use. In sections with no established path, routes may be marked for resource protection. Maintenance for resource protection only if/as determined by minimum requirements analysis.</p> <p><b>Routes:</b> Known travelways ranging from abandoned trails to mountain climbing routes. No visible signs of resource impact, except footprints, and no route marking.</p> <p>Resources would be protected and primitive recreational</p>	<p>There would be no trails and no established campsites in this zone.</p> <p>Preserving wilderness resources and character would take precedence; large trail-less areas and opportunities for unconfined, primitive recreation would be preserved.</p> <p>Camping on durable surfaces would be accommodated.</p> <p>Pack or riding stock would be prohibited.</p> <p>Access or use might be restricted or limited for resource protection.</p>

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	<p>maintained for pack or riding stock, but stock would be prohibited on/in some trails and areas.</p> <p>This zone has heavy use because it's more focused on day use, but there are through-hikers that utilize this zone.</p> <p>Access or use might be restricted or limited for resource protection.</p>	<p>administrative use if determined to be the minimum tool in a minimum requirements analysis.</p> <p>Access or use might be restricted or limited for resource protection.</p>	<p>tool in a minimum requirements analysis.</p> <p>Access or use might be restricted or limited for resource protection.</p>		<p>opportunities with no maintained trails provided except where necessary for resource protection.</p> <p>Camping would be accommodated at designated sites or on durable surfaces.</p> <p>Pack or riding stock would be prohibited.</p> <p>Access or use might be restricted or limited for resource protection.</p>	
<p><b>NATURAL RESOURCES</b></p> <p>Note: Nothing in the zoning descriptions affects tribal treaty rights.</p>	<p>Natural resources might be slightly modified for visitor use, administrative use, recreational access, and research.</p> <p>Disruptions to the natural systems may be greater in this zone due to higher use, compared to zones 2-6.</p>	<p>Natural resources might be slightly modified for visitor use, administrative use, recreational access, and research.</p> <p>Disruptions to the natural systems may be greater in this zone due to higher use, compared to zones 3-7.</p>	<p>Natural resources might be slightly modified for visitor use, administrative use, recreational access, and research, and less than in zones 1 and 2.</p> <p>There may be slight disruptions to the natural system.</p>	<p>Natural resources might be minimally modified for visitor recreational, administrative, research, and access purposes, but in ways that harmonize with natural conditions and processes.</p> <p>There would be minimal disruption to the natural system.</p>	<p>Natural resources might be minimally modified for visitor recreational, administrative, research, and access purposes, but in ways that harmonize with natural conditions and processes.</p> <p>There would be minimal disruption to the natural systems.</p>	<p>Natural resources would be in as pristine a condition as possible, and would not have irreversible modifications for recreational purposes, research, and administrative use.</p> <p>There would be very little disruption to the natural system.</p>
Trails and Campsites	<p>Unwanted trails and sites, such as campsites, would be removed and rehabilitated or allowed to recover naturally.</p> <p>Existing trails could be modified or rerouted for resource protection or to maintain access, however, no new trails would be constructed.</p>	<p>Unwanted trails and sites, such as campsites, would be removed and rehabilitated or allowed to recover naturally.</p> <p>Existing trails could be modified or rerouted for resource protection or to maintain access, however, no new trails would be constructed.</p>	<p>Unwanted trails and sites, such as campsites, would be removed and rehabilitated or allowed to recover naturally.</p> <p>Existing trails could be modified or rerouted for resource protection or to maintain access, however, no new trails would be constructed.</p>	<p>Unwanted trails and sites, such as campsites, would be removed and rehabilitated or allowed to recover naturally.</p> <p>Existing trails could be modified or rerouted for resource protection or to maintain access, however, no new trails would be constructed.</p>	<p>Unwanted trails and sites, such as campsites, would be removed and rehabilitated or allowed to recover naturally.</p> <p>Existing trails could be modified or rerouted for resource protection or to maintain access, however, no new trails would be constructed.</p>	<p>Trails and sites, such as campsites, would be removed and rehabilitated, or allowed to recover naturally.</p> <p>No trails would be constructed.</p>
Area Closures	<p>Areas might be closed temporarily or permanently for restoration or to achieve desired resource conditions.</p>	<p>Areas might be closed temporarily or permanently for restoration or to achieve desired resource conditions.</p>	<p>Areas might be closed temporarily or permanently for restoration or to achieve desired resource conditions.</p>	<p>Areas might be closed temporarily or permanently for restoration or to achieve desired resource conditions.</p>	<p>Areas might be closed temporarily or permanently for restoration or to achieve desired resource conditions.</p>	<p>Most evidence of modern human presence would be removed and areas would be rehabilitated. Areas might be closed temporarily or</p>

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<b>CULTURAL RESOURCES</b>	Historic properties (structures, cultural landscapes, or archeological sites) within this zone might be visible and accessible.	Historic properties (structures, cultural landscapes, or archeological sites) within this zone might be visible and accessible.	Historic properties (structures, cultural landscapes, or archeological sites) within this zone might be visible and accessible.	Few historic properties (structures, cultural landscapes, or archeological sites) within this zone might be visible and accessible.	Few historic properties (structures, cultural landscapes, or archeological sites) within this zone might be visible and accessible.	Historic structures and cultural landscapes within this zone would not be visible. Archeological sites within this zone would not be readily visible.
<b>VISITOR OPPORTUNITIES</b>	There would be opportunities to appreciate wilderness resources and character and participate in primitive recreation.  All users are strongly encouraged to employ Leave No Trace practices.	There would be opportunities to appreciate pristine wilderness resources and character and participate in primitive recreation.  All users are strongly encouraged to employ Leave No Trace practices.	There would be opportunities to appreciate pristine wilderness resources and character and participate in primitive recreation.  All users are strongly encouraged to employ Leave No Trace practices.	There would be more opportunities to appreciate pristine wilderness resources and character and participate in primitive recreation, than in Zones 1-3.  All users are strongly encouraged to employ Leave No Trace practices.	There would be more opportunities to appreciate pristine wilderness resources and character and participate in primitive recreation, than in Zones 1-4.  All users are strongly encouraged to employ Leave No Trace practices.	This zone would have the most opportunities to appreciate the pristine wilderness resources and character, without trails and related facilities, and participate in primitive recreation.  All users are strongly encouraged to employ Leave No Trace practices.
Risk and Challenge	There would be some risk and challenge in proportion to remoteness, terrain, or tides.	There would be some risk and challenge in proportion to remoteness, terrain, or tides.	There would be increasing risk and challenge in proportion to remoteness, terrain, or tides.	There would be more risk and challenge in proportion to remoteness, terrain, or tides.	There would be more risk and challenge in proportion to remoteness, terrain, or tides.	This zone would have the most risk and challenge in proportion to remoteness, terrain, or tides.
Solitude, Remoteness, and Natural Sounds	There would be fewest opportunities for solitude, remoteness and presence of natural sounds.	There would be more opportunities for solitude, remoteness and presence of natural sounds than Zone 1.	There would be more opportunities for solitude, remoteness and presence of natural sounds than Zones 1-2.	There would be more opportunities for solitude and remoteness and presence of natural sounds than in Zones 1-3.	There would be more opportunities for solitude and remoteness and presence of natural sounds than in Zones 1-4.	This zone would have the most opportunities for solitude and remoteness and presence of natural sounds.
Appropriate Activities	Appropriate activities would include: hiking, nature viewing, wildlife watching, fishing, mountaineering, nonmotorized boating, stock use, and limited camping.	Appropriate activities would include: hiking, nature viewing, wildlife watching, fishing, mountaineering, nonmotorized boating, and camping.  Stock use would be	Appropriate activities would include: hiking, nature viewing, wildlife watching, fishing, mountaineering, nonmotorized boating, and camping.  Stock use would be	Appropriate activities would include: hiking, nature viewing, wildlife watching, fishing, mountaineering, nonmotorized boating, and camping.	Appropriate activities would include: hiking, nature viewing, wildlife watching, fishing, mountaineering, nonmotorized boating, and camping.	Appropriate activities would include: hiking, nature viewing, wildlife watching, fishing, mountaineering, nonmotorized boating, and camping.

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Encounter Rates (with other visitors)	Probability of meeting other visitors on a regular basis would be high.	Probability of meeting other visitors on a regular basis would be moderate to high.	Probability of meeting other visitors on a regular basis would be moderate.	Probability of meeting other visitors on a regular basis would be low.	Probability of meeting other visitors on a regular basis would be low.	Probability of meeting other visitors on a regular basis would be extremely low.
Encounter Rates (with park staff)	There would be a moderate to high likelihood of encountering park staff.	There would be a moderate to high likelihood of encountering park staff	There would be a low to moderate likelihood of encountering park staff.	There would be a very low likelihood of encountering park staff.	There would be a very low likelihood of encountering park staff.	There would be a very low likelihood of encountering park staff.
Solitude	Sometimes visitors would be free of sight and sound of others – they might but are least likely to find quiet or solitude in this zone.	Sometimes visitors would be free of sight and sound of others – they might find quiet or solitude.	Sometimes visitors would be free of sight and sound of others – they would likely find quiet or solitude.	Visitors would often be free of sight and sound of others – would more likely find quiet or solitude than zones 1-3.	Visitors would often be free of sight and sound of others – would more likely find quiet or solitude than zones 1-4.	Visitors would very often be free of sight and sound of others – they would very likely find quiet or solitude.
Education and Information	Wilderness education, orientation, and information could be provided on-site in some areas.  A range of interpretive techniques (e.g., signs, trailhead kiosks, handouts) could be used.	Wilderness education, orientation, and information could be provided on-site in some areas.  A range of interpretive techniques (e.g., signs, trailhead kiosks, handouts) could be used.	Wilderness education, orientation, and information may be provided on-site in some areas.  A range of interpretive techniques (e.g., signs, trailhead kiosks, handouts) could be used.	Wilderness education and information may be provided on-site, but most would be provided off-site or at trailheads.  A limited range of interpretive techniques (e.g., signs, trailhead kiosks, handouts) could be used.	Wilderness education and information may be provided on-site, but most would be provided off-site or at trailheads.  A limited range of interpretive techniques (e.g., signs, trailhead kiosks, handouts) could be used.	Wilderness education would generally not be provided within this zone. It would be provided in other wilderness zones or off-site.  The range of interpretive techniques could include trailhead kiosks and handouts.
Signs	Signs may be provided.	Signs may be provided.	Signs may be provided.	No signs would be provided, other than temporary signs for resource protection, if necessary.	No signs would be provided, other than temporary signs for resource protection, if necessary	No signs would be provided, other than temporary signs for resource protection, if necessary.
Way-finding	Way-finding would be easy to moderate depending on area. Map-reading and orienteering skills might be necessary.	Way-finding would be easy to moderate depending on area. Map-reading, climbing, and orienteering skills might be necessary.	Way-finding would be easy to difficult depending on area. Map-reading, climbing, mountaineering, and orienteering skills might be necessary.	Way-finding would be moderate to very difficult depending on area and remoteness. Map-reading, climbing, mountaineering and orienteering skills might be necessary.	Way-finding would be moderate to very difficult depending on area and remoteness. Map-reading, climbing, mountaineering, and orienteering skills are likely necessary.	Way-finding would be moderate to very difficult depending on area and remoteness. Map-reading, climbing, mountaineering, and orienteering would often be necessary.
Stock Use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stock use allowed, limited to All Purpose, Secondary, and specified Nature trails, and camp areas where stock are allowed.</li> <li>Stock users are strongly encouraged to employ</li> </ul>	<b>All Purpose Trails (2s):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stock use allowed, limited to All Purpose, Secondary, specified Nature trails, stock grazing areas, and camp areas where stock are allowed.</li> </ul>	<b>Secondary Trails (3s):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stock use allowed on Secondary trails, stock grazing areas, and camp areas where stock are allowed.</li> <li>Stock users are strongly</li> </ul>	Stock use prohibited.	Stock use prohibited.	Stock use prohibited.

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	<p>Leave No Trace practices.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certified weed-free feed would be required.</li> <li>• Areas may be closed to stock if impacts to resources exceed established standards, or conflicts between user groups are substantial.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stock users are strongly encouraged to employ Leave No Trace practices.</li> <li>• Certified weed-free feed would be required.</li> <li>• Areas may be closed to stock if impacts to resources exceed established standards, or conflicts between user groups are substantial.</li> </ul> <p><b>Foot Trails (2f):</b> N/A (stock use prohibited)</p>	<p>encouraged to employ Leave No Trace practices.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Certified weed-free feed would be required.</li> <li>• Areas may be closed to stock if impacts to resources exceed established standards, or conflicts between user groups are substantial.</li> </ul> <p><b>Foot Trails (3f):</b> N/A (stock use prohibited)</p>			
Stock Camping	N/A (day use only)	<p><b>All Purpose Trails (2s):</b> Stock camping is limited to designated campsites or stock camps.</p> <p><b>Foot Trails (2f):</b> N/A (stock use prohibited)</p>	<p><b>Secondary Trails (3s):</b> Stock camping is limited to designated campsites or stock camps.</p> <p><b>Foot Trails (3f):</b> N/A (stock use prohibited)</p>	Stock use prohibited.	Stock use prohibited.	Stock use prohibited.
Stock Grazing	Grazing would not be allowed.	<p><b>All Purpose Trails (2s):</b> Grazing might be allowed in some areas.</p> <p><b>Foot Trails (2f):</b> N/A (stock use prohibited)</p>	<p><b>Secondary Trails (3s):</b> Grazing might be allowed in some areas.</p> <p><b>Foot Trails (3f):</b> N/A (stock use prohibited)</p>	Stock use prohibited.	Stock use prohibited.	Stock use prohibited.
<b>APPROPRIATE FACILITIES</b>  (General Description)	<p>Trails with some designated campsites and facilities (e.g., trail shelters, toilets, boardwalks/puncheon, and trail bridges/foot logs) would be allowed.</p> <p>Administrative facilities (e.g., ranger stations and associated facilities), research, monitoring, radio facilities and equipment, and boundary and resource signs might be present.</p>	<p>Trails with some designated campsites and facilities (e.g., trail shelters, toilets, boardwalks/puncheon, and trail bridges/foot logs) would be allowed.</p> <p>Some administrative facilities (e.g., ranger stations and associated facilities), research, monitoring, radio facilities and equipment, and boundary and resource signs might be present.</p>	<p>Trails with some designated campsites and minimal facilities (e.g., trail shelters, toilets, boardwalks/puncheon, and trail bridges/foot logs) would be allowed.</p> <p>Minimal administrative facilities (e.g., ranger stations and associated facilities), research, monitoring, radio facilities and equipment, and boundary and resource signs might be present.</p>	<p>Few facilities and maintained trails (e.g., toilets, boardwalks/puncheon, or other water crossings) would be present in this zone.</p> <p>Limited research, monitoring, radio facilities, and equipment and boundary and other signs related to resource protection might be present.</p>	<p>No facilities or maintained trails.</p> <p>Limited research, monitoring, or radio facilities and equipment, and boundary and other temporary signs related to resource protection might be present.</p>	<p>Trail-less zone. Areas would be largely free of evidence of human presence.</p> <p>Limited research, monitoring, or radio facilities and equipment, and boundary signs and other temporary signs related to resource protection might be present.</p>
Trails	Other trails, routes, and beach	Other trails, routes, and beach	Other trails, routes, and beach	Other trails, routes, and beach	Other trails, routes, and beach	No trails.

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Campgrounds and Campsites	Limits on campers might be established with some areas closed to camping for resource protection.	Sites for camping would be designated along the trail system. Camping areas would be designated on wilderness beaches and on some gravel bars.	Sites for camping would be designated along the trail system. Camping areas would be designated on wilderness beaches and on some gravel bars.	Camping would be at designated sites or on durable surfaces.  Recognizable campsites might exist but they are small and occur infrequently.	Camping would be at designated sites or on durable surfaces.  Recognizable campsites might exist but they are small and occur infrequently.	No established campsites would exist in this zone. Camping would be on durable surfaces.  Camping impacts are not evident.