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Olympic National Park - GMP  
National Park Service  
Denver Service Center - Planning  
P.O. Box 25287  
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September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2006

RE: Olympic National Park Expansion

To whom it may concern,

I believe none of alternatives should be considered until all the facts for each alternative are presented to the public for comment.

Some of the facts that have not been presented to the public are:

1. How much lost tax revenue there will be both to Washington State Department of Revenue for harvest tax and the counties involved due to personal property and payroll taxes due to unemployment. If any of these taxes are reimbursed by the Federal Government there should be an explanation of the exact procedure.
2. No mention of job loss nor payroll revenue loss due to lost harvestable ground base.
3. Why wasn't the Washington State Forest and Fish Law used in the EIS analysis.
4. If Lake Ozette is put into wilderness designation there would be could be no feasible active management to resolve the trash fish conflicting with the Sockeye Salmon.
5. If the boundaries are adjusted prior to acquiring the private land within, it would put an additional hardship on the landowners. The landowners would have to go through a Class V Special Forest Practice Permit to harvest their timber. If the U.S. Park Service never acquires the land this permitting process could last forever.

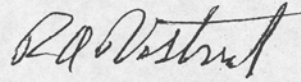
Until the above facts are presented to the public for comment the Park Service should not proceed with any of the land acquisition alternatives other than alternative A.

The values presented by the Park Service for acquisition and maintenance are not realistic. These costs should be gathered by a disinterested third party.

Currently, the U.S. Park Service does not have enough revenue to maintain the land they are charged with managing, how do they expect to manage a larger land base.

The land expansion proposed by the Park Service has no real benefit to the U.S. Government, The State of Washington, or any of the counties involved and should be abandoned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Russ Westmark", with a stylized, cursive script.

Russ Westmark  
Log Buyer