

GOVERNOR'S INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE ON  
OUTDOOR RECREATION

MINUTES

Department of Highways  
June 25, 1964

PRESENT:

Charles H. Odegaard, Chairman  
Jud Wonderly, Department of Commerce and Economic Development  
Al O'Donnell, Department of Natural Resources  
Ray Berlin, Central Budget Agency  
Norm Knott, Department of Game  
William P. Albohn, Department of Highways  
Val Rinehart, Department of Highways  
Elmer Quistorff, Department of Fisheries  
Philip H. Parker, Secretary  
~~Geo. Van Hise~~

1. June 8, 1964 minutes to be corrected to indicate that each agency designate an alternate member to the Committee. It is not necessary that that two representatives attend each meeting as the June 8 minutes stated.
2. Mr. Odegaard reported Initiative 215 signatures were over the 125,000 mark and thanked the agencies for their help. He requested all petitions be turned in before June 30, 1964.
3. Plans for Parks and Outdoor Recreation Seminar at Seattle on June 29, 1964 were reviewed and discussed.
4. Initiative 215 and Referendum Bill No. 11 finances were discussed. Mr. Odegaard pointed out the need for Inter-Agency Committee to learn how much money will become available and when. What is to be done with it? How would funds available be allocated to agencies?

Mr. Knott asked if "215" and "11" funds will be reimbursable or direct allocation, and if items need to be included in budget preparations?

Mr. Berlin said no reimbursement procedure is envisioned and it is not required to include monies from these measures in each department's budget for next biennium.

5. Mr. O'Donnell cited the need to correlate I-A plans with 701 study to establish project priorities.

Mr. Odegaard referred to Mr. Biggs' remarks at the June 8 meeting concerning the need for specific projects to be undertaken as soon as possible after money becomes available. Since the 701 study is not scheduled for completion until December 1965, it would be necessary that the Inter-Agency Committee prepare a plan that could be implemented before that time.

Mr. Knott suggested that each agency set up a six-year plan to guide the Inter-Agency Committee pending completion of the 701 study, such plan to include money requirements and projected capital outlay plan.

Mr. Odegaard noted that present Central Budget Agency requirements call for a six-year plan of the nature described by Mr. Knott.

6. Mr. Quistorff asked how an agency with no six-year recreation plan can be included under plans for receiving funds to be allocated by the I-A-C.

Mr. Berlin said that in some cases legislative authorization may be required. However, Central Budget Agency would probably approve projects if they were approved by I-A-C.

7. Problems of differences in agency programming and budgeting were discussed.

It was agreed that details of each department's plan have to be worked out within each agency.

Mr. Knott noted that a six-year plan would be a necessary prerequisite to a statement of legislation needed for each agency.

Mr. Odegaard emphasized that agency cooperation is a primary responsibility of the I-A-C to meet the best interests of the citizens and that cooperative programming would probably be needed to carry out a balanced recreational development program, especially where some agencies lack legislative authority at the present time.

8. Following a summary of the discussion it was agreed that there was a need for the following:

- a. Development of a six-year plan for each agency to guide I-A-C

in allocation of funds pending completion of the 701 study.

- b. A list of each agency's legislative needs.
- c. Proposed budgets needed to carry out a six-year plan.

Mr. Odegaard appointed the following sub-committees to achieve the above objectives:

- a. Plan development: Jud Wonderly, Chairman  
Elmer Quistorff
- b. Legislative needs: Norm Knott, Chairman  
Charles Odegaard
- c. Budget: ~~Ray Berlin~~<sup>Geo Van Miestery</sup>, Chairman  
Al O'Donnell

Mr. Knott suggested that for practical reasons Initiative 215 and Referendum Bill No. 11 programs be kept distinct and separate from normal department programs in each agency's budget.

- 9. Mr. O'Donnell discussed problems of obtaining access to potential recreation area on the Yakima river near Cle Elum resulting from the limited access highway being constructed. He suggested that a site investigation be made including representatives from Natural Resources, Parks, and Game. However, it was agreed that a meeting between Highways, Parks, and Natural Resources should be held before a discussion is made on the site investigation trip.

NEXT MEETING

Meeting will be held at the Department of Natural Resources, room 301, Public Lands Building, at 8:30 a.m., Thursday, July 9, 1964.

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