

**INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE FOR OUTDOOR RECREATION
SUMMARY MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING**

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INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ruth Mahan, Chair	Friday Harbor
Christine Wakefield Nichols	Snohomish
Egil "Bud" Krogh	Seattle
Connie Kearney	Vancouver
Cleve Pinnix	State Parks
Bonnie Bunning	Designee, Department of Natural Resources
Elyse Kane	Designee, Department of Fish and Wildlife

IT IS INTENDED THAT THIS SUMMARY BE USED WITH THE NOTEBOOK PROVIDED IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING.
A RECORDED TAPE IS RETAINED BY IAC AS THE FORMAL RECORD OF MEETING.

ITEM 1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Director Johnson announced the appointment of Ruth Mahan as Chair of the Committee. Chair Mahan then introduced two new Committee members ~ Bonnie Bunning, representing the Department of Natural Resources, and Connie Kearney, citizen member from Vancouver.

Chair Mahan determined there was a quorum and asked for approval of the November 16, 2000, Committee meeting minutes. Cleve Pinnix **moved** approval of the minutes. Bonnie Bunning **seconded**. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The agenda for the day's meeting was presented and approved as proposed.

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT AND STATUS REPORTS

Director's Report: Director Johnson presented the Director's report (see notebook for details).

- Staff has been working on research and planning-related activities.
- Salmon Recovery Funding Board (SRFB) met in January and awarded about \$31 million in grants.
- Three agencies in Oregon have purchased PRISM
- Reconfiguration of IAC offices will be accomplished this spring.

Cleve Pinnix complimented staff, particularly Deputy Director Debra Wilhelmi, on developing PRISM.

Financial & Administration Report: Toni Lick presented the Financial and Management

Services report (see notebook for details).

- Completed revisions to Manual 8 with input from partner and local agencies; it will be available next week.
- Staff is in the process of issuing 147 SRFB grants;
- IAC received \$4.7 million new hatchery money and will be issuing about 30 new contracts.
- Letters have been sent to sponsors (about 550) who have not billed us since September.
- Staff is preparing for the May 1 recreation projects application deadline.
- Expenditures in operating and capital budgets continue to be lower than anticipated.
- Revenues are on target for both BFP and NOVA and continue to lag for FARR.

Planning-Related Status Reports: Greg Lovelady presented the planning-related report (see notebook for details).

- WAC changes to be adopted at the July meeting are basically housekeeping and will be filed for adoption in the next few days.
- Arrangements are progressing for the state trails conference to be held in Vancouver in October.
- Several citizens are working towards staging a state games event; IAC is assisting where it can, although a definitive role has yet to emerge.
- Staff has researched and analyzed a scoring imbalance between acquisition and development projects in the local parks category.
- Staff is continuing to work collaboratively with various agencies and the public on a number of hydroelectric dam relicensing projects.
- Staff is preparing a report on the results of the \$10 million distributed from the Youth Athletics Fields Account (YAFA) grant program.

Project Services Status Reports: Marguerite Austin presented the status report for the recreation and habitat section of the Project Services Division (see notebook for details).

- Primary focus has been on issuing project agreements for the 42 projects awarded grants at the November Committee meeting and preparing for the 2001 grant cycle
- Preliminary project proposals (due March 1) indicate 11 Boating Facilities Program (BFP local agencies only), 37 National Recreational Trails Program (NRTP education & general categories), 41 Non-highway Off-Road Vehicle Activities Program (NOVA all categories), and 23 Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP local parks acquisition only).
- Staff has been working with new clients to establish planning eligibility (BFP, NHR, & WWRP).
- Preparing for upcoming application workshops to be held at four locations throughout the state the third week of March.
- As follow-up to grants awarded in November, staff held a successful applicant workshop.
- Rory Calhoun and Marguerite Austin participated in the Oregon Marine Board Boating Conference: Darrell Jennings made a presentation at Central

Washington University.

- The Riparian Habitat Program ends June 30, 2001.
- Each project manager currently manages an average of 116 active projects.

Mr. Pinnix suggested an informal workshop be held to share information on conservation easements. Director Johnson agreed that, after completion of the final report on the Riparian Habitat Program, a workshop with agencies, land trusts, and outside constituencies would be helpful.

Legislative Update: Jim Fox reviewed the legislative update (see notebook for details).

- BFP ~ There are two bills again this year to remove the “cap” on the amount of marine fuel tax distributed to the IAC. SB5508 passed out of Senate Natural Resources Committee and is currently in House Transportation Committee. Cutoff to get out of committee is today.
- NOVA ~ There are two bills affecting this program. HB 1653 would change the distribution formula of funds in the NOVA program categories. Cutoff for this bill out of House Transportation is also today and it will probably not get out of committee. A compromise bill was introduced (HB 2171) and passed out of House Transportation, which would require IAC and DOL to conduct a study of nonhighway and off-road fuel use.
- YAF ~ SB 5495 allows IAC chair to appoint 8 of the 9 council members. SB 5493 deletes the requirement the monies be divided into three equal funding categories. Both bills are in Senate Rules Committee.
- There are two bills to set up a task force to assess local park & recreation M&O needs. Both bills have passed out of respective committees and are in House and Senate Rules Committees respectively. If passed, IAC would staff the task force with assistance from Washington Recreation & Parks Association.
- Salmon Recovery Funding Board ~ Identical request bills (HB 1071 and SB 5246) to change the grant cycle to once a year have both passed House and Senate and should be going to the Governor for signature. There were two bills to give state agencies permanent eligibility. SB 5245 died in committee and HB 1166 passed out of committee with amendment that state agencies would have to have a local partners.
- HB 1785 would implement the recommendations of the Joint Legislative Audit Committee report. It’s currently in the House Capital Budget Committee.

ITEM 3. PRELIMINARY REPORT ON STATEWIDE BOATING INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM

Jim Eychaner introduced Brian Whittingham and Paul Sorenson, representatives from BST Associates, who have been working on a state boating infrastructure plan.

Brian Whittingham stated the three main facets to this study: (1) facilities survey, (2) boaters’ attitudes and equipment they use, and (3) statewide fleet inventory and gasoline usage survey. He reviewed their methodology for obtaining information.

Paul Sorenson stated results are very preliminary at this time; the final report will be

available in May. Also, this information is being entered into PRISM and will complement existing boat ramp data.

Mr. Pinnix requested a follow-up presentation at a Committee meeting or workshop to share survey results.

ITEM 4. BOATING INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM (BIG) POLICIES

Jim Eychaner reviewed the history of the Boating Infrastructure Grant (BIG) program (see notebook for details).

- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has established two grant cycles for these monies:
 - Tier 1 for projects requesting \$100,000 or less
 - Tier 2 for projects requesting \$100,001 or more
- Tier 1 is virtually assured; Tier 2 is not and is more of a gamble.
- Washington may submit two Tier 1 applications.
- As approved at the July meeting, BIG will be managed as a small-scale program, modeled after the National Recreation Trails Program.
- Since applications are due to Fish & Wildlife Service in May and the Committee is not meeting again until July, staff requested the Committee delegate authority to the Director to approve the top two Tier 1 projects.
- Tier 2 will be reviewed by staff to determine eligibility and forwarded to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for national competition.
- This program is not a continuing program and is subject to re-authorization in three years.
- Mr. Eychaner reviewed the policies and procedures for the BIG program, stating these proposed policies were distributed for public comment, and no comments were received.

Bud Krogh **moved** to adopt the Boating Infrastructure Grant Program policies and procedures. Elyse Kane **seconded**. **MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution 2001-07).

ITEM 5. PUBLIC LANDS INVENTORY UPDATE

Carole Richmond presented an update and overview of the Public Lands Inventory Project (PLIP) (see notebook for details).

- Last public lands inventory was performed in 1983 by Washington State University and is still being referenced.
- The 1999 inventory will provide much better and more comprehensive information.
- The inventory is completed; major chapters have been written; and database is operational. Staff is in the process of documenting, checking, and analyzing this information.
- Final report will be in four volumes. Volume 1 will include the executive summary, inventory data, elevation data, and cost benefit data; volume 2 will consist of the history of public lands; volume 3 the habitat chapter; and volume 4 the recreation chapter.
- Plan to have a draft in six weeks to circulate to the steering committee and the Governor's office for a 30-day review.

Mr. Pinnix suggested taking extra time for the final review to get the best possible product. Ms. Kane suggested releasing volumes on a rolling basis rather than waiting until all four volumes are completed.

Director Johnson commented she is considering a major symposium on the public lands study in the fall.

ITEM 6. NOVA PLAN UPDATE

Greg Lovelady presented the status of updating the Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicle Activities (NOVA) plan (see notebook for details).

- Estimate we are 1/3 of the way through re-writing the plan.
- Recruited and met with an ad hoc advisory committee.
- Issued a request for proposals to prospective consultants and selected Gilmore Research Group to lead plan drafting.
- Process will include focus group sessions, phone/in-person interviews, and internet-based survey.
- Will provide an update at July meeting, with a final plan to be brought before the Committee at the September or November meeting.

ITEM 7. JOINT LEGISLATIVE AUDIT AND REVIEW COMMITTEE (JLARC) REPORT

Director Johnson provided background on the JLARC performance audit conducted on two IAC/SRFB programs: WWRP - Habitat and SRFB Salmon Recovery Funding Program grants (see notebook for details). The three broad issues of the report were:

- Processes for grant awards and administration.
- Importance of monitoring and looking at outcomes (what difference did it make?).
- *Good investment versus good distribution of money approach.*

Staff perspective is there is a number of areas we will continue to work on in coordination with other agencies and we will look at process improvements. There are a number of larger issues staff will bring to the Committee as they are ready for public discussion and/or appropriate time in the life cycle of a grant.

Director Johnson introduced Karl Herzog, principal author of the report. Mr. Herzog provided an overview of the audit. JLARC had three major questions it tried to answer for the Legislature:

- What information is available to describe results of these grant programs over time?
- Are programs designed to produce good environmental investments?
- Do the programs individually and collectively serve the needs of funding recipients?

Mr. Herzog reviewed the six specific recommendations in the JLARC report. One of these recommendations is to report to the Office of Financial Management for the next five years on implementation of the report recommendations; the first is due September 2001.

Chair Mahan commented she sees this as an invitation for us to report back to the Legislature, in cooperation with other agencies, how we propose to meet the mandate

and what it will cost. Further, since the first report is due to the Legislature in September, we will be discussing this subject again soon.

ITEM 8. LWCF 2002 AND AFTER

Jim Eychaner reviewed the recommendations for future management of Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) monies (see notebook for details). An ad hoc advisory group was assembled to join in discussion of distribution options. Group consensus was:

- Treat funds distinctly and separately from other IAC-managed funds.
- Form a standing advisory committee.
- Follow federal rules/guideline regarding eligible applicants.
- Broaden eligible project types, e.g., from habitat lands to ball fields.
- Consider types of projects currently not supported by grant programs.
- Ensure statewide distribution of funds.
- Adopt some past practices.
- Do not overlook the role of the statewide outdoor comprehensive plan (SCORP) when setting priorities.

Staff is recommending formation of an advisory group to provide advice and recommendations for distribution of funds in 2002 and after.

Public Testimony:

Curt Soper, The Nature Conservancy, testified The Nature Conservancy is lobbying on behalf of LWCF both locally and nationally and it's a top goal to see that stateside funds are available in the future. The Conservancy supports fiscal 2001 recommendations and the recommendations presented by Mr. Eychaner for fiscal 2002 and beyond.

Cleve Pinnix **moved** to adopt the agency's recommendations for management of Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) monies beginning federal fiscal year 2002. **Seconded** by Bonnie Bunning. **MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution #2001-01).

ITEM 9. ALLOCATION OF FFY 2000 and 2001 LWCF FUNDS

Marguerite Austin provided background on the Land and Water Conservation Fund program and a proposal for distribution of Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2000 and 2001 Land and Water Conservation Fund monies (see notebook for details). She reported grants were written for two acquisition projects with FFY 2000 monies. One of these for \$500,000 was withdrawn due to local zoning changes which significantly increased the property cost. Before we can access this \$500,000, we need to allocate the more recent funds appropriated to us. With more than \$1.9 million available, staff is requesting approval of the following:

- A list of candidate projects eligible to compete this funding cycle.
- An interim process for distribution of funds.
- An interim evaluation process.

Following discussion regarding geographic distribution of funds, Mr. Pinnix **moved**

to add the following amendment to resolution 2001-08, “ Be it further resolved, that the maximum funds to go to any specific project shall not exceed \$500,000.” This would result in no less than four projects being funded. Elyse Kane **seconded**. **Amendment carried**.

Bud Krogh **moved** to adopt attachment A under Resolution #2001-02. Cleve **seconded**. **MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution #2001-02).

Christine Wakefield Nichols **moved** to adopt the revised resolution #2001-08. Bonnie Bunning **seconded**. **MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution 2001-08 as amended).

ITEM 10. STATEWIDE RECREATION PARTICIPATION STUDY

Jim Eychaner reported on the statewide recreation participation study. He provided and reviewed the summary of the year-long diary-based survey. Staff is conducting focus group meetings for input on the next statewide comprehensive outdoor recreation plan (SCORP).

ITEM 11. PROJECT CHANGES

Marguerite Austin presented a list of 15 projects requesting extensions beyond four years from the original funding date (see notebook for details). Projects were delayed for a number of reasons, i.e., complicated permitting, limited staff/resources, extensive land purchase negotiations.

Bud Krogh **moved** to adopt the list of projects requesting time extensions beyond the original four years. Christine Wakefield Nichols **seconded**. **MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution 2001-03).

Ms. Austin presented a request from Boys and Girls Club of Pierce County for a work site change and scope modification for a Youth Athletic Fields Account (YAFA) grant. This request involves replacing the proposed development of Eastside Boys and Girls Club property with improvements to Al Davies Boys and Girls Club’s Stanley Field.

Bud Krogh **moved** to approve the Boys and Girls Club of Pierce County’s request for work site change and scope modification. Cleve Pinnix **seconded**. **MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution #2001-04).

ITEM 12. RESOLUTIONS FOR ERIC JOHNSON & STAN BILES

Director Johnson thanked Stan Biles for his hard work, thoughtfulness, and integrity as Department of Natural Resources’ designee on the Interagency Committee.

Cleve Pinnix read the resolution in recognition and appreciation of Mr. Biles’ service on the Committee and **moved** adoption. Christine Wakefield Nichols **seconded**. **MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution #2001-06).

Christine Wakefield Nichols read the resolution recognizing Eric Johnson's 11 years' service to the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation and the Salmon Recovery Funding Board and **moved** adoption. Cleve Pinnix **seconded**. **MOTION CARRIED** (Resolution #2001-05).

REPORTS FROM PARTNER AGENCIES

Cleve Pinnix reported the Parks Commission will meet in two weeks; one item to be addressed is day-use parking fees throughout the state parks system. This revenue will go back into park maintenance programs. Earthquake damage has been estimated at \$2.8 million in the park system.

Elyse Kane reported she has relocated her office to the Capitol Way Fish and Wildlife Building.

With no further items or comments, the meeting adjourned at 4:06 p.m.

Ruth Mahan, Chair

Next Meeting: July 18-19, 2001
 O'Reilly's Banquet & Conference Center
 East Wenatchee, Washington

RESOLUTION #2001-01

Management of the State's Land and Water Conservation Fund Share Beginning Federal Fiscal Year 2002

WHEREAS, the Land and Water Conservation Fund was created by the United States Congress to help ensure public access to much needed recreation and habitat lands and facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Land and Water Conservation Fund has for more than 40 years provided invaluable financial assistance to the State of Washington in providing priority outdoor recreation and habitat lands and facilities for citizens and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has again recognized the value of the Land and Water Conservation Fund through meaningful appropriations; and

WHEREAS, public involvement is a cornerstone of the success of the Land and Water Conservation Fund;

NOW, therefore, be it resolved that the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation hereby authorizes the Director to form a standing advisory committee dedicated to Land and Water Conservation Fund issues; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the advisory committee is charged with providing advice and recommendations to the agency's Director and staff on management issues associated with the agency's responsibilities under Land and Water Conservation Fund grant-in-aid program for federal fiscal year 2002 and thereafter.

Moved: ___Cleve Pinnix_____ Seconded: _____Bonnie Bunning_____

MOTION CARRIED / FAILED

March 8, 2001

RESOLUTION #2001-02

**Land and Water Conservation Fund
Candidate Projects Eligible for FFY 2000 and FFY 2001 Grants**

WHEREAS, the State of Washington has nearly \$1.9 million available in federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant monies; and

WHEREAS, IAC desires to distribute these LWCF monies to projects in an expeditious manner; and

WHEREAS, the 2000 Washington State Legislature has directed that a portion of these funds be distributed to projects contained on 1999-01 Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program Outdoor Recreation Account project lists as approved by the legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Administrative Code also allows LWCF monies to be used for projects that include the Youth Athletic Facilities Account; and

WHEREAS, changes to the Washington Administrative Code that are currently underway will allow consideration of projects from the 1999-2001 Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program Habitat Conservation Account lists; and

WHEREAS, IAC staff reviewed all potential projects for LWCF consideration in conjunction with IAC and LWCF program rules, policies, and practices, and issues presented by interested individuals and organizations; and

WHEREAS, IAC staff believes that the list of projects that best meet all of the above referenced criterion are identified in Attachment A,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the projects identified in Attachment A are approved for consideration for FFY 2000 and FFY 2001 Land and Water Conservation Fund assistance, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director is authorized to accept LWCF-related applications from sponsors of these proposals and prepare a funding recommendation for Board consideration.

Resolution moved by: _____ *Bud Krogh* _____

Resolution seconded by: _____ *Cleve Pinnix* _____

Adopted/Defeated (circle one)

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RESOLUTION 2001-03

Time Extensions

WHEREAS, the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation adopted a project progress policy to address project terms, project progress, project extensions and project termination, and

WHEREAS, IAC policy requires Committee review of all requests for time extensions that extend longer than the original four years, and

WHEREAS, fifteen requests have been submitted for projects needing additional time, and

WHEREAS, the Committee has reviewed the circumstances surrounding these extension requests, and

WHEREAS, the Committee has authority to extend the timeline for projects beyond the four year period,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that IAC approves the time extension requests for the projects listed in Attachment A, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director be authorized to execute any and all amendments necessary to facilitate implementation of extensions for each of these project agreements.

Resolution moved by: _____ *Bud Krogh*_____

Resolution seconded by: _____ *Christine Wakefield Nichols*_____

Adopted/Defeated (circle one)

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RESOLUTION 2001-04

***Boys & Girls Club of Pierce County
Eastside Club Field Improvements, IAC #96-1214A
Worksite & Scope Change Request***

WHEREAS, in 1999, IAC awarded \$150,000 to the Boys & Girls Club of Pierce County for improvements to the multipurpose field at the Eastside Boys & Girls Club; and

WHEREAS, after review and re-assessment of its priorities, the Boys and Girls Club of Pierce County elevated the Stanley Field as a higher priority; and

WHEREAS, the Boys & Girls Club of Pierce County seeks IAC approval to replace development at the Eastside Club property with improvements to Stanley Field at the Al Davies Club; and

WHEREAS, IAC staff concludes that improvements proposed for Stanley Field meet the intent of the original proposal for renovating and expanding sports fields for youth;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the worksite and scope modification request by the Boys & Girls Club of Pierce County to replace development of the Eastside Club property with improvements to the multipurpose field at the Al Davies Club is approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director shall immediately execute all necessary amendments to the project agreement to facilitate this worksite change and scope modification.

Resolution moved by: _____ **Bud Krogh** _____

Resolution seconded by: _____ **Cleve Pinnix** _____

Adopted/Defeated (circle one)

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RESOLUTION #2001-05

RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION

WHEREAS, Eric Johnson worked at the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC) from May 16, 1989 through October 12, 2000, and

WHEREAS, Eric Johnson has also served as staff to the Salmon Recovery Funding Board (SRFB) from its inception in July 1999 through October 12, 2000, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Johnson's service with the IAC and SRFB assisted the citizens of the State of Washington in programs for conservation, stewardship, acquisition, development of recreation and habitat resources, and salmon habitat restoration, and

WHEREAS, the Interagency Committee recognizes his service rendered to the Committee and Board during his tenure, and

WHEREAS, the Interagency Committee wishes him well in future endeavors, with particular wishes for his future outdoor recreation pursuits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, on behalf of the citizens of Washington and in recognition of Eric Johnson's assistance to the IAC/SRFB in performing his responsibilities and duties as staff, the Committee and its staff extends its thanks and appreciation to him, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, a copy of this resolution be included in Mr. Johnson's agency personnel file, along with a copy of the letter of appreciation to Mr. Johnson.

Approved this 8th day of March 2001.

Moved: _Christine Wakefield Nichols_ **Seconded:** __Cleve Pinnix_____

Approved

RESOLUTION #2001-06

RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION

WHEREAS, Stan Biles, designee for the Department of Natural Resources, represented Jennifer Belcher, Public Lands Commissioner, on the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC) for the past six years, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Biles' service with the IAC assisted the citizens of the State of Washington in programs for conservation, stewardship, acquisition, and development of recreation and habitat resources, and

WHEREAS, the Interagency Committee recognizes his service rendered to the Committee during his tenure, and

WHEREAS, the Interagency Committee wishes him well in future endeavors, with particular wishes for his future outdoor recreation pursuits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, on behalf of the citizens of Washington and in recognition of Stan Bile's assistance to the IAC while performing his responsibilities and duties as a member, the Committee and its staff extends its thanks and appreciation to him.

Approved this 8th day of March 2001.

Moved: ___Cleve Pinnix___ **Seconded:** ___Christine Wakefield Nichols___

Approved

RESOLUTION 2001-07

**BOATING INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM
IAC POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

WHEREAS, the United States Congress created the Boating Infrastructure Grant Program under the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, and

WHEREAS, Congress has delegated the Boating Infrastructure Grant Program to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service for management, and

WHEREAS, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service has recognized the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation as the State of Washington's "single point of contact" to accept and expend funds made available to the State from the Boating Infrastructure Grant Program, and

WHEREAS, the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation accepts its responsibility to conduct an open, competitive process under rules established in the Code of Federal Regulations, and

WHEREAS, additional agency policies and procedures are necessary for the orderly and efficient conduct of the Boating Infrastructure Grant Program in Washington State, and

WHEREAS, the policies and procedures have been made available for broad public review and comment,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation approves the policies and procedures described in the memorandum of March 1, 2001, and hereby authorizes the Director to implement the policies and procedures effective immediately.

_____ Bud Krogh _____ **Moved** _____ Elyse Kane _____ **Seconded**

MOTION CARRIED / FAILED

_____ **March 8, 2001** _____ **Date.**

RESOLUTION 2001- 08

**Land and Water Conservation Fund
Funding Process and Evaluation Criteria for FFY 2000 and FFY 2001 Monies**

WHEREAS, the State of Washington has nearly \$1.9 million in federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant monies available for distribution; and

WHEREAS, IAC desires to distribute these LWCF monies to projects in an expeditious manner; and

WHEREAS, IAC staff reviewed the current process for distribution of LWCF funds to eligible Washington Wildlife & Recreation Program projects; and

WHEREAS, after consultation with the LWCF Ad Hoc Advisory Committee, IAC staff believes a separate process used in conjunction with IAC and LWCF program rules, policies, and practices best meets state and federal priorities; and

WHEREAS, IAC staff has developed the process outlined in Attachment B, to be used for LWCF proposals under consideration for FFY 2000 and FFY2001 monies; and

WHEREAS, IAC staff has developed criteria to be used for evaluation of LWCF proposals under consideration for FFY 2000 and FFY2001 monies,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the project selection process proposed in Attachment B is approved for use on projects under consideration for FFY 2000 and FFY 2001 LWCF monies,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that IAC approves use of the evaluation criteria identified in Attachment C, and authorizes staff to implement the process and prepare its recommendation for Board consideration, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the maximum funds should not exceed \$500,000 per project.

Resolution moved by : _____Christine Wakefield Nichols_____

Resolution seconded by : _____Bonnie Bunning_____

Adopted/Defeated (circle one)

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