

MODULE 9: RESOURCE PLAN

Key Concepts

- Description of Resource Plan
- Two approaches to the Resource Plan
- Tips for both approaches to the Resource Plan

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Resource Plan

- The Resource Plan (Chapter 5 of the MP outline) describes how project lands will be managed
- Two different options on how to approach the Resource Plan
 - ▶ Option 1: Resource Plan by land use classification type
 - ▶ Option 2: Resource Plan by project site area (specific park areas, wildlife areas, outgrants, etc.)

Two Options for Resource Plan

Option by Land Classification

Topics to address for each Classification:

- Classification and Justification
 - ▶ Resource Objectives
 - ▶ Acreages
 - ▶ Description of use by classification
- Land Classification map showing management agency(ies)
- Recreation Area Maps (bubble diagrams showing location of existing, proposed and future development needs)

Option by Project Site Area/Management Unit

Topics to address for each Project Site Area/Management Unit:

- Management area name and/or number
- Classification and justification
- Management agency
- Location/Acreage
- Maps of areas
- Description and use
- Resource objectives
- Development needs
- Special Considerations



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Two Options for Resource Plan

Option by Land Classification

Each of the land/water classifications should be briefly described in terms of anticipated public use and resource stewardship needs. No need to further subdivide the areas into units or compartments as this is done in the OMP.

Option by Project Site Area/Management Unit

Much of the information that would otherwise be placed in the OMP is incorporated into the MP, resulting in a shortened OMP but a longer MP. This may be preferred for extremely large projects, projects with intense stakeholder interest, or projects with complex issues.



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Tips for Resource Plans by Land Classification

- This chapter describes the management plans for each area of classification within the MP. The management plans identified are in broad terms of how these project lands will be managed. A more descriptive plan for managing these lands can be found in the OMP
- For most of the classifications, it is still appropriate to include a brief description of each Project Site Area/Management Unit (see appendix 9a)
- Project Site Area/Management Unit descriptions can be either text or in table format (see appendix 9b)



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Tips for Resource Plans by Project Site Area/Management Unit

- This option for Resource Plan is an expensive and time consuming process. It will replicate what OMPs normally capture
- Very strong stakeholder interest may require you to choose this option. They may want extensive detail in the MP
- Choosing this alternative would significantly reduce the time and detail needed to produce an OMP
- By inserting significant detail, the NEPA process/document may be more complex
- When describing development needs or projected activities, refrain from including very specific detail (ex: miles of fence, pounds of seed, trees per acre, amperage per campground spur, etc.)



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