

OUTFITTERS AND GUIDES BOARD

Boise, Idaho

January 24,25,26 & 29, 1979

The board meeting convened at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 24, 1979, with James Baughman, Vice-Chairman, Lon Jarvis and Ivol Sies of the Outfitters & Guides Board present, and Rangers Cliff Blake and Bud Hamilton, Middle Fork Forest Service, Challis, Idaho in attendance.

A forest service map was presented and all outfitter's areas in the Challis Forest were checked.

Bill Guth joined the meeting at 9:45 a.m., and there continued discussion of boundaries and areas with the rangers; including the disputed Cache Creek area.

The Board then, by motion of Ivol, seconded by Bill, passed unanimously, to change the boundary and consider the Cache Creek Basin area as a portion of Dr. Hatch's big game area, as he already has a portion of the area and the natural boundary falls more recognizable to his existing area.

Subletting of big game areas, as has been the case with Gary Madsen and Dr. John Hatch this past year, was then brought to the attention of the board, and the fact the forest service permit does not allow subletting of areas. The Board determined this should be a managing agent type of operation and would so advise these outfitters.

Lynne Loening/Bill Scherer applying for the old Mike Loening area was discussed and the foresters said that it was District Ranger Val Gibbs decision, but that the lack of horse graze for summer activities was one of the prime concerns of the Forest Service on allowing more permits. Also, the Mason/Cieslik former outfitting area was discussed and the Forest Service and Board agreed the area was borderline for use as an outfitter area.

Terry Andreessen's proposed application for the Dale Ney Middle Fork River transfer was talked about. Cliff Blake, Middle Fork River Ranger, said he had not been presented with an application for Wild Rivers West, Inc., as yet--nor had the Board, only inquiry. Therefore, nothing definite could be decided, only discussion. Also mentioned, was that the Fish and Game case against Andreessen has been postponed.

Before leaving the meeting the rangers said that more written communication between themselves and the Board was desired and wants advised of anything that concerns their management, and to contact them with any questions...Bud Hamilton handles the hunting permits and Cliff Blake the river permits. Mr. Baughman mentioned that the Board listens very closely to the Forest Service and the Fish and Game Department on the resources available, but that the outfitter does not determine the game numbers, the general public does.

Outfitter Norm Rudolph, Wilder, met with the Board about expanding his operation to let more people in--those that own their own horses. He would furnish unmanned camps, food and some tack, all on private land, and the Bureau of Land Management had been agreeable about increased use of the trails. Mr. Rudolph is dealing to purchase more private land at Graveyard Point, which would give a 5-day circle trip. He also told the Board of lost money on the Caldwell City recreation, when questioned. He said that in the past two years, Vern and Linda Morse had booked a number of people for 3 trips, of which only one trip date was kept, and only 1 person showing up for the second, none the third.

Allan Ceriale, Attorney General's Office, Boise, met with the Board concerning the suspected falsified Red Cross card of William G. Bender. He explained that Bender was contacted in Alabama and Bender admitted he falsified his card as "the Red Cross class was cancelled and he did what he had to do." Ceriale said he advised Bender

that at the very least Bender would have to appear before the Board and that he may or may not get another license. He also mentioned that Bender said he was sorry but that Ceriale could feel a little rebellion in his attitude. Mr. Ceriale suggested that Bender's attitude be reviewed by the Board when he personally appears, if he does. It was determined that prosecution would not be instigated, but a letter sent to outfitter Jim Campbell of Shepp Ranches and Wilderness Encounters regarding this guide's requirement to meet with the Board.

The Board then brought up Lawrence Dean McGuire's suspected forged license application. In discussion with Mr. Ceriale, it was determined that before future licensing, that the board should require their inquiry to be cleared to their satisfaction.

The Board recessed for lunch.

At 1:15 p.m. outfitter Richard Norris, Orofino, with his wife, Fran, met with the same members of the Board, regarding a hunting complaint by client Miller Swaney. After explanation, the Board advised Norris of better communication with clients of the number of hunters in each group and if the 2-day ride in and back is counted as hunt days to so advise the hunter in advance. Then a "compliment" letter was read and Norris also asked the Board about joint use in the Fred Wright area if Wright sold out. He was advised that it would have to be taken into consideration at that time.

Harry Vaughn, Moscow and Dick Atchison, Kooskia then met with the Board. Mr. Atchison owns the Vista Belle Haven Motel, eleven miles from Kooskia, formerly owned by old outfitter John Dorsey of the McTurnihan estate, on the Clearwater River. Mr. Vaughn said he was selling completely out.

In answer to Lon's inquiry regarding bookings, Harry said he would be there this fall to help and would work with Dick Atchison until he was qualified. Atchison was given application forms. He plans to change the name of the Coolwater Ranch but advised his would be the only guest ranch authorized under the Wild & Scenic Rivers Act along the Clearwater from Kooskia upstream and would request all phases of outfitting available to him.

Dale A. Jennings, Peck, Idaho met his appointment and requested bear and cougar hunting in two areas: one from Dixie above the Salmon River between Mackay Bar and the Shepp Ranch, above the breaks, and lion hunting only on the North Fork of the Clearwater River.

Dick Perkins, Mackay Bar Corp. met with the Board regarding licensing the Owyhee River. He said they would only train his guides, Jerry Meyers and Louis Rebillet, this next year but want to advertise to float it the next season.

The Board advised of their stand on holding permits for speculation, and that failure to serve the public could result in nonissuance of license of a river in the future. Also discussed was Miller's nonuse of the Snake River and Selway River, and Perkins advised they would not be requesting license for these rivers, as it was not economically feasible for them to have a license for something they cannot float.

After the last appointment, a complaint against outfitter Gladys York was reviewed. It was determined to proceed with bringing in a complaintant for a hearing, as it was doing no good for the Board to call her in and talk to her.

The meeting recessed at 5:00 p.m.

January 25, 1979

The Board convened at the Fish and Game Department on Thursday, January 25, for a Public Hearing conducted to change the rules and regulations to allow additional rivers to be opened for commercial outfitting. The meeting began at 9:15 a.m. in the Fish and Game meeting room, with the following board members present: Vice-Chairman Jim Baughman, Lon Jarvis, Bill Guth and Ivol Sies. Others present were two as interested outfitters: Darwon Stoneman, West Glacier, MT, and Ken Horwitz, Boise, a guide representing Joe Leonard, Stanley, Idaho; others giving input were from various agencies: Bill Hagdorn and Bob Meinen, State Parks and Recreation; Hearing Officer Bob Salter, Martel Morache and Stacy Gebhards, State Fish and Game Department; and Forest Service Personnel: Richard Estes, R. W. Farrar, Jack Griswold, C. Eugene Brock and Jack C. Smith.

The meeting lasted one hour with most all giving input, mostly on the feasibility of the use of the South Fork, Middle Fork, North Fork and main stem of the Payette River. Letters from various interested outfitters and management people were also submitted as a part of the hearing. A detailed summary has been transcribed of the Hearing and is attached as a part of these minutes.

After an early lunch break, the Outfitters and Guides Board reconvened at their office board room, with the same four board members present.

A list of licensed outfitters who did not license guides this past year was reviewed. It was determined that a check of their applications for the 78-79 season's report would be made later for some action to be taken.

The board again discussed licensing and determined that all qualifications acquired on skiing and boating be put on back of licenses at time licenses are made.

Old business was brought up regarding McGuire, Whitecotton, Overland and Ron Vaughn. Rex mentioned that he would check with Ron Vaughn to see if any agreement had been worked out with Ken Smith.

Then boating was discussed. LuVerne Grussing, BLM, Cottonwood manager has advised that of the 38 licensed float boaters, only 21 or 22 requested permits and only 6 used thier permits in the 1978 season. He also advised that the general public is increasing their use. The Board plans to make a list of the non-users for a decision on what should be done about licensing. Same with other rivers with non-use. The advertising at San Francisco of Thomas Foster on the lower Salmon was discussed and Bureau of Land Management's letter to him.

The Bureau of Land Management's Moritorium on the Jarbidge and Bruneau river and their letter of January 18, 1979 was reviewed. A motion was made by Lon Jarvis, and seconded by Ivol Sies, was approved that the moritorium be maintained for the Bureau of Land Management's study and a letter be sent.

The Forest Service letter from Idaho Panhandle about boating on northern rivers was reviewed; also the Forest Service's stand on power boating and taking off the grandfathered power on the Payette River. The Western Rivers Guides Association support of the River of No Return Wilderness was read.

David Mills and wife, Sheila, of Rocky Mountain River Tours, Inc. from Pocatello, met to get licensed for floating the Birds of Prey area on the Snake River. They both had floated the area twice with I.S.U. student services program. Board saw no problem to add as an extension to their 1978-79 licenses.

Dean Byrne, Forest Service's letter regarding Selway River training proposed and Mr. Baughman's return letter were read.

Training card revisions were discussed. A revision was decided on to add "Provided Rule and Regulation Number 26-e has been complied with."

Extensions to licenses were approved and signed for the following: Wilderness Encounters and Shepp Ranches, Jim Campbell, M.A. for changing the lower Salmon from Cambell to Russell's operation; extending a cougar hunting only area for Larry Jarrett by motion of Bill, seconded by Lon, and passed. Ivol voted no as wanted Fish and Game input first; and Farr, Madsen, Malone and Smith cougar hunting as limited by Gary Power's letter of January 15, 1979 to read: Everything lying west of Main Salmon River and east of the Forest Service boundary and extending from Cabin Creek to Iron Creek. The motion was presented by Ivol, seconded by Bill and approved unanimously.

David Williams, a new bear and cougar outfitter applicant from Salmon was then discussed. The board reached an impass as to adding bear/cougar hunters into areas without first notifying existing licensed big game hunters who, also, are licensed for bear and cougar.

The Board recessed at 5:30 p.m. without a decision.

Friday, January 26, 1979

The meeting reconvened with three members present: Vice-Chairman Jim Baughman, Lon Jarvis and Ivol Sies at 8:30 a.m.

Larry Jarrett's operation in Al Lockett and Steve Jordan areas this past year as a guide was discussed. It was also mentioned that an extension to Jarret for cougar should be marked "not exclusive".

At 9:00 a.m., Bill Guth joined the meeting.

A letter was reviewed from Attorney Charles McDevitt informing that Idaho Guide Service would have a new managing agent, James Powell -- no mention about Steve Jordan.

Two hunting complaint letters were read against Shepp Ranch and Jim Campbell by complaintant, Jerry Moretti, and against Cliff Gallagher by complaintant, H. J. Huberty.

At 9:20 a.m., Everett C. Woodworth, Orofino met with the Board to see about licensing an area that Al Spence was licensed for last year but did not get his use permits. He will see the ranger and complete his application.

At 10:00 a.m., City Recreation Coordinator, Ciegel Bransford met with the Board and explained the city's outdoor program. He submitted their brochures and explained that the fee charged did not allow them to even break even. He further explained that they do not complete, only get the interested persons started and then send them on to the licensed outfitters for advanced participation. Use trails very little, mostly the Idaho City Airport and Pickle Ponds below Bogus Basin. The Board determined it might be a fine line, but as presented, it seems to not be outfitting and guiding.

At 11:00 a.m., Phil Swanstrum gave a report on his trip to Grangeville and the arrest warrant he had against George May. He said he also saw the names of Robert Lily and Monty Lily on the bear hunt tags that were driving out from Maryland for a

hunt with May in an area he was not licensed. Lon asked about the foul up that resulted in the Lily's cancelling their hunt. Mr. Baughman explained that there was a breakdown in communication. Phil said he was sorry about the misunderstanding on his part and agreed the 3-party communication was hard to handle. It was further determined that George May has assured the Lily's that they would get a hunt later and he would attempt to get his affairs straightened out.

At 11:30 a.m., the new managing agent appointed by Mackay Bar, Bret Rupe, met with the Board. He will replace Richard Perkins who is taking over sales and promotions, but will work directly under him. At 11:50 a.m., Dick Perkins joined the meeting. Board says looked OK, and advised them to besure all of their personnel was licensed as guides, as they keep expanding.

After the lunch break, the meeting resumed with the same board members (all but Rex Lanham). Also present were William Scherer, managing agent for Lynne Loening and Frank Giles, his business partner.

Mr. Scherer said he got his Supplement III back from the Forest Service, but that they advised no permit will be issued unless they obtain a written permission for use with Diamond D. Bill Scherer says the 3-day trail trip will have to be separate from the fishing in the lakes as Diamond D does not want them in there, and presented a letter from forester, Val Gibbs, which referred to their denial. He asked the Board to issue licenses for the trailrides by March 1st, and he would work out the fishing problems later. The Board advised that they had 90-days for approval, but they would let him know.

At 2:15 p.m., George May, Kooskia, met with the Board. George indicated he wanted to get another outfitter license, and an area was discussed. He said he found an area - part of Jarrett's to Slate Creek and he had gone to the Forest Service but never got back to the Board. Lon said he would like him to put in an application for an area for the Board's decision.

Jim mentioned to May that the Board feels he has been operating illegally and believes it could be proven in court, and wanted George May to explain his operation to the Board.

George said he received a letter from Attorney Jean Uranga, Attorney General's Office in November, and she wanted to know what he was doing. He said he told her he was a booking agent and that he was preceeding with an outfitter application. He said she explained to him that Leo Crane should be included in his advertising as he was licensed to guide for him. So he then added Crane's price sheet to the North American Adventure brochures, but thinks they are not being used now. He admitted, also, that he does use his equipment, rigs and dogs in Crane's operation.

Mr. Baughman pointed out that a guide furnishes only personal services, and it was illegal to furnish outfitting equipment as a guide. Then it was brought up about May being into other areas hunting besides Crane's. He finally agreed that if that was illegal, that yes he was guilty, but that he didn't realize that he couldn't furnish his own equipment and was restricted to only a certain area. He said bear/cougar hunters never stayed in their own areas in the past. He also said that Leo Crane was not with him on all his hunts.

Ivol brought up the fact he had neither an outfitter nor guide's license when he booked two Texas hunters, Wooters and Gordon. He said he went to Texas for Crane as a booking agent but that Crane couldn't get there. Bill Guth mentioned that Crane was never mentioned by Wooters or Gordon, and this was a waste of time. That "George May advertized George May", at the sport shows and in North American Adventures brochures, and to get an outfitter application presented the Board could act

on to make himself legal.

George asked if he could continue with the booking and mentioned that he has a contract with Leo Crane and others for other than elk hunting. Bill suggests he advertise the man who will be legally doing the outfitting.

When asked about the arrest warrant, George May asked that the warrant be stopped, but the Board suggested that he take his licking as ^{has} admittedly ^{been} illegally outfitting and he should get it cleared up. George agreed that he was guilty and asked where the warrant was.

Before George left, he said he wanted to apply for small mouth bass fishing on the Dworshak Reservoir also. The board said they would consider it, but they also asked about a letter from Jean Uranga saying he had not complied with the stipulation. He said his mother was co-signer and had held up the response letter.

At 3:00 p.m. Bill Guth left the meeting.

New business was reviewed next on the agenda: That more information will be available January 31, 1979 from Police Detective Galland regarding Vern Morse, Caldwell Recreation Director, being a partner in an unlicensed outfitter business called Dry Creek Packers; the Association's pamphlet listing as guides, several which are not licensed; the Joint Finance-Appropriations Legislative Committees requests on break down of our appropriation transfer and Bass Anglers Association's legislation; Bureau of Land Management proposed Special Recreation Permits letter; University of Idaho's letter from Dr. Cal Lathen, and Operation Outreach Program of Pocatello, which gives opinion that they do not need licenses as outfitters or guides were read and supported by the board; Kent "John" Cantlin, Salmon's letter wanting exclusive rockhunting area; Attorney Guy Hurlbutt's correspondence on collection of the Board's fine moneies and Jack Griswold's, Boise National Forest advising that Mike White, Boise had obtained insurance for helicopter skiing. On the last item, the Board agreed that this applicant, Mike White, should be contacted to meet the board again about licensing.

Miscellaneous phone calls were reviewed, then the Board recessed at 5:20 p.m.

Monday, January 29, 1979

The Board convened at 8:45 a.m., with Chairman Rex Lanham, Jim Baughman, Lon Jarvis, and Ivol Sies in attendance.

Val Gibbs, District Forest Ranger, Challis called regarding Loening-Scherer permits requested. He talked to Rex Lanham and Lon Jarvis and they were told that they will consider use of the area if Forest Service regulations are complied with by Loening and Scherer, M.A. With this information, the Board reviewed their applications and the trail area (only) from Cape Horn G.S. into the Knapp Creek to Horse-shoe Lake, ^{down} Loon Creek to Boyle Ranch, then on to Owen Cabin, then east on Lemhi-Custer boundary, to the Foster Ranch, along with the old Mike Loening area was approved.

The December 4-8, 1978, minutes were read and approved by motion made by Lon and seconded by Jim.

Then the dispute over boundaries of Flying B, and Cache Creek boundry change for Dr. Hatch were discussed. Also Bureau of Land Mangement's Denver meeting letter and questionnaire was reviewed. The Board determined that the law and rules and regulations should be sent to the Denver address.

Helicopter skiing was then brought up again and it was determined by the Board that it probably would be classified as outfitting and to invite Ranger Griswold, Boise National Forest, in for the February meeting.

The Board's increase work load was discussed. Lon brought up that Board members being in office hinders efficiency, but Board determined that more board meetings would not solve the problems as there is so much detail work. Alaire returned to staff must be used to expedite work load and Edie must delegate. Form letters used and worded in caps that "NO LICENSE" considered until such and such in application section is completed.

Ron Fudge's letter of concern regarding his citation because of outfitter Dick Alf's failure to complete his guide application and Forester Art Seamon's letter about Ray Rugg obtaining Arnolt Oswald's area were read.

Larry Jarrett's cougar hunting extension request was tabled until next meeting, by motion of Iv01, seconded by Jim and passed. Also determined that Fish and Game should be contacted as Jarrett and May requesting same area.

Lon left the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

Then bear hunting was discussed again and it was determined to call Grangeville court regarding the outstanding warrant on May and explain what has happened.

The Board recessed at 12:15 for lunch and Jim, and Iv01 returned after lunch to do some on board work until 3:30 p.m., when Rex returned and meeting resumed.

The letter requesting consideration of license on the lower Salmon by Johnny Joe Bryant and Chuck Boyd, Moscow was read. The Board will check for a space after the report is put together on use of the lower Salmon. The Owyhee river too was discussed and the map checked.

The meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.





OUTFITTERS AND GUIDES BOARD

Licenses acted upon between December 9, 1978 and January 29, 1979

OUTFITTERS - Licensed

Andreesen, Terry

Craig, Tim

Wild Rivers West, Inc.

GUIDES - Licensed

Bachman, Kirk D.

Burton, James Dana

Hendrickson, L. Ken

Huntley, David C.

Paterson, Dennis James

Schreiber, Harry Val

Stanley, Donald William

Wanner, Larry

Wilhelm, L. Kent

LICENSES EXTEND OR DELETED

OUTFITTERS EXTENDED

Farr, Scott- Cougar hunting area.

Jensen, Marriner R. - Fishing area.

Madsen, Gary - Cougar hunting area.

Malone, Ronald L. - Cougar hunting area

Smith, Kenneth L. - Cougar hunting area.

Wilderness Encounters, Inc./Wilderness Ranches - Float Boating on the Lower
Salmon from Spring Bar to the Snake River.

OUTFITTERS DELETED

Andreesen, Terry - License no. 039 for 1978-79 year null and void.

Giles, David D. - License no. 175 for 1978-79 year null and void

Shepp Ranch, Inc./Wild Rivers-Idaho - (Delete) Float Boating on the Lower
Salmon from Spring Bar to the Snake River.

Wild Rivers West - License no. 038 for 1978-79 year null and void

GUIDES EXTENDED

Bever, Brad M. - Cross country skiing Lead guide.

Krambeer, Larry Dennis - Snowmobiling for Big Western Pine Motel.

SUMMARY OF THE PUBLIC HEARING
FOR
PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE RULES AND REGULATIONS

January 25, 1979

A hearing on changes of the Idaho Outfitters and Guides Board rules and regulations was conducted at the Idaho Fish and Game Department's meeting room, 600 S Walnut, Boise, Idaho, on January 25, 1979. Changes in rules Number 22 and Number 27 of the revised rules and regulations of June 13, 1978, were advertised for proposed changes as required by Idaho Code Section 36-2107. (Copy of proposed changes is attached.)

The Hearing began at 9:15 a.m., with Vice-Chairman Jim Baughman opening the meeting by stating: "This is the time set for the public hearing held by the Outfitters and Guides Board of the State of Idaho, for the consideration of oral and documentary evidence pertaining to the repeal, amendment or adoption of the rules and regulations of the Idaho Outfitters and Guides Board. This hearing is held pursuant to Chapter 67, Title 52, Idaho Code, Administrative Procedures Act, and Rule 14 of the Outfitters and Guides Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure. Rules and Regulations are authorized by Section 36-2107 (b), Idaho Code. Appropriate notice of this public hearing has been published between January 3 and 4, 1979, as required by Idaho Law 67-5203 (a) (1). Oral testimony may be given and the time limit set by the hearing officer. Bob Salter will act as the hearing officer."

Hearing officer Bob Salter asked all those in attendance to sign the roster. He then, explained the rules of the meeting--each one may have an opportunity to make their statement, but with 10 minute limit, until all have submitted their comments. Also, that any written comments or exhibits could be submitted at the meeting or be accepted within the next 10-day period following the meeting.

All those in attendance are listed as follows:

State of Idaho,
Outfitters & Guides Board:

James F. Baughman, Vice-Chairman
Lon S. Jarvis, Member of the Board
William R. Guth, Member of the Board
Ivol E. Sies, Member of the Board

State of Idaho,
Dept. of Parks & Recreation:

William Hagdorn, Boise
Bob Meinen, Boise

State of Idaho,
Dept. of Fish and Game:

Robert Salter (Hearing Officer), Boise
Martel Morache, Boise
Stacey Gebhards, Boise

U. S. Dept. of Agriculture,
Forest Service, Boise N.F.:

Jack Griswold, Boise
C. Eugene Brock, Boise
Jack C. Smith, Lowman
R. W. Farrar, Emmett
Richard Estes, Emmett

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Darwon Stoneman, an outfitter from West Glacier, Montana spoke first. He mentioned his interest in floating the Lochsa River commercially, the Forest Service's approval and application on file with the Board.

Bob Salter asked for additional comments, beginning with Mr. Farrar

R. W. Farrar -- no comment

Dick Estes then commented on the Payette River: North Fork - no objection, but extremely dangerous, Forest Service requests control of campgrounds, and there could be parking problems. Each applicant would have to be considered (overnight permit, etc.). South Fork - also dangerous and fishing problem.

Jim Baughman - Asked about day trips.

Dick Estes - Day trips would be okay.

Ivol Sies - Asked about sections of the rivers.

Dick Estes - Canyon section has rock and heavy parking problems. North Fork would be dangerous. South Fork between Deer Creek and Banks, and above the bridge at Banks would be floatable sections.

Jim Baughman - What about limit for floating time?

Dick Estes - Would need to work out dates regarding fishing waters.

Ivol Sies - Mentioned the whitewater experience, need dates, and what about flow records?

Dick Estes - No average in last three years but could work it up. Also said most problem would be conflict with fishing, campgrounds and parking.

Ken Horwitz (stated that he is a guide representing outfitter, Joe Leonard) - He said they have kayaked the Middle Fork, South Fork and Main Payette River and if opened up that Joe intends to apply for license. But mentioned that the North Fork should be questioned as too dangerous, Staircase Rapids, etc, also, that the Main Payette should not be opened to power. Thinks there is an illegal outfitter on that section now, and wants a crackdown if illegal. Parking would be no problem for Leonard Expeditions as all arrive in one load in a van which is usually 20% less space taken compared to private. Would like time opened on rivers as much as possible and Main Payette, Banks to Dam the whole season.

Lon Jarvis - Each season to set a different time limit?

Ken Horwitz - The season should be set on river flow. As fishermen have contacted the Governor, thinks that not a date if possible, just based on river flow.

Jim Baughman - Mentioned that the Deadwood Reservoir controls a lot of the South Fork flow, also mentioned again the North Fork as being too dangerous.

Ken Horwitz - Said Joe Leonard had said he did not want to hurt others on the North Fork kayaking, but feels it is too dangerous for his operation, but interested in other sections.

Ivol Sies - Asked, then to leave it as an open-end thing, depending on river flow?

Ken Horwitz - Yes.

Bob Meinen, Idaho Parks and Recreation - Asked "Any limits on permits between commercial and private on rivers?"

Dick Estes, Forest Service - Answered, so far the South Fork has been kept from the general public. On the other two, it could explode and thinks the small number limit was good and would work with the Board. In the future, could put limits.

Ivol Sies - Asked of Bob Meinen, was his question about limits on present rivers?

Bob Meinen - Yes.

Ivol Sies - The Board is working with the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management on this at present.

Stacy Gebhards - There would be conflict of interest for commercial power operation on Main Payette. He said he also concurs with others on the North Fork being too dangerous regarding insurance, etc.

Bill Guth - Why would the power boaters be using the Main Payette - fishing or what?

Stacy Gebhards - Some rapids, day trips whitewater, close to Boise.

Ken Horwitz - There are three rapids - equal distance apart in that section, good for power and float.

Bill Guth - Wonder if guests would want to pay for a short power boating experience.

Ken Horwitz - Probably few would be interested.

Jim Baughman - Mentioned about the power boating that one outfitter already licensed (grandfathered in) on Banks to Dam section.

Stacy Gebhards - Yes, has seen two jet boats but undetermined if private or commercial.

Jim Baughman - Mentioned that jet boats make hazards for bathers, picnickers, etc.

Stacy Gebhards - Yes, too much noise and bends could result into confrontation.

Gene Brock, Lowman District Ranger - Regarding the South Fork, in a four year plan study they have some information on boating but no commercial boating was determined. Kayaking is feasible sometimes but fluxuation of the river can cause problems, - have had private kayaking with some tragedy. Log jams created by highwater, some not identifiable. Some drownings from people trying to cross log jams, etc. - about one death a year (16, in 16 years). The South Fork is heavily fished with extreme competition for camp grounds and good parking along the river, with 25,000 to 30,000 day use above Lowman. Boating fluxuates from boats to innertubes. That highwater has caused caveins (two cabins). The run-off is between May 15 to June 15 and after August 1st, it drops off to wadeable fisherman fly fishing. There is some water play, with 2-man rafts, etc. But the Forest Service will not issue permits for the stretch of Cuperman rapids and below Oxbow.

Ivol Sies - Any commercial outfitting?

Gene Brock - Outward Bound has requested in past a one mile get acquainted trip, but mostly family trips.

Lon Jarvis - Asked about permits for Outward Bound?

Gene Brock - It was done three years ago - twice on their Sawtooth permit.

Bill Guth - Mentioned demand would only be training kayaking as learning?

Gene Brock - There are only small stretches - not enough for use.

Ivol Sies - Asked if section with high water period also has the low water?

Gene Brock - Yes, if permits could be issued would have to be broken down to sections, not the full 40 miles.

Lon Jarvis - Then the training sections could be worked out?

Gene Brock - Yes.

Jim Baughman - Asked about time for commercial use.

Gene Brock - May 15 to July 1 was suggestion, and could work with outfitter on sections.

Dick Estes - Gene did not mention the Idaho Power's proposed low head power dam which should be a serious proposal to be considered.

Darwon Stoneman - Wanted the proposed "2" on each river clarified.

Bob Salter - It means two licensed operators, not two trips.

Darwon Stoneman - Suggests that the Lochsa River be set by water flow, not set date for cut-off.

Ken Horwitz - He felt that working out problems on training with Forest Service was good, and that Joe Leonard asked that it be pade part of the record about his interest in applying.

Bob Salter - Mentioned that there were ten-days open to receive input. That the Board would consider all input and work out problems, but first the decision to allow the opening of the various rivers proposed.

Ken Horwitz - Wondered if decision concerning the 1979 season would be made here.

Ivol Sies - Yes.

Bill Hagdorn, Idaho Parks and Recreation - Mentioned Boise area has increased selling of rafts and kayaks ets, in conjunction with white water interest, and expects more growth. Said he has noticed an increase of private party boating on the Payette River and thinks commercial opening could result in private increase.

Lon Jarvis - Asked about Idaho Parks and Recreation's boating.

Bill Hagdorn - Not outfitting - just 'show me' trips.

Ken Horwitz - Thinks that illegal outfitting comes from increased boating outlet businesses but understands by the instruction standards required that City Recreation does not have the know how that either legal outfitting or enforcement requires.

Bill Hagdorn - Explained that there was not profit, therefore not outfitting. He said he was speaking for City Recreation also.

Bob Salter - Asked if anything further?

Ivol Sies - Said several other Idaho rivers had been included in the hearing and wondered if any input. Then asked of Martel Morache if the Kootenai, Moyie, and Priest River were included in Wild and Scenic Management.

Martel Morache - Yes. Then read this report on several rivers: Moyie, short run off on lower section, Moyie Meadow Creek to Backwaters of Bonner's Ferry dam. Intense private use on Priest Dam - short, no white water. St. Maries, same as Moyie, short season, not much head. Clark Fork, South Fork and Clearwater could be okay. Might have some conflict with fishermen on South Fork of Clearwater.

Darwon Stoneman - Mentioned another river they might be interested in for future plans was packtrips and upper section float of the North Fork of the Clearwater above the Dwarshak Dam.

Gene Brock - That's the last of the big log drive rivers.

Bob Salter - Asked if there was any other comments, then said meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

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