

Attachment 3

Comparison of the Reservoir Area Management Plan
and the Water Recreation Opportunity Spectrum
Criteria

A table comparing popular recreation features described in the Reservoir Area Management Plan (RAMP) recreation classification system and similar features found in the Water Recreation Opportunity Spectrum are listed below. The WROS has numerous elements for each of the major use categories, however, only those that generally correspond with elements under the RAMP classification system are included here. The Water Recreation Opportunity Spectrum is being adopted by many federal and state land managing agencies and therefore lists recreation facilities and activities that are meant to cover a variety of authorized uses for many different types of federal and state recreation areas. The complete list of the types of facilities and activities that can be applied under WROS is found in Attachment #.

WROS Classification System Urban

Visitor center, designated beaches, paved boat ramps, overnight security, marine sanitation devices, wake-less speed, closures, boat fuel sales, boat moorings, docks, community piers, sanitation pump stations, drinking water, electrical hookups, bath houses, picnic shelters, flush toilets, paved parking, fireplace grills, fish cleaning stations, full service resorts, and marinas, life guards, camping reservations, food service, paved trails, wildlife/fisheries habitat improvement, vegetation and wildfire management.

Suburban

Visitor center, designated beaches, paved boat ramps, overnight security, marine sanitation devices, wake-less speed, closures, boat fuel sales, boat moorings, docks, community piers, sanitation pump stations, drinking water, electrical hookups, bath houses, picnic shelters, flush toilets, paved parking, fireplace grills, fish cleaning stations, full service resorts, and marinas, life guards, camping reservations, food service, paved trails, wildlife/fisheries habitat improvement, vegetation and wildfire management.

RAMP Classification System Class I – High density recreation areas.

Concentrated recreational use includes highly developed marina motel, cottages, maintenance area, designated camping, launch ramps, long-term sites, R.V. hookups, paved parking, roadways, resort facilities, store, moorage, restaurants.

Rural Developed

Visitor centers, designated beach areas, paved boat ramps, security lighting, marine sanitation devices, wake-less speed, closures, floating sanitation devices, floating camping platforms, boat fuel sales, boat mooring, community piers, sanitation pump stations, drinking water, electrical hookups, bath houses, picnic shelters, flush toilets, paved parking, fireplace grills, fish cleaning stations, full service resort/marina, boat launch/camping reservations, food service, paved/unpaved trails, wildlife/fisheries habitat improvement, vegetation/wildfire management.

Rural Natural

Designated beaches, paved boat ramps, marine sanitation devices, floating sanitation platforms, wakeless speed, closures, floating camp platforms, boat fuel sales, boat moorings, boat docks, sanitation pump stations, drinking water, picnic shelters, pit/vault toilets, fireplace grills, fish cleaning stations, rustic campgrounds, camping/boat launch reservations, food service, unpaved trails, wildlife/fisheries improvement, vegetation/wildfire management.

Semi-Primitive

Wake-less speed, closures, marine sanitation devices, floating sanitation platforms, floating camping platforms, boat moorings, pit/vault toilets, rustic campgrounds, campsite/boat launch reservations, unpaved trails, wildlife/fisheries habitat improvement, vegetation/wildfire management.

Class II

Low Density, Semi-developed Outdoor Recreation Areas

Developed Parking, picnic sites, restrooms, showers, designated campsites, water, paved roads, launch ramps, erosion/vehicle control.

Class III

Dispersed Recreation Areas of Moderate Density

Mostly undeveloped with road turnouts for informal parking, minimal sanitary facilities, trail development, erosion control, fencing/barriers to control access, cattle grazing.

Primitive

Wake-less speed, closures, marine sanitation devices, camping/boat launch reservations, unpaved trails, wildlife/fisheries habitat improvement, vegetation/wildfire management.

Class IV

Semi-Primitive Areas of Low Density

Natural undeveloped setting with constrained access, trails, low density boat-in camping, fencing to control cattle.