

### **Spokane House**

- How about an improved Spokane house historical replica of the original fur trading station fort structure? An tourist attraction.
- Spokane House – underutilized. Clark Barns – not utilized. Spokane as a whole disinterested in a lot of things that aren't a “thrill a minute”.

### **Bicycles**

- Don't interfere with mountain biking @ RSP or road biking on the centennial trail.

### **Boating – Motorized**

- There should be more public boat launches. As a homeowner on the lake, I really don't want to have more idiots on the lake, but it's a beautiful resource & should be shared.
- FIRE SUSPRESION for Amy Lowe BOAT IN CAMPGROUNDS. SOMETHING PLEASE!
- Boat launch in the McClellan property location on DR property to stay on the highway and spread out the congestion on the lake.
- Boating. Improve water side signage, aids to navigation @ small boat launch confluence little Spokane & Spokane River:
  - Narrow channel
  - Large submerged stumps on one side
  - Shallow rocks on other side.
- Boating. Do not put any more boat launches on the south Charles Road side of the lake. Too much traffic with boats. Don't add any more traffic across from Suncrest Park.
- As a homeowner in Rivercrest we continually fight the weeds on our shoreline and dock. What is being done to control the weed issue?
- Purchase private property at end of road just north of Troutman prop. for boat ramp (near lily pads). More boat ramps.

### **Boating – Non-motorized**

- Gas pumps @ some boat-in access?
- Boat traffic in the Suncrest area is significant. Be careful about adding more boat traffic – especially with the weeds clogging the channel. Develop Fisk prop. Good water!
- Need some events planned for kayaks, canoes, SUP's & good place to launch & paddle.
  - ↑Yes, much needed.
- What budget do you have for enforcement of boating laws. Private property boundries what means to prevent trespassing-fencing, etc.

- Create paddle boat launch sites that do not compete with motor boat launches.
- Make Fisk non-motorized boat access only
  - ↑Agreed.
- More non-motorized boating opportunities/increased safety for kayak/canoe/SUP (no-wake).

### **Fire Management Safety**

- Fire Prevention – Long-term (money?) plans to thin, reduce fuel, etc. in this very dry, Ponderosa region??
- Don't think trees – it's too hot + dry without shade – no rain to speak of between July 4 + October 1, or at least Labor Day. We need shady trails and woods to escape to in hot weather.
- Fire department access for fire and EMS emergencies. Roadway widths and surfaces maintained.
- Should there be boat fueling access on lake?
- Parking lot + trailhead security. Break-ins of cars parked is a continuing problems. Security cameras have helped. Can there be more cameras + signs?
  - ↑Agreed.
- Indian painted rocks – please reseed trees into burned area.

### **Off Road Vehicles**

- Campground @ ORV park.
- More ORV area @ DNR Knights Lake area.

### **Equestrian**

- More horseback riding trails, in this area.
- Hike/Equestrian/Bike – Improved signage of system trails/closure & re-veg of social trails.
- More:
  - Out-houses
  - Parking areas
  - More horse trails.
  - Fresh running water good roads going into area \* more camping.
- Limit multi use trails. Keep inner trails for equine. Keep up signage. Flush restroom?

## **Camping**

- Any plans for further camping spot development at Nine Mile Campground?
- Acquire Willow Bay?

## **Lake Spokane Campground**

- Purchase & expand camping & access.
- How to keep SUP & kayakers safe – can be crazy with boats.

## **Fishing**

- Create good bank access for fishing access.
- Continue trout study w/ Avista.
- Improve shoreline fishing opportunities. Bass fishing rock piers to improve access.  
Improve water quality minimize algae bloom.

## **Avista Corp. – Recreation**

- Water quality. There are several areas of significant weed growth on Lake Spokane – would you consider partnering w/Avista to do more weed control?
- Avista’s FERC license requires them to “make the lake better” – They fund the limited weed reduction program-agree w/above – partner w/them - \$\$!
- Avista gets kudos for all they have done for the lake & I hope they continue to do more.
  - Boat-in campsites
  - Weed control
  - Planting 155,000 fish every year
  - Working on reducing carp population

## **Avista Corp. – Natural**

- Maintain view shed/natural shoreline.

## Swimming

- Expand Lake park/swim access. Current Avista (Nine Mile) park swim area often has algae – not amenable to swimming. Improve water quality.
- #1 PRIORITY – clean water!
  - Ditto
  - Yes!

## Outdoor Education

- Better education (resources) so we know what we already have.
- Long Lake or Lake Spokane? Can it be one or the other? “Lake Spokane” + “Lake Spokane Dam” make sense to me.

## Development of Fisk

- Yes, yes, yes. Camping, swimming, boat launch if possible.
- Identify the various properties with boundary signs. Develop and maintain hiking trails especially loops of about 6 miles – on McClellan Conservation area – and Fisk prop. Improve road into Fisk property but maintain natural setting.
- Party central for youth. Needs improved access.
- No motor – keep natural area – don’t allow motor day use.
- Improve road access and make some provisions for garbage pick-up.
- Fisk property should be camping + swimming but no boat launch because the road to Fisk property is across Charles + too far.
- Very popular with:
  1. Young crowd. \* beautiful site.
  2. Excessive drinking and littering.
  3. Area has low supervision allowing statement 2.
  4. Road last ½ mile is dangerous because of narrow, winding, poor condition road (poor visibility).
  5. Would be closer to Spokane than present access on northside of river.
- Sounds like a great idea. Focus on low impact – keep in natural.

## **Clark Barns**

- Educational Events.

## **Long term Boundary**

- **State Parks**

- Trails. If one wanted to build a lakeside/lake view hiking trail along both sides of the lake, what land access, and where? Could such a trail be developed? Where best to focus such an effort?

- **Private Land**

- Look at acquiring Granger Farm property for natural preserve – wetlands – access to the lake from Riverside St. Park.

## **Land Classification**

- **Avista**

- Urge Avista to establish conservation easements on their shoreline properties so that the properties cannot be developed.
- Little Spokane River Natural Area: The rock retaining walls on Rutter Pkway are from early 1930s, built by CCC. Can you repair those walls with existing rock under the Heritage classification – since they have Historical reference.
- What is the potential for additional boat-in camp sites?

- **State Parks**

- Little Spokane Natural Area – please leave natural, but allow hiking trails as are currently.
- Consider historic tour of Helen for heritage classification.
- Granger wetlands – Natural Area.

## **Other**

- Maintain Little Spokane as Natural Area with hiking & education.
- What plans for Trautman property.
- What organizations are responsible for water-use quality?
  - Weed control in boating lanes?
  - Hazards
  - Water markers to central traffic?

- Explore how S Bank Rd can be improved. \$
- Acquire Suncrest Park! Beautiful swimming area – boat access.
- Look at acquiring shoreline property at SE end of DNR property on S Bank.
- How about installing swimming docks and/or plat forms in selected areas?
- Balance of Access vs. Usage. Today, the farther down stream you go, the less Lake Spokane is used, more natural, etc. As you improve access, one result will be more pressure, more trash, less natural, decline in fishing results/productivity, etc.
- Please preserve the historic access for hunting agreement that has existed with Avista (Washington Water Power). I am a muzzle loader hunter who has enjoyed hunting on the Avista owned lands for the past 15+ years.
- Have 2 or 3 microphones so that we can hear the questions + answers. And so that the speaker has one too. Waste of time to not be able to hear! Would make these meetings much more useful + informative. What percentage of people doing different activities/using different areas of the park are local vs. visitors to the area & different age groups compared in activities/different areas.
- Noxious weeds are abundant throught the park lands! Develop wildlife corridors DNR lands.
- Management-Parking at 7 mile and Riverside Park intersection – no Disc Pass req'd. illegal parking, owned by Spokane County, no revenue, trash.
- Wildlife. It is very important to consider the wildlife needs
  - Birds
  - Moose
  - Deer
  - Mountain Lions
- Also, plants endemic to this area.
- More involvement of Spokane County, DNR, Avista, State Parks for big, longterm plan. Acquire DNR property on S Bank Road one way or another.
- Submit RSP (or entire State Park) boundary GIS data to Google Maps so that Google Maps shows actual park area! IMPORTANT! People use Google Maps to determine if they are IN a park – or not.
- Multi use of larger land parcels to include many of these topics.
- McClellan Prop. w/DNR. Large area – multi uses.
- #1 PAIN IN THE REAR:
  - Park visitor management
  - A few slobbs ruin it for everyone

- Is enforcement budget large enough.
- Are spending cut-backs taking a toll?
- Maintain what you have before adding more that needs more maintenance. Are the boating access points over used now? It would be nice to know where State Park boundaries are on the ground.
- At the McLellan trail head the porcupine are killing to many trees.

**Spokane House**

- More access – gate unlocked more. Good area, Don't need bldg. open all time but allow use.

**Bowl & Pitcher**

- So crowded last Fall + this Spring very busy. More parking?
- Does Bowl & Pitcher need to be “remodeled”/cleaned up.

**Avista Corp – Recreation**

- The “Sandhills” (steep slope by Long Lake Dam) is a major party area.
- Avista seems to be taking over & overstepping their bounds at west end of lake. **No** one wants the Centennial Trail running through their property. Avista thinks their access allows that & it doesn't.

**Fishing**

- There is less & less fishing because of “party” boating especially at end of lake.

**Swimming**

- More swimming areas that a boat can get to + boat park +their people swim + play.
- At least one safe swimming beach for children.

**Lake Spokane Campground**

- More swimming areas, in low traffic areas.

**Outdoor Education**

- Inland Northwest Nature Connection / West Valley Outdoor Learning Center still hopes to work towards moving out to Riverside State Park (ideally renovated Clark Barns) some day, and continue out partnership in programming in the mean time.
- More partnership with schools to provide field trips & education for kids.

**Fire Management Safety**

- The DNR is “on it”.
- Fire – Thinning, brush management.
- Operations/Maintenance – weeds, forest thinning.
- Better weed control. Cut the darn Canadian Thistle and dig up bugloss weeds! Fire safety – thin forest along Centennial Trail and roads next to parklands.



**Equestrian**

- Need a dedicated parking lot for horse trailers so they don't use SONTAG – maybe the space across from ranger station.
- Equestrian – Are there going to be more areas to ride horses & camp?
- Horse camping in more areas of the park/lake. Horse trails + bike trails that connect areas.

**Boating – Non-Motorized**

- We enjoyed renting canoes at Nine Mile a few years ago when our grandchildren visited – glad that rental + access is available. Kayaks would be nice also.

**Boating – Motorized**

- 9-Mile boat launch has too many boats which can only go downstream. This causes a lot of traffic and waves for water front owner.
- Jet boats & their racing owners need to be outlawed from the lake! The more boat launches built will cause more problems.
- At Hwy 291. Expand the boat launch at 9 mile (the non-camping launch on other side of lake) and add more parking on that side.
- Noise pollution.

**Long term Boundary – State Parks**

- Management concerns. Staffed area. Remote.
- What is advantage or disadvantage to Fisk being “in” Riverside State Park.

**Camping**

- Safety/Managed camping.

**Other**

- Hiking – LSNA – better signage.
- Keep lake water clear. Get more weed growth out of water.
- Why aren't the State Park boat launches open year round? The lake is open year round for fishing.
- If you have money to spare, I would like more potable water (locations and a wider span of the year).