

FALL CITY RIVER FLOAT TASK FORCE

FALL CITY, WASHINGTON

May 16, 2011

A meeting between various local agencies and citizens within King County, Washington, was held May 16, 2011, at the Fall City Library located at 33415 SE 42nd PI SE, Fall City, Washington, at 7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order

Lee Moderow, President and Commissioner of Fall City Metropolitan Park District (FCMPD) called the meeting to order. Terri Campbell, Office Administrator of FCMPD, will be taking the meeting minutes.

2. Introductions

Sergeant R.C. Santelle, King County Sheriff's Office
Steve Marshall, King County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit
Joshua Hamann – Boy Scouts, Troop #425
Scott Hamann – Fall City Resident
Anthony Tarantola – Fall City Resident
Kye Iris – WDFW
Grace Reamer – King County Council, Kathy Lambert's office
Cindy Spiry – Snoqualmie Tribe
Jane Krein – Fall City Days representative
Perry Wilkins – FCMPD
Andree Hurley – Fall City Resident

3. Topics for this meeting

- A. River Task Force Video – This is a safety/educational video
 - a. Grace Reamer and 5 other residents participated in an informative video by the King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks on how to dispose of trash, how to park, and general river safety rules. The video will be posted to social network sites and available on King County TV.
 - b. The narrator will be a representative from the King County Fire Department
 - c. The Snoqualmie Valley Record is participating in getting the word out
- B. PRKC Partnership for Rural King County
 - a. Grants – EcoNet applications
 - i. PRKC has applied for a \$38,000 grant campaign for a communication and education grant to help support the efforts of the Snoqualmie River Taskforce.
- C. Confirm Routes based on new maps from KC
 - a. Supply directional signage directing visitors to the King County Park across the river
 - b. Cars/Parking – A Fall City resident intends to use his property and charge for parking at Plum #1.
 - c. Shuttle Service Options – private or volunteer

D. Locations/Services

a. Santi-Cans

- i. Still looking for a sponsor/donor to pick up the \$2500 per month fee.

b. Garbage

- i. Joshua Hamann has volunteered to build the crib containers.
- ii. A drawing was given to Joshua Hamann by Wade Holden with a suggestion for the size of the crib and how trash is contained within it. Lee Moderow will submit an architectural drawing to Joshua to assist with the structure.
- iii. Friends of the Trail will service the waste receptacles for free; however he will not separate recyclables. Wade's Community Service volunteers are available on Monday's; however they could be available "on call" if they were in the area on a Saturday or Sunday.
- iv. Wade Holden can supply heavy duty trash bags at a discounted rate of approximately \$13.00 per box, if purchased by the pallet. FCCA may be able to obtain bags from King County (Adopt a Road) with a 2 mil thickness.

E. Supply 5 locations for trash disposal

- i. Plum #1 – Crib only, no dumpster
- ii. Plum #2 – Crib only, no dumpster
- iii. Mid-river (potential golf course location) – Crib on a sled
- iv. Campground boat launch (easement to King County) - Crib
- v. Exit point West of the bridge (in town) – Dumpster provided by the FCCA
- vi. Exit point Northwest of the bridge at the King County parking lot across the river – Dumpster
 1. The Snoqualmie Tribe might be able to contribute money from the Federal grant for garbage disposal. Cindy Spiry will look into this.

F. Santi-Cans

- a. Put (4) four at the Fall City Park at the new take-out area
- b. Plum #1
 - i. Has two permanent santi-cans serviced at the end of the season
- c. Plum #2
 - i. Two rental santi-cans should be at this location. The WDFW can put one santi-can at Plum #2 this year.

G. River Safety

a. Lifevests

- i. No update

b. Patrols/Sheriff

- i. The only visible law enforcement will be if the King County Marine Unit has a boat in the river. The King County Marine Unit has been reduced to 4 Deputies for all of King County with no days off during the summer. The King County Marine unit is the only agency able to enter the water.
- ii. Sergeant R.C. Santelle of the King County Sheriff's Department will notify the King County Sheriff's Reserve Division of the August 13th, upcoming social network post to float the river in an effort to locate volunteer enforcement.
- iii. WDFW has a Wildlife Officer in Fall City on a regular basis and ticketing is a real money-maker for the WDFW.

H. Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

- a. The WDFW is implementing a Discover Washington Pass to create a general fund to keep state parks and recreation open. On July 1, the standard yellow parking pass will be switched to a Discover Washington Pass. The yellow pass is good for this year if you already have one.

4. Action Items from last meeting

- A. One social network has already posted the date of August 13th, for a river float event.
- B. Locate footage from *Leave No Trace* to contribute to the video – Andree Hurley
- C. Washington Water Trails – Andree Hurley
- D. Contact the golf course – Perry Wilkins
 - a. The owners have been contacted and discussions are underway
- E. Contact Boat US for lifevest program for 2011 – John Meyer
- F. Contact the Bernard Family related to exiting the river before and after the bridge – Perry Wilkins
 - a. The properties are held up in probate and Perry will follow up in a month
- G. Arrange for more and larger dumpsters – Dinah Day, King County Solid Waste
- H. Develop directional signage – Lee Moderow
- I. Contact the American Canoe Association – Andree Hurley
- J. Contact REI for mesh bags for containing trash while floating – Andree Hurley
- K. Shuttle Service (tubing franchise vendor in Wenatchee) – Andree Hurley and Lee Moderow
- L. Littering Signage - Dinah Day
 - a. Offered “No Dumping or Litter” signs as long as they are installed on public property
- M. Obtain “Free Parking” signs from the King County Road Department
- N. Trash Disposal, King County Park – Cindy Spiry, Snoqualmie Tribe

5. Discuss and Decide: remaining meetings left to accomplish

June 23, 2011, is the next meeting date