

**MANAGEMENT AREA 12 (484 acres) - DEVELOPED RECREATION SITES**

**Description** Management Area 12 consists of 20 campgrounds and 7 picnic sites. Campgrounds include Magone Lake, Yellowjacket, Canyon Meadows, Starr, Wickiup, Parish Cabin, Idlewild, Strawberry, Trout Farm, North Fork Malheur, Big Creek, Crescent, Elk Creek, Little Crane, McNaughton, Murray, Slide Creek, Middle Fork, Dixie, and Beech Creek. Picnic sites include Canyon Meadows, Starr Ridge, Wickiup, Idlewild, Magone Lake, Trout Farm, and Dixie. The developments are limited in size and provide a rustic experience. Facilities are limited but do include paved roads, water systems, toilets, and boat launches at a few campgrounds. These areas are displayed on management area maps.

**2. Goals** Manage for developed recreation opportunities, providing interpretation and enhancement of cultural and natural resources.

**3. Standards**

**RESOURCE ELEMENT STANDARDS**

The Forest-wide management direction included in Chapter IV, Section E, of this Plan applies to this management area except where superseded by the following standards:

- Recreation**
  1. Manage the following campgrounds to the full service level: Magone Lake, Yellowjacket, Canyon Meadows, Starr, Wickiup, Parish Cabin, Idlewild, Strawberry, Trout Farm, North Fork Malheur, Big Creek, Dixie, Crescent, Elk Creek, Little Crane, McNaughton, Murray, Slide Creek, Middle Fork, and Beech Creek.
  2. Emphasize expansion of existing high-use sites over the development of any new sites.
  3. Evaluate all developed recreation sites (Levels 3, 4, and above) for the fee system. Fees will be charged for facility use when it is administratively and economically feasible to do so.
  4. Evaluate developed sites for elimination when not cost-effective, not needed for resource protection, or to meet recreation management objectives.
  5. Restrict off-road vehicle use to roads and trails and regulate to minimize conflicts between users.
  6. Manage developed sites that encompass an area larger than the facility locations as a roaded natural setting. Develop trails to provide dispersed recreation opportunities.
- Cultural Resources**
  7. Survey developed recreation sites, record and evaluate identified cultural resources, and mitigate the effects of recreational activities on significant cultural resource sites.
- Visuals**
  8. Develop and implement a vegetative management plan for each development Level 3 and above site.

- 9. Meet foreground visual quality objective of retention or partial retention, to be determined during project level analysis (see Management Area 14, Standards 17-19). Site-specific visual quality objectives are identified in the TRI data base.

**Fish and Wildlife**

- 10. Maintain or enhance wildlife habitats to the extent that they do not conflict with the safety of developed site users, are consistent with the management of the site, and meet visual quality objectives.

**Range**

- 11. Prohibit livestock grazing.

**Timber**

- 12. Lands are classified as "unsuitable" for timber management. Exclude scheduled timber harvest. Harvest may occur to accomplish recreation resource objectives.
- 13. Prohibit firewood cutting.

**Minerals**

- 14. Recommend sites for withdrawal from mineral entry if not already withdrawn.

**Facilities**

- 15. Design, construct, and maintain facilities to protect the site and meet user demands.

**Roads**

- 16. Manage access roads to developed sites to permit passenger car traffic. Reconstruct, operate, and maintain local roads to encourage highway vehicle access to developed recreation sites.

**Trails**

- 17. Maintain existing trails commensurate with use. Reconstruct trails to ensure public safety and reduction of environmental damage.

**Utility Corridors**

- 18. Manage this area as a Category 1 Avoidance area for the location of utility corridors.

**Protection**

**Fire Management**

- 19. Control wildfires.

**Residue Management**

- 20. Manage residues to provide a natural appearing landscape. Use low impact treatment methods.
- 21. Make residue available as firewood for campground users.
- 22. Prescribe low intensity fire with minimal scorch when appropriate.

4. Schedule of Management Practices

**MANAGEMENT AREA 12 - SCHEDULE OF MANAGEMENT PRACTICES**

Management Practice	Activity Code	Total Planned for Decade (1990-1999)
RECREATION		
Developed Recreation Site Construction/Reconstruction	AN22	1,735 PAOT
Vegetative Management For Developed Recreation Sites	AN112-1	14 Plans

