

Geographic

Area Koocanusa/Tobacco

Revision Topic WaterQuality

Issue _____

Desired Condition Statement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Maintain healthy forests to promote healthy watersheds. Where appropriate: maintain or exceed INFISH standards; Use SMZs of 100 feet or wider; observe BMPs; monitor for fish, inverts, sediment, down woody material.-Roads not in use should be closed and/or recontoured and seeded in order to decrease erosion/sediment.-Continue restoration of Bull trout, and native cut throat populations.-Maintain ground water quality. -Public education/outreach to teach people to not leave trash, fishing gear, camp refuse, in streams, or anywhere else, except green boxes.-Litter control to prevent contamination of streams.-Campsites should be sufficiently distant from water bodies.-House boats and other large boats must not dump sewage. Consider holding tank requirement for boats with head facilities.
Identify Priority Areas or Opportunities	<p>Grave Creek Tobacco River Restore Fortine Creek Koocanusa</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-High Use roads such as Grave Creek should be managed to reduce runoff to streams. A tarmac surface for Grave Cr to Therriault Lakes would also reduce dust.
Describe why this is a priority	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Water quality is one of the key indicators for forest health in general.-Maintain ground water quality for aquifers that extend outside NF.