



Outdoor Access and Responsible Recreation (OARR) Strategic Plan

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Agenda

Why OARR?

How we arrived at this forum?

Why Tribal engagement is critical?

What does co-development look like?

Engagement timeline

Why is DNR pursuing OARR?

Agency	Visitor Days 2019	Visitor Days 2020	Change
Department of Fish and Wildlife	27,230,000	29,069,000	7%
Department of Natural Resources	16,572,000	20,080,000	21%
State Parks	34,239,000	37,991,000	11%
All State-Managed Lands	78,041,000	87,139,000	12%

OARR Regional Tribal Forums Fall 2023

Coast

*Quinault Beach
Resort &
Casino*

October 24th

Upper
Puget

*Skagit Casino
& Resort*

October 17th

Eastern

*Washington
Northern Quest
Resort & Casino*

September 12th

Lower
Puget

*Great Wolf
Lodge*

October 10th

Why is Tribal Engagement Critical to OARR? How may it benefit Tribes?

- Solutions to address concerns about impacts
- Ideas on how OARR can benefit Tribes and their communities
- Pathways to partner on legislative and other policy requests
- Ensure OARR contributes to protecting what Tribes care about

Tribal Feedback on Draft Purpose Statement

To develop a shared vision for recreation and outdoor access on DNR-managed lands, **that protects Tribal rights and cultural and spiritual practices**, provides diverse and high-quality recreational opportunities that foster engagement from all communities, promotes a strong sense of environmental stewardship, and enriches the quality of life in Washington. A key part of this work will be to articulate what responsible and sustainable use of DNR-managed lands for generations looks like, in order to ensure that all outdoor users are taught and practice preservation and responsible use.

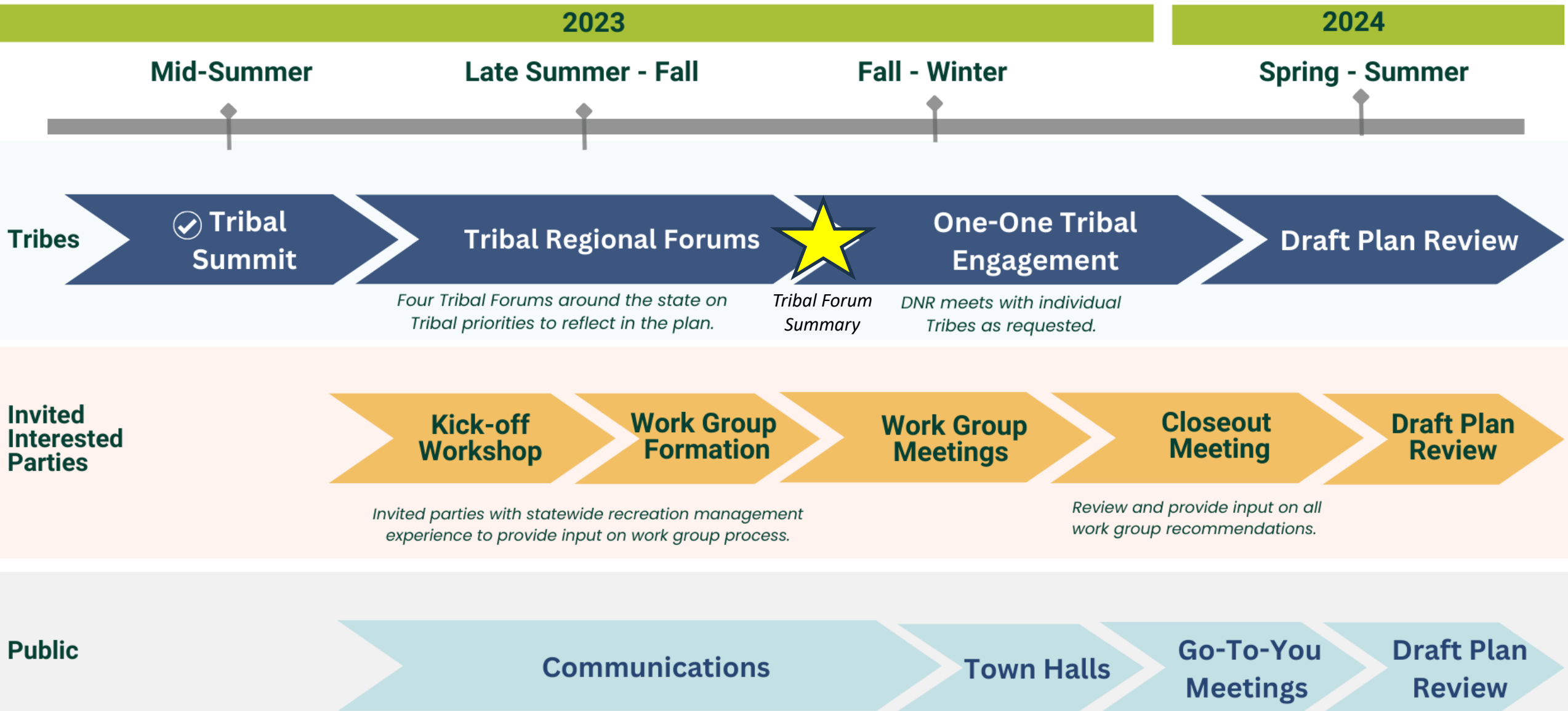
Co-Development of OARR Plan

- DNR and Tribes Co-Develop at Regional Forums:
 - Purpose Statement
 - Goals
- Tribes welcome to participate in work groups to develop:
 - Strategies
 - Actions
- DNR and Tribes review after work group process concludes.
 - Draft OARR Plan, including Purpose Statement, Goals, Strategies, and Actions
 - Tribes review before non-tribal partners, stakeholders and public.



DNR OARR Plan Engagement Timeline - DRAFT

Draft Document
Subject to Change
(v.7-12-23)



Questions?

OARR Website: <https://www.dnr.wa.gov/StateRecPlan>

Draft Goals of the Outdoor Access and Recreation Plan

- Preserve and Protect the Natural Environment and Cultural Resources
- Build an Outdoor Stewardship and Responsibility Ethic
- Increase Equitable Outdoor Access and Responsible Recreation Development, Stewardship, and Management
- Secure Financial Stability for Recreation Development, Stewardship, and Management
- Mitigate Climate Impacts and Build Resilience

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