

## Appendix E: Overview of recommendations for consideration

### **Potential steps for immediate action:**

The Agency Core Team should continue to collaborate, providing project input and baseline information. Information that could be gathered includes: 1. current exemptions and discounted passes; 2. state and federal access passes in Washington; and 3. fiscal health and stability of respective agencies.

The Agency Core Team, in partnership with representatives from key entities, and with neutral facilitation support should advance the composition, structure and goals of a collaborative process.

### **Collaborative Process**

The Leadership Team should: 1. develop clear decision making protocols and ground rules, 2. Articulate guiding values for the future of public land and recreation access systems in Washington, 3. Identify topics and composition of issue-specific work groups, and 4. analyze options and, where appropriate, develop policy, programmatic, and administrative recommendations.

Issue-specific work groups should 1. Generate and analyze options, 2. Identify information needs and appropriate provider (as needed), and 3. Present options and analysis to the Leadership Team.

### **Potential topics for the Leadership Team and work groups should include:**

1. Simplicity and equity in public land access;
2. Opportunities to coordinate access systems, including potential for a single pass; and
3. Opportunities to develop a comprehensive and statewide approach to exemptions.

The fiscal health and stability of land management agencies intersects with all of these issues and should be addressed accordingly.

### **Simplicity and equity in public land access**

Options for further discussion include: 1. How information is communicated and presented and 2. Addressing barriers to accessing public lands (e.g. transportation, socio-economic, and cultural).

### **Opportunities to coordinate access systems, including potential for a single pass**

Options for further discussion and research include: 1. Establish a common information base on opportunities and barriers to creating a single pass and 2. Identify opportunities to coordinate and streamline access and user fee systems (options could include alternate pass formats and fee structures).

### **Opportunities to develop a comprehensive and statewide approach to exemptions**

The objectives of this work group should include 1. Analysis of cost of exemptions, 2. Rationale or motivation associated with current exemptions, and 3. Opportunities for “new or modified social group discounts and exemptions.” [Note: these objectives are taken directly from the proviso.]