

THE RECREATION RIVERS PLANNING PROCESS

Below are major steps in the planning process with approximate timeframes for each step. Small amendments to the plan may be done in a shorter period of time, but since this plan has not been revised for 30 years, the timeframes provided are for a moderate revision to the plan.

1. Issues are identified through public scoping comment period and meetings to learn about interests and problems in the planning area. (30 days)
2. Updated information is collected on natural resources, present land and water use, land ownership, public use, and important public use sites. (60 days)
3. Management Alternatives and Agency Review Draft are prepared. (60 days)
4. Agency Review Draft reviewed by the Recreation Rivers planning team and advisory board. (30 days)
5. Public Review Draft is prepared and reviewed by the public. (60 days)
6. Final Plan is prepared. (30 days but dependent on the amount of changes)
7. Plan is Adopted by the Commissioner (20-day reconsideration period)
8. Legislature Reviews Plan. (100 days)
9. Implementation. The revised plan guides land management decisions in the Recreation Rivers corridors.