



**Inyo National Forest Wild and Scenic River Workshop:  
Developing a Wild and Scenic River  
Comprehensive Management Plan  
November 4-8, 2019  
v. 10.11.19**

**Location: Inyo NF Forest Supervisor's Office 351 Pacu Lane Bishop, CA 93514**

**Lodging: See Attachment A**

**Goal**

Make substantial progress toward completing Comprehensive River Management Plans (CRMPs) for the Owens River Headwaters and Cottonwood Creek Wild and Scenic Rivers.

**Objectives**

- 1) Increase participants' knowledge in:
  - The protection requirements of the Act
  - Contents of a CRMP
- 2) Produce initial content for an action plan to:
  - Refine river values and identify a draft boundary
  - Identify user-capacity strategies
- 3) Identify for each CRMP process step:
  - Gap/needs analysis
  - Public involvement strategies

**Participant's Prework**

To achieve the workshop goal and objectives, it is essential that each participant review the several documents identified below, and that the interdisciplinary team complete the topic-specific.

**Prework for all participants**

- Interagency Wild and Scenic Rivers Coordinating Council (IWSRCC) technical reports and guidance documents found at [www.rivers.gov](http://www.rivers.gov)
  - *WSR Management Responsibilities* <https://www.rivers.gov/documents/management.pdf>
  - *Newly Designated WSR: Interim Management and Steps to Develop a CRMP* <https://www.rivers.gov/documents/crmp-steps.pdf>
  - *Steps to Address User Capacities on Wild and Scenic Rivers* <https://www.rivers.gov/documents/user-capacities.pdf>
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- Additional reports to be found at [www.river-management.org](http://www.river-management.org)
  - CEQ publication "*Collaboration in NEPA*" (10/07)

**Prework for Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) (To be provided by IDT Leader)**

- River Values Prework Assessment Worksheets
  - Complete relevant specialists' worksheets for river values
  - Gap analysis to help determine information needed for and decisions to be made in CRMP

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<b>Agenda Day 1</b>			
10:00 -10:20	Welcome and Introductions	Leadership Greeting Group Introductions	Forest Supervisor, Tammy Randall-Parker
10:20 – 10:50	Workshop Organization	Workshop Goal, Objectives Workshop Organization Workshop Notebook WSRA Pretest	Rod Bonacker
10:50-11:35	Wild and Scenic Rivers Act Review	Protection Provisions WSRA pretest review, discussion	Mollie Chaudet
11:45-12:45	<b>Lunch</b>		
12:45 – 12:50	Rivers Orientation	Objectives and Process	Rod Bonacker
12:50-1:20		Overview of Rivers	Erin Noesser
1:20-1:30	River Values	Objectives and Process Review of WSRA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Three-fold purpose of Act</li> <li>• Definitions of river values</li> </ul>	Mollie Chaudet
1:30-1:50		IDT Resource Description & Conclusions of Pework <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Free-flowing condition</li> <li>• Water Quality</li> </ul>	Todd Elsworth
1:50 – 3:00	River Values	IDT Resource Description & Conclusions of Pework <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ORVs – Owens River <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Cultural</i></li> <li>○ <i>Fish</i></li> <li>○ <i>Ecology</i></li> <li>○ <i>Scenic</i></li> <li>○ <i>Wildlife</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• ORVs – Cottonwood Creek <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Geologic</i></li> <li>○ <i>Botany</i></li> <li>○ <i>Recreational</i></li> <li>○ <i>Scenic</i></li> <li>○ <i>Wildlife</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Ashley Blythe-Haverstock Kary Schlick Blake Englehardt Adam Barnett Kary Schlick  Coleen Garcia Blake Englehardt Adam Barnett Adam Barnett Kary Schlick
3:00 – 3:15	<b>Break</b>		
3:15 – 4:50	River Values	IDT Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Region of comparison</li> <li>• River-related check</li> <li>• Unique, rare, exemplary</li> <li>• Refinements needed</li> <li>• Incorporating other evaluations</li> </ul>	Group Activity
4:50 – 5:00	Summary, Bin, Field Trip Logistics Adjourn		

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<b>Agenda</b>			
<b>Day 3</b>			
8:00 - 8:10	Welcome	Review of Days 1 and 2 Introduce RMS Training Center Director	Rod Bonacker
8:10 – 8:30	RMS Presentation	River Management Society Overview	Steve Storck
8:30 - 9:30	River Values	IDT Leader Review of Day 1 and 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Summary of next steps</li> </ul>	IDT Leader
<b>9:30 - 9:45</b>	<b>Break</b>		
9:45 - 10:00	Boundary	Objectives and Process Review of WSRA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boundary requirements</li> <li>• Amending a boundary</li> </ul>	Rod Bonacker
10:00 - 11:45		Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Possible lateral corridor(s) for river(s)</li> </ul>	Group Activity
<b>11:45 - 1:00</b>	<b>Lunch</b>		
1:00 - 1:30	User Capacities	Objectives and Process Legal Background IWSRCC Guidance	Mollie Chaudet
1:30 - 2:15		IDT Description <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public and other uses</li> <li>• Recreational setting</li> </ul>	IDT Member
<b>2:15 - 2:30</b>	<b>Break</b>		
2:30 - 3:45	User Capacities	Identify <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Values at risk</li> <li>• General approach to user capacities               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Conflict</li> <li>○ Analysis areas</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Group Activity
3:45 - 4:45	Need for Change	Objectives and Process Introduce Gap Analysis Example	Mollie Chaudet IDT Leader
4:45 – 5:00	Summary and Bin		

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<b>Agenda Day 5</b>			
8:00 - 8:05	Welcome	Review of previous day	Rod Bonacker
8:05 - 8:30	Boundary, User Capacities, Need for Change	IDT Leader Review of group activity outcomes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Summary of next steps</li> </ul>	Erin Noesser
8:30 - 8:45	Decision Framework	Objectives and Process Review of Contents of a CRMP Brainstorm CRMP Decisions	Rod Bonacker
8:45 - 9:15		Refine and detail <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CRMP decisions to be made</li> <li>• Updates to gap analysis</li> </ul>	Group activity
9:15 – 9:40	Public Involvement	Objectives and Process Purpose and Techniques Cooperation and Collaboration	Mollie Chaudet
9:40 – 10:00		Summary of Public Outreach	Debra Schweizer
<b>10:00- 10:15</b>	<b>Break</b>		
10:15 - 11:15	Public Involvement	Identify <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public involvement strategies</li> </ul>	Group Activity
11:15 - 11:30	Steps to Complete CRMP	Describe <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Desired action plan outcomes</li> </ul>	Jen Morrisey
11:30 – 1:00	<b>Lunch</b>		
1:00 – 4:45	Steps to Complete CRMP	Create IDT Action Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• River values</li> <li>• Boundary</li> <li>• User capacity</li> <li>• Public Involvement</li> <li>• Other CRMP needs</li> </ul>	IDT Leader IDT members District/Forest support
4:45-5:00	Course Conclusion	Leadership Follow-up Bin Items Review Workshop Goals, Objectives Complete critique	Tammy Randall-Parker Instructors Group Activity

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<b>Agenda Day 2</b>	
8:00 – 5:00	Field Trip to Cottonwood Creek River values Public and other uses

<b>Agenda Day 4</b>	
8:00 – 5:00	Field Trip to Owens River Headwaters Meet at conference center – bring lunch <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• River Values</li><li>• Recreation</li></ul>

## **Attachment A**

### **Lodging and Lunch Spots in Bishop**

**Some Hotels in Bishop** – All within 2 miles of office and all (sometimes) offer government per diem rates (\$96 a night starting October 1, 2019)

Note: Bishop has many hotels, some below per diem rate, so this list is not exhaustive. These are just a few to consider. Creekside Inn is the nicest.

Most of these hotels will not allow you to make reservation online at the per diem, rate, but if you call, they usually will.

1. **Creekside Inn** – 725 N. Main St., Bishop, CA 93514 (760)872-3044  
<https://www.bishopcreeksideinn.com/>
2. **Holiday Inn Express** – 636 N. Main St., Bishop, CA 93514 (760)872-2423  
[https://www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress/hotels/us/en/bishop/bshop/hoteldetail?cm\\_mmc=GoogleMaps-\\_-EX-\\_-US-\\_-BSHOP](https://www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress/hotels/us/en/bishop/bshop/hoteldetail?cm_mmc=GoogleMaps-_-EX-_-US-_-BSHOP)
3. **Comfort Inn** – 805 N. Main St., Bishop, CA 93514 (760)873-4284  
<https://www.choicehotels.com/california/bishop/comfort-inn-hotels/ca951?source=gyxt>
4. **Cielo Hotel Bishop** – 651 N. Main St., Bishop, CA 93514  
<https://www.choicehotels.com/california/bishop/ascend-hotels/ca739?source=gyxt>

#### **Restaurants for lunch**

Bishop has the usual fast food such as McDonalds, Pollo Loco, Carl's Junior, Taco Bell, all downtown about 2 miles from the Supervisor's Office. It also has multiple pizza places and Mexican food restaurants that are all good.

For a quick lunch, some options where you can pre-order or just drop in are:

1. Great Basin Bakery – sandwiches, salads, and soup – 275 S. Main St. (760) 873-9828  
<https://greatbasinbakerybishop.com/>
2. Pupfish Café – sandwiches, salads and soup – 124 S. Main St., Bishop, CA 93514 (442)228-5100  
<http://pupfishcafe.com/>
3. Domino's Pizza – 1337 Rocking W. Dr., Bishop, CA (760)615-0055
4. Pizza Factory – 970 N. Main St., Bishop, CA 93514 (760)872-8888