

United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION Snake River Area Office 230 Collins Road Boise, ID 83702-4520



Subject: Request for Public Comments Regarding a Proposed Development of Poison Creek Marina Facilities Project in Valley County, Idaho

Dear Interested Party:

The Bureau of Reclamation has received a request from the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation to review a proposal from Tamarack Resort to develop a public marina and recreation area. This action would occur on land owned by Reclamation at Poison Creek Campground on Lake Cascade in Donnelly, Idaho. The purpose of this letter is to inform interested and affected public of the proposal and to solicit comments pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. Enclosed is a Scoping Information Package describing the project proposal.

Scoping is a public involvement process used to determine the scope of issues to be addressed and identify issues related to the proposed action. Analysis of the proposal is ongoing and will be documented in an environmental assessment with an estimated completion in the fall of 2024. Comments received in response to this solicitation will be used to identify potential environmental issues related to the proposed action and to identify alternatives to the proposed action that meet the purpose of and need for the project.

Please help us identify important issues and concerns regarding the proposed action by providing your written comments by **April 17**, **2024**. Written comments should be submitted electronically to sra-nepa-comments@usbr.gov, or mailed or hand delivered to:

Ms. Rochelle Ochoa Natural Resources Specialist Bureau of Reclamation Snake River Area Office 230 Collins Road Boise, Idaho, 83702

There will be a public open house held during the scoping period to provide information and to answer questions about the proposed action. The meeting will be held on April 2, 2024, from 6:00–8:00 p.m. at the following location:

American Legion 105 E. Mill Street Cascade, Idaho 83611 Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, please be advised that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you may request that we withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

PLEASE NOTE: If you do not have any comment at this time but still wish to remain on the distribution list to continue to receive future updates on this proposed project, you must opt in via email (sra-nepa-comments@usbr.gov), phone call at (208) 383-2277, paper mail, or inperson at the Boise address listed above. You will not receive further updates on this proposed project if you have not affirmatively opted in. If you do not wish to receive further updates, no action is necessary.

The primary contact for questions or comments for this analysis is Ms. Rochelle Ochoa, Natural Resources Specialist, at (208) 383-2277. If you are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, please dial 7-1-1 to access telecommunications relay services.

Sincerely,

Acting for Michael Hilliard
Acting Area Manager

Enclosure