			W.1	. Wooten V	Wildlife Ar	ea - 2021	Implemen	tation Plan		
Goal	Objective	WLA or Units	Performance measures	Complete	Pending	Delete	On-going	WDFW Lead Support	Tasks	Comments
Maintain or improve the ecological integrity of priority	A. Establish an ecological integrity baseline and associated goals for ecological	All	1. Funding identified (Y/N)				х	Ecological Integrity Monitoring Team	Work with WLA manager to design a monitoring plan to achieve the objective over 10- year planning term.	
ecological systems and sites.	ms and systems of concern and priority systems and sites and establish ecological integrity goals by 2024.		2. Baseline established (Y/N)				х		- Conduct data collection to determine baseline within 10-year planning term Provide baseline report to WLA manager prior to start of subsequent 10-year planning term Work with WLA manager to establish ecological integrity goals. Climate change consideration: The ecological integrity baseline should include parameters	
			3. Ecological integrity goals established (Y/N)				Х			
									that can provide a baseline for assessing climate change impacts.	
	B. Conduct an assessment of native prairie habitat by 2022,	All	Funding for assessment identified (Y/N)				х	Habitat Program WLA Manager	- Conduct assessment of native prairie to gather baseline data.	
	and by 2024 develop a strategy or plan to protect and restore native prairie habitat.	and restore	Number of volunteer groups identified to partner on assessment and plan				х		- Consider conducting periodic surveys Prioritize areas for restoration Identify funding sources Climate change consideration: Restoration goals should be designed around future conditions due to climate impacts. Consider viability before large investments.	
			Native prairie assessment completed (Y/N)				х			
			Native prairie restoration plan developed (Y/N)				х			
	C. Develop a plan to survey entire wildlife area for rare plants including Spalding's	All	Funding to conduct surveys identified (Y/N)				Х	Habitat Program WLA Manager	- Work more closely with native and rare plant groups to share information, priorities, projects (e.g. UW Rare Care, DNR Natural Heritage).	
	catchfly (<i>S. spaldingii</i>) by 2024. Develop management plan for	conduct sr 3. Numbe identified into plans 4. Survey (5. Manage	Number of volunteer groups identified to conduct survey				Х	-	- Identify data gaps and prioritize areas to survey for new plant species (e.g. Smoothing Iron) In forest management actions, build funding in to conduct plant surveys in these areas Recruit volunteer groups to do surveys (Scouts, etc.) Work with partners to identify funds for more plant surveys Work with Wildlife Diversity staff on survey Adjust activities in areas where rare plants are found to minimize impact.	
	areas where rare plants are found, including adaptive measures.		Number of forest management actions identified where plant surveys can be built into plans				X			
			4. Survey conducted Y/N)				Х			
			Management plan developed for locations where rare plants are found (Y/N)				x			
	D. Develop plan to monitor and conserve federally threatened <i>S. spaldingii</i> on	serve federally	Plan developed to monitor and conserve S. spaldingii (Y/N)				х	WLA Manager	- Work with WDFW vegetation ecologist and other specialists to develop plan Take into consideration that S. spaldingii may be dormant in some years and multiple surveys may be needed Include all areas where S. spaldingii is found in the plan.	No known plants on Wooten
	Asotin Creek WLA and anywhere it is found on the wildlife areas.		Plan includes all areas where S. spaldingii is found (Y/N)				x			
	F. Annually inspect elk fencing and gates; repair and replace as needed and as funding allows.	All	Number of miles of fencing inspected and repaired or replaced	10				WLA Manager	Inspect fences and gates annually. Complete repairs as needed. Submit Capital funding requests to Headquarters for replacement/maintenance of	Total checked by Wooten staff
	anows.		Capital funding request submitted (Y/N)	N					aging sections of fence.	
	G. Reduce presence of trespass cattle onto WLAs by maintaining integrity of boundary stock fences.	All	Miles of boundary fence maintained or replaced	2				WLA Manager Enforcement	- Meet with USFS to discuss lessee fence obligations Work with WDFW Enforcement to take action when/where appropriate Seek Capital funding to replace aging stock fences.	Total checked by Wooten staff
			Critical stock fences identified and mapped (Y/N)	Υ					- Seek funding to hire a seasonal four-person crew for working on stock and elk fence.	

1			3. Meeting with USFS to discuss lease		Y			I	Meeting planned but date not set as of 3-9-22
			obligations (Y/N) 4. Proposal developed and submitted for		,		-		ivieeting planned but date not set as 01 3-3-22
			fence crew (Y/N)	N					
	H. Implement Weed Management Plan annually.	All	1. Number of acres inspected	800			WLA Manager	- Annually develop work plan in coordination with Assistant Managers and statewide weed	Estimated number
	Identify weeds that are increasing such as ventenata, medusa head, yellow starthistle, and sulfur cinquefoil.		2. Number of acres treated	455			-	manager Annually develop work plan in coordination	
			Annual weed control report produced (Y/N)	Υ				with Assistant Managers and statewide weed manager.	
			New and increasing weeds identified and documented (Y/N)	Y				Use Integrated Pest Management to minimize use of rodenticides, pesticides, and herbicides. Utilize local private contractors where	
			5. Number of A-list weeds identified and eradicated (Y/N)	0				appropriate to conduct weed suppression on wildlife areas. - Complete annual reporting requirements Identify and document weeds that are increasing Eradicate A-List weeds such as Mediterranean Sage and yellow starthistle Develop a proposal to hire and manage statewide seasonal weed suppression crews to work on multiple WLAs in Eastern Washington Near locations of S. spaldingli, implement measures to reduce impacts to the plant Near listed fish habitat, implement measures	None known about on Wooten
			Proposal for statewide seasonal weed suppression crew developed and submitted (Y/N)	N					Weed suppression completed by local staff
			7. Where weeds are managed in or near Spalding's catchfly (<i>S. spaldingii</i>) or other rare plant habitat, measures implemented to avoid or minimize effects on the plant (Y/N)			х			
			Measures implemented to avoid or minimize impacts to listed fish species, including buil trout (Y/N)	Υ				to reduce impacts to fish. Climate change consideration: Plan for possibility of new weeds. Monitor weeds expected to increase because of climate change.	
	J. Implement the Forest Management Plan.	All	Number of acres of commercial thinning completed	0			Forester	 Plant trees on W. T. Wooten. Continue treating forests that have diseased trees or are overcrowded. 	
			Number of acres of non-commercial treatment completed	0			- - -	- Create appropriate snags.	Continued burning brush piles from non-commcerial thinning project
			Number of acres of prescribed broadcast burning	0					
			Number of acres of reforestation	0					
			Number of acres assessed for future treatment			х			
improve habitat for	A. Conduct Fish Passage projects at Lick Creek and	Asotin Creek Unit	Lick Creek fish passage project completed (Y/N)			х	Habitat Program WLA Manager	- Work with Habitat Management to make this a priority.	
fish and wildlife	coordinate with USFS on the culvert at Sourdough Gulch. Identify and plan for other fish	All	2. Sourdough Gulch culvert repaired (Y/N)			х	Cli	 Coordinate with USFS on culvert work. Climate change consideration: Use climate- adapted culverts information to size culverts. 	
	passage barrier removals.		Plan for other fish barrier removal developed (Y/N)	N					
3. Sustain Individual species through habitat and population management	A. Maintain healthy bighorn sheep population by communicating to the public the risks from domestic animals to bighorn sheep.	All	Information about risks to wild bighorn sheep from domestic sheep and goats communicated to the public (Y/N)			х	WLA Manager Wildlife Biologist	- Obtain current information from wildlife biologist Use opportunities when engaging with the public to provide information Provide information to neighboring landowners.	Assistant Wildlife Area Manager continually providing education materials
	B. Reduce injuries to wildlife by continuing to remove unnecessary or problematic fencing where and when	All	Number of miles of unnecessary or derelict fencing removed	0			WLA Manager Wildlife Biologist	- Review CREP contract at Charley Creek and seek ways to remove fence. '- Where appropriate, mark fences with tags or flags so wildlife can adequately see the fencing	2021 project cancelled due to COVID

possible, replacing and		Number of miles wildlife-friendly fence			1	to reduce injuries.	
installing wildlife-friendly		(42 inches or less, 3-strand when possible) installed				- Work with volunteer groups such as Inland	
fences of no more than 42 inches high, 3-strand when		installed				Northwest Wildlife Council.	
possible.			0				
	All	Number of overgrown tree stands that			Forester	- Work with wildlife biologist to identify forest	
deer populations.		are non-commercially thinned	0		Wildlife Biologist	activities that may improve habitat for mule deer.	
		Number of stands that have been			1		
		converted to fir-dominant stands commercially thinned	0				
D. Reduce the threat of lead	All	Coordinate with other efforts to address			Wildlife Biologist	- Coordinate with internal and external efforts	
poisoning to golden eagles and		lead ammunition (Y/N)	N		WLA Manager	on lead ammunition risk reduction.	
other species.						 Explore incentives for the use of non-toxic ammunition. 	
		Best Management Practices to reduce the risk of lead ammunition drafted (Y/N)				- Begin to develop or promote best	
		risk of lead affiliation drafted (1714)	N			management practices that include burying or removing gut piles, discouraging shooting of non-	
						classified wildlife.	
E. Reduce and manage human /wildlife conflicts.	All	Number of additional acres of food crops planted for large wildlife	0		WLA Manager Wildlife Biologist	 Increase food crops based on need. Look for ways to modernize water systems 	No additional acres planted
,			· ·		Conflict Specialist	including wells, pipelines, storage tanks, and	No additional acres planted
		2. Existing salt sites maintained for big game	Υ			troughs Seek funding to make major infrastructure	Salt placed at top of McGowan Canyon
		species (Y/N) 3. Water systems and troughs maintained for			-	upgrades/repairs to water systems.	
		big game species (Y/N)	Υ			- Document wolves living on wildlife areas where cattle grazing is permitted where	McGowan Canyon trough and guzzlers checked
		A Tellise and the desired at the first			_	possible. Also document all wolf/cattle conflicts on wildlife areas.	
		Talking points developed on why food crops are planted for elk and how they are				- Providing a diversity of habitat in good to	
		used in conjunction with water	N			excellent condition would provide species with	
		developments and salt sites (Y/N)				the opportunity to adapt to these changing conditions.	
					_	-Climate change consideration: Consider how change in snowpack and winter	
		Recommendations of "wolf conflict on WLA lands" group implemented (Y/N)	Y			conditions will affect impact of conflict.	
			Y				
		6. Number of conflicts resolved per year for			1		
		wolves and for elk.	0				None on Wooten
H. Provide information to the public about Endangered	All	Information on management of ESA-listed species communicated to the public (Y/N)			Fish Program Habitat Program	Obtain current information from fish and habitat biologist.	
Species Act (ESA)-listed species		species communicated to the public (17N)		Х	WLA Manager	- Use opportunities when engaging with the	
management.						public to provide information on ESA-listed species.	
		Talking points developed on fish management and reason for low returns				Climate change consideration:	
		(Y/N)		Х		Consider climate change vulnerability information. Highlight improvement projects	Ongoing as information changes yearly
						that help build resistance.	
I. Improve habitat for fish.	All	Number of fish habitat improvement projects conducted	0		Fish Program Habitat Program	 Use Asotin County Conceptual Restoration Plan for Asotin Creek WLA (Bennett 2018) 	
			· ·			Climate change consideration:	
		2. Miles of stream improved	0		1	Project design should consider climate resilience aspects.	
						- Projects on lands purchased with USFWS	
						Section 6 funding will be reviewed by USFWS.	
J. Implement the W.T. Wooten Floodplain Management Plan.	W.T. Wooten	Power line from the Tucannon Hatchery to Camp Wooten buried (Y/N)	N		WLA Manager Habitat Program	- Prioritize projects based on need and budget. Climate change consideration:	
		to camp wooten buried (1/14)	N			Monitoring and reporting should consider	
Prioritize projects based on available funding from		2. Enhancement at Beaver-Watson Lake	N		1	climate resilience benefits of the projects.	
biennial Capital Projects.		completed (Y/N)	IN]		

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	Projects: 1) Bury the power line from the Tucannon		Enhancement at Deer Lake completed (Y/N)		Υ	_			In design process
	Hatchery to Camp Wooten; 2) enhancement at Beaver- Watson Lake; 3) enhancement		Construction at Spring Lake competed (Y/N)	N					
	at Deer Lake; 4) construction at Spring Lake; 5) decommission Big Four Lake.		5. Big Four Lake decommissioned (Y/N)						
				N					Cannot get water into Big 4 due to 2020 flood event moving river away from inlet channel
	K. Construct the Large Wood Project from Rainbow Lake inlet to the hatchery bridge.	W.T. Wooten	1. Construction completed (Y/N)	N	2022		WLA Manager Habitat Program		Phase 1 planned for summer 2022; flood then fire have delayed project
	L Continue fish monitoring and tagging efforts on the Tucannon River and Asotin Creek (steelhead, spring chinook, and bull trout).	W.T. Wooten Asotin Creek	Fish monitoring and tagging efforts documented (Y/N)	Υ			Fish Program	- Continue to monitor steelhead, spring chinook, and bull trout in Tucannon River Continue to monitor steelhead and bull trout in Asotin Creek - Report bull trout information to USFWS E. WA Field Office.	
4. Protect wintering wildlife from human	B. Maintain current seasonal closures to protect wintering	W.T. Wooten Asotin Creek	Closure posted at Cummings Creek (Y/N)	Υ			WLA Manager Enforcement Program	- Work with USFS to coordinate gate closure. County and USFS on gate closure on Asotin	New large sign made and hung on gate
disturbance	wildlife at Cummings Creek (Jan. 1-April 1). As per		Agreement with Asotin County maintained (Y/N).	Y				Creek Reassess conditions during 2-year plan update	
	agreement with Asotin County, maintain motorized closure at Asotin Creek (Dec. 1-		3. Gates closed on Asotin Creek (Y/N)	Y				or as conditions change.	
	C. Continue to limit off-road vehicle travel on the wildlife areas, and ensure any temporary roads constructed	All	Temporary roads closed after projects completed (Y/N)	Υ			WLA Manager Forester Enforcement Program	- Install/maintain gates. - Post closed roads. - Enforce road closures.	
	for forest health projects are closed to vehicle use.		Road closures posted (Y/N)	Υ					
			3. Number of cases of violators enforced	Unknown					
5. Achieve species diversity at levels consistent with healthy ecosystems	A. Develop species-specific actions for the WLA, for listed species or species of greatest conservation need.	All	Number of species-specific actions completed	0			Wildlife Biologist WLA Manager	- Develop species-specific actions for the WLA, for listed species, or species of greatest conservation need. Consider future stress from climate change for those species considered highly vulnerable.	
	B. Conduct survey for Species of Greatest Conservation Need in coordination with the Diversity Division.	All	Species surveys completed (Y/N)	Υ			Diversity Division Wildlife Biologist	- Coordinate district priorities with Olympia Wildlife Diversity staff annually.	Tailed-frog surveys conducted in 2019; Golden Eagle surveys conducted annually
	A. Increase public's knowledge of hunting opportunities on the wildlife area, and promote	All	Materials developed and posted or provided (Y/N)	Y			WLA Manager Game Division	 Determine which units and hunts to promote. Partner with other WLAs interested in similar message. 	
fishing	hunting of game birds, turkey, and predators in addition to		Talking points produced for staff to explain the hunting conditions (Y/N) Plan established with Hunter Ed on turkey	N			Hunter Education Division	- Partner with hunter groups Work with Public Affairs on materials	
	big game by 2020. Offer turkey hunting clinic.		clinics (Y/N)	N				- Work with Public Affairs on materials development. - Work with Hunter Ed to determine feasibility of developing a turkey clinic.	
			4. Turkey clinics held (Y/N)	N				- Determine if interest in other hunting clinics.	

I	C. Inventory and assess ADA	All	Number of current fishing and hunting			WLA Manager	- Work with agency ADA staff on issues and	
	fishing and hunting opportunities biennially.	All	ADA opportunities formalized on WLAs	2 FISHING			funding Identify ADA opportunities to be improved.	Blue Lake and Rainbow Lake maintained
			Number of possible new ADA fishing and hunting opportunities identified	0			- Identify new ADA opportunities to develop.	
			Number of new fishing and hunting ADA opportunities developed	0				
			Biennial assessment completed (Y/N)	N				
	D. Reduce the number of ADA licensees taking motorized vehicles beyond where	All	Ways to reduce of misuse of ADA license identified (Y/N)	N		WLA Manager Wildlife Biologist Enforcement Program	- Identify options to reduce ADA licensees taking motorized vehicles beyond where allowed. - Determine if "case-by-case" ADA access is	
	allowed.		Number of ADA "case-by-case" accesses set up	0			reasonable approach Enforce violations.	
			3. Number of cases of violators enforced	0				
	E. Continue to provide fishing opportunities on the W.T.	W.T. Wooten	1. Number of fish stocked at Tucannon lakes	65,300		Fish Program	- Use fish stocking report for data. Climate change consideration:	
	Wooten WLA.		2. Number of fishable lakes maintained	6		Lo	Consider term plans regarding fishing should consider changes in water temperatures which may impact fish.	Due to Feb 2020 flood event and footbridge being washed out, fewer fish were stocked in Watson and were put in other lakes
7. Provide and improve other appropriate	D. Improve camping at W.T. Wooten by controlling at-large camping; pilot by 2019.	W.T. Wooten	Pilot marking individual sites completed (Y/N) Assessment of pilot completed and	N		WLA Manager	Pilot a program at Camp 1 to identify and mark individual campsites. Assess effectiveness at end of season.	
recreational opportunities			recommendations made (Y/N)	N				
	F. Assess the wildlife area for restroom facilities that need to	All W.T.Wooten (ADA)	Assessment of restroom facilities completed (Y/N)	Υ		WLA Manager	- Determine high use areas for restroom locations	
	be improved, replaced, or added, including ADA accessibility, by 2022.		Capital funding request submitted (Y/N)	N			- Identify funding sources for new and improved (ADA) restrooms. Climate change consideration:	No replacement vault toilets needed at this time
	accessibility, by 2022.						Siting should consider flooding potential.	
	H. Develop plan for identifying and promoting non-	4-0 Ranch	Partners or user groups for plan development identified (Y/N)	Y		WLA Manager	- As interest arises, work with user groups on recreational opportunities.	
	consumptive recreational uses compatible with fish and		Plan for non-consumptive recreation developed (Y/N)	N			- Consult ESA Section 6 Plan for plans on 4-0 Ranch.	
	wildlife, such as winter wildlife viewing, hiking, mountain biking, horseback riding,		Number of non-consumptive opportunities developed or promoted	3 - wildlife viewing, hiking, horseback riding				Statewide Recreation Strategy being developed
	K. Work with Lands Division on building capacity and support for wildlife area recreation	All	List of recreational funding opportunities developed (Y/N)	N		WLA Manager	Meet with Lands Division manager on recreation funding strategy. Assess recreational funding sources available.	
	infrastructure needs. Assess recreational funding sources available.		2. Number of funding opportunities pursued	0			 Identify local champions, possibly WAAC members, or other partners. Connect with WDFW Lands showcase initiative—may include requests for O&M, equipment, 	
			3. Amount of funding secured	0			capital needs.	
			Number of projects developed and number completed	0				
	L. Develop a printed, folding map of all wildlife areas for public use. Include facilities,	All	Funding for map identified (Y/N)	N		WLA Manager	Identify funding for map development Work with cartographers to create map. Connect with Lands Showcase and Rec Strategy	
	water access sites, trails, bordering USFS lands, by 2022.		2. Map developed (Y/N)	N			teams.	
	M. Continue to install markers to identify wildlife area boundaries.	All	Collect data on stolen, missing, or damaged signs		х	WLA Manager	- Install fences with special screws to attempt to reduce theft.	
			2. Number of boundary signs installed		х			Replaced missing or unreadable signs

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B. Protect tribal treaty rights and carefully evaluate and consider impacts to traditional hunting and gathering sites. 2. CTUIR invited to discuss wildlife area plan management objectives and mutual concerns for wildlife resources (Y/N) Y	
C. Discuss mutual concerns for wildlife resources with the them, tribal treaty rights are considered and tribes.	
11. Maintain safe, highly functional administration, and information, and ontions for assistance such as	
facilities B. Update wildlife area facility information in centralized database updated quarterity (Y/N) database quarterity B. Update wildlife area facility information in centralized database updated facilities database updated y Y WLA Manager - Use agency facility inventory tool to update facilities information.	
C. Review and update information on the wildlife area web pages annually. 1. Wildlife area web pages reviewed and updated annually (Y/N) Y WLA Manager - Keep online information up-to-date.	