



POLICY

Number 45

SUBJECT: PUBLIC USE OF LANDS AT THE HANCOCK CREEK AND
CALLIGAN CREEK HYDROELECTRIC PROJECTS

Date 1/1/2017

POLICY

Public recreational use of the areas within the project boundaries of the Hancock Creek Hydroelectric Project and the Calligan Creek Hydroelectric Project (Projects), that are owned by the Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County (District) or administered by the District for Project purposes through a lease, permit or agreement shall be subject to the regulations set forth in this Policy. Public recreational access on such lands shall be without charge, with the exception of land use for activities requiring permits from Campbell Global (CG), owners of the Snoqualmie forest areas surrounding the Projects. Access to Project lands is through the CG lands, thus, requiring a permit from CG, and subject to seasonal timeframes allowed under the CG permit. Allowable and prohibited activities on Project lands are described below.

This policy does not supersede property access authorized by easements.

The Assistant General Manager (AGM) for Generation, Power, Rates, and Transmission Management or the AGM’s designee may determine at any time that circumstances require temporary closure of access roads and recreation activities on Project lands due to poor road conditions, operational necessity, or for public safety or security.

DESCRIPTIONS OF PROPERTY SUBJECT TO POLICY

Limited recreational opportunities exist on Project lands. CG owns and manages recreation for the approximately 89,500-acre Snoqualmie Forest unit which surrounds the Hancock Creek and Calligan Creek Projects. Although these lands are actively managed timber resources, most are included in a 2004 Conservation Easement between King County and Hancock Timber Resource Group (previous owners of the Snoqualmie Forest unit) that allows low-impact recreational activities. Public access to Project lands is through this privately-owned forest. Access permits are required for entry to the CG forest land, and additional permits for certain



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recreation activities are also required through the CG Recreational Access Program.

Lands and waters subject to this Policy shall include those within the:

1. Hancock Creek Hydro roads, penstock right-of-way, and terrestrial habitat mitigation areas within the Project boundary;
2. Calligan Creek Hydro roads, penstock right-of-way, and terrestrial habitat mitigation areas within the Project boundary;
3. See Attachment 1 (map).

**AUTHORIZED
ACTIVITIES**

Authorized activities include:

1. Sightseeing and picnicking;
2. Hiking and mountain biking;
3. Berry and mushroom picking for personal use;
4. Hunting during Washington state-authorized hunting seasons or as provided by applicable federal laws or treaties, and in compliance with all applicable firearm safety and other laws and regulations; however, all kills must be packed out intact.
5. Fishing during Washington state-authorized fish seasons, subject to all applicable laws and regulations;
6. Leashed pets. All waste must be retrieved and properly deposited in sanitary facilities; and
7. Use of licensed motorized vehicles on improved roads only.

**PROHIBITED
ACTIVITIES**

Except with the express, prior written authorization of the District, the following are PROHIBITED on Project lands:

1. Overnight camping;
2. Littering;
3. Unleashed pets;
4. Vandalism or defacement of any vehicle, road, facility, vegetation or other property;
5. Depositing human or domestic animal waste on District property;



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6. Use of vehicles off improved roads except licensed and off-road vehicles used for administrative access by the District or its authorized representative;
7. Fires;
8. Consumption of intoxicants;
9. Fireworks;
10. Loud or disorderly conduct which disturbs others' peaceful use of the lands and waters;
11. Wood cutting or collection of any Christmas trees, native ornamental trees, or shrubs, or cutting or picking of evergreen foliage, wooden products or salvage of bark;
12. Target shooting;
13. Discharge of firearms, except as may be reasonably necessary and incidental to lawful hunting and shooting of game animals; PROVIDED, that discharge of firearms within 200 feet of any Project structures/facilities shall be prohibited at all times;
14. Introduction of noxious weeds or any non-native, invasive plant or animal species, including but not limited to, Eurasian water milfoil, zebra/quagga mussel, and New Zealand mudsnail;
15. Use of lands, waters, or facilities for any purpose other than an authorized purpose, or at any time not within the CG recreational permit season; and
16. Any activities expressly prohibited by the current industrial fire precaution level set by the Department of Natural Resources.

**PROHIBITED
AREAS**

Prohibited public access areas include:

1. Intake areas – including a 200 foot no access area surrounding the perimeter of the intake facilities;
 2. Powerhouses – including a 200 foot no access area surrounding the perimeter of the facilities;
 3. Electrical Vaults;
 4. Access Manholes; and
 5. Stream gaging stations.
- See Attachment 1 (map).



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ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS

Each Project site may be posted with such additional public access and use regulations as may be determined necessary by the AGM or designee for proper administration of the lands and waters subject to this Policy.

WARNING AND DISCLAIMER

The District shall not be liable for any injury, loss or damage to any person or the property of any person who is using the lands or waters subject to this Policy. Entry to the lands, waters, and roads shall be solely at the user's own risk. Such lands are in a mountainous environment, remote and rugged, and either left in their natural state or developed for Project operations. Such lands and waters may contain hazards consistent with these conditions that are not readily obvious to recreation users. Access roads may be narrow and primitive, with steep drop-offs and narrow or no shoulders. Use of all due care is advised, and posted speed limits and warnings shall be observed by recreation users at all times.

The AGM or designee may restrict or suspend public access to District lands and roads temporarily at any time during periods of elevated, high or severe risk as designated by advisories issued by the Federal Homeland Security Administration, for public safety, Washington Department of Natural Resources for wildfire potential, or due to poor road conditions or operational necessity.

INQUIRIES

Direct inquiries about this Policy to Generation Division, Natural Resources Department.



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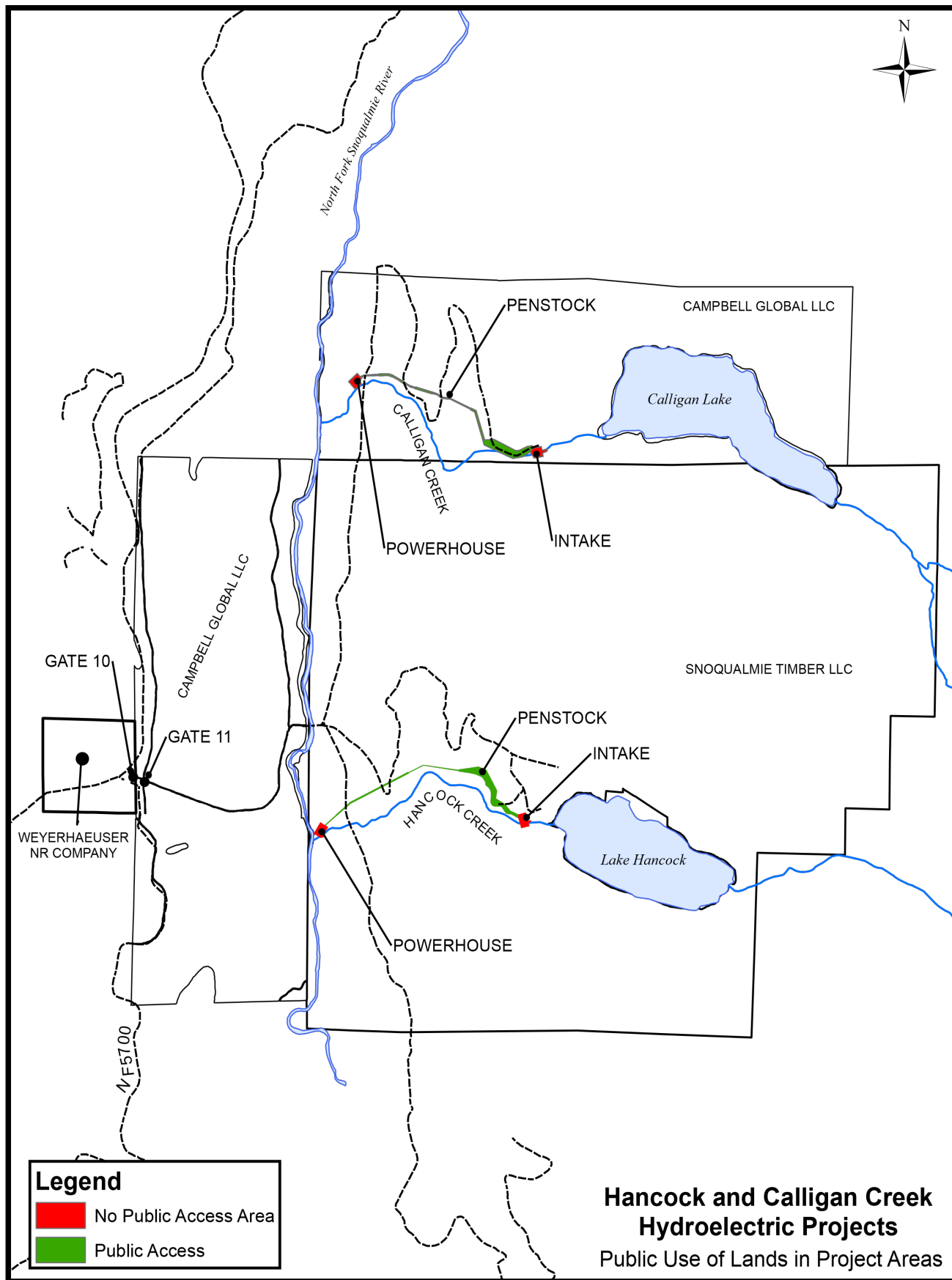
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Hancock and Calligan Creek Hydroelectric Projects
Public Use of Lands in Project Areas