

Port of Pasco

- a) **Ownership:** Port of Pasco
- b) **Landscape & Natural Features:** gently sloping to increased slope, scrub vegetation with thick tree growth along river edge (NOTE—Trees have recently been thinned around the Osprey Pointe development to the west).
- c) **Transportation:** The port of Pasco is a hub of industrial River, rail, and truck transportation. The Port owns a barge docking and loading facility on the Columbia River, which leads out to the Pacific and to markets in the Pacific Rim and beyond. This barge facility is located just east of the Osprey Pointe development. Several rail-spurs access the BNSF main lines through the Port from both the northwest and northeast. Ainsworth and Oregon Avenues provide quick access for trucking to major highways heading in all directions. The Trail has been developed through the Port property; along the river of the Osprey Pointe area and then inland along Ainsworth Avenue to the last block of warehouses, and then back south to the river. The Trail ends at the Sacagawea State Park access road.
- d) **General Land Use Pattern:** The Port of Pasco has a mix of WWII-era warehouse facilities and vacant lands, and is zoned for heavy industrial use, though Osprey Pointe is planned as a higher-end business park.
- e) **Linkage and Amenities Opportunities:** The completion of the first Osprey Pointe building (the Port of Pasco office) and utilities infrastructure has set the stage for further office development in the park. The Port has designed the building as an example of the design standards expected of future buildings on the site. Landscaping (including the removal of dead trees and undergrowth along the River) is professional and aesthetically pleasing, as well as drought-resistant. The rest of the Port will remain heavy industrial into the foreseeable future.
- f) **Linkage and Amenities Constraints:** Trail location is constrained by industrial uses in the area. The Trail currently follows Ainsworth Avenue through the heaviest industrial use areas, leaving the river to avoid the barge loading facility and some outdoor warehousing. One river view access trail weaves between some outdoor storage areas down to the River, but does not subsequently join up with the Trail.

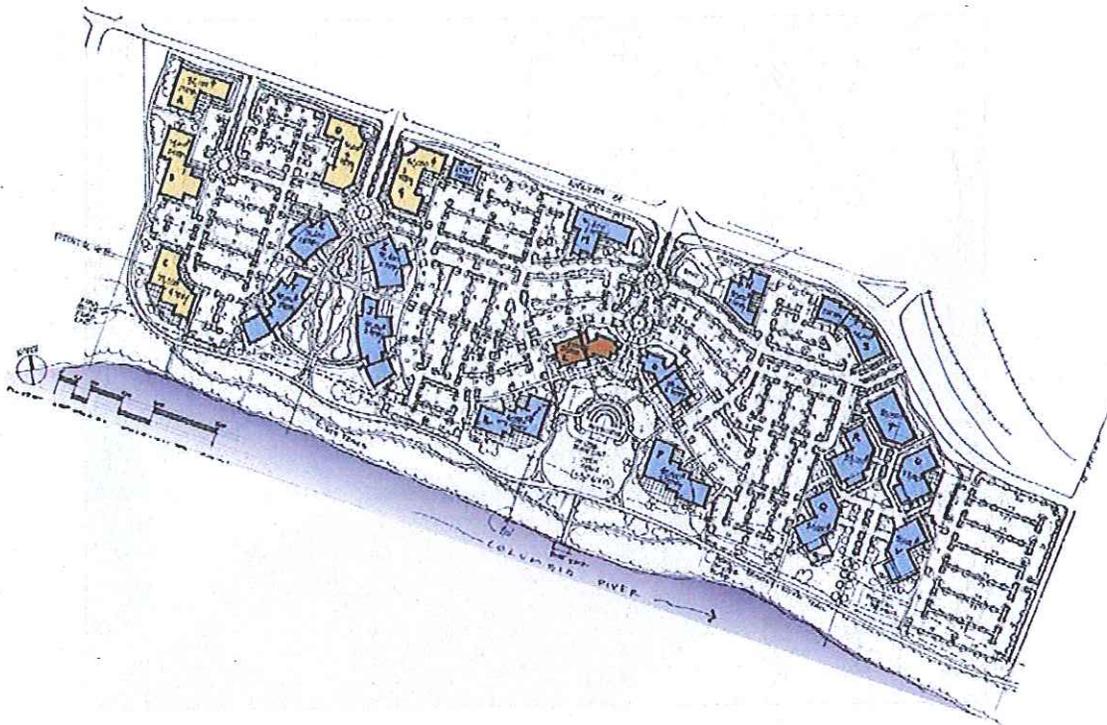
g) RECOMMENDATIONS: (See Port of Pasco Osprey Pointe Business Park Plan).

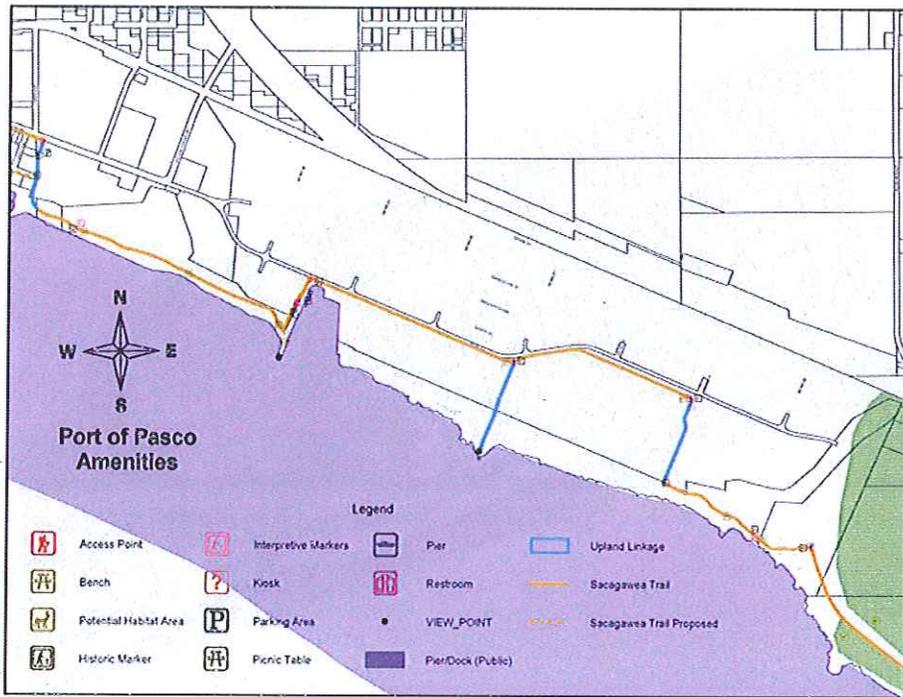
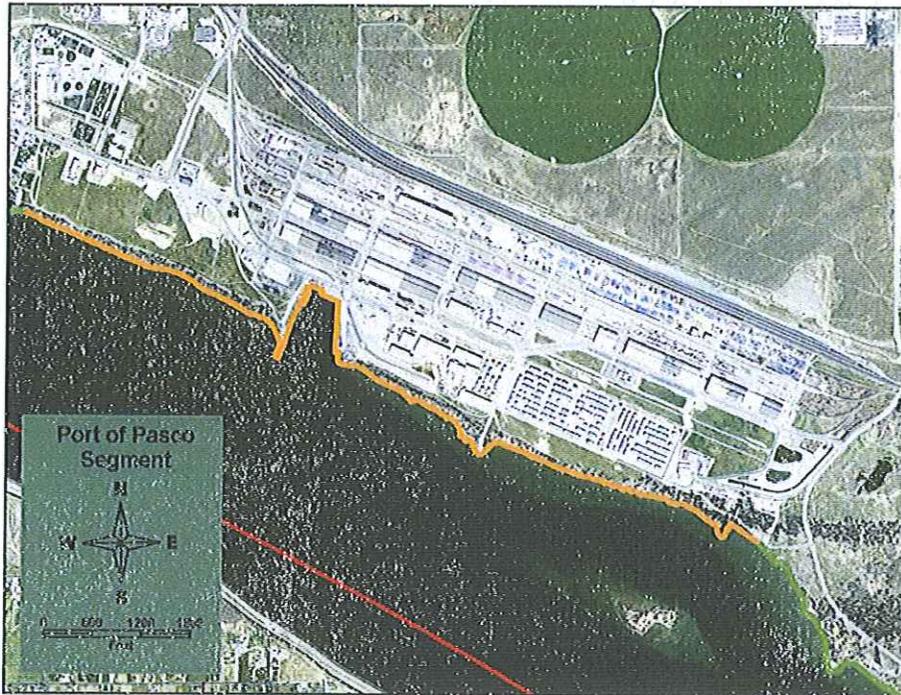
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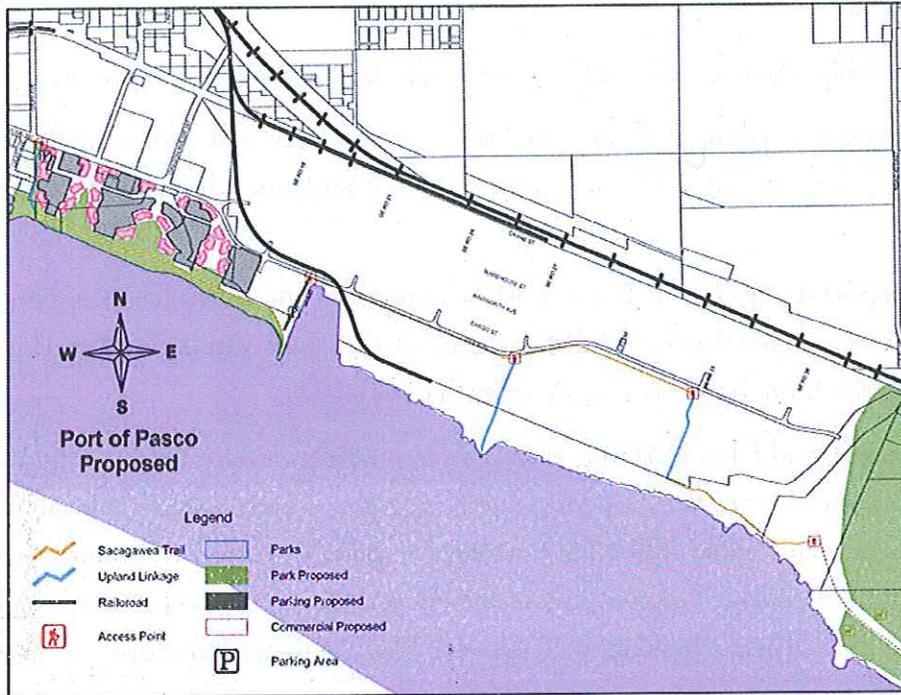
- i) Continue development of Osprey Pointe as planned.
- ii) Connect Lookout point trail to main Trail along the River.
- iii) Provide self-guided smart phone tours addressing unique history, culture and environment of the Port of Pasco; Highlight Big Pasco's working port and businesses as a trail exhibit

Long-Term Recommendations:

- iv) Build a park along the River between the Boat Basin and Osprey Pointe, thematically connecting the two developments.
- v) Build an improved trail connection between Pasco's urban center and the Osprey Pointe Business Park.







Sacagawea Park

- a) **Ownership:** Army Corps of Engineers/Wash St Parks & Recreation
- b) **Landscape & Natural Features:** State park; mostly flat, mix of native and non-native (park) vegetation; beach areas; docks; boat launch; historic Ainsworth Town site.
- c) **Transportation:** Access to the Park is limited to a single two-lane road entering the park from the northwest. The Trail ends at this road. An undeveloped path/road meanders through the historic Ainsworth town site.
- d) **General Land Use Pattern:** This area is partially developed as a state park with patron amenities such as parking, family and group picnic areas, a boat launch and docks, and a beach. There is housing for park staff and a museum/interpretive center. The balance of the park is vacant, with the exception of some high voltage power lines utilities crossing the Columbia River at the south shore.
- e) **Linkage and Amenities Opportunities:** Sacagawea State Park is partially developed and contains the only developed beach within Pasco city limits. This park rests at the confluence of the Snake and Columbia Rivers and is historic for its role in the Lewis and Clark Expedition, and contains a museum and interpretive center. The park is periodically used for sternwheeler riverboat docking as they come up river from the Pacific coast. While this may be an ideal site for summer food vending, any commercial activity would need to be sanctioned by the State Parks Department. The Park is just south of the historic Ainsworth town site, and the only public access to the site. The Sacagawea Trail should continue through the park along the north border of the access road and developed park areas, continuing along the meandering Ainsworth access road, and then north up along the Snake River. Many areas of the park are ideal for local camping and scouting/wilderness club-type activities. The balance of the park area is undeveloped and amenable to wildlife viewing. Future development should allow for a few "look but don't touch" viewing trails in appropriate parts of the park.
- f) **Linkage and Amenities Constraints:** Because the park is owned and operated by the State Parks Department, the City of Pasco has limited influence over its development. As well, the Ainsworth town site is an historic site and may be difficult

to protect as an archaeological site, off-limits to scavenging. The northeast part of the old town site is swampy and any trail through the area may require footbridges or boardwalks to cross over the swamp areas.

g) **RECOMMENDATIONS:** (State of Washington Parks Department);

Short-Term Recommendations:

- i) Place drinking fountains, shade trees, and restroom facilities at strategic points;
- ii) Develop overnight camping areas throughout the park
- iii) Design a trail extension of the Sacajawea Trail through the Ainsworth Town site and beyond.
- iv) Develop trails in Sacajawea State Park for opportunities to learn about native wildlife, geological features and the Confluence Project
- v) Consider more summer fairs and activities and related food vendor opportunities

Long-Term Recommendations:

- vi) Develop the Sacajawea Heritage Trail through park and towards the Columbia Plateau/Ace Harbor Dam trail linkage;



