

OOPS Activity Planning Worksheet

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Title: Grays Bay - Altoona - Miller Sand		Type of Activity: Trip	Date(s): 11/07/09
<p>Narrative description: Launching from the Deep River ramp, we'll head out into Grays Bay, around Harrington Point, following the turning tide along the Washington shoreline past Altoona. After taking a break we'll cross the shipping channel to Miller Sands, where we'll stop for lunch on the beach on the western tip of the island. We'll then cross the shipping channel again, going upstream past Rice Island and head for Harrington Point and retrace our path back to the put-in. If conditions are favorable, we may go from Rice Island the 3-1/2 miles directly across Gray's Bay to Deep River. We expect to see lots of water fowl. This trip is rain or shine, launching at 9:30 AM. Dry suits, tow lines, and lights are required. Total distance 15 miles. Expect to be on water for 6 hours including breaks.</p> <p>Because of its proximity to the mouth of the Columbia, the long fetch, and the shallow bay, this trip is predicated on winds not exceeding 12 mph. Depending on the immediate forecasts, we may eliminate crossings; or if wind forecasts are particularly unfavorable we may opt for a trip in the local area instead.</p>			
Starting point: Deep River Ramp		Ending point: Same	
Route alternatives if bad weather: Salmon Creek			
Skills or Equipment (In addition to general requirements per the Activity Policy):			
<input type="checkbox"/> Towline	<input type="checkbox"/> Helmet	Min. Immersion Wear: Drysuit	
Other Requirements:			
Primary Organizer: Don Durheim		Organizer: Jim Border	
First Aid Person: Don Durheim		Organizer:	
Max # of Participants: 6		OOPS members only? Yes	
Has organizer been on this paddle before? Yes		Has organizer led an OOPS activity here before? No	
<i>CERTIFICATION: By checking this box, <input type="checkbox"/> the Organizer certifies that they have read, understand and will conduct this activity in accordance with OOPS Activity Policies.</i>			
CONDITIONS:		<u>RATING FACTORS:</u>	
Air Temp: 45 °F	Water Temp: 50 °F	Wind Strength: 2. 7-12 knot (14 mph)	
High Tide (Ft, time) 4:05 PM		Swell/Surf size: 2. < 2', no breaking waves	
Low Tide (Ft, time) 10:58 AM		Sea State: 2. Large wavelets, scattered whitecaps	
Flood (speed, time): ~ 1.5 kts / ~4:30 PM		Landing Type: 2. Docks, brush, moderate banks	
Ebb (speed, time): ~ 1.5 KtS / ~10:00 AM		Currents: 2. up to 2 knots	
Water time: 5 Hours	<input type="checkbox"/> Shipping traffic	Total Distance: 3. 11 to 15 miles	
<input type="checkbox"/> Night Paddling	<input type="checkbox"/> Potential Fog	Open Crossing Distance: 3. 1-2 miles	
<i>Note, night or fog bumps the rating up one level</i>		OVERALL RATING: 3. Level three	
Comment on overall rating (if different than the rating system yields):			