### West Virginia R3 Strategic Planning

Situation Analysis and Workshop Summary

West Virginia Division of Natural Resources





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### Introduction

As hunting and angling participation trends continue to decline, faced with societal changes, and recognizing a need to better connect the West Virginia citizens with the outdoors, the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources (WVDNR) is developing a new Recruitment, Retention, and Reactivation (R3) strategic plan to guide its future efforts and program development.

To help in the process, WVDNR collaborated with the Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation (RBFF) to begin development of a new R3 Strategic Plan. RBFF has contracted with DJ Case & Associates (DJ Case) to conduct a situation analysis, facilitate an R3 workshop and provide the backbone for the new plan.

The first step in the situation analysis was to identify key participation variables. In keeping with national trends, WVDNR has experienced an alarming decline in hunter, angler, and boater participation in recent years. As outlined in the 2017 Licensed Hunter and Angler Numbers in <u>Appendix A</u>, declines trace back to 1997, with some programs noting license sales down by as much as 20-40% or more since that time. Buying habits are changing as well, with both resident and non-residents buying more licenses online in 2017 than in 2016 (<u>Appendix B</u>).

### Workshop 1

Recognizing the need to address these changes, the WVDNR formed an R3 Team in early 2018. The team has diverse representation from across the agency's programs and divisions, and from across the state geographically. The team participated in an initial R3 Workshop in February 2018, facilitated by Matt Dunfee of the Wildlife Management Institute (WMI), with assistance from Stephanie Hussey and Joanne Martonik from the Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation (RBFF) and Cyrus Baird from the Council to Advance Hunting and the Shooting Sports (CAHSS).

The initial meeting was very productive in bringing different facets of the agency together, focusing the team's energy first on *how to think* about R3 issues in a strategic way, and then beginning to identify and understand the current situation and how to move the agency's efforts forward.

The workshop was organized as a 1.5- day event on February 27-28, 2018 at Chief Logan Lodge in Logan, West Virginia.

- Day 1 (February 27): 12:00 pm 4:30 pm
- Day 2 (February 28): 8:30 am 4:00 pm

The agenda for the workshop is in <u>Appendix C</u>.

The goals of the workshop were:

- 1. Discuss R3 issues and trends in West Virginia and nationwide
- 2. Introduce the Outdoor Recreation Adoption Model (ORAM)
- 3. Map WVDNR R3 efforts on the ORAM
- 4. Assess R3 barriers and opportunities in West Virginia

#### Workshop Goal 1: Discuss R3 issues and trends in West Virginia and nationwide

While R3 has been discussed throughout the agency, workshop facilitators wanted to make sure workshop participants had a strong understanding of the importance of R3. First, the "three R's" were defined and discussed in-depth.

- **Recruitment** Attracting new participants
- Retention Keeping existing participants actively engaged (licensed)
- **Reactivation** Bringing previous participants who have drifted away from the activities back into the fold.

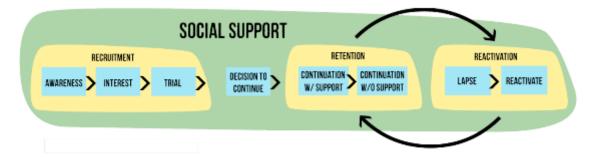
Following this discussion, the group was introduced to some national hunter and angler demographics.

- Anglers (at the time of the workshop) were composed of 73% males, 27% females, 86% Caucasian, and over 50% middle aged
- Hunters (at the time of the workshop) were composed of 89% males, 11% females, 94% Caucasian

After seeing the current demographics, workshop participants better understood the need to change behaviors and document the outcome of programs. They also understood that most current R3-focused programs were mainly single-contact programs focused on youth, with no retention or reactivation activities.

#### Workshop Goal 2: Introduce the Outdoor Recreation Adoption Model (ORAM)

Workshop 1 participants were introduced to an in-depth description of the Outdoor Recreation Adoption Model (ORAM). According to the Council to Advance Hunting and the Shooting Sports, "the ORAM illustrates, in a linear fashion, the steps that individuals move through as they learn about, try and then adopt a new activity or behavior and can be used to understand the difference between recruitment, retention and reactivation." Additionally, the ORAM allows R3 program managers to build strategies and engage individuals in outdoor recreation and increase the impact of their efforts.



#### Workshop Goal 3: Map WVDNR Efforts on the ORAM

Each workshop participant was pre-assigned to a breakout group in one of the five R3 program areas (hunting, shooting sports, angling, boating and wildlife viewing). Groups were given two hours to map as many WVDNR R3 activities on the ORAM as possible. Groups quickly saw that each activity has a very different map, and certain activities overlap between more than one R3 area. The visual map assisted participants in understanding where programs needed improvement. The list of breakout group participants is in <u>Appendix D</u>.

#### Workshop Goal 4: Assess R3 barriers and opportunities

Workshop 1 small group participants also identified the top three barriers and opportunities of each of the five R3 areas. After an hour and fifteen minutes of discussion, groups shared their findings with all workshop attendees. Once each group shared their findings, the overall top three barriers and opportunities were identified. (The complete list of barriers and opportunities broken up by R3 area can be found on pages 6-7).

Overall top 3 Barriers:

- 1. Communication
- 2. Lack of Evaluation
- 3. Resources/Funding

Overall top 3 Opportunities:

- 1. Electronic Licensing System
- 2. Communication
- 3. Partnerships

In addition to barriers and opportunities, it was discussed that WVDNR could play many essential roles in enhancing R3 efforts. The discussed roles included:

- Agency can provide resources for public enjoyment and conservation
- State Parks: Assist with evaluation and run certain programs
- Wildlife Resources: provide products, conserve products, and provide resource opportunities
- Commerce Communications: spread public awareness of opportunities and promote internal awareness

### Workshop 2

To build on the first workshop's foundation, WVDNR hosted a second R3 workshop in October 2018 with a slightly reduced R3 Team (see Team list in <u>Appendix E</u>). In preparation for the second workshop, DJ Case worked closely with WVDNR interim R3 Coordinator Kayla Donathan to review past WVDNR R3 planning efforts, in particular focusing on the materials and products from the first workshop. In addition, DJ Case subcontracted the services of Matt Dunfee to better understand the people, programs, and issues identified during the first workshop, and how to best leverage that foundational work into a process for R3 Plan development.





At the workshop, DJ Case also utilized a real-time engagement tool called TurningPoint<sup>®</sup>. Using their smartphones, participants could provide honest feedback to "vote" on various items or topics to quickly find areas of group consensus, highlight topics for additional discussion, capture input for later analysis, and/or help prioritize lists of items. While participants were allowed to vote anonymously, some demographic values were captured (which division they work in, which district they're from, etc.) to allow for some cross-tabulation analysis of results.

#### Workshop 2 Process

The workshop was organized as a 1.5-day event on October 16-17, 2018, at Chief Logan Lodge in Logan, West Virginia.

- Day 1 (Oct 16<sup>th</sup>) 1pm to 5:00pm
- Day 2 (Oct 17<sup>th</sup>) 8:00am to 4:00pm.

The agenda for the workshop is in Appendix F.

The goals of the workshop were straightforward:

- 1. Review where we've been
- 2. Think about what we've got
- 3. Begin planning where we go from here



The initial PowerPoint presentation that DJ Case used to set the stage for the workshop is in <u>Appendix G</u>.

#### Workshop Goal 1. Review where we've been

Because new people were added to the R3 Team since the first workshop, and to ensure that everyone was on the same page regarding R3 efforts, the workshop began with a review of core R3 concepts and key results from the first workshop.

First was an informal definition of the "three Rs" (recruitment, retention and reactivation) as well as description and discussion of the Outdoor Recreation Adoption Model (ORAM) (see the model in the Workshop 1 section above).

Facilitators stressed the importance of reviewing all present and future programs and activities against the model, to determine where they fit, how they serve to move people across the model, and how they can be assessed for effectiveness. The group also discussed the importance of building social support for program participants into every program and activity, wherever possible. Myriad studies have shown that social support is a critical factor for keeping participants engaged, and for moving them from step to step across the model. For more detail on the ORAM, go to www.cahss.org/ORAM/.

After the team's review of the basic R3 terminology and the ORAM model, Kayla Donathan presented a summary of WVDNR's R3 work to date. An important element of that work from the first workshop was a listing of the top three barriers to and opportunities for R3 efforts within each of the five program areas (hunting, shooting sports, angling, boating and wildlife viewing):

#### **Hunting**

#### **Top 3 Barriers**

- Communications/Marketing
- Lack of sufficient data for group targeting
- Staffing and time allocation

#### **Top 3 Opportunities**

- Develop program evaluation plans and a strategic R3 vision
- Marketing campaigns
- Better use of technology (websites, social media, etc.)

#### **Shooting Sports**

#### **Top 3 Barriers**

- Communication
- Resources
- Agency culture

#### Angling

#### **Top 3 Barriers**

- Lack of communication
- Lack of evaluation
- Current attitudes

#### **Boating**

#### **Top 3 Barriers**

- Marketing
- Communication
- Clear and concise strategy (staff time)

#### Wildlife Viewing

#### **Top 3 Barriers**

- Evaluating programs/public buy-in
- Staffing (at capacity, don't have human dimensions analyst)
- Perceived cost/decreased federal funds

#### <u>Overall</u>

#### **Top 3 Barriers**

- Communication
- Lack of Evaluation
- Resources/Funding



#### **Top 3 Opportunities**

- Passionate participants
- Technology improvements
- Reallocation of funding

#### **Top 3 Opportunities**

- ELS system
- Abundance/quality of resources
- Electronic communications

#### **Top 3 Opportunities**

- ELS system (mass marketing, ID user groups, integrate with other databases)
- Potential partnerships
- Communications Dept. (maximize public outreach per event)

#### **Top 3 Opportunities**

- Public awareness/advocacy
- Partnerships (NGOs, state, federal)
- Market research opportunities

#### **Top 3 Opportunities**

- ELS System
- Communication
- Partnerships

The team also reviewed and discussed a listing of current R3-related agency activities within the five key Program areas (Hunting, Shooting Sports, Fishing, Boating, Wildlife Diversity (Viewing)). (See the list in <u>Appendix H</u>). This list of programs was the basis for the program mapping exercise, which was a major segment of Goal 2 of the workshop. The Team also reviewed descriptive worksheets for each program that were completed at the initial R3 workshop (Appendix I).

#### Workshop Goal 2. Think about what we've got

It is a best practice for effective statewide R3 plans to map existing (and prospective) R3 programs and activities against the ORAM. This forces practitioners to consider fit, stakeholders, target audiences, and ways to assess effectiveness.

With the list of current programs and activities in hand and using a program mapping template developed by R3 practitioners in Texas, participants broke out into small groups by program area (Hunting, Shooting, Fishing, Boating, Wildlife Viewing) and spent the afternoon determining where and how each activity in their program area fit into or supported the ORAM model.

After completing this work, small groups reported what and how they mapped their activities against the ORAM model. The whole group was given opportunity to review, discuss, and edit these mappings, as appropriate. The following table shows the results of the program mapping exercise.

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#### Table 1. WV DNR R3-related programs mapped against the Outdoor Recreation Adoption Model.

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A few things stand out based on review of the program mapping exercise.

#### **Overall comments/suggestions:**

- Partners can assist WVDNR in programming, evaluation and participant follow-up
- We need to focus on the best way to measure outcomes for each R3 activity
- We are going to further analyze the ORAM mapping and social support through an internal review by our Assistant Chiefs and make changes as necessary.

#### Hunting:

- There are large gaps in the retention area; we need to focus strongly on this area to ensure we don't lose participants
- Currently putting a large amount of effort into recruiting hunters, but are not following up or reaching out past that first touchpoint
  - Need to create at least three follow-up activities to ensure hunters are continuing past their initial experience
  - Partners can help with contact/follow-up activities
- Reactivation is somewhat covered, but need to focus more attention on lapsed hunters
- In WV, there is a strong social support for hunting activities

#### **Shooting Sports:**

- As with hunting, we are focusing on recruitment of shooting sports participants
- Have a strong need to focus on retention and reactivation
- Need to increase social support
  - Can be done through partnerships and communication efforts

#### Fishing:

- As with other programs, we are strongly focused on recruitment
- Programs cover a broader range on the ORAM
- Many fishing activities are "feel good" events, but we do not contact participants afterward
- Must focus on retention and reactivation of anglers
- Need to increase social support
  - o Can be done through partnerships and communication efforts

#### **Boating:**

- Activities span the ORAM and do not consistently fall under one "R"
- A bit more difficult to assess because boating registration is managed by the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV)
- Great opportunity to partner with other agencies/groups to promote boating R3
  - o DMV
  - Local Watersheds
  - Cities and counties
- Average social support there is some room for growth, but it is higher than some other R3 activities

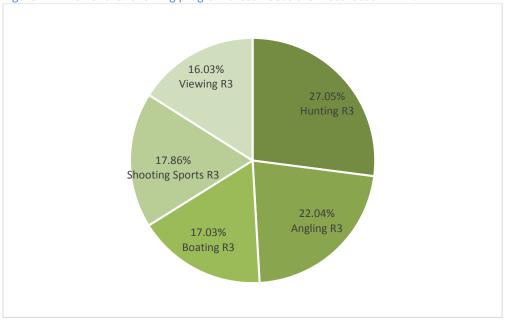
#### Wildlife Viewing:

- As with other programs, there is a large focus on recruitment
- Need to follow up on events and evaluate programs
- Fairly good social support, but could increase through partnerships and activities

#### General/Combined:

- Note somewhere: General/Combined R3 efforts span more than one of the designated R3 areas
- All programs need better evaluated
- Many of these programs cover a majority or all the ORAM
- Social support varies based on the activity
- Great opportunity to work closer with or increase partnerships

In addition to the program mapping, DJ Case used TurningPoint to better understand the Team's thoughts about the following questions that will help guide R3 Plan development:





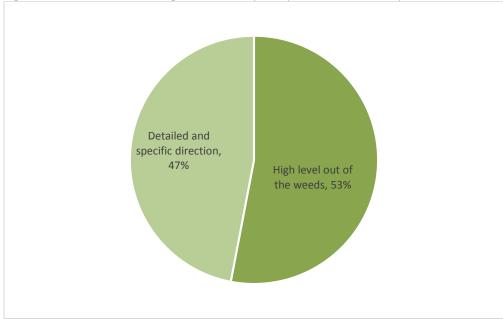


Figure 2. Which of the following BEST reflects your opinion about the scope of the R3 Plan?

The group was split almost right down the middle, which indicates this area is ripe for more discussion about the pros and cons of both approaches.

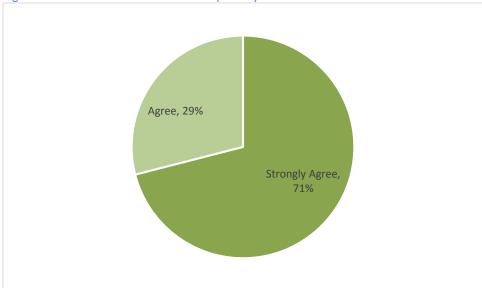


Figure 3. Should WVDNR should be the primary coordinator of statewide R3 efforts?

The entire group agreed (and the majority agreed strongly) that WVDNR was the obvious choice for coordinating statewide R3 efforts.

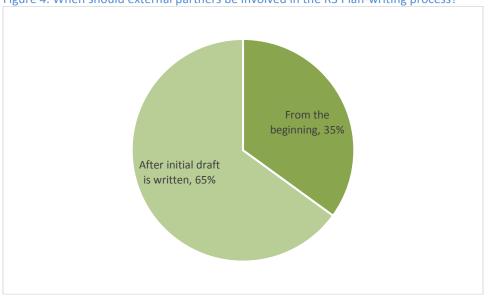


Figure 4. When should external partners be involved in the R3 Plan-writing process?

A strong third of participants felt that partners should be involved in R3 planning immediately, while the majority felt they should be engaged after WVDNR had a solid initial draft in place.

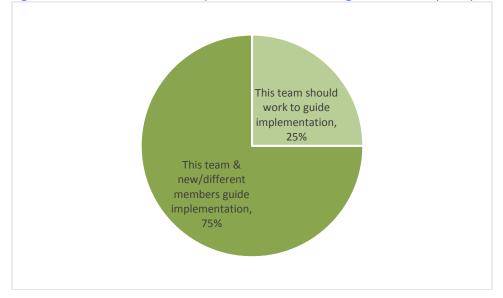
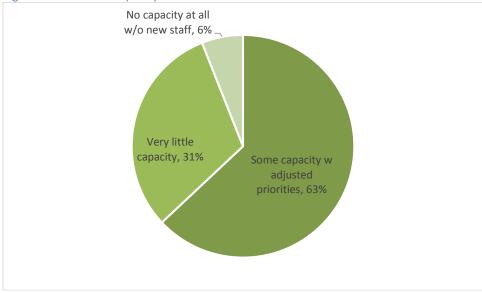


Figure 5. After the R3 Plan is developed. which of the following best describes your opinion?

Three-quarters of the Team felt there should be at least some additional (or different) members on the implementation team. This question deserves more discussion to find out who the additional team members should be.





It was interesting that a majority of participants feel WVDNR has capacity for evaluation if priorities can be adjusted to account for the additional time required.

See <u>Appendix J</u> for a full listing TurningPoint questions and results.

#### Workshop Goal 3. Begin planning where we go from here

With the program mapping exercise completed, the team turned its attention to development of the actual R3 Plan structure. DJ Case presented the elements of a typical approach and structure for strategic planning.

Goals – what are we trying to achieve with the R3 effort? What is its purpose? Objectives – Specific things we want to accomplish in order to achieve the goals. Strategies/Actions/Tasks – nested layers of actions that must be completed Target Audiences – at whom are our efforts directed? Evaluation/Assessment – how do we know if we succeeded?

Participants agreed to use these levels for the R3 Plan, and further agreed they wanted to build out these levels for each program area within the plan. Small groups developed the following initial list of goals for each program area:

#### **Overarching R3 Goals:**

- 1. Remain relevant with WV citizens.
- 2. Increase active participation in wildlife-associated outdoor recreation.
- 3. Create and maintain stakeholders for conservation.

#### Program-specific R3 Goals:

- 1. Hunting
  - a. Increase number of users/active participants
  - b. Increase license sales
  - c. Increase diversity
- 2. Shooting Sports
  - a. Increase active participation
  - b. Increase acceptance of shooting sports by the public
  - c. Increase participant diversity
- 3. Angling
  - a. Increase number of users/active participants
  - b. Increase license sales
  - c. Increase diversity
- 4. Boating
  - a. Increase number of users/active participants
  - b. Increase boating registration
- 5. Wildlife Viewing/Diversity
  - a. Increase active participants
  - b. Increase support for and public understanding of the relevancy and benefits of conservation

The remainder of the workshop was spent developing a "first cut" at objectives for each goal in the R3 Plan (<u>Appendix K</u>). A few of the other elements (actions, target audiences, metrics, etc.) were added wherever they were obvious or quickly agreed upon. This first cut should be considered to be the skeleton of the Plan, with a little muscle added here and there.

Each day of the workshop concluded with an evaluation of the process, accomplishments, and facilitation that was reviewed by the group at the start of the next day's session to ensure that everyone had concerns addressed and all were in general agreement on the process, accomplishments, and next steps. Daily evaluation results are found in <u>Appendix L</u>.

Of particular interest were answers participants gave when asked: "In your opinion, what is the most important next step to take to build out the R3 Plan?" Answers included:

- Agency needs to address internal capacity issues.
- Analyze existing data. Do more surveys.
- Create a survey for WV citizens to determine their current opinions toward the DNR and its programs/activities.
- Develop specific actions for each objective, determine feasibility of options, evaluate current data to help guide objectives.
- Do something. Decide who or where or how info collected is retained.
- Drafting and reviewing an R3 plan.
- Evaluate existing data to target our efforts. We can't just throw investment (time, money, resources, personnel, etc.) at the problem and expect it to improve the situation. We need to know where there is realistic hope for a breakthrough and success before we launch anything that constitutes a major project investment.

- Evaluate existing programs to inform decision making about where our available resources should be distributed in future efforts. We don't have the personnel, finances, or time to do everything in an effective manner.
- Evaluate what is working vs. what is not.
- Evaluate what we are currently doing to see what is working, what isn't and what can/needs to be expanded. Evaluate other states' R3 plans to see if there is anything glaring that we may have missed.
- Getting buy in from our partners once the plan is in draft form.
- Make draft, make edits, get buy in.
- Narrow the focus. I think we're still too broad, trying to be all to everyone. We don't have the resources anymore to throw time, effort, and money at everything.
- Prepare a final draft of the R3 Plan and roll it out to our internal & external partners.
- Put all notes together and create a more detailed yet clean outline of the information that participants can sit down on their own with and rethink through all the information after having time to clear our heads. Then to readdress any comments/concerns that may still linger before finalizing the first draft. Then bringing in new bodies and minds that have not been influenced by previous discussion to check for clarity of information.
- Reviewing information and drafting into plan "skeleton."
- Set realistic expectations given severe staffing limits.

### Where to from Here?

Based on the results of our background research and the two R3 Team workshops, DJ Case proposes the following as next steps to complete the WV R3 Plan:

- 1. DJ Case submits situation analysis report and draft R3 Plan skeleton to WVDNR for review.
- 2. WVDNR staff considers the steps needed to build out the R3 Plan. At a minimum, this includes:
  - a. Review current list of goals for each program area—are they sufficient?
  - b. Review current list of objectives for each goal. What is missing? What else needs to happen to achieve the goals?
  - c. Make each objective as "SMART" (Specific, Measurable, Actionable, Realistic, and Time-Bound) as possible.
  - d. Add target audience(s) to each objective. In some cases, they will be very specific.
  - e. Add metrics (ways to measure success) for each objective.
  - f. Build out the list of actions needed to achieve each objective. In some cases, this may be simple and straightforward; other times, you may need to have nested levels of actions (e.g., strategies, actions, tasks, etc.) because the objective may be more complex.
  - g. Determine how action-oriented you want the R3 Plan to be. That is, you could build it out all the way to operational planning (assigning people, deadlines and budgets to actions) or you may want to keep it at a higher (strategic) level and do the operational planning separately. But you should make conscious decisions about this question. *Failure to assign specific people and timetables to tasks is the number one reason for ineffective strategic planning*.
  - h. Assemble writing team(s) to write the actual Plan narrative.
  - i. Begin planning for partner/stakeholder engagement.
  - j. Begin planning for implementation of approved Plan.
- 3. WVDNR staff, DJ Case and RBFF conduct a conference call to discuss what role (if any) the contractor team might play to assist completion of this process.

The key weakness identified in the mapping exercise is the need for additional monitoring and assessment of program outcomes and effectiveness.

### **Appendix A: 2017 Hunter and Angler Numbers**

#### Licensed Hunter and Angler Numbers for West Virginia

- West Virginia has experienced declining hunting and fishing license sales since 1997
- Current Resident Sportsmen (Class X) license sales 2017 = 91,861
  - Down 29% from 1997 (130,091)
  - Down 19% from 2007 (113,178)
- Resident Hunting and Trapping (Class A) license sales 2017 = 15,526
  - Down 74% from 1997 (59,054)
  - Down 42% from 2007 (26,855)
- Resident Fishing (Class B) license sales 2017 = 77.058
  - Down 23% from 1997 (99,564)
  - Down 9% from 2007 (84,725)
- Non-resident (Class E) hunting license sales 2017 = 25,422
  - Down 42% from 1997 (43,708)
  - Down 16% from 2007 (30,256)
- Non-resident (Class F) fishing license sales 2017 = 13,195
   Up 16% from 1997 (11,400)
  - Up 8% from 2007 (12,259)
  - 0p 8% from 2007 (12,259)
- Cumulative Lifetime license sales 1987-2016 by license class:

- AB-L	35,800
- A-L	5,390
- B-L	1,736
- O-L	12,308
- AB-L-I	18,472
- A-L-I	169
- B-L-I	315
- O-L-I	6,865

- Number of adult Lifetime License sales declined since 2006 due to increase in license fees and have remained stable at approximately 250-300 per year
- Infant license sales continue to increase in number sold
- Note: License sales do not reflect the total number of hunters/anglers, e.g. landowners are not required to purchase a license to hunt/fish on their property
- The following factors can affect license sales:
  - License fees (price and buyer resistance)
  - Reclassification of license classes (privileges associated with license)
  - Hunter safety requirements
  - State to state migration (people leaving/entering state)
  - Churn rate
  - National churn rate averages 30-33%
  - Lack/loss of interest in hunting and/or fishing

### Appendix B: 2016-2017 Agent vs Online License Sales

### Agent vs Online Annual License Sales Comparison 2016-2017

2016	Total	Online	% of Sales	Agents	% of Sales	
Annual Res	\$8,580,932.00	\$2,509,279.00	29.24	\$6,071,653.00	70.76	
Annual Non Res	\$6,169,794.00	\$3,365,910.00	54.55	\$2,803,884.00	45.45	
Annual Total	\$14,750,726.00	\$5,875,189.00	39.83	\$8,875,537.00	60.17	
Lifetime	\$820,745.00					
Total	\$15,571,471.00					

2017	Total	Online	% of Sales	Agents	% of Sales	
Annual Res	\$8,252,873.00	\$2,601,995.00	31.53	\$5,650,878.00	68.47	
Annual Non Res	\$6,163,210.00	\$3,494,416.00	56.7	\$2,668,794.00	43.3	
Annual Total	\$14,416,083.00	\$6,096,411.00	42.29	\$8,319,672.00	57.71	
Lifetime	\$871,982.00					
Total	\$15,288,065.00					

Based on sales data for 2016 and 2017, WV Residents used agents more than online while Non-Residents used online more than agents. However, both groups are moving towards online purchases.

## Appendix C: Workshop 1 Agenda

#### R3 Workshop Agenda February 27 – 28, 2018 Chief Logan State Park – Logan, WV

<u>Tuesday, February 27</u> 12:00pm – 1:00pm	Registration	Chief Logan Lodge
1:00pm – 1:30pm	Welcome and Workshop Expectations	s McDaniel, Johansen and Dunfee
1:30pm – 2:30pm	National R3 Issues and Participation T	rends Baird, Hussey and Dunfee
2:30pm – 3:00pm 3:00pm – 3:15pm	Participation Trends in West Virginia Break	Brown
3:15pm – 4:30pm	Outcomes versus Outputs & ORAM	Dunfee
5:00pm 6:00pm	Social Dinner	Chief Logan Lodge Chief Logan Lodge
Wednesday, February 28		
8:30am – 9:00am	Mapping Success: Using the ORAM to	Assess R3 Efforts Dunfee
9:00am – 11:00am 11:00am – 11:15am	<ul> <li>Breakout Session #1: Map R3 Efforts k</li> <li>Identify how each R3 effort addree</li> <li>Assess how each R3 effort is evalue</li> <li>Identify where partnerships can be Break</li> </ul>	esses participant pathways. uated, funded and supported.
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11:15am – 11:45am	Reconvene/Large Group Discussion: H together to create multi-participant p	
11:45am – 12:00pm	Remarks	Secretary H. Woody Thrasher
12:00pm – 1:00pm Chief Logan Lodge	Lunch	
1:00pm – 2:45pm	Breakout Session #2: Rapid Assessme - Identify barriers, opportunities an	
2:45pm – 3:00pm	Break	
3:00pm –3:30pm	Reconvene/ Large Group Discussion: I mid- term and long-term steps.	Identify immediate, WVDNR
3:30pm – 4:00pm	Wrap-up and Discuss Next Steps B	aird, Hussey, Dunfee and Johansen

### **Appendix D: Workshop 1 Participants and Breakout Groups**

#### Hunting – Group 1

Bartley, Chris Barton, Ethan Belcher, Kristen Duffield, Dwayne Foster, Gary Johnson, Bob Pack, Dee Rauch, Steve Reed, Brad Richmond, Eric

#### Shooting Sports – Group 2

Crawley, James Goodson, Ed Hawkins, Kim Krantz, Keith Morris, Holly Mullins, Verena O' Bara, Chris Ryan, Chris Strawn, Lee

#### Angling – Group 3

Elliot, Danielle Floyd, Steve Hedrick, Jim Hevener, Eric Jackson, Jacob Smith, Dustin Thorne, Dave

White, Kenneth Willard, Katie Williams, Frank

#### Boating – Group 4

Hansbarger, Jeff Kennedy, Charlie Mullins, Gregg Rheinlander, Bill Smith, Samantha Thompson, Sheldon Wellman, Dave White, Timothy Zipfel, Katie

#### Wildlife Viewing - Group 5

Carpenter, Colin Cook, Deana Fregonara, Jim Hajenga, Jeff O'Malley, Kieran Speciale, Sam Summers, Sissie Warner, Scott

#### **Observing several groups:**

Kayla Donathan Paul Johansen Zack Brown Stephen McDaniel Cyrus Baird (CAHSS) Stephanie Hussey (RBFF) Joanne Martonik (RBFF) Matt Dunfee (WMI)

\*Highlight identifies group leader\*

### **Appendix E: Workshop 2 Participants**

Workshop Participants (and their relative area of Program expertise):

#### **Hunting**

Matt Stover, Natural Resources Police Officer Tyler Evans, Wildlife Biologist Ethan Barton, Assistant Game Biologist Lauren Cole, Naturalist at Chief Logan State Park

#### **Shooting Sports**

Paul Johansen, Chief of Wildlife Resources Section Kayla Donathan, Public Information Specialist Barb Sargent, Environmental Resources Specialist

#### Angling

Dustin Smith, Assistant District Fisheries Biologist Chris Bartley, Park Naturalist Lt. Col. David Trader, Natural Resources Police Officer

#### **Boating**

Charlie Kennedy, Administrative Services Manager Katie Zipfel, Wildlife Biologist Sgt. Tim White, Natural Resources Police Officer Zack Brown, Assistant Chief of Operations

#### Wildlife Viewing

Sissie Summers, Tourism Program Specialist Colin Carpenter, Wildlife Biologist Sam Speciale, Public Information Specialist

\*Observing – Col. Jerry Jenkins, Natural Resources Police Officer

### Appendix F: Workshop 2 Agenda

### AGENDA

R3 Planning Workshop Chief Logan State Park

October 16-17, 2018

#### Tuesday, October 16, 2018

1:00p Welcome, Set the stage, Introductions Workshop Goals: Review where we've been Think about what we've got Begin planning where we go from here

> Review of R3, ORAM, Planning Efforts to Date Program/Activity Mapping Discussion of Partner Engagement Assess Capacity and Direction

5:00p Adjourn

#### Wednesday, October 17, 2018

- 8:00a Review of Day 1
   Finish Program Mapping
   R3 Goals (Overall and for each Program Area)
   Target Audiences
- Noon Lunch Objectives, Strategies, Actions Next Steps
- 4:00p Adjourn

### Appendix G: Workshop 2 PowerPoint



# **R3** Planning Workshop



October 16-17, 2018 Chief Logan Lodge

### Introductions



- Name
- · Where you're from originally
- Your position at WV DNR
- How/where you "fit" into the R3 landscape.

### **DJ Case & Associates**

 Best Practices in Boating, Fishing, and Aquatic Resources Stewardship, Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation.



DJ Case worked with the RBFF to develop a series of groundbreaking, easy to use products based on the research document Defining Best Practices in Boating, Fishing, and Stewardship Education. The goal was to reference the findings in the technical document to develop products that any educator could use to enhance programs. To gather expert feedback, we coordinated and solicited input from a diverse, 30-member review panel, RBFF staff and its Education Task Force.



RECREATIONAL BOATING & FISHING FOUNDATION

### **DJ Case & Associates**

#### National Shooting Sports Foundation Best Practices

DJ Case facilitated a Think Tank of experts to develop Best Practices for Hunting and Shooting Recruitment and Retention. We packaged these best practices into tools for state agencies and their partners to use for recruiting and retaining hunters and shooters.



### **DJ Case & Associates**

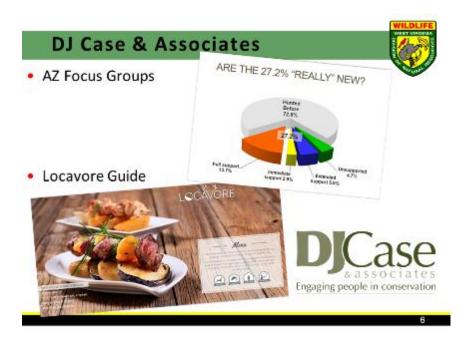
- Hunting Heritage Partnership
  - NE turkey hunting license sales
     TN hunting license sales

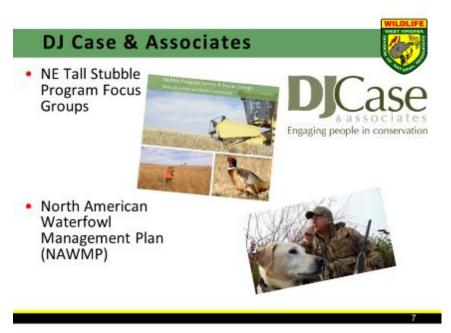
  - NV research and outreach

  - IN pilot youth R&R program
     Developed HHP Most Effective Methods.









### **DJ Case & Associates**

- Current efforts:
  - WMI Industry Summit
  - QDMA Strategic Plan
  - TN Deer Plan
  - OK state plan
  - FL R3 Plan
  - TX R3 Plan
  - AZ Outdoor Skills Network
  - AK Fishing Regulations.



#### Why Are We Here?



- Hunters, shooters, anglers, boaters and wildlife viewers are important to the agency, but declining
- Begin/continue development of statewide R3 Plan to stem the tide and build on success
- You are important to successful development and/or implementation of the R3 Plan
- Systematic strategic planning process can help.



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### Why Formal Planning?

- · Identify who we are and what we are about
- Identify what we want to accomplish
- · Prioritize the things we want to accomplish
- Identify our target audiences/customers
- Identify specific actions, make assignments, set timeframes
- Set metrics to evaluate success
- Develop shared expectations.

### Think about...



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- There are literally hundreds of things we could do
- Doing any of these things would be better than doing nothing
- We have limited resources (time, money, "juice")
- Who decides what things we pursue? And when? And who will play the specific roles needed?
- The Plan should not be "prescriptive." Guidance to keep us doing the things we MOST want to do.

### It can be confusing or messy because:

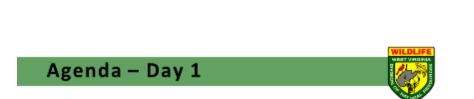
- Different names for different functions
- Some items may "cross boundaries"
- Some items are moving targets
- Some things are beyond our control

#### BUT...

### **Benefits**



- Strategic R3 planning helps keep us on track and helps us avoid "mission-creep"
- Helps us complete more objectives than we could have without it
- The Plan is just guidance—we can change it however/whenever we want
- So how do we do it?



1:00 PM Welcome Set the Stage, Introductions

- Workshop goals
- Review of R3, ORAM, and Planning to date
- Review of Barriers and Opportunities
- Program Mapping
- Discussion of Partner Engagement
- Situation Analysis Questions

5:00 PM Adjourn

### Agenda – Day 2



8:00 AM Review of Day 1

- R3 goals-Overall and by Program Area
- Target Audiences

Lunch

- Objectives, Strategies, Actions
- Next Steps

4:00 PM Adjourn

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- Review where we've been
  - R3 planning efforts to date
  - Barriers and opportunities
- Think about what we've got
  - Program mapping
  - Holes in the ORAM that we're not filling
- Begin planning where we go from here
  - Type/format of R3 Plan
  - Goals for each program area
  - Target audiences
  - Objectives, strategies, actions

### **Considerations/Ground Rules**



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- "Brutal honesty" ...guideline for our session
- Your chance to influence the big picture speak up! (But don't dominate)
- Treat everyone with respect even if you disagree
- It will be a loose process we will adjust on the fly
- Minimize electronic distractions
- I apologize in advance...



# **Review Where We've Been**



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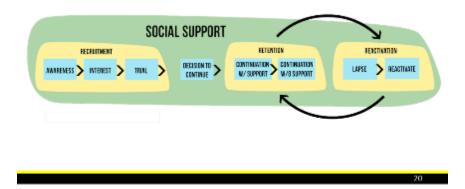


- Recruitment Attracting new participants
- Retention Keeping existing participants actively engaged (licensed)
- Reactivation Bringing previous participants who have drifted away from the activities back into the fold.

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Outdoor Recreation Adoption Model



### Where We've Been



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- Past R3 efforts in West Virginia include:
  - Leadership support
  - Analyzed 20 years of license sales
  - Developed R3 Steering Committee
  - R3 Workshop in February
  - Involvement in regional and national R3 efforts
  - SEAFWA/NEAFWA



#### Angling

- Barriers
  - Lack of communication
  - Lack of evaluation
  - Current attitudes
- Opportunities
  - ELS system
  - Abundance/quality of resources
  - Electronic communications

### **Barriers and Opportunities**

# WILDLIFE

#### Wildlife Viewing

- Barriers
  - Evaluating programs/public buy-in
  - Staffing (at capacity, don't have human dimensions analyst)
  - Perceived cost/decreased federal funds

#### Opportunities

- Public awareness/advocacy
- Partnerships (NGOs, state, federal)
- Market research opportunities

### **Barriers and Opportunities**



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#### Shooting Sports

- Barriers
  - Communication
  - Resources
  - Agency culture
- Opportunities
  - Passionate participants
  - Technology improvements
  - Reallocation of funding

### **Barriers and Opportunities**



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#### Boating

- Barriers
  - Marketing
  - Communication
  - Clear and concise strategy (staff time)

#### Opportunities

- ELS system (mass marketing, ID user groups, integrate with other databases)
- Potential partnerships
- Communications Dept. (maximize public outreach per event)

### **Barriers and Opportunities**

#### Hunting

#### Barriers

- Communications/Marketing
- Lack of sufficient data for group targeting
- Staffing and time allocation
- Opportunities
  - Develop program evaluation plans and a strategic R3 vision
  - Marketing campaigns
  - Better use of technology (websites, social media, etc.)

# **Barriers and Opportunities**

### OVERALL

- Barriers
  - Communication
  - Lack of Evaluation
  - Resources/Funding
- Opportunities
  - ELS System
  - Communication
  - Partnerships



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# Think about What We've Got



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### **Current R3 Activities**



Hunting	Shooting Sports	Fishing	Bosting	Wildlife Diversity	General/Combined
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• Who are our Partners for these efforts?



# **Assess Capacity & Direction**



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### **TurningPoint Polling**

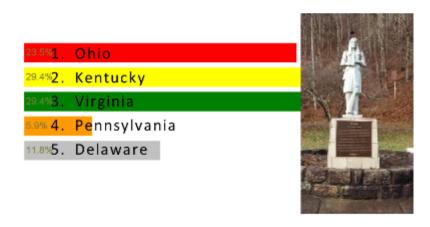


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- Data captured anonymously
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  - Session ID: WVR3
  - Sign in using the tree species on your agenda – please also use this tomorrow so we can link responses together.





### Where is Chief Logan originally from?



## What tribe is Chief Logan from?



47.1%1. Shawnee
11.8% 2. Cherokee
17.6% <b>3.</b> Cayuga
17.6% 4. Pawnee
<sup>5.9%</sup> 5. Tutelo
0.0% 6. Mohetan

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11.8% 2. District 2	
23.5% 3. District 3	4
5.9% 4. District 4	West Virginia Division of Natural Resources District Map
<sup>29.4%</sup> 5. District 5	A 202
5.9% 6. District 6	
0.0% 7. Several	
17.6% 8. Statewide	

### Which section do you work for?



17.6%	1. DNR Wildlife –Game Mgmt.	
<mark>11.8%</mark>	<mark>2. DNR Wildlife – Fi</mark> sheries	
0.0%	3. DNR Wildlife – Wildlife Diver	sity
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What part of the adoption process do you think DNR has the most capability to influence:



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- 35.3% 2. Retention of existing users
- 11.8% 3. Reactivation of lapsed users

How important is the topic of recruitment, retention, and reactivation (R3) in your daily work?



23.5%	1. Extremely Important
23.5%	2. Somewhat Important
35.3%	3. Of Average Importance
17.6%	4. Fairly unimportant
0.0%	5. Completely Important at all

Which of the following program areas needs the most focus in WV? (select in order of importance)



<sup>27.05%</sup> A. Hunting R3	
22.04% B. Angling R3	
17.03% C. Boating R3	
17.86% D. Shooting Sports R3	
16.03% E. Wildlife Viewing R3	

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4. How much do you agree with the following statement:



WV DNR should be the primary coordinator of statewide R3 efforts?

70.6%	1. Strongly Agree
29.4%	2. Agree
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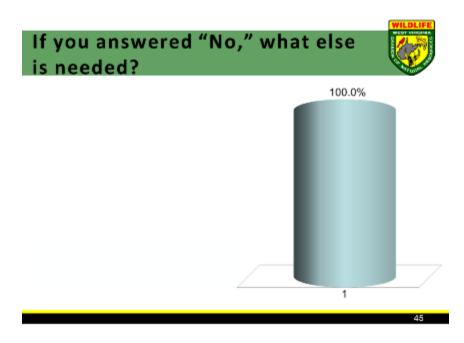
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- 0.0% 3. After the plan is finalized in DNR
- 0.0% 4. Never we don't need them

Does this team contain the right people/positions to develop an effective R3 Plan?



70.6%	1.	Yes
5.9%	2.	No
23.5%	3.	Not Sure



After the R3 Plan is developed, which of the following BEST describes your opinion:



25.0% 1. This team should continue working to guide implementation

0.0% 2. A new/different team should be assembled to guide implementation

75.0% 3. A hybrid of A and B

4. No team is needed to guide implementation

How much capacity does WV DNR have to evaluate the effectiveness of current R3 efforts?



- 0.0% 1. Got it covered!
- 62.5% 2. Some capacity, if we adjust priorities
- 31.3% 3. Very little capacity
- 6.3%4. No capacity at all; need new staff

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exactly what I hoped we'd cover," and 5="we didn't cover anything that was important to me."
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29.41% B. 2
52.94% C. 3
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## Agenda – Day 2



8:00 AM Review of Day 1

- Finish Program Mapping
- R3 goals
- Target Audiences

### Lunch

- · Objectives, Strategies, Actions
- Next Steps

4:00 PM Adjourn



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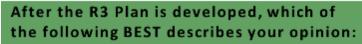
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## Goals



- Goals overarching
- Goals by program area
  - Objectives
    - Strategies
      - Actions
        - » Tasks





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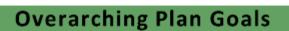
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  - effort overall?
- What is its purpose for being?





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30.24% A. Remain relevant to WV citizens

37.31% B. Increase active participation in outdoors

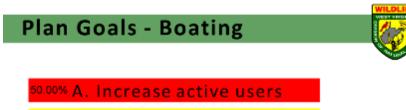
32.45% C. Create/maintain stakeholders for cons.

# Goals – by Program Area



- Goals are generally at the "30,000-foot level."
- What are we trying to achieve in each program area?
- What is the purpose of the program area?





50.00% B. Increase registration sales





<sup>50.00%</sup> A. Increase active participants

50.00% B. Increase public support/relevance







Objectives



# Objectives

- Specific things we need to accomplish in order to achieve our goals.
- Objectives should be "SMART"
  - **S** Specific
  - M Measureable
  - A Actionable
  - R Realistic
  - T Time-bound.



### Objectives



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- Specific things we need to accomplish in order to achieve our goals.
- Objectives should be "SMART"
- · Create them for every program area goal
- You can nest Strategies, Actions, Tasks beneath Objectives as needed
- Small group exercise.

### **Next Steps**

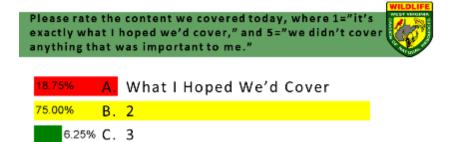


- 2.WV DNR R3 leadership reviews and determines process – small group work? Calls/webinars? Follow up workshop?
- 3. External/stakeholder engagement

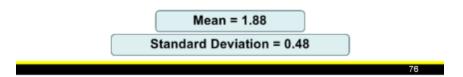


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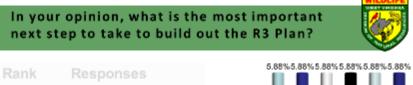


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47.06% C. 3 Just right	
5.88% D. 4	
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Hunting	Shooting Sports	Fishing	Boating	Wildlife Diversity	General/Combined
Hunter Ed.	Archery in the	Fishing	Boater	Master Naturalist	National Hunting
Classes	Schools	Derbies	Education		and Fishing Day
		(Bowden and		Outdoor	
Laser Shot	Public	Little Beaver)	Launching	Classroom	Youth Conservation
Trailer	Shooting		facilities and	presentations	Camps
	Ranges (lump	Fish Stockings	sites		(Conservation
Mentored	WMA's and	(trout ad			Camp, Boys State,
youth squirrel	clay ranges)	catfish and	Developing	Park Naturalist	Girls State, Boy
and antlerless		Gold Rush)	waterways	activities (Zones	Scout events)
hunt				and pollinator,	
	Field days	Free fishing	Kayak	Elk tours)	WV Wildlife Center
Hunt with	sponsored by	weekend	instruction		(French Creek)
NRPO	Cons Orgs		(Beech Fork,	Wildflower	
	(Rod and Gun	Underage free	Watoga,	Pilgrimage	
Apprentice	Club, WVBA,	license	Cacapon,		Becoming and
Hunting	etc.)		North Bend)	Citizen Science	Outdoors Woman
License	,	Trout in the	,	(Eagle	
		Schools (Trout	DMV	survey/watches,	Interactive maps
	IBO shoots	Unlimited)	Collaboration	Xmas Bird Survey,	
Controlled		•••••••••	(boating regs,	etc.)	Mass Media
hunts on parks	Collaboration	School fishing	promotion)		Coordination (WCHS
	with WVU Rifle	clubs	promotion,	Watchable	WV Wildlife, TV,
Youth hunting	Team	(lump High		Wildlife viewing	Radio)
seasons (deer,	ream	School Bass		program)	Radioy
turkey,	Hunter Ed	Tournament		programy	Hunting and Fishing
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and WVBA,					Weekend
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ett.)					Non resident
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Season					Lapsed
Mounded					hunter/angler
Wounded					campaigns
Warrior Hunts					Quest program
Dog Field					
Trials (?)					Communications list
					of support for R3
					License unit
					information
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# Appendix H: WVDNR R3 Activities by Program

## **Appendix I: R3 Participant Worksheets**

#### Worksheet for Each R3 Effort

#### FOR WV R3 WORKSHOP

This Worksheet is designed to help assess each of your R3 efforts as part of the Outdoor Recreation Adoption Model (ORAM) mapping exercise.

Name of R3 Effort: Boater Education Class

1. What threat(s) to participation is the R3 effort addressing?

access -	to take	class we	persectionsy -	- required	st	drivers	younger	them	1986
provide	1 on 1 cl	lass if d	lesired						
online (	class net	providing	1 cm 1						

education of need for class to participate

2. Who is the target audience (be specific)?

boat drivers (specifically those bern atta Dec. 1, 1936)

3. How is the R3 effort being evaluated?

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none potential for itiges (ask for cards on boats, accidents require into)
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4. How is/could the R3 effort connect with a next step or next effort to advance participants farther down the ORAM?

follow up survey about booter safety of course participants omake hands on class more appealing to increase 1 on 1 interaction

5. What do you currently need to increase the effectiveness of the effort?

Campaign for class awareness

6. What partners can assist with needs and/or provide next steps for participants?

DMV-send cut into with regulation (reminders for lapsed registration) is additione of requirement in regulations Mannas/Rentalssections -> Check for requirement Sales Reps -> include into for class

Tournament applications

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Boating Access Name of R3 Effort:

1. What threat(s) to participation is the R3 effort addressing?

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+ access to the resource -> less travel time, improved ramps/facilities
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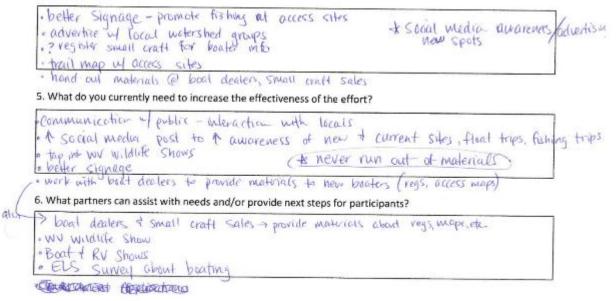
2. Who is the target audience (be specific)?

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• Rxisting boat cuners (Koyuks, Canoes, etc.)
• Future Kayuk, canoe owners (small craft)-> recreationalists
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3. How is the R3 effort being evaluated?

None

4. How is/could the R3 effort connect with a next step or next effort to advance participants farther down the ORAM?



#### FOR WV R3 WORKSHOP

This Worksheet is designed to help assess each of your R3 efforts as part of the Outdoor Recreation Adoption Model (ORAM) mapping exercise.

Name of R3 Effort:	Becoming	an	Outdoors	Woman -	Boat	operation	Two	ilering	

1. What threat(s) to participation is the R3 effort addressing?

• Lack of Knowledge and Skills @ need for stress-free env. to learn

2. Who is the target audience (be specific)?

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momen of husbands/ BFs with boats -> help with operation
·aduit females of interest in booting looking to A skills in stressfree environment
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3. How is the R3 effort being evaluated?

None

4. How is/could the R3 effort connect with a next step or next effort to advance participants farther down the ORAM?

( URRENT encouragement to participate next year ? NEED · contact have built to take beater safety course · immotion to participate next year

maled to need to better 5. What do you currently need to increase the effectiveness of the effort? Better advertising on Fagebook (scial

· concernenter failthade heart faith faith faithful contained contained contained · feed back survey for evaluation of effort -> future contact to see it activity centurer > Facilitate Beyond Bow"

· Provide quidance on how/where find equip + learning materials

6. What partners can assist with needs and/or provide next steps for participants? experience, confidence BASS. Federation for fishing aspect, (Muskies Inc. etc.) > provide equip. expertise, etc.

Low Enf. for boator safety courses (Coast Guard)

USACE has "sole beating" program (motivines, herelans, etc.)



This Worksheet is designed to help assess each of your R3 efforts as part of the Outdoor Recreation Adoption Model (ORAM) mapping exercise.

Name of R3 Effort: Notional Histing day nunting

1. What threat(s) to participation is the R3 effort addressing?

· lack of education · access to information

2. Who is the target audience (be specific)?

· HERE CONTRACTION OF CONTRACTOR	
· younger generations, mostly	youth without a hunting
	backgrounds.

3. How is the R3 effort being evaluated?

· some surveys in past. ocurrently nothing in place

4. How is/could the R3 effort connect with a next step or next effort to advance participants farther down the ORAM?

· Surveys · more funding

5. What do you currently need to increase the effectiveness of the effort?

o more trials

6. What partners can assist with needs and/or provide next steps for participants?

· Keeping

Group 1

This Worksheet is designed to help assess each of your R3 efforts as part of the Outdoor Recreation Adoption Model (ORAM) mapping exercise.

Name of R3 Effort:

Hunter trapper education (In-class)

1. What threat(s) to participation is the R3 effort addressing?

· lack of education · Concerns of safety

2. Who is the target audience (be specific)?

· Youth

3. How is the R3 effort being evaluated?

· license grites

4. How is/could the R3 effort connect with a next step or next effort to advance participants farther down the ORAM?

· email / follow- up to see if they bought license, why they didn't?

5. What do you currently need to increase the effectiveness of the effort?

· follow - ups · more locations to host · better partnerships

6. What gartners can assist with needs and/or provide next steps for participants?

· Cabela's, etc. · Department of education · professional organizations



This Worksheet is designed to help assess each of your R3 efforts as part of the Outdoor Recreation Adoption Model (ORAM) mapping exercise.

Name of R3 Effort:

NRPO

1. What threat(s) to participation is the R3 effort addressing?

· lack of interest. in hunting 0 00000000 0 to education 0 QUODELT

2. Who is the target audience (be specific)?

· youth

3. How is the R3 effort being evaluated?

· Some follow - up from alfrees · not much

4. How is/could the R3 effort connect with a next step or next effort to advance participants farther down the ORAM?

· targeting 20-30 yearsold.

5. What do you currently need to increase the effectiveness of the effort?

· partnerships to find syouth

6. What partners can assist with needs and/or provide next steps for participants?

· Schools

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This Worksheet is designed to help assess each of your R3 efforts as part of the Outdoor Recreation Adoption Model (ORAM) mapping exercise.

Name of R3 Effort:

oprentice license

1. What threat(s) to participation is the R3 effort addressing?

· getting them out in woods for trials

2. Who is the target audience (be specific)?

· non-hunters, Top typically older. (216-20)

3. How is the R3 effort being evaluated?

. Its not.

4. How is/could the R3 effort connect with a next step or next effort to advance participants farther down the ORAM?

· follow-up, see if they bought license (ELS)

5. What do you currently need to increase the effectiveness of the effort?

· evaluate · Communication · advertise

6. What partners can assist with needs and/or provide next steps for participants?

· stores like Cabela's -> equipment

### Worksheet for Each R3 Effort

Group 1

This Worksheet is designed to help assess each of your R3 efforts as part of the Outdoor Recreation Adoption Model (ORAM) mapping exercise.

Name of R3 Effort:

Youth Season

1. What threat(s) to participation is the R3 effort addressing?

earning skills 0 0 education

2. Who is the target audience (be specific)?

· Nouth

3. How is the R3 effort being evaluated?

-4000000000	. Some horvest data	
onone		

4. How is/could the R3 effort connect with a next step or next effort to advance participants farther down the ORAM?

· mentorship - wildlife society

5. What do you currently need to increase the effectiveness of the effort?

omore partnerships.

6. What partners can assist with needs and/or provide next steps for participants?

· colleges, student organization.

### Worksheet for Each R3 Effort

FOR WV R3 WORKSHOP

This Worksheet is designed to help assess each of your R3 efforts as part of the Outdoor Recreation Adoption Model (ORAM) mapping exercise.

Name of R3 Effort:

Hunting EXpos

Group 1

1. What threat(s) to participation is the R3 effort addressing?

oeducation information

2. Who is the target audience (be specific)?

· Sportsman

3. How is the R3 effort being evaluated?

· none

4. How is/could the R3 effort connect with a next step or next effort to advance participants farther down the ORAM?

youth hunts, mentorships. · connect with · marketing

5. What do you currently need to increase the effectiveness of the effort?

· marketing a advertise

6. What partners can assist with needs and/or provide next steps for participants?

· professional outdoor organizations

### Worksheet for Each R3 Effort



#### FOR WV R3 WORKSHOP

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National Archery in the School

1. What threat(s) to participation is the R3 effort addressing?

· education of archury

2. Who is the target audience (be specific)?

o youth

Name of R3 Effort:

3. How is the R3 effort being evaluated?

o none

4. How is/could the R3 effort connect with a next step or next effort to advance participants farther down the ORAM?

· within program finding what kids want to take this in the field.

5. What do you currently need to increase the effectiveness of the effort?

· Connect more to hunting

6. What partners can assist with needs and/or provide next steps for participants?

Schools "Sponsors of program.
Bowhunter Association

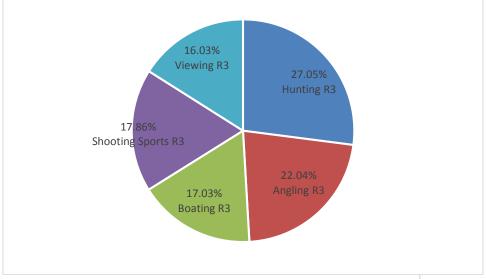
# Appendix J: TurningPoint Results, by Table

				In what	District d	o you wo	rk MOST	?	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	Statewide	Total
Which	DNR Wildlife-Game	0%	33%	33%	33%	0%	0%	0%	3
Section	DNR Wildlife-Fisheries	50%	0%	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	2
do you	DNR Wildlife-Operations	0%	0%	33%	0%	33%	0%	33%	3
work	DNR Administration	0%	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	50%	2
for?	Commerce Communications	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%	1
	DNR Law Enforcement	0%	33%	33%	0%	0%	0%	33%	3
	State Parks	0%	0%	33%	0%	67%	0%	0%	3
	Total	6%	12%	24%	6%	29%	6%	18%	17

		Column N %	Count
How important is the topic of recruitment, retention and reactivation (R3) in your daily work?	Extremely Important	24%	4
	Somewhat Important	24%	4
	Of Average Importance	35%	6
	Fairly Unimportant	18%	3
	Total	100%	17
What part of the adoption	Recruitment of new audiences	53%	9
process do you think DNR	Retention of existing users	35%	6
has the most capability to	Reactivation of lapsed users	12%	2
influence:	Total	100%	17

How important is the topic of recruitment, retention and reactivation (R3)

			in	your daily work?		
		Extremely	Somewhat	Of Average	Fairly	
		Important	Important	Importance	Unimportant	Total
Which	DNR Wildlife-Game	0%	33%	33%	33%	3
Section	DNR Wildlife-Fisheries	0%	0%	50%	50%	2
do you	DNR Wildlife-Operations	0%	67%	33%	0%	3
work for?	DNR Administration	100%	0%	0%	0%	2
	Commerce Communications	100%	0%	0%	0%	1
	DNR Law Enforcement	33%	0%	33%	33%	3
	State Parks	0%	33%	67%	0%	3
	Total	24%	24%	35%	18%	17



Q7: Which of the following program areas needs the most focus in WV? (select in order of importance)

		Column N %	Count
R3 1st focus	Hunting	76%	13
	Angling	6%	1
	Boating	12%	2
	Shooting sports	6%	1
R3 2nd focus	Hunting	13%	2
	Angling	80%	12
	Wildlife Viewing	7%	1
R3 3rd choice	Hunting	7%	1
	Boating	21%	3
	Shooting Sports	57%	8
	Wildlife Viewing	14%	2
R3 4th focus	Angling	14%	2
	Boating	29%	4
	Shooting Sports	21%	3
	Wildlife Viewing	36%	5
R3 5th focus	Hunting	7%	1
	Boating	36%	5
	Shooting Sports	14%	2
	Wildlife Viewing	43%	6

		Column N %	Count
Which of the following BEST reflects	High level out of the weeds	53%	9
your opinion about the scope of the R3	Detailed and specific direction	47%	8
Plan?	Total	100%	17
WVDNR should be the primary	Strongly Agree	71%	12
coordinator of statewide R3 efforts?	Agree	29%	5
When should external partners be	From the beginning	35%	6
involved in the R3 Plan-writing	After initial draft is written	65%	11
process:	Total	100%	17
	Yes	71%	12

Does this team contain the right	No	6%	1
people/positions to develop an	Not sure	24%	4
effective R3 Plan?	Total	100%	17
After the R3 Plan is developed. which of the following best describes your opinion:	This team should work to guide implementation	25%	4
	This team & new/different members guide implementation	75%	12
	Total	100%	16
How much capacity does WVDNR	Some capacity w adjusted priorities	63%	10
have to evaluate effectiveness of current R3 efforts?	Very little capacity	31%	5
	No capacity at all w/o new staff	6%	1
	Total	100%	16

#### Which BEST reflects your opinion about scope of the R3 Plan? High level out of the | Detailed and specific |

		weeds		direction		Total	
Which	DNR Wildlife-Game	33%	1	67%	2	3	18%
Section	DNR Wildlife-Fisheries	0%	0	100%	2	2	12%
do you	DNR Wildlife-Operations	67%	2	33%	1	3	18%
work for?	DNR Administration	50%	1	50%	1	2	12%
	Commerce Communications	100%	1	0%	0	1	6%
	DNR Law Enforcement	100%	3	0%	0	3	18%
	State Parks	33%	1	67%	2	3	18%
	Total	53%	9	47%	8	17	100%

### WVDNR should be the primary coordinator of statewide R3 efforts?

			Strongly Agree			Total	
Which	DNR Wildlife-Game	33%	1	67%	2	3	18%
Section	DNR Wildlife-Fisheries	100%	2	0%	0	2	12%
do you	DNR Wildlife-Operations	100%	3	0%	0	3	18%
work	DNR Administration	100%	2	0%	0	2	12%
for?	Commerce Communications	0%	0	100%	1	1	6%
	DNR Law Enforcement	67%	2	33%	1	3	18%
	State Parks	67%	2	33%	1	3	18%
	Total	71%	12	29%	5	17	100%

#### When should external partners enter the R3 Plan-writing process:

		From beg	inning	After initial d	Total		
Which	DNR Wildlife-Game	100%	3	0%	0	3	18%
Section	DNR Wildlife-Fisheries	50%	1	50%	1	2	12%
do you	DNR Wildlife-Operations	0%	0	100%	3	3	18%
work for?	DNR Administration	0%	0	100%	2	2	12%
	Commerce Communications	100%	1	0%	0	1	6%
	DNR Law Enforcement	0%	0	100%	3	3	18%
	State Parks	33%	1	67%	2	3	18%
	Total	35%	6	65%	11	17	100%

		Yes		No		Not sure	)	To	tal
Which	DNR Wildlife-Game	67%	2	0%	0	33%	1	3	18%
Section do	DNR Wildlife-Fisheries	50%	1	50%	1	0%	0	2	12%
you work	DNR Wildlife-Operations	100%	3	0%	0	0%	0	3	18%
for?	DNR Administration	50%	1	0%	0	50%	1	2	12%
	Commerce Communications	100%	1	0%	0	0%	0	1	6%
	DNR Law Enforcement	67%	2	0%	0	33%	1	3	18%
	State Parks	67%	2	0%	0	33%	1	3	18%
	Total	71%	12	6%	1	24%	4	17	100%

# Does this team contain the right people/positions to develop R3 Plan?

# After R3 Plan is developed. which best describes your opinion:

				This team and			
		I his team sh	This team should work		nould guide		
		to guide imple	ementation	impleme	entation	Т	otal
Which	DNR Wildlife-Game	33%	1	67%	2	3	19%
Section	DNR Wildlife-Fisheries	50%	1	50%	1	2	13%
do you	DNR Wildlife-Operations	33%	1	67%	2	3	19%
work	DNR Administration	50%	1	50%	1	2	13%
for?	Commerce Communications	0%	0	0%	0	0	0%
	DNR Law Enforcement	0%	0	100%	3	3	19%
	State Parks	0%	0	100%	3	3	19%
	Total	25%	4	75%	12	16	100%

# Capacity of WVDNR to evaluate effectiveness of current R3 efforts?

		Some capacity w adjusted priorities		Very little capacity		No capacity at all w/o new staff		Total	
Which Section do you work for?	DNR Wildlife-Game	33%	1	33%	1	33%	1	3	19%
	DNR Wildlife-Fisheries	50%	1	50%	1	0%	0	2	13%
	DNR Wildlife-Operations	100%	3	0%	0	0%	0	3	19%
	DNR Administration	50%	1	50%	1	0%	0	2	13%
	Commerce Communications	100%	1	0%	0	0%	0	1	6%
	DNR Law Enforcement	67%	2	33%	1	0%	0	3	19%
	State Parks	50%	1	50%	1	0%	0	2	13%
	Total	63%	10	31%	5	6%	1	16	100%

# Appendix K: Draft R3 Plan Template

# October 17, 2018 Version

# **Overarching R3 Goals**

- Remain relevant with WV citizens.
- Increase active participation in wildlife-associated outdoor recreation.
- Create and maintain stakeholders for conservation.

# Program Goals, Objectives, and Actions

# 1. Cross-Program Objectives

The Team recognized that there will be certain objectives (or perhaps strategies or actions) that will be the same (or very similar) across multiple program areas. In some cases these will be incorporated into each program area separately. For now, the Team listed a handful of these cross-program concepts here, to make sure they are not lost.

- Track user data and program metrics across programs.
  - a. Create a centralized database for all DNR programs.
  - b. Utilize or hire an analyst.
  - c. Use data/results to inform marketing, outreach, and all programs.
  - d. Create and utilize a system-wide events/information collection form for use at all program events.
- Attach appropriate communication elements at every level.
- For each Program below:
  - Review list of Program Activities and insert where appropriate into this R3 Plan as Objectives, Actions, or Tasks.
  - o Review ORAM Program Map to ID holes or weaknesses.

# 2. Hunting

- a. Goal: Increase number of users/active participants.
  - i. Objective: Increase participation in special hunts, field days, etc.
    - 1. Metric:
    - 2. Target audience:
    - 3. Actions:
      - a. Increase awareness.
- b. Goal: Increase license sales.
  - i. Objective: Increase resident sales by X percent in X years.
    - 1. Metric:
    - 2. Target audience:
    - 3. Actions:
      - a. Determine current trend with Charlie and determine objective targets within 2 weeks of workshop.
      - b. Decrease complexity of hunting regulations and improve licensing system.
  - ii. Objective: Decrease churn rate among current license buyers.

- iii. Objective: Increase non-resident sales by X percent in X years.
  - 1. Metric:
  - 2. Target audience:
  - 3. Actions:
    - a. Determine current trend with Charlie and determine objective targets within 2 weeks of workshop.
    - b. Decrease complexity of hunting regulations and improve licensing system.
- iv. Objective: Increase apprentice license sales by X percent in X years.
  - 1. Metric:
  - 2. Target audience:
  - 3. Actions:
    - a. Determine current trend with Charlie and determine objective targets within 2 weeks of workshop.
    - b. Increase awareness of apprentice program.
- c. Goal: Increase diversity of participants.
  - i. Objective: Increase non-traditional (including women), participation by X percent in X years.
    - 1. Metric:
    - 2. Target audience:
    - 3. Actions:
      - a. Increase marketing efforts to non-traditional groups.

# 3. Shooting Sports (guns and archery)

- a. Goal: Increase active participation.
  - i. Objective: identify a process to determine number of participants in (target and 3D archery, shotgun, rifle, pistol, and black powder) in 1 year with assistance from CAHSS, NSSF, and NASP.
    - 1. Metric: Surveys of random public at ranges
    - 2. Target audience:
    - 3. Actions:
      - a. Connect shooting sports to hunting. [objective or action? Came up as possible objective in earlier discussions]
  - ii. Objective: Increase number of active participants in shooting sports by 5% in 5 years.
    - 1. Metric: *need data from objective 1.*
    - 2. Target audience:
    - 3. Actions:
  - iii. Objective: Provide 10 new or improved ranges in 5 years.
    - 1. Metric:
    - 2. Target audience:
    - 3. Actions:
      - a. 5 new archery ranges around urban areas.
      - b. 3 new standard public ranges (Increase from 27 to 30).
      - c. Intro 2 indoor shooting ranges within close proximity to urban areas.
      - d. Lead management plan in development.
- b. Goal: Increase acceptance of shooting sports by the public.

- i. Objective: Use indoor ranges to promote firearms to non/new users. [Obj or Action?]
  - 1. Metric:
  - 2. Target audience:
  - 3. Actions:
- ii. Objective: Develop and implement various public outreach opportunities with industry partners and conservation organizations within all districts designed to enhance and promote public understanding of shooting sports within 5 years.
  - 1. Metric: Increased acceptance of shooting sports via surveys.
  - 2. Target audience: People who have never participated in shooting sports.
  - 3. Actions:
- c. Goal: Increase participant diversity.
  - i. Objective: Develop and implement programs and opportunities that specifically target women, young adults, and urban residents within 3 years.
    - 1. Metric:
    - 2. Target audience:
    - 3. Actions:
      - a. Evaluate existing data sets and programs (NRA and others?)

## 4. Angling

- a. Goal: Increase number of users/active participants.
  - i. Objective: Increase number of participants in existing fishing events.
    - 1. Metric:
    - 2. Target audience:
    - 3. Actions:
      - a. Increase unique opportunity fishing events (wild trout fly fishing).
      - b. Increase awareness of opportunities
- b. Goal: Increase license sales.
  - i. Objective: Increase resident license sales by 5% over 5 years.
    - 1. Metric:
    - 2. Target audience:
    - 3. Actions:
      - a. Increase number of fishing opportunities by 25% over 5 years
      - b. RBFF 60 x 60 program?
      - c. Increase fishing events.
      - d. Increase diversity of stocking.
      - e. Participate in fishing clubs.
      - f. Convert farm pond anglers to buy a license.
  - ii. Decrease churn rate among current license buyers.
  - iii. Objective: Increase non-resident license sales by X% over Y years.
    - 1. Metric:
    - 2. Target audience:
    - 3. Actions:
- c. Goal: Increase diversity of participants.
  - i. Objective: Increase non-traditional angler groups by 5% over 5 years.
    - 1. Metric: survey

- 2. Target audience: Female, Hispanics, African-Americans and accessibility-challenged.
- 3. Actions:

## 5. Boating

- a. Goal: Increase number of users/active participants.
  - i. Objective: Increase use of existing public access sites by X percent over X years.
    - 1. Metric:
    - 2. Target audience: Existing and new watercraft users.
    - 3. Actions:
      - a. Determine current usage by ....?
      - b. Signage
      - c. Marketing current sites
      - d. Improving website tools
      - e. Making public feel safe using sites/increase law enforcement presence
    - ii. Objective: Add or improve access sites as guided by agency capital improvements plan (CIP).
      - 1. Metric: Number of access sites.
      - 2. Target audience: Existing, lapsed, and new watercraft users.
      - 3. Actions:
        - a. Get input guidance from CIP.
    - iii. Objective: Establish partnerships with RBFF and boating user groups to promote boating activities.
      - 1. Metric: increasing posts/participation in online boating board.
      - 2. Target audience: Boater user groups (online and social media).
      - 3. Actions:
        - a. Create an online boating events board..
        - b. RBFF 60 x 60 program?
    - iv. Objective: Tie boating activities with other WV program outdoor activities.
      - 1. Metric: Track online searches/online mapping.
      - 2. Target audience:
      - 3. Actions:
        - a. Signage to promote other activities at that site.
    - v. Objective: Decrease barriers to participation.
      - 1. Metric:
      - 2. Target audience:
      - 3. Actions:
        - a. Promote boater education classes
        - b. Provide field days/educational events for women
        - c. Change requirements to capture personal/contact information for later tracking and engagement.
- b. Goal: Increase boating registrations.
  - i. Objective: New fee structure to include non-motorized vessels.
    - 1. Metric: Passage of new fees vs not.
    - 2. Target audience: Boaters and legislators.
    - 3. Actions:
      - a. Marketing of new fee structure and where the funds would go.

- ii. Objective: Reactivate lapsed boaters by X percent over X years.
  - 1. Metric: DMV vessel registrations.
  - 2. Target audience:
  - 3. Actions:
    - a. Get data from DMV on lapsed boaters.

# 6. Wildlife Viewing/Diversity

- a. Goal: Increase active participants.
  - Objective: Develop public-awareness campaign for viewing experiences in WV to be released by? Radio? TV? Print? Outdoor advertising/billboards? Online/social media and Google ads?.
    - 1. Metric: Surveys (random public, event-related, and national FWS survey).
    - 2. Target audience: Existing and potential wildlife viewers.
    - 3. Actions:
      - a. Survey willingness of viewer group to support conservation with funds (stamps, fees, etc.).
      - b. Develop messages for target audiences (in state? Out of state? Both? Test messages, possible imagery and campaign content via focus groups and/or surveys?
      - c. Develop and deploy interpretive signage.
      - d. Develop and deploy campaign (see above radio, TV, billboards, online?). Monitor deployment and track effectiveness.
  - ii. Objective: Increase partnerships by 1 per district (schools, municipalities, other agencies).
    - 1. Metric:
    - 2. Target audience:
    - 3. Actions:
      - a. Evaluate and prioritize target communities.
      - b. Determine events, resources, and/or programs in or near communities to promote.
      - c. Develop program materials (educational materials? Marketing materials?)
      - d. Collaborate with municipalities to promote nearby opportunities.
- b. Goal: Increase support for, and public understanding of the relevancy and benefits of conservation.
  - i. Objective: Educate the public of, wildlife viewing opportunities.
    - 1. Metric: Surveys (random public, event-related, and national FWS survey).
    - 2. Target audience: Existing and potential wildlife viewers.
    - 3. Actions:
      - a. Develop messaging to promote hunting/angling role in wildlife conservation.

# **Appendix L: Daily Evaluations**

# Day 1 Evaluation Results

- 1. Please rate the content we covered today, where 1="it's exactly what I hoped we'd cover," and 5="we didn't cover anything that was important to me." Mean score = **2.35**
- 2. Please rate the pace of the workshop so far, where 1=too slow, 3=just right, and 5=too fast. Mean score = **2.53**
- 3. Please rate Phil Seng as moderator, where 1=excellent and 5=poor. Mean score = 1.41

## Day 2 Evaluation Results

- Please rate the content we covered today, where 1="it's exactly what I hoped we'd cover," and 5="we didn't cover anything that was important to me." Mean score = 1.88
- 2. Please rate the pace of the workshop so far, where 1=too slow, 3=just right, and 5=too fast. Mean score = **2.53**
- 3. Please rate Phil Seng as moderator, where 1=excellent and 5=poor. Mean score = 1.76
- 4. Please rate the value of this workshop to the development of our R3 Plan, where 1=excellent and 5= Poor. Mean score = **2.00**
- 5. In your opinion, what is the most important next step to take to build out the R3 Plan?
  - Agency needs to address internal capacity issues.
  - Analyze existing data. Do more surveys.
  - Create a survey for WV citizens to determine their current opinions toward the DNR and its programs/activities.
  - Develop specific actions for each objective, determine feasibility of options, evaluate current data to help guide objectives.
  - Do something. Decide who or where or how info collected is retained.
  - Drafting and reviewing an R3 plan.
  - Evaluate existing data to target our efforts. We can't just throw investment (time, money, resources, personnel, etc.) at the problem and expect it to improve the situation. We need to know where there is realistic hope for a breakthrough and success before we launch anything that constitutes a major project investment.
  - Evaluate existing programs to inform decision making about where our available resources should be distributed in future efforts. We don't have the personnel, finances, or time to do everything in an effective manner.
  - Evaluate what is working vs. what is not.
  - Evaluate what we are currently doing to see what is working, what isn't and what can/needs to be expanded. Evaluate other states' R3 plans to see if there is anything glaring that we may have missed.
  - Getting buy in from our partners once the plan is in draft form.
  - Make draft, make edits, get buy in.

- Narrow the focus. I think we're still too broad, trying to be all to everyone. We don't have the resources anymore to throw time, effort, and money at everything.
- Prepare a final draft of the R3 Plan and roll it out to our internal & external partners.
- Put all notes together and create a more detailed yet clean outline of the information that participants can sit down on their own with and rethink through all the information after having time to clear our heads. Then to readdress any comments/concerns that may still linger before finalizing the first draft. Then bringing in new bodies and minds that have not been influenced by previous discussion to check for clarity of information.
- Reviewing information and drafting into plan "skeleton."
- Set realistic expectations given severe staffing limits.