

Year 2009

Inventory Unit Number/Name: 13-10, Twin Rocks

FORM 1

DOCUMENTATION OF BLM WILDERNESS INVENTORY FINDINGS ON RECORD:

1. Is there existing BLM wilderness inventory information on all or part of this area?

No _____ (Go to Form 2) Yes X (if more than one unit is within the area, list the names/numbers of those units.):

a) Inventory Source: Wilderness Inventory Oregon and Washington 1980

b) Inventory Unit Name(s)/Number(s): 13-10, Twin Rocks

c) Map Name(s)/Number(s): Navigational Chart 18421

d) BLM District(s)/Field Office(s): Spokane, Wenatchee, San Juan Islands Field Station

2. BLM Inventory Findings on Record:

Existing inventory information regarding wilderness characteristics (if more than one BLM inventory unit is associated with the area, list each unit and answer each question individually for each inventory unit):

Existing inventory information regarding wilderness characteristics¹:

Inventory Source: Wilderness Inventory Oregon and Washington 1980

Unit#/Name	Size (historic acres)	Natural Condition? Y/N	Outstanding Solitude? Y/N	Outstanding Primitive & Unconfined Recreation? Y/N	Supplemental Values? Y/N
13-10, Twin Rocks	2 rocks, 1 acre each	Y, 1 old sign post	N	N	Y, minor wildlife value

FORM 2

Use additional pages as necessary

**DOCUMENTATION OF CURRENT WILDERNESS INVENTORY
CONDITIONS**

a. Unit Number/Name: 13-10, Twin Rocks

(1) Is the unit of sufficient size?

Yes No Island Rock Rocks

[State the BLM acreage of the unit. Describe the boundaries of the unit (roads, property lines, etc.) If the area meets one of the exceptions to the size criterion, check "Yes" and describe the exception. If more than one inventory unit is involved, list the acreage in each and evaluate each unit/subunit separately. Complete the analysis for (1), (2), (3),(4) and (5) for each unit or sub-unit. If you check "No" above, check "N/A" (Not Applicable) in the remaining boxes below, and you need not provide additional evaluation for the unit or subunit. Use additional space as necessary.]

DESCRIPTION OF CURRENT CONDITIONS: (Include land ownership, location, topography, vegetation features and summary of major human uses/activities).

Ownership: BLM ownership

Location: N48 36' 56.45", W122 52' 0.347", N48 36' 55.99", W122 51' 54.23"

Topography: Twin Rocks are larger rocks (small islands). The 2 small island are roughly 1 acre each. Both islands are low lying and slightly domed, approximately 10 feet above sea level. Twin rocks offer limited access portals at higher tides.

Vegetation Features: Both small islands support a variety of grasses, wildflowers, lichens, mosses and shrubs including, wind-swept, low-lying Gary Oaks.

Major human uses/ activities: Recreational boating both motorized and non-motorized does occur in the area. Wildlife viewing is excellent in this area for seabirds, marine mammals and other species. Photography is excellent in this area. Sea Kayaking is also excellent in this area. Twin Rocks are located within Eastsound, of Orcas Island and approximately 200' feet from shore

Other items: Access is best using small non-motorized human powered water craft. There are also several USFW San Juan Marine National Wildlife Refuge Wilderness Islands nearby within 1-2 miles. Twin rocks are identified as a WADFW Marine mammal marine haul out site, #448.

(2) Is the unit in a natural condition?

Yes No N/A

Description: Twin Rocks all appear natural and are in a natural condition. The eastern small island has a bent metal post with a concrete foundation which can be removed. The low profile of the sign along with its rusted color does not overly dominate the naturalness of the area.

(3) Does the unit (or the remainder of the unit if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for solitude?

Yes No N/A

Description: Outstanding opportunities for solitude can be found on the small islands. The minimum developments of nearby Orcas Island within the immediate area do not dominate the landscape.

(4) Does the unit (or the remainder of the unit if a portion has been excluded due to unnaturalness and the remainder is of sufficient size) have outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation?

Yes No N/A

Description: Recreational opportunities are not outstanding. Recreational boating both motorized and non-motorized does occur in the area. Wildlife viewing is excellent in this area for seabirds, marine mammals and other species. Photography is excellent in this area. Sea Kayaking is also excellent in this area. Twin rocks receive a large number of sea kayak visitors who kayak in the area most often kayaking from nearby Rosario resort and also nearby residents.

(5) Does the unit have supplemental values?

Yes No N/A

Description: Supplemental values for Twin Rocks include a dynamic marine ecological system. The geology of Twin Rocks are part of a unique formation regarding Washington State. Other identified values for Twin Rocks are wildlife, scientific, scenic and cultural. There are also several USFW San Juan Marine National Wildlife Refuge Wilderness Islands nearby within 1 -2 miles. Twin rocks are identified as a WADFW Marine mammal marine haul out site, #448.

Summary of Findings and Conclusion

Unit Name and Number: 13-10, Twin Rocks

Summary

Results of Analysis:

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| 1. Does the area meet any of the size requirements? | Yes | X | No |
| 2. Does the area appear to be natural? | Yes | X | No |
| 3. Does the area offer outstanding opportunities for solitude or a primitive and unconfined type of recreation? | Yes | X | No NA |
| 4. Does the area have supplemental values? | Yes | X | No NA |

Conclusion

Check One:

X The area—or a portion of the area—has wilderness character.

The area does not have wilderness character.

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Field Manager

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Date

This form documents information that constitutes an inventory finding on wilderness characteristics. It does not represent a formal land use allocation or a final agency decision subject to administrative remedies under either 43 CFR parts 4 or 1610.5-2.

**H-6300-1-WILDERNESS INVENTORY MAINTENANCE
IN BLM OREGON/WASHINGTON**

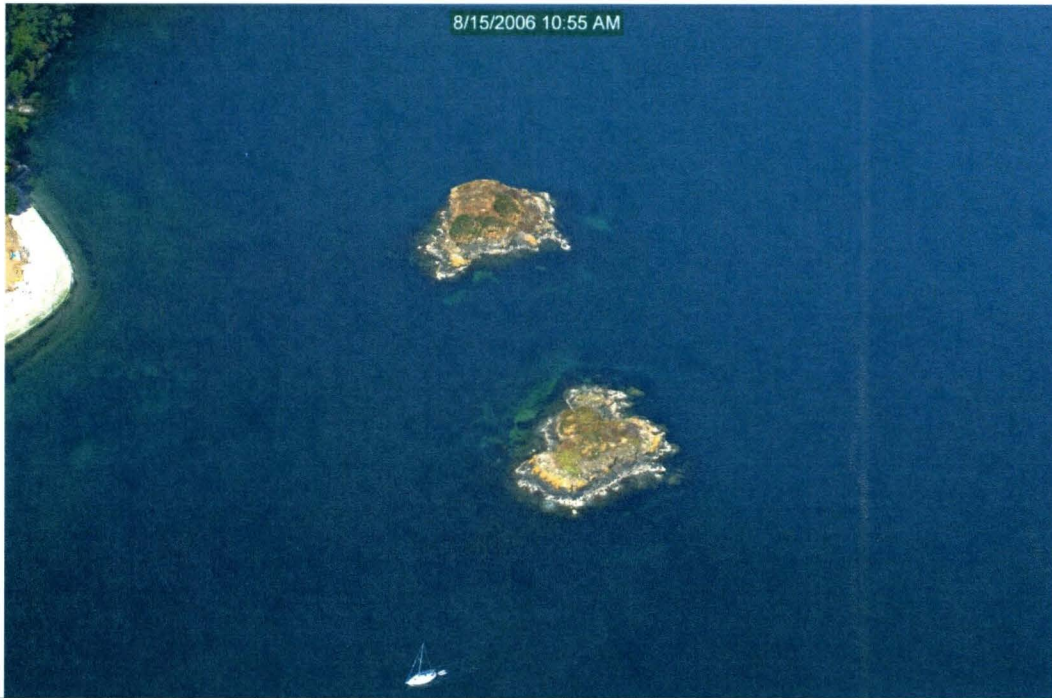
**APPENDIX D – PHOTO LOG
(modify form as needed)**

Photographer(s): _ WA Department of Ecology, Bob Wick

Inventory Area Name & No.: 13-10, Twin Rocks

Date	Frame #	Camera Direction	Description	GPS/UTM Location	Township	Range	Sec.
08.15.2006	14074	Oblique, NNW	Twin Rocks, Eastsound, Orcas Island	N48 36' 56.45", W122 52' 0.347", N48 36' 55.99", W122 51' 54.23"	T	R	Sec.
10.22.2009	2340	NNW	Twin Rocks, Eastsound, Orcas Island	N48 36' 56.45", W122 52' 0.347", N48 36' 55.99", W122 51' 54.23"	T	R	Sec.
10.22.2009	2342	E	Twin Rocks, Eastsound, Orcas Island	N48 36' 56.45", W122 52' 0.347", N48 36' 55.99", W122 51' 54.23"	T	R	Sec.
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13-10, Twin Rocks, N 48 36' 56.455", W 122 52' 0.346", & N 48 36' 55.99", W 122 51' 54.239"