WASHINGTON STATE ARTS COMMISSION

Report of the Sub-Committee
On the Cultural Multi-Purpose Center

From the findings supplied by Mr. Byron Haley, Recreational Supervisor of the Department of Parks & Recreation, the sub-committee of the Washington State Arts Commission on the cultural multi-purpose center recommends establishing the first of such centers in Puget Sound, splitting the facilities between state-owned land in Pt. Flagler and Pt. Worden, ten minutes across the water by boat.

We would assign the "noisy" activities to one side, possibly Flagler and the quiet ones to Worden. Both areas border Pt. Townsend, yet are isolate from it. Pt. Townsend is a city well known for its support of the arts with its well-established Summer School of the Arts in conjunction with the University of Washington and its professional Festival Theatre, now in its second season. It is only a matter of time until the city is declared a National Historic Site or Monument.

The all year round good weather, so necessary for outdoor activities, the interest already shown in the arts, the magnificent state owned land, the proximity to the large population projected for the 'strip city' from Bellingham to Portland...these with the situation on the Sound have influenced our recommendation.

All year round activity can be more easily developed as our first center - we do not believe any one area could satisfy all the needs which have been envisioned. We recommend a second site at Leavenworth or White Pass which could make an admirable complementary center.

The sites have been chosen keeping in mind the interest that major corporations of the state have voiced in such facilities as wintertime "Think Centers."

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