

Unit 2c - Lena Cove

Background

This unit includes state tidelands and submerged lands between the mouth of Tee Harbor and Lena Point. With the exception of Lena Point, Lena Beach, and Point Stephens the adjacent shoreline is entirely in private ownership. The uplands at Lena Point are state owned, but are likely to be conveyed to the CBJ. The uplands in this unit were originally selected for recreation and community expansion values (NFCG 316). With the exception of Lena Point, all uplands in this unit have high mineral potential.

Lena Cove. Lena Cove (Subunits 2c9 and 2c11) has no developed launching or harbor facilities. The head of the cove is publicly owned and currently developed and maintained by the U.S. Forest Service for recreation. Toilets, water, picnic tables, and a picnic shelter are provided. The primary attraction of the recreation area is the long beach, its rustic setting, and its uninterrupted views up Lynn Canal. The beach and recreation area are used for picnics, beach combing, and launching kayaks. The cove has numerous private mooring buoys used by small boats in the summer. The CBJ 1983 Small Boat Harbor Plan examined the potential for a permanent mooring buoy area in Subunits 2c9 and 2c11. The proposal also included a boat launch ramp, and skiff mooring and loading float. The CBJ plan also studied the potential for constructing a two-lane launch ramp with loading float at the head of the cove near Lena Loop Road. All construction would occur on state tidelands adjacent to the existing recreation area.

The fish pass at Lena Cove has been recently rebuilt by the U.S. Forest Service.

Lena Point. Lena Point is an undeveloped parcel of state land that includes Lena Point and is accessed off the Lena Point Road. There is an existing trail to the point. The subunit has been designated by the CBJ as Open Space and is likely to be conveyed to the CBJ.

Management Intent

The tidelands adjacent to private uplands will be managed to support uses on the uplands while mitigating impacts on the recreation, habitat, and harvest values for which individual subunits are designated. The eight beach access points will be managed to ensure that the public continues to have access to state tidelands.

Lena Cove. Subunits 2c9 and 2c11 in Lena Cove will be managed for concentrated public recreation, clam harvest, and anadromous estuarine rearing habitat consistent with the current uses of the area and the use of the bay for mooring boats. Although there are no immediate plans to develop a boat launch, marina, or mooring area in the cove, these uses are an allowable use if it becomes a priority for CBJ to develop these facilities.

Lena Point. If Subunit 2c7 is not conveyed to CBJ, the subunit will be managed for public recreation. The adjacent tidelands in Subunit 2c6 will also be managed consistent with this intent.

Management Guidelines

Floathomes. Floathomes are prohibited on state tidelands and submerged lands in this unit.

Topfiling. The U.S. Forest Service recreation area at Lena Cove (Subunit 2c12) should be topfiled for selection by the state.

Also see *Land Selection Recommendations* in Chapter 4.

Land-Use Designation Summary

For keys to the one-letter and two-letter abbreviations used in this table, see the beginning of this chapter

UNIT 2C: LENA COVE						
Area no. & name	DNR designation	CBJ zoning district	Land type	Adjacent ownership	Resource or use	Other comments
2c1	Hv	RR	SU	State	Salmon sportfishing; personal use and commercial king and Tanner crab harvest	
2c2 Point Stephen west side	Hv Rd	OS	T	CBJ	Salmon sportfishing	
2c3 Lena Cove	Hv Sh One beach access point	D-1	T	Private	Salmon sportfishing; access point to Favorite Channel beach	
2c4 Lena Cove	Sh Two beach access points	D-1	T	Private	Includes two beach access points to Favorite Channel	
2c5	G	RR	SU	State	Salmon harvest??	
2c6 Lena Point	Hv Rd	OS	T	State	Salmon sportfishing	Lena Point trail along shoreline
2c7 Lena Point uplands	Rd One beach access point	OS	U	State/ private	Includes trail to Lena Point	CBJ selected; expected to be conveyed
2c8	Ha Hv Rd Sh Three beach access points	D-3	T	Private/ CBJ	One beach access point includes a boat launch for kayaks and canoes, another is a trail to Rocky Point; Tanner crab commercial harvest; fish rearing	
2c9	Ha Hv Rp One beach access point	OS	T	Private	Lena Beach Recreation managed by USFS area; public clam harvest; two anadromous stream mouths; anchorage	Beach used for launching canoes and kayaks; uplands not selected by state
2c10	Ha Hv Rd Sh Two beach access points	D-1	T	Private	Public clam harvest; anadromous stream mouth	
2c11	Rp Ha Lena Beach Rec. Area	RR	SU	State	Anchorage; shoreline includes Lena Point Beach Recreation area; fish estuarine rearing area	
2c12 Lena Beach Recreation Area	Pt Rp	OS	UP	Private	High-use public recreation area with public facilities	Currently owned by the U.S. Forest Service (PLO 829). Proposed topfiling for state selection.
2c13	Hv	RR	SU	State	Salmon harvest and sportfishing	

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