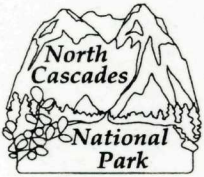


Lake Chelan National Recreation Area

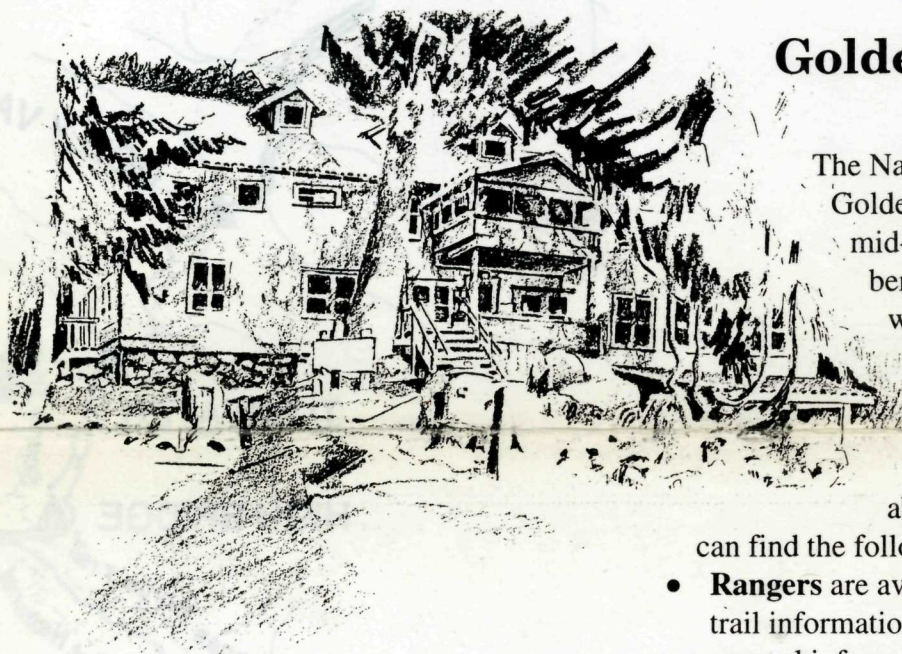


Focus on Stehekin



North Cascades National Park Service Complex, located in north-central Washington State, is characterized by a mix of jagged mountain peaks, glaciers, huge evergreens and tumbling waterfalls. The Park Complex includes North Cascades National Park and two National Recreation Areas: Ross Lake and Lake Chelan. The Lake Chelan N.R.A. encompasses the upper 4.5 miles of Lake Chelan and the Stehekin Valley. The narrow, glacier-carved Stehekin Valley is surrounded by towering mountains. Elevation gradually rises from 1100 feet at the lake to 5400 feet at Cascade Pass, about 29 miles away. The Stehekin River, which flows through the valley, is one of three major streams that feed Lake Chelan. Rainbow Creek plunges 312 feet over Rainbow Falls, a popular scenic destination, before joining the Stehekin River 3.5 miles upvalley.

Stehekin, in the heart of Lake Chelan National Recreation Area, is a remote community situated along the lower few miles of the Stehekin River. It is a small community with no road connections to the rest of the world. Visitors and residents arrive by passenger ferry or private boat, hiking, horseback or float plane. Trails into large areas of wilderness branch off the Stehekin Valley Road ascending into a very rugged mountain landscape. The valley road begins at the boat landing and follows the river to Flat Creek. Currently, the 2 1/2 mile section of road between Flat Creek and Cottonwood Campground is closed to vehicles due to severe flooding in the fall of 1995. The National Park Service and private carriers offer transportation for backpackers, fishermen, day hikers, and round-trip sightseers to trailheads, camps and scenic attractions throughout the valley. The beautiful Stehekin Valley is a pleasant escape from life's frantic pace.

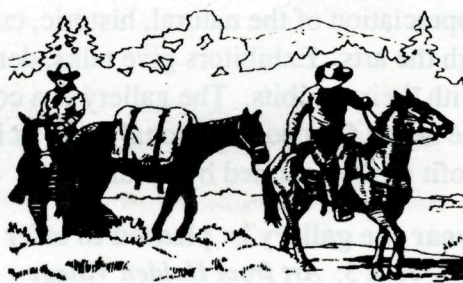


Golden West Visitor Center

The National Park Service staffs the Golden West Visitor Center from mid-March through mid-October (8:30 am - 5:00 pm daily with reduced hours in spring and fall). While visiting Stehekin, be sure to include time to stop by the Visitor Center located just above the Landing where you

can find the following:

- **Rangers** are available to assist you with trail information, backcountry permits and general information about the area.
- **Naturalist programs** are presented on a variety of natural and cultural history topics, daily at 1:30 pm and last about 15 minutes.
- **Exhibits** cover a broad spectrum of topics including the Buckner Orchard Homestead, the Stephen Mather Wilderness, the Stehekin River riparian area, the local geology and a children's discovery area.
- **The Golden West Gallery** exhibits artwork and other pieces related to the Stehekin and North Cascades area. (See 'Images of the North Cascades' article on page 2).
- **The new video presentation** "A Wilderness Place" can be viewed any time. This short program includes images of the Stehekin Valley area and narration. The video explores the local natural and cultural history and the effect the surrounding wilderness areas have on this very special place.



Transportation Services to Stehekin

Lake Chelan Boat Company: The Lady of the Lake passenger boats provide round-trip transportation service between Chelan and Stehekin with scheduled stops at Field's Point and Lucerne. Daily service is available from March 15th through October 31st with reduced service during the winter months. Prices vary by vessel and season. Please write to Lake Chelan Boat Company at P.O. Box 186, Chelan, WA 98816 or call (509) 682-2224 for more information.

Lake Chelan Tours: Flexible schedules, pets welcome. Write to Lake Chelan Tours, P.O. Box 1119, Chelan, WA 98816. Telephone number (509) 682-8287.

Scenic Flights/Air Transportation : Chelan Airways provides flight tours, 15 to 30 minutes in length. Price varies according to number of people on the tour. Flights to and from Stehekin are scheduled daily during summer months and on reduced schedules during the winter. Write to Chelan Airways, P.O. Box W, Chelan, WA 98816 or call: (509) 682-5555.

Activities and Services

Cascade Corrals: Horse supported hiking and riding trips into the Cascades are available. For trip times and costs visit the Courtney Log Office located 200 yards from the boat landing or write to Cascade Corrals, Box 67, Stehekin, WA 98852.

Harlequin Bicycle Tour: Take a narrated bus tour to Harlequin Bridge where you are provided with bicycles and a map to guide you back to the Landing (4.5 miles one way). Tour is available daily from June 1 through Sept. 30. Write North Cascades Stehekin Lodge, PO Box 457, Chelan WA 98816 or call the Chelan office at (509) 682-4494.

High Bridge Bus and Lunch Tour: A picnic lunch and narrated bus tour to High Bridge daily from June 1 through Sept. 30. Write North Cascades Stehekin Lodge (see above).

The House That Jack Built: located near the Visitor Center. For sale are a variety of handcrafted items including t-shirts, cards and jewelry made by residents of Stehekin. The store is open during the summer.

Laundry and Shower Facilities: A public telephone, coin operated laundry and shower facilities are available 200 yards uplake from the Stehekin Landing.

McGregor Mountain Outdoor Supply: located near the Visitor Center. The store offers boating, hiking and backpacking supplies, hunting and fishing licenses and gear and a variety of books, maps, trail foods, snacks and T-shirts, souvenirs and apparel. Open daily April thru Oct. 15.

Rafting the Stehekin River: Raft the lower 11 miles of the Stehekin River. See Stehekin Valley Ranch on page 2 for reservation information.

Rainbow Falls Bus Tour: North Cascades Stehekin Lodge offers daily bus trips to the 312 foot Rainbow Falls. The tour leaves the Landing upon the arrival of all passenger vessels and lasts 45 minutes. Write North Cascades Stehekin Lodge, PO Box 457, Chelan WA 98816 or call Chelan at (509) 682-4494.

Stehekin Discovery Bikes: Mountain bike rentals by the hour or day. Feature trip is Ranch Breakfast Ride. Located at Courtney Log Office or write P.O. Box 8, Stehekin WA 98852.

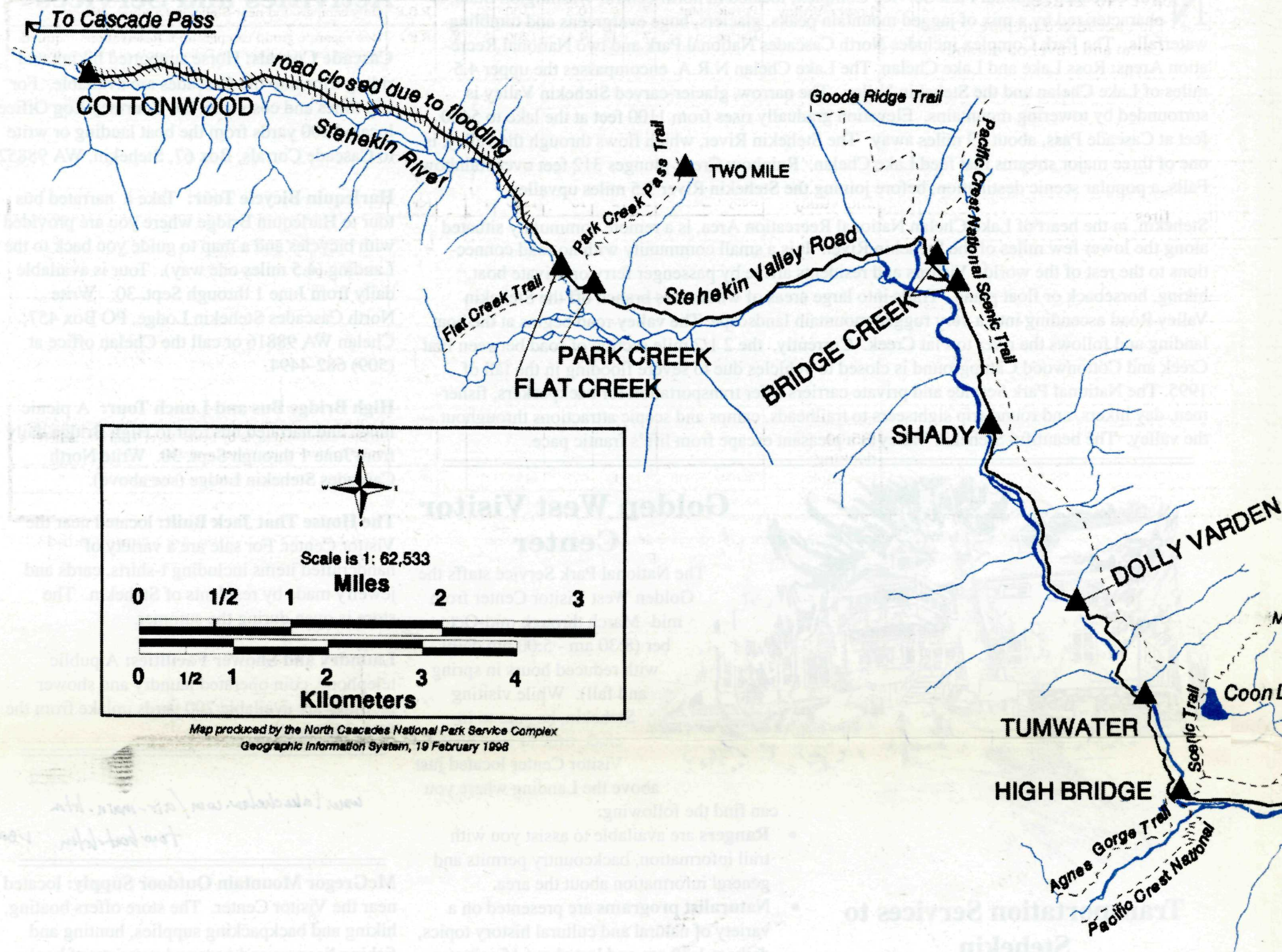
Stehekin Pastry Company: Located 1.5 miles from the Landing. The bakery offers fresh baked goods, coffee, refreshments and ice cream. Open daily June through September.

Stehekin Valley Wagon Rides: Enjoy a historical narrative of the valley as you ride in a covered wagon pulled by Norwegian Fjord horses. Three trips daily depart from either the landing or the bakery. Stop at the Courtney Log Office or the bakery for details/ reservations.

Lake Chelan National Recreation Area
P.O. Box 7
Stehekin WA 98852



Stehekin Valley Road Area Map



Accommodations

North Cascades Stehekin Lodge: Write to: North Cascades Stehekin Lodge, P.O. Box 457, Chelan, WA 98816 or call the Chelan office at (509) 682-4494.

Silver Bay Inn and Cabins: Write to Silver Bay Lodging, Box 85, Stehekin, WA 98852. Call (509) 682-2212 or 1-800-555-7781.

Stehekin Valley Ranch: Visit the Courtney Log Office or write: Stehekin Valley Ranch, P.O. Box 36, Stehekin, WA 98852 or call (509) 682-4677.

Housekeeping Cabins:

These are individual housekeeping cabins and are available for rent by owners. Locations vary from 1.5 to 6 miles from the landing. Inquire with owners. (All Stehekin, WA 98852)

- * Flick Creek, Stehekin House, Totem House, P.O. Box 25 (509) 884-1730
- * Rainbow's End Cabin, P.O. Box 8 (509) 682-3014
- * Rustic Retreat, P.O. Box 84
- * Stehekin Cedar Home, P.O. Box 14
- * Stehekin Log Cabin, P.O. Box 67 (509) 682-4677
- * Stehekin Mountain Cabin, P.O. Box 272

Images of the North Cascades

The North Cascades area has inspired people for thousands of years. Native Americans used pigments found in the area to paint pictographs depicting animals and other images on rocky cliffs. Explorers documented plants, animals, and their experiences by drawing what they saw while traveling. Since the turn of the century, artists have painted the landscapes on canvas while photographers have captured images using their cameras. Many settlers living in the mountain valleys perfected their crafts during long winter evenings. Artists and crafts people continue to come to the mountains for inspiration.

The Golden West Gallery is a place where visitors can see some of the work produced by these artists and crafts people. The gallery is located in the Golden West Visitor Center in Stehekin. It is featuring seven exhibits from May 15 to October 15. It is dedicated to increasing understanding and appreciation of the natural, historic, cultural, and artistic landscapes of the North Cascades through the arts. Exhibitors give talks, demonstrations, workshops and other programs in conjunction with their exhibits. The gallery is a cooperative endeavor of the resident artists of Stehekin and the North Cascades National Park. It is managed by the Arts and Humanities of Stehekin, a nonprofit group operated by volunteers.

This year the gallery is pleased to offer the following exhibits:

May 15 – June 3: *Art from Holden Village* June 5 – June 24: *Stehekin Community Show*
 June 26 – June 15: *Family Treasures* July 17 – August 5: *Small Scenes from a Large Landscape*
 August 7 – August 26: *Forest and Water Spirits* August 28 – September 16: *Friendship Quilts of Stehekin*
 September 18 – October 15: *Paintings and Prints*

Receptions for the exhibitors will be held on the first Friday of each new exhibit. Announcements for these upcoming events will be posted at the Golden West Visitor Center. For gallery information please write to the Arts and Humanities of Stehekin, PO Box 83, Stehekin, WA 98852.



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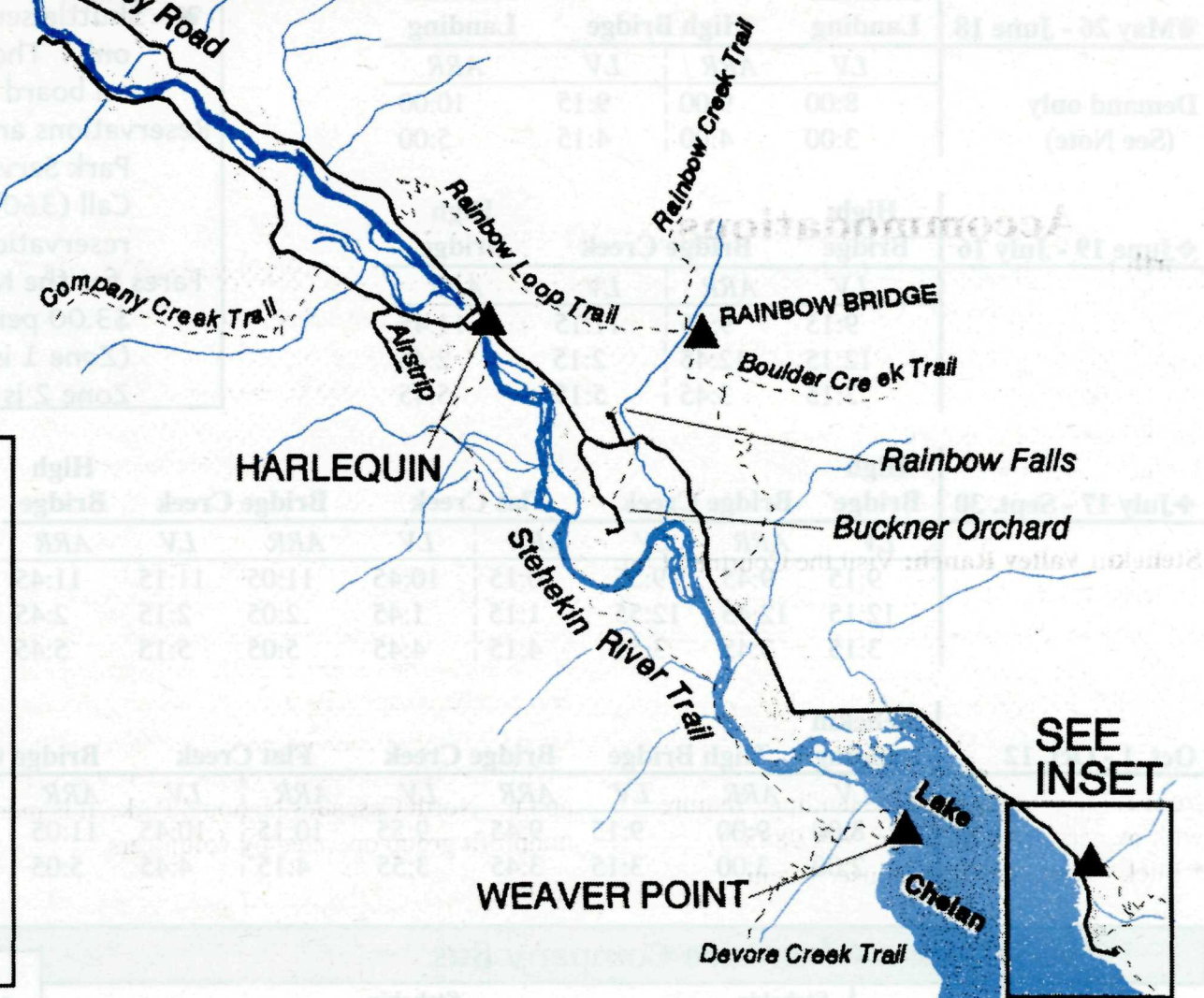
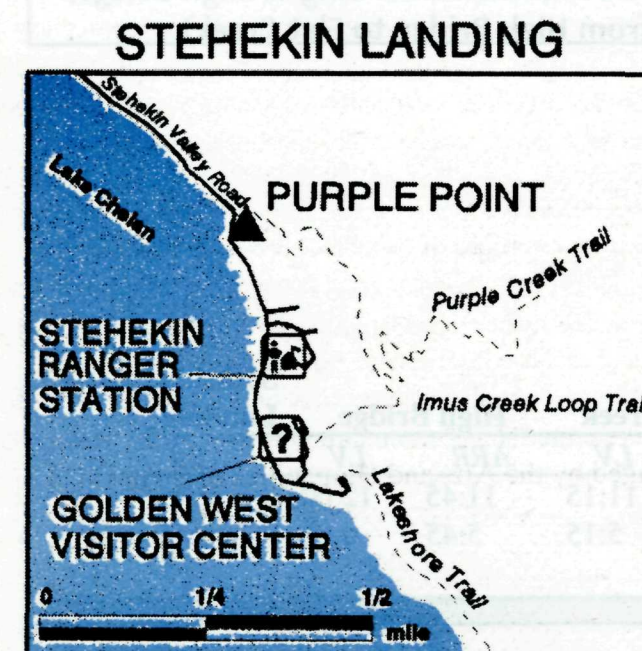
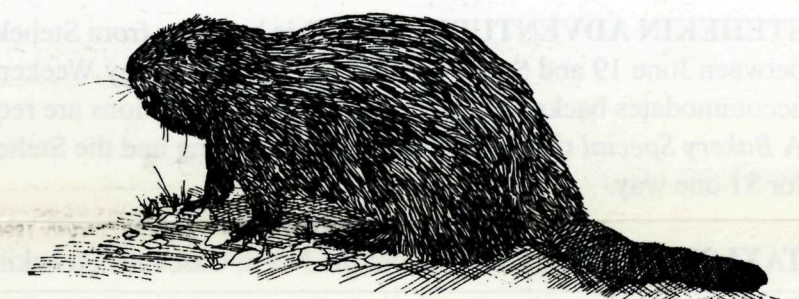
Leave No Trace:

- ◆ Plan ahead and prepare
- ◆ Camp and travel on durable surfaces
- ◆ Pack it in, Pack it out
- ◆ Properly dispose of what you can't pack out
- ◆ Leave what you find
- ◆ Minimize use and impact of fires

Stehekin Valley Road Campsites

Travel Areas	Campgrounds	Number of Sites	Tent Pads	Distance From Landing - Miles	Elevation - feet	Fires Allowed?	Group Camping?	Access: (Road, Boat, Foot)	Comments
Lower Valley	Purple Point	7	7	0.3	1100	Y		R,B,F	Only campground near Stehekin Landing. Water.
	Harlequin	7	14	4.4	1200	Y	Y	R,F	Has separate group campground. Reservations required. Nearest camp to Rainbow Falls, Rainbow Loop & River Trails.
High Bridge Area	Bullion (stock)	2	4	10	1250	Y		R,F	Primarily a hunting camp.
	High Bridge	2	4	11	1650	Y		R,F	Located at junction of Agnes Creek Trail, Pacific Crest Trail (PCT) South and Stehekin Valley Road. Stock corral available.
	Tumwater	2	4	12	1750	Y		R,F	
Mid-Valley	Dolly Varden	2	2	13	1920	Y		R,F	
	Shady	1	2	14.7	1920	Y		R,F	
	Bridge Creek	6	10	16	2100	Y	Y	R,F	Located at junction of PCT North and Stehekin Valley Road. Separate group camp. Reservations required. Stock corral available.
Upper Valley	Park Creek	2	2	18.5	2250	Y		R,F	
	Flat Creek	4	5	18.8	2300	Y		R,F	Located across bridge from the road.
	Cottonwood	4	4	23	2750	Y		R,F	Located at official end of Stehekin Valley Road. Presently the road ends at Flat Creek due to severe floods in 1995.
	Weaver Point	22	22	N/A	1100	Y		B,F	Popular camping spot on weekends. Only direct access to Stehekin Landing is by boat. River Trail starts here. 4 miles to Harlequin. Water available.
Lakeside (\$5.00 docking permit required)	Manley Wham	1	1	N/A	1100	Y		B	Lakeshore camp near Bridal Veil Falls.
	Flick Creek	1	1	N/A	1100	Y		B,F	Camp located near Lakeshore Trail.

Free permits are needed for overnight stays at all National Park & Recreation Area campgrounds. Permits available at Ranger Stations on a first come first served basis.



SEE INSET

Stehekin Transportation Services

The 23-mile Stehekin Valley Road is paved for four miles from Stehekin Landing and becomes gravel at Harlequin Campground. Along the way are many views of the Stehekin River, glacier-clad jagged peaks, and dense coniferous forests.

Transportation is offered along the road for your enjoyment and convenience. Drivers provide a narrated tour along the way, as well as camping and hiking information. You may get on or off the buses at any location. Infant seats are available on the NPS bus.

STEHEKIN VALLEY ROAD STATUS: Beyond High Bridge, 11 miles up the valley, many sections of the road were damaged by the floods of November '95. At present, the road is open to Bridge Creek. The targeted opening date from Bridge Creek to Flat Creek is July 17. Hikers, horseback parties, bicyclists, motorbikes and motorcycles, however, can continue travelling up the road as far as snow and road conditions permit.

Above Flat Creek, a channel of the river is flowing down the road for approximately 3000'. Due to this damage, the road will remain closed above Flat Creek until conditions change and the road can be repaired. A trail has been established and will be maintained along this section of road. Hikers and horseback parties will be able to use this trail. Bicycles are allowed, but not recommended. Ask a ranger about latest conditions on the road.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE SHUTTLE BUS:

Reservations are recommended, and can be made up to 2 days before a ride or trail departure in person in ranger stations at Stehekin, Chelan, Marblemount, North Cascades Visitor Center, and Sedro-Woolley Information Station. To ensure a seat, reservations may be made more than 2 days in advance by calling the Golden West Visitor Center (360-856-5700, ext. 340, then ext. 14) from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm after May 14. Long-term reservations must be reconfirmed by telephone or in person between 2 and 4 days in advance of the bus ride or departure on trail. Otherwise, the reservations will be cancelled. Buses do not leave specified points before the scheduled times. Vehicle, road, or other problems sometimes cause delays.



STEHEKIN ADVENTURE BUS: This bus runs from Stehekin Landing to High Bridge between June 19 and September 30 and Memorial Day Weekend May 22 - 25th. The bus accommodates backpacks and bicycles. No reservations are required for this 36-passenger bus. A *Bakery Special* ride between Stehekin Landing and the Stehekin Pastry Company is available for \$1 one way.

TAXI SERVICE: Available from the North Cascades Stehekin Lodge.

Hey Kids!!! (and Mom & Dad!)

What's there to do in Stehekin you ask? Fill in the blanks and find out!!

- 1) Hit the trails and go for a _____!
- 2) Become a North Cascades National Park Junior _____.
- 3) Pedal up the Stehekin Valley Road on a _____.
- 4) Jump up on the saddle and take a _____ ride (10 years & older).
- 5) Stop by the Golden West _____ and visit the Children's Discovery Area.
- 6) Take an old-fashioned horse-drawn _____ ride.
- 7) If it's water you like, you can have lots of fun taking a _____ trip down the Stehekin River.
- 8) And when the heat starts getting to you, be sure to stop by the Stehekin Bakery for cookies and _____! What a treat!

But that's not all...we have some free activity sheets called '**Wild Things**'. Meander through a maze or learn how to write a shape poem! We also have an activity book called '**Nature's Recyclers**'. Have you ever wanted to learn how to make your own paper? Stop by the Golden West Visitor Center to pick up either of these items and learn more about becoming a Junior Ranger. And if you still can't think of ANYTHING to do while in Stehekin...ask a ranger at the information desk. I'm sure they will come up with some wonderful ideas!!

****Answers: 1. hike 2. Ranger 3. bicycle 4. horseback 5. Visitor Center 6. wagon 7. raft 8. ice cream**

1998 SHUTTLE SERVICE - STEHEKIN VALLEY ROAD

National Park Service Shuttle Van

May 26 - June 18	Stehekin Landing		High Bridge		Stehekin Landing	
	LV	ARR	LV	ARR	LV	ARR
	8:00	9:00	9:15	10:00	3:00	5:00

June 19 - July 16	High Bridge		Bridge Creek		High Bridge	
	LV	ARR	LV	ARR	LV	ARR
	9:15	9:45	11:15	11:45	12:15	2:45

July 17 - Sept. 30	High Bridge		Bridge Creek		Flat Creek		Bridge Creek		High Bridge	
	LV	ARR	LV	ARR	LV	ARR	LV	ARR	LV	ARR
	9:15	9:45	9:55	10:15	10:45	11:05	11:15	11:45	12:15	2:45

Oct. 1 - Oct. 12	Stehekin Landing		High Bridge		Bridge Creek		Flat Creek		Bridge Creek		High Bridge		Stehekin Landing	
	LV	ARR	LV	ARR	LV	ARR	LV	ARR	LV	ARR	LV	ARR	LV	ARR
	8:00	9:00	9:15	9:45	9:55	10:15	10:45	11:05	11:15	11:45	12:00	12:45	2:00	6:45

The Stehekin Adventure Company Bus

May 22 - 25 / June 19 - Sept. 30	Stehekin Landing		High Bridge		Stehekin Landing	
	LV	ARR	LV	ARR	LV	ARR
	8:15	9:00	9:00	10:15	11:15	1:15

♦ = The Stehekin Adventure Co. Bus services the Stehekin Landing to High Bridge area during the indicated dates. No reservations required on this 36 passenger bus. One way fare is \$5.00 per adult, \$3.00 children 12 and under.