

No list of flowers that should not be picked will accurately fit all communities. Each community should study its own conditions and make up its own lists of the plants that need complete or partial protection. In general all flowering plants, including shrubs, need protection along roads and trails and near cities.

One exception to the rule of not transplanting is suggested. Quite often,

lots on which buildings are to be erected, fields that are to be broken up for farm land, strips where new roads are going through, areas to be flooded by construction of dams, etc., are covered with wild flowers. In such spots, where the plant life will be destroyed by the development, it is a good move for those interested in saving the wild flowers to get permission to go in and remove the plants for transplanting.

Resolutions Adopted by Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs

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1. Creating New County and State Parks.

Whereas, various counties in the Pacific Coast States are acquiring tax delinquent logged-off lands and inaccessible forest areas of slight commercial value, and

Whereas, portions of these areas are suited for recreational purposes, park sites and primitive areas, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs endorse the creation of recreational, park and primitive areas from portions of these tax delinquent properties. Said areas to be under State or County jurisdiction.

2. Sale of State Park Lands.

Whereas, attempts are made from time to time to encroach upon state park lands for commercial purposes, as is illustrated by the proposed California Senate Constitutional Amendment No. 33, which permits the sale or leasing of lands in the state parks, and

Whereas, a national interest in the California state park system has been created by the expenditure of federal funds and by huge private donations, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs go on record as opposing any changes in state laws to

permit sale, lease or other disposition of state park lands.

3. State Park Legislative Protection

Resolved, that the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs recommend to its member clubs that they request candidates for legislative office to pledge that they will resist any encroachment on or dismemberment of existing state parks.

4. Protection of Shore Line State Parks.

Whereas, the attractiveness of the ocean parks along the Pacific Coast is threatened by encroachment of nearby unsightly commercial developments marring scenic beauty, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs recommend to the appropriate state park authorities that they acquire more roadside strips between highways and the ocean front.

5. Pacific Crest Trail Use.

Resolved, that the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs refer to its several member clubs for their consideration, the matter of promoting interest in maintenance and use of such portions of the Pacific Crest Trail as are situated in their respective localities.

6. Pacific Crest Trail Construction.

Whereas, it is felt that construction and maintenance of trails and ski trails

along the Pacific Crest and other portions of the back country in the national forests have been unduly neglected by reason of regulations restricting the location of the CCC projects, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs recommend to the appropriate government agencies that they modify their regulations so as to permit the use of CCC enrollees in remote areas.

7. Mountain Peak Shelter Huts in Washington.

Whereas, in order to promote safety on climbs of major peaks in the State of Washington, there is a need for shelter huts at suitable locations for base camps and high camps, including among others, Steamboat Prow on Mt. Rainier, and at Ingalls Creek on Mt. Stuart, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs urge the National Park and Forest Services to use the means at their disposal for the erection of such shelter huts.

8. Entrance of Non-Profit Groups to National Parks

Whereas, office order 320 of the National Park Service, dated February 7, 1936, has been variously interpreted by park officials, resulting in confusion and inconvenience to organized non-profit groups using the parks, and

Whereas, it is felt that such confusion and inconvenience can be remedied by a more definite and specific executive order, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs does respectfully urge the National Park Service to establish uniformity of practice by means of an order applicable to all parks definitely authorizing non-profit organizations to provide their own transportation facilities such as busses and pack trains.

9. Mining in National Parks and Monuments.

Resolved, that the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs is in favor of maintaining the present status of the National Parks and Monuments in regard to mining.

10. National Park Ranger Naturalists.

Whereas, the Ranger-Naturalist service provided by the National Parks has proved to be of outstanding value in providing for park visitors understanding and enjoyment of the geology, flora and fauna in the park regions, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs urges the continuation of this service and the appropriations therefor.

11. Antiquities Act.

Whereas, HR-9351 and S-3827 have been introduced in Congress providing for amendment of the Antiquities Act of June 8, 1906, by repealing that portion under which National Monuments are established and by providing for creation of National recreational areas under the administration of the National Park Service, and

Whereas, consequences of the proposed amendment are not clarified and have not been explained to the satisfaction of the member clubs, or the Federation itself, and

Whereas, it is generally felt that there is no present need for modification of the existing act, now therefore be it

Resolved, that the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs go on record as opposed to the enactment of HR-9351 and S-3827 now pending in Congress.

12. Forest Service and Roadside Strips.

Resolved, that the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs endorse the legislation now pending in Congress to

provide for acquisition of road-side strips of timber and to appropriate moneys therefor.

13. Forest and Park Service Cooperation.

Resolved, that the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs express its appreciation to the National Park and Forest Service officials for their splendid spirit of cooperation with the Federation and member clubs during the past year and their attendance and participation in the Convention.

14. Climbing Regulation in National Park and Forest.

Whereas, mountain climbing accidents have resulted in National Park and National Forest areas from ill-advised climbs and inexperienced climbers, and

Whereas, the National Park has established a climbing instruction and supervision service which has definitely proven of value in Yosemite National Park and elsewhere, therefore be it

Resolved, that the National Forest Service be urged to promulgate and publish a mountain climbing policy to encourage registration of all climbers and consultation of climbers with Forest Service officials regarding destinations, routes, and other matters affecting climbs, and be it further

Resolved, that the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs recommend to its member clubs that they extend to the National Park and the National Forest services any available information to promote climbing safety.

15. Federal Mining Law Changes.

Whereas, under the existing Federal mining laws, non-mineral lands in the National Forests have, under the pretext of mining, been appropriated for other purposes injurious to proper forest uses and scenic values, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Federation of

Western Outdoor Clubs go on record as urging amendment of the mining laws by Congress to provide that all mining patents hereafter issued shall restrict grants of surface rights to use for actual mining purposes.

16. Skiing.

Resolved, that it be the policy of the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs and the recommendation of the Federation to its member clubs that they cooperate to such extent as may be feasible with other organizations to provide instruction in skiing fundamentals and in first aid and to provide ski patrol facilities.

17. Cooperation with Conservation Groups.

Whereas, The Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs has common interests with the National Parks Association, American Forestry Association, Wilderness Society, and other National conservation clubs, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs recommend to its member clubs that they cooperate with such national organizations in cases where such common interests have been demonstrated and adequate information has been obtained.

18. Appreciation and Thanks.

Resolved, that the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs express its appreciation to the Washington Alpine Club, Sahalie Ski Club and Mountaineers, Inc., for the excellent program and entertainment provided and the use of their facilities for the Convention.

19. New Committees.

Resolved, that the incoming president of the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs appoint appropriate committees to follow up and put into effect the several resolutions of the Federation and that copies of the resolutions be sent to the proper government agencies.