



Kitsap Mineral and Gem Society

General Meeting:

Friday, January 11, 2013 7:00 PM

At the Chico Alliance Church

3670 Chico Way NE

Bremerton, Washington

(In the basement daycare area, back side of building.) No Program for January

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Board Meeting:

Thursday, January 17, 2013 6:30 PM

Also at the church, in the Junior's Program room.

Refreshments for January 11, 2013 Meeting:

If your last name begins with the letter "A", "B", or "D", you will be responsible for bringing refreshments (finger food to be placed on a napkin) and for helping in the kitchen with set-up and clean-up.

Deadline for February, 2013

Newsletter:

January 25, 2013

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Or Call (360) 830-4638

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Beaders: Meet on January 2nd at 6:30 PM. The Beaders will meet at Lorene Leider's. Please contact Lorene at (360) 627-8142 if you plan to attend and need directions. The gathering is quite weather dependent this time of year and could be canceled at the last minute.

**ALERT ALERT ALERT TIME CRITICAL LAND USE ISSUE FOR
ROCK COLLECTING ON STATE LANDS**

Knappers and rockhounds:

We have an opportunity to obtain access to Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) lands for rock collecting.

These agencies are in the process of developing a plan for public outdoor recreation on the Naneum State Forest, The Colockum area and the Quilomene and Whiskey dick areas. They are in the process of collecting information that will determine what kinds of recreation and recreationists will be allowed on this 230,000 acre area that contains a very large resource of collectable and knappable rocks.

The agencies are conducting an online survey to determine what kind of recreation will be provided. This may be our best opportunity yet to obtain rock collecting rights in these areas.

IT IS ABSOLUTELY CRITICAL THAT EVERY ROCKHOUND AND KNAPPER WE CAN FIND PARTICIPATES IN THIS EASY ON LINE SURVEY.

HERE IS WHAT TO DO:

1. Click on the following link: http://www.dnr.wa.gov/RecreationEducation/Topics/RecreationPlanning/Pages/amp_rec_naneum_rec_planning.aspx
2. Click on : NEW! Dream big! Give state agencies advice on Naneum recreation plan. Hurry, survey ends January 4,2013
3. Complete the online survey. Be sure to mark rock collecting as one of the activities you want to be provided in the area. (or maybe only mark rock collecting as an activity you want)
4. In the area for comments be sure to say that rock collecting is very important to you and that the state agencies need to do a much better job of providing rock collecting opportunities.

From the Washington State Mineral Council



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