

Sept. 8	Sioux Falls Session	GFP Stakeholder Sessions Regional Summaries
Category	Top Outcomes	Strategies
<b>Hunting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enhance habitat and soil health through partnerships between parks and public interests</li> <li>• Sustainable and ongoing funding source</li> <li>• Improved access for wildlife recreational opportunities</li> </ul>	<p><b>Habitat Education</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue GFP workshops on conservation - what we do and how we operate</li> <li>• Continue to promote Habitat Pay in coordination with Ag Dept.</li> <li>• Collaboration between wildlife agencies and ag groups (e.g. commodity groups like Corn Growers, etc.)</li> </ul> <p><b>Funding</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capitalize and build on Conservation Fund from Pheasant group – build/expand funding and expand existing programs</li> <li>• Bring all mentoring groups together to discuss better use of resources &amp; promote youth hunting (e.g. FFA, 4-H, City youth programs, church groups)</li> <li>• Share manpower and resources with other organizations to accomplish more</li> <li>• Reduced hunting license cost to increase # of hunters</li> </ul> <p><b>Access</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tie habitat payments to access, emphasize quality</li> <li>• Utilize CREP acres</li> <li>• Understand the opportunities</li> </ul>
<b>Fishing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recruitment and retention of fishing citizens (average age is currently 48) – Big brother/big sister program for long term fishing opportunities</li> <li>• Improve facilities – docks, lights, etc.</li> <li>• Water quality &amp; habitat</li> </ul>	<p><b>Recruitment &amp; Retention</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Youth/mentor programs/family education – research &amp; address constraints to participation</li> <li>• Market fishing – enjoyable, affordable, healthy eating</li> <li>• Make fishing fun</li> <li>• More incentives (free fishing)</li> </ul> <p><b>Facilities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More fishing piers – not every lake needs a good boat ramp</li> <li>• Partner with associations/park foundations for matching funds (for facilities)</li> <li>• Create endowment</li> </ul>

		<b>Water Quality &amp; Habitat</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase awareness of natural resources – we all need to be involved, water quality and how it affects economy for all</li> </ul>
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<b>Parks</b>	<p><b><u>Group 1</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More opportunities for everyone</li> <li>• More trails – ATV, Biking, Hiking, Horse</li> <li>• Focus parks’ advertising on natural resources and activities</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Group 2</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diversity in parks – lose cookie cutter approach</li> <li>• Preservation of history including education and interpretation</li> <li>• Expand shooting sports - archery, firearms, recreational</li> <li>• Increase interaction between parks and community</li> <li>• ‘Off-campus’ outreach into communities</li> <li>• Increase revenue &amp; research into parks &amp; diversifying the use and experiences available</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Group 1</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Partner with user groups, landowners</li> <li>• Research feasibility of one area for ATV park development – work with landowners</li> <li>• Focused outreach</li> <li>• Create new parks to handle numbers</li> <li>• Bring people with common interest together with GFP as pivot point</li> <li>• Offer clinics to teach, enhance skill sets &amp; promote</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Group 2</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop more internships</li> <li>• Develop a GFP traveling road show – mobile unit</li> <li>• Match parks resources with its activities - re-evaluate and customize individual park plan</li> <li>• Explore and expand partnerships with education, private business, NGOs, communities</li> <li>• Develop dedicated funding streams (conservation) \with new, non-traditional sources – license plates, fees, art contests, match for other sources</li> <li>• Promote endowments to the Parks Foundation, legacies, etc.</li> <li>• More emphasis on non-traditional users (non-hunters, fishermen, campers)</li> <li>• Community outreach to expose youth to outdoors/resources</li> </ul>