



AGENDA

Game, Fish and Parks Commission

November 4-5, 2021

Red Rossa Conference Center – 808 W. Sioux Ave., Pierre, SD

Zoom Video Conference (see below)

Livestream link <https://www.sd.net/>

This meeting will be held in person, via zoom/conference call, and livestream. To listen to the entire meeting beginning at 2:00 p.m. CT via livestream at <https://www.sd.net/>.

The open forum will begin at 2:00 p.m. CT on November 4. To provide comments join the meeting in person, via zoom or conference call per the info below. To conduct the open forum as efficiently as possible we ask those wishing to testify to **register by 1:00 pm CT by email to Rachel.comes@state.sd.us**. Testifiers should provide their full names, whom they are representing, city of residence, and which proposed topic they will be addressing.

Written comments can be submitted at <https://gfp.sd.gov/forms/positions/>. To be included in the public record comments must include full name and city of residence and meet the submission deadline of seventy-two hours before the meeting (not including the day of the meeting)

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THURSDAY

Zoom Meeting Link <https://state-sd.zoom.us/j/93545413513?pwd=cnp1VExrQjF2OGV1VVNcMUeWmWZVZz09>

or join via conference call Dial 1 669 900 9128 Meeting ID: 935 4541 3513 Password: 286872

FRIDAY

Zoom Meeting Link <https://state-sd.zoom.us/j/99541450652?pwd=OE4rdzd0ZUI2MEI0bzY3czhDUW53UT09>

or join via conference call Dial 1 669 900 9128 Meeting ID: 995 4145 0652 Password: 938999

Call to order 2:00 PM CT/ 1:00 PM MT

Division of Administration

Action Items:

1. Conflict of Interest Disclosure
2. Approve Minutes of the October 2021 Meeting

<https://gfp.sd.gov/commission/archives/>

3. Additional Commissioner Salary Days
4. 2022 Commission Meeting Schedule

Information Items:

5. Second Century Habitat Fund Board – Fundraising Update
6. R3 and Education Plan Update
7. Rapid City Firearms Range – Project status

Open Forum

Portion of the meeting designated for public comment on other items of interest. (Typically limited to 3 minutes per person)

Proposals

8. Public Waters
9. Other Migratory Game Birds
10. License Agent Processes
11. Camping Reservation Refund Policy

Division of Parks and Recreation

Information Items:

12. Spring Creek Concession Update
13. Angostura and Shadehill Lease Rental Rates
14. Volunteer Program Update
15. Capital Development Five Year Plan
16. CSP Barnes Canyon Proposal
17. Revenue and Visitation

Division of Wildlife

Action Items:

18. Boy Scout Property Purchase – Resolution

Information Items:

19. Deer Drawing Structure
20. Fish Production Development Plan
21. Bighorn Sheep Management Update
22. Big Sioux River CREP
23. EHD Update
24. Habitat and Access Update
25. French Creek Stream Cooling Study
26. Sage Grouse Action Plan
27. Award Presentation
28. Licenses Sales Update

Solicitation of Agenda Items from Commissioners

Adjourn

Next meeting information: December 9-10, 2021 – Brookings

**Minutes of the Game, Fish, and Parks Commission
October 7-8, 2021**

Chairman Russell Olson called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. MT. Commissioners Julie Bartling, Travis Bies, Jon Locken, Stephanie Rissler (virtual), Doug Sharp (virtual), Robert Whitmyre and Russell Olson were present. Public and staff were able to listen via SDPB livestream and participate via video conference or in person with approximately 60 total participants via zoom and 50 in person.

DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION

Conflict of Interest Disclosure

Chairman Olson called for conflicts of interest to be disclosed. None were presented.

Approval of Minutes

Olson called for any additions or corrections to the September 1-2, 2021 regular meeting minutes or a motion for approval.

Motion by Bartling with second by Whitmyre TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE September 1-2, 2021 MEETING. Motion carried unanimously.

Additional Commissioner Salary Days

Olson called for additional salary days. Bies submitted 1 salary day (ADC Meeting), Whitmyre and Locken each submitted 1 salary day (AIS Meeting). Motion by Bartling with second by Bies TO APPROVE THE SALARY DAYS AS REQUESTED. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Hearing began at 2:03 p.m. and concluded at 2:05 p.m. The minutes follow these Commission meeting minutes.

OPEN FORUM

Jon Kotilnek, senior staff attorney, opened the floor for discussion from those in attendance on matters of importance to them that may not be on the agenda.

Julie Anderson - Rapid City, SD, (received via email due to technical difficulties) I would like to comment on the decision made by the commission at the September 1st meeting to give hound hunters more access when pursuing mountain lions. I fail to see with 103 comments against hound and trophy hunting that this amendment not only passed, but did so unanimously and without debate. You cannot expect people to understand and accept this decision without explanation. Therefore I propose a question and answer forum and a brief comment by each commissioner as to their vote, be required. All decisions made by a state agency require accountability and transparency to the public and this agency is no exception to that rule.

License List Request

Not submitted

Go Outdoors SD Update

Heather Villa, Wildlife Administration Chief and staff from Brandt provided an update on the new Go Outdoors SD system.

CanAm Ticket Sales

Nick Harrington, communications manager for GFP, shared an update regarding the Can-Am raffle. Individuals can purchase tickets for a Can-Am Defender with all proceeds supporting the Second Century Habitat Fund. To date, approximately \$250,000 has been raised to support the Second Century Habitat Fund. The raffle closes October 22 at midnight and GFP is excited to see how much money ultimately is raised to support habitat through this raffle.

Pheasant Hunting Marketing and Public Relations

Nick Harrington, communications manager for GFP, shared an update regarding marketing and public relations regarding the upcoming pheasant season. GFP is currently working with the Department of Tourism to market South Dakota as a premier pheasant hunting destination, while also utilizing traditional communications platforms to continue sharing information regarding the season. GFP is currently sharing messages via email and social media regarding conditions in the field, recreating respectfully and other key information for planning their hunt.

605 Magazine Series on Habitat and Access

Nick Harrington, communications manager for GFP, shared an update regarding a partnership between GFP and 605 Magazine. Through this partnership, GFP has worked with 605 to create three videos and articles. The first video was in southeast South Dakota discussing the controlled hunting access program. The second video was in northeast South Dakota highlighting the walk-in area program. The third was in Custer State Park discussing how GFP manages the ecosystem, park system and provides an incredible visitor experience. Additionally, the Outdoor Campus East in Sioux Falls also took 605 through the Hunting 101 program and assisted them in harvesting their first deer through the apprentice license. GFP will continue to evaluate these partnerships and the benefits they provide in reaching new audiences.

Rapid City Shooting Range Update

John Kanta, terrestrial's chief, provided an update on the status of the Rapid City Shooting Range.

FINALIZATIONS

Park Entrance License Sale Date

Scott Simpson, division director, presented the recommended changes to allow some flexibility to the date in which annual park entrance licenses can be sold instead of limiting it to be October 1. Allowing flexibility with the issue date will help meet customer expectations in those years when it makes sense to issue licenses prior to October 1.

Motioned by Bies, second by Locken TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDED CHANGE TO SALE DATE OF PARK ENTRANCE LICENSES. Motion carried unanimously.

Camping Fees

Scott Simpson, division director, presented the recommended changes to camping fees adding Dude Ranch, Elk Creek, and Sheps Canyon lakeside Use Area to basic campground fees, remove Randall Creek from the preferred campground fees and adding it to the prime campground fees, and changing the CSP French Creek Horse Camp to \$36.

Motioned by Bies, second by Bartling TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO CHARGE BASIC CAMPING FEES AT DUDE RANCH, ELM CREEK AND SHEPS CANYON LAKESIDE USE AREA. TO MOVE RANDALL CREEK FROM A PREFERRED CAMPGROUND TO PRIME CAMPSITE FEE LIST. AND TO APPROVE THE INCREASED CAMPING FEE AT CSP FRENCH CREEK HORSE CAMP FROM \$31 TO \$36. Motion carried unanimously.

Park Check Out Time

Scott Simpson, division director, presented the recommended changes to make checkout times for all state park lodging 11:00am for consistency to reduce confusion with customers and provide adequate time for cleaning between stays.

Motioned by Bies, second by Bartling TO MAKE CHECKOUT TIMES FOR ALL STATE PARK LODGING 11:00AM. Motion carried unanimously.

DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Lewis and Clark Resort Collateral Assignment

Parks Deputy Director Al Nedved provided background on the current Lewis and Clark Resort concession operation, the recently approved expansion as well as an explanation of the Possessory Interest at Lewis and Clark Resort. Nedved explained the necessity of the requested collateral assignment as the lender's desire to have a successor interest in the Possessory Interest in the event of a default on the part of the Concessionaire relating to its loan agreement with the lender. Nedved explained that a Collateral Assignment is currently in place with First Dakota National Bank, and due to the recent expansion, the Concessionaire is needing to refinance the operation to account for the additional costs. The Concessionaire has chosen to refinance the operation with a new lender, Elkhorn Valley Bank and Trust. Nedved requested authorization from the Commission to transfer the Collateral Assignment from First Dakota National Bank to Elkhorn Valley Bank and Trust, and for the Department to execute the agreement. Chairman Olson asked about responsibility of legal reviews of the arrangement. Nedved explained that while Department legal counsel does review the agreement, the responsibility to draft the agreement is that of the Concessionaire and the Lender

Motioned by Whitmyre, second by Bies TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF COLLATERAL ASSIGNMENT TO ELKHORN VALLEY BANK AND TRUST. Motion carried unanimously.

LWCF Projects

Randy Kittle, provided the commission an update on Land and Water Conservation Funds and the approved projects.

Buffalo Round up and Trail Trek

Matt Snyder, regional supervisor, provided an update on the annual buffalo round up and trail trek. The 56th Annual Governor's Buffalo Roundup set a new visitation record. 22,452 were in the crowd. Besting the previous record set in 2015 during the 50th of 22,078. Over 53,000 people viewed the event online through social media and directly on the SDPB website and that number continues to grow daily as viewers go on YouTube to watch the replay of the broadcast. Custer State Park worked with South Dakota Tourism to assist in the promotion of the livestream on a national level. The park estimated 1,356 animals were in the roundup and plans to sell 370 of them at the annual auction on November 6.

This year the trek had 559 participants participate in the annual 3-day bicycle ride. The weather was perfect, and riders had a great time. Our oldest rider this year was 85 and the youngest was 13 years. Overall, we had 29 states represented with South Dakota having the most riders and Nebraska coming in second. Riders enjoyed the early fall colors and cool crisp mornings. Next year's registration for the Fall Trek will open December 15. We also offer a Summer Trek with registration opening November 17.

Snowmobile Trails

District Park Supervisors, Ryan Raynor and Shannon Percy, presented information to the Commission regarding the snowmobile trails.

Spring Creek Land Purchase

Scott Simpson, parks division director, informed the Commission on a land purchase of one lot at the private RV park near Spring Creek to allow for a public access road.

Low Water Access Issues

Scott Simpson, parks division director, and Al Nedved, parks and recreation deputy director informed the Commission of low water access issues and concerns going forward.

Cartegraph Update

Heather Berg, program specialist, provided a demonstration of the asset and project management programs utilized by the parks division

Revenue, Camping and Visitation Report

Al Nedved, Parks and Recreation Deputy Director, provided September's revenue, visitation and camping report.

DIVISION OF WILDLIFE

Newton Hills Boy Scout Land Acquisition

Paul Coughlin, program manager provided the Commission an update on the land acquisition at Newton Hills.

GPA Sales Update

Paul Coughlin, program manager provided the Commission an update on GPA sales.

Nonresident Waterfowl Season Structures

Tom Kirschenmann, wildlife division director, provided an update on current nonresident waterfowl season structures.

AIS Program Update

Tanner Davis provided the Commission information on the aquatic invasive species program.

French Creek Temperature Study – held for future meeting**EHD Update**

Andrew Norton, senior wildlife biologist presented a powerpoint on hemorrhagic disease.

Bighorn Sheep Update

Chad Lehman, senior wildlife biologist provided information on bighorn sheep.

License Sales Update

Tom Kirschenmann, wildlife division director, provided an update on resident and nonresident license sales.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kevin Robling, Department Secretary

**Public Hearing Minutes of the Game, Fish and Parks Commission
October 7, 2021**

The Commission chair Russell Olson began the public hearing at 2:00 p.m. CT. Commissioners Julie Bartling, Travis Bies, Jon Locken, Stephanie Rissler (virtual), Doug Sharp (virtual), Robert Whitmyre and Russell Olson were present. Kotilnek indicated written comments were provided to the Commissioners prior to this time and will be reflected in the Public Hearing Minutes. Kotilnek then invited the public to come forward with oral testimony. Written comments attached.

Park Entrance License Sale Date

No verbal comments

Camping Fees

No verbal comments

Park Check Out Time

No verbal comments

The public Hearing concluded at 2:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kevin Robling, Department Secretary



GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION

2022 MEETING SCHEDULE

January 4-5 Pierre

Tuesday/Wednesday

February No Meeting

March 3-4 Pierre

April 7-8 Watertown

May 5-6 Custer State Park

June 2-3 Aberdeen

July 7-8 Spearfish

August No Meeting

September 1-2 Sioux Falls

Wednesday/Thursday

October 6-7 Rapid City

November 3-4 Madison

December 1-2 Pierre

Meeting times are typically Thursday 1:00p.m. -5:00p.m. reconvening Friday 8:00a.m.-12:00p.m.

GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

Public Waters Chapter 41:04:02

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	November 4-5, 2021	Pierre
	Public Hearing	January 4, 2022	Pierre
	Finalization	January 4-5, 2022	Pierre

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

Recommended changes from last year:

1. Remove no boating zones and allow for non-motorized watercraft within the Waubay National Wildlife Refuge and the Waubay State Game Bird Refuge.

SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

GFP and the USFWS have been in collaboration to discuss ways to increase recreational opportunities, while still meeting the objectives of the refuge system. The USFWS Refuge System recently removed restrictions to increase outdoor opportunities at Waubay National Wildlife Refuge within their mission and management responsibilities. These respective administrative rules are prohibiting the USFWS from allowing these outdoor opportunities.

DRAFT ADMINISTRATIVE RULE CHANGES

The following are proposed draft changes that are intended to incorporate the recommended changes adopted by the Commission.

41:04:02:18. Day County public water safety zones. Day County public water safety zones are as follows:

- ~~(3) The waters of Hillebrand's Lake are a "no boating zone";~~
- ~~(4) The waters of Spring Lake are a "no boating zone";~~
- ~~(5) The waters of Swan Pond are a "no boating zone";~~
- (3) The waters within the boundary of Waubay National Wildlife Refuge, including the waters within the Waubay State Game Bird Refuge, except for designated trails, are a "no motor vehicle zone"; non-motorized watercraft are allowed;

RESIDENT/NONRESIDENT CRITERIA

1. The Issue
 - Why make the change, what are the change alternatives, how will public/stakeholder input be solicited, and how will the change be evaluated if implemented? The USFWS Refuge System recently removed restrictions to increase outdoor opportunities within their mission and management responsibilities. These respective administrative rules are prohibiting the USFWS from allowing these outdoor opportunities.
2. Historical Considerations
 - Until recently, these areas were closed to the above described activities.
3. Biological Considerations
 - What is the current and projected status of the population and habitat conditions for these populations? Not applicable.
4. Social Considerations
 - Not applicable.
5. Financial considerations
 - Not applicable.

APPROVE _____ **MODIFY** _____ **REJECT** _____ **NO ACTION** _____

RECRUITMENT, RETENTION, REACTIVATION (R3) CRITERIA

1. Does the regulation or fee inhibit a user's ability to participate? No.
2. Does the regulation increase the opportunity for new and existing users? Yes, it provides recreational opportunities for those using non-motorized boats, canoes, and kayaks in a new area.
3. How does the regulation impact the next generation of hunters, anglers, trappers, and outdoor recreationists? Provides recreational opportunities for those using non-motorized boats, canoes, and kayaks in a new area.
4. Does the regulation enhance the quality of life for current and future generations by getting families outdoors? Yes.

FISCAL IMPACT

Not applicable.

APPROVE _____ **MODIFY** _____ **REJECT** _____ **NO ACTION** _____

GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

License Agents Chapter 41:02:01

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	November 4-5, 2021	Pierre
	Public Hearing	January 4, 2022	Pierre
	Finalization	January 4-5, 2022	Pierre

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

Recommended changes from last year:

1. Modify two administrative rules to align new business practices with GFP's new licensing system and requirements.
 - a. Adjust electronic ACH transfers, processes, and timeframe for payments
 - b. Remove the use of Emergency Authorization books

SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

GFP will be launching the new licensing system on December 15, 2021. Once this occurs, license agents will be required to work within new business practices (i.e. electronic ACH transfers and different timeframes when the electronic money sweeps occur) to continue to be a license agent for GFP. License agents serve an important role for selling licenses on behalf of GFP as well as providing hunters with the ability to purchase hunting and fishing licenses outside normal business hours that GFP offices are open. As technology advances, the ability to sell paper hunting and fishing licenses is no longer needed. Customers will be able to purchase licenses online (through GFP's licensing website) or by visiting a license agent or by calling GFP's call center.

DRAFT ADMINISTRATIVE RULE CHANGES

The following are proposed draft changes that are intended to incorporate the recommended changes adopted by the Commission.

41:02:01:07. Licensing agents report of sales -- Fees remitted. Any licensing agent appointed by the department shall be responsible to the department for payment of all license fees the agent collects on behalf of the department. The department shall produce and distribute invoices for the previous month and shall be made available in an electronic system by the first of each month. ~~for the previous month's recorded sales to each licensing agent no later than the fifteenth day of each month. The department shall make electronic fund sweeps for monthly sales on the 25th day of each month or the next following business day. Each licensing agent shall remit payment by the tenth day of the month following the invoice date.~~ For the purposes of this chapter, the term, license fees, means all fees collected by a licensing agent in connection with the sale of hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses, except for that portion of the fees which are established pursuant to SDCL 41-6-66.1.

41:02:01:12. Emergency authorization books. ~~Each licensing agent using a book containing emergency authorization licenses shall legibly record all information that is requested on the license. The agent shall enter all emergency authorization licenses into the department's licensing system, either online or through the department's licensing call center, no later than 48 hours after issuing an emergency authorization license. An emergency authorization license book shall be returned to the department's licensing office within seven days following issuance of the last license in the book. A~~

APPROVE _____	MODIFY _____	REJECT _____	NO ACTION _____
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~~licensing agent shall account for each emergency authorization license at the end of the license season or at the time of termination of licensing agent status. A licensing agent is responsible for any emergency authorization license issued to the agent. The department shall assess an agent \$110 for each missing emergency authorization license. If any missing emergency authorization license is recovered by the agent after the agent has paid \$110 for the missing license, the licensing agent may return the license to the department's licensing office and obtain a full refund Repealed.~~

RESIDENT/NONRESIDENT CRITERIA

1. The Issue
 - N/A
2. Historical Considerations
 - N/A
3. Biological Considerations
 - N/A
4. Social Considerations
 - N/A
5. Financial considerations
 - N/A

RECRUITMENT, RETENTION, REACTIVATION (R3) CRITERIA

1. Does the regulation or fee inhibit a user's ability to participate? No.
2. Does the regulation increase the opportunity for new and existing users? N/A
3. How does the regulation impact the next generation of hunters, anglers, trappers, and outdoor recreationists? N/A
4. Does the regulation enhance the quality of life for current and future generations by getting families outdoors? N/A

FISCAL IMPACT

Not applicable.

APPROVE _____ MODIFY _____ REJECT _____ NO ACTION _____

**GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION
PROPOSAL**

Camping Reservations – Cancellation fees

Chapters 41:03:04:05:01

Commission Meeting Dates:	Proposal	November 4, 2021	Pierre
	Public Hearing	December 9, 2021	Brookings
	Finalization	December 9, 2021	Brookings

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

The proposed change allows for cancellation of campsites and lodging facilities without fee for a period of time after a reservation is made. After that period has elapsed, a fee of one-half of the first night's camping or lodging fees will be assessed for both types of overnight use.

This rule proposal helps simplify cancellation policies and associated fees by providing one cancellation procedure for campsites, and one for lodging facilities and Custer State Park French Creek Horse Camp.

SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION

The Department's cancellation policy was developed at a time of lower demand for camping and lodging facilities, and the ability to resell those facilities was more difficult. The current procedure is to assess a cancellation fee of one-night's camping or \$25 for cabins/lodges effective immediately after the reservation is made.

With the increased demand for camping and lodging facilities, the ability to fill those vacancies left by cancellations is much more likely. This change will also help the Department be more consistent with industry cancellation standards, and allow more flexibility of users to cancel a reservation without penalty due to unforeseen circumstances.

DRAFT ADMINISTRATIVE RULE CHANGES

41:03:04:05.01. Campsite reservations -- Payment of camping fees -- Cancellation

fees. Nonprofit youth groups may reserve a designated group camping area for up to 14 consecutive nights.

A person may reserve an available campsite at any state park, recreation area, or lakeside use area for up to 14 consecutive nights. After the person has occupied the campsite for 14 consecutive nights, the person shall remove the person's camper unit from the state park, recreational area, or lake side use area, by check-out time the next day, for at least one night, before reserving that site, or another site, at that location.

Camping fees set in subdivisions 41:03:04:03(1) through (3), (7) through (13), and (15) must be paid for the entire duration of a camper's anticipated stay at the time the reservation is made. A person who cancels a reservation for a campsite through the park reservation center or who cancels a reservation for a campsite ~~after~~ within 7 days of or after arrival at the park shall pay one-half of one night's camping fee for each campsite reserved. A person who cancels a reservation for a camping cabin, ~~modern cabin, lodge, suite, or rent-a-camper, or a campsite at French Creek Horse Camp in Custer State Park~~ through the park reservation center within 30 days of or after arrival at the park shall pay a \$25 cancellation fee of one-half of one night's rental or camping fee. ~~A person who cancels or shortens a reservation for a lodge more than 30 days ahead of the scheduled arrival date shall be charged a \$25 cancellation fee. A person who cancels or shortens a reservation for a lodge 30 days or fewer ahead of the scheduled arrival date shall be charged a \$25 cancellation fee for every night cancelled.~~ The department shall refund all other fees for unused days of camping or unused lodging fees except nonrefundable reservation fees.

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A person who is a resident of this state shall pay an additional reservation fee of \$2 for a reservation made through the park reservation center. A person who is not a resident of this state shall pay an additional reservation fee of \$7.70 for a reservation made online and shall pay \$9.70 for a reservation made through the park reservation center. The reservation fee is nonrefundable and is payable in advance.

~~At French Creek Horse Camp in Custer State Park, a person who cancels a reservation through the park reservation center shall pay one night's camping fee for each campsite reserved if the cancellation is received 30 days or more before arrival. Fifty percent of the fees shall be refunded if the cancellation is received fewer than 30 days but more than 15 days before arrival, and no refunds if the cancellation is received 15 or fewer days before arrival.~~

Source: 6 SDR 96, effective April 1, 1980; 10 SDR 76, 10 SDR 102, effective July 1, 1984; 10 SDR 120, effective July 1, 1984; 12 SDR 186, effective May 28, 1986; 13 SDR 192, effective June 22, 1987; 14 SDR 114, effective March 9, 1988; 15 SDR 139, effective March 20, 1989; 16 SDR 135, effective February 18, 1990; 17 SDR 78, effective December 10, 1990; 19 SDR 82, effective December 7, 1992; 21 SDR 102, effective December 8, 1994; 21 SDR 148, effective March 6, 1995; 22 SDR 82, effective December 10, 1995; 23 SDR 87, effective December 3, 1996; 25 SDR 108, effective February 28, 1999; 28 SDR 150, effective May 7, 2002; 32 SDR 109, effective December 27, 2005; 35 SDR 184, effective February 2, 2009; 42 SDR 97, effective January 5, 2016; 43 SDR 31, effective September 14, 2016; 46 SDR 74, effective December 2, 2019.

General Authority: SDCL [41-17-1.1\(1\)\(7\)](#).

Law Implemented: SDCL [41-2-24](#), [41-17-1.1\(1\)\(7\)](#).

RESIDENT/NONRESIDENT CRITERIA

1. The Issue
 - Why make the change, what are the change alternatives, how will public/stakeholder input be solicited, and how will the change be evaluated if implemented? The Department heard many complaints about the cancellation procedure, especially during periods of high COVID transmission. This change will affect residents and non-residents equally. However, the non-refundable non-resident reservation fee and call center fees will still apply.
2. Historical Considerations
 - Not applicable
3. Biological Considerations
 - Not applicable.
4. Social Considerations
 - Not applicable.
5. Financial considerations
 - Not applicable.

RECRUITMENT, RETENTION, REACTIVATION (R3) CRITERIA

1. Does the regulation or fee inhibit a user's ability to participate? No.
2. Does the regulation increase the opportunity for new and existing users? Yes. It lowers the amount of risk for users to book a campsite for a lodging facility according to the 90-day window.

GAME, FISH AND PARKS COMMISSION ACTION PROPOSAL

3. How does the regulation impact the next generation of hunters, anglers, trappers, and outdoor recreationists? It provides more flexibility for people that experience more uncertainty in their schedule.
4. Does the regulation enhance the quality of life for current and future generations by getting families outdoors? Yes.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Department assessed \$249,648 of cancellation fees in 2020, and \$189,678 in 2019. Factors that will affect the impact of this change also include the ability to re-book campsites for alternate dates. It is expected that this greater flexibility to make a cancellation will provide more opportunities to book lodging at other times. This proposal will also help the Department to retain customers by providing better service.

APPROVE

MODIFY

REJECT

NO ACTION

2022 Rates for Angostura and Shadehill Cabins and Trailers

**Established by the Market Rent Survey conducted by the U.S.
Department of the Interior**

	Angostura	Shadehill	
Number of Units	32	47	
2017 Rate	\$ 1,360.00	\$ 990.00	
Total Revenue	\$ 43,520.00	\$ 46,530.00	\$ 90,050.00
2018 Rate	\$ 1,855.00	\$ 1,545.00	
Total Revenue	\$ 59,360.00	\$ 72,615.00	\$ 131,975.00
2019 Rate	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,100.00	
Total Revenue	\$ 76,800.00	\$ 98,700.00	\$ 175,500.00
2020 Rate	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,100.00	
Total Revenue	\$ 76,800.00	\$ 98,700.00	\$ 175,500.00
2021 Rate	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,100.00	
Total Revenue	\$ 76,800.00	\$ 98,700.00	\$ 175,500.00
2022 Rate	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,100.00	
Total Revenue	\$ 76,800.00	\$ 98,700.00	\$ 175,500.00

Division of Parks and Recreation					
October Revenue by Item					
	2020		2021		%
	Number	Dollar	Number	Dollar	Change
Annual	3,027	\$ 108,988	2,809	\$ 101,110	-7%
2nd Annual	264	\$ 4,752	214	\$ 3,852	-19%
Combo	1,738	\$ 93,826	1,463	\$ 79,002	-16%
Transferable	71	\$ 5,662	56	\$ 4,480	-21%
Daily License	6,629	\$ 53,031	7,058	\$ 56,462	6%
Unattended Vehicle Daily	159	\$ 2,379	116	\$ 1,745	-27%
GSM Annual Trail Pass	997	\$ 14,955	1,582	\$ 23,730	59%
GSM Daily Trail Pass	3,289	\$ 13,156	3,861	\$ 15,444	17%
Motorcoach Permit	638	\$ 1,914	4,456	\$ 13,368	598%
CSP 7 Day Pass	15,713	\$ 314,260	14,282	\$ 285,645	-9%
CSP 7 Day Bike Pass	201	\$ 4,020	260	\$ 5,200	29%
Rally Bike Band	-				
One-Day Special Event		\$ 400	13	\$ 250	-38%
PERMITS	32,725	\$ 617,343	36,170	\$ 590,289	-4%
Camping Services		\$ 380,544		\$ 394,851	4%
Picnic Reservations		\$ 370		\$ 270	-27%
Firewood	3,353	\$ 20,116	3,012	\$ 18,070	-10%
Gift Card		\$ 895		\$ 760	-15%
Boat Slips		\$ -		\$ 63	
LODGING	3,353	\$ 401,925	3,012	\$ 414,014	3%
TOTAL	36,078	\$ 1,019,268	39,181	\$ 1,004,302	-1%

Division of Parks and Recreation					
October YTD 2021 Revenue by Item					
	2020		2021		%
	Number	Dollar	Number	Dollar	Change
Annual	64,487	\$ 2,321,515	63,361	\$ 2,280,994	-2%
2nd Annual	12,399	\$ 223,190	11,714	\$ 210,852	-6%
Combo	32,888	\$ 1,775,936	36,177	\$ 1,953,566	10%
Transferable	1,950	\$ 155,961	2,397	\$ 191,734	23%
Daily License	132,824	\$ 1,062,593	116,140	\$ 929,118	-13%
Unattended Vehicle Daily	2,470	\$ 37,045	1,886	\$ 28,287	-24%
GSM Annual Trail Pass	6,119	\$ 91,785	7,021	\$ 105,315	15%
GSM Daily Trail Pass	16,363	\$ 65,452	19,622	\$ 78,488	20%
Motorcoach Permit	6,242	\$ 18,726	23,487	\$ 70,460	276%
CSP 7 Day Pass	181,700	\$ 3,633,997	230,519	\$ 4,610,372	27%
CSP 7 Day Bike Band	19,319	\$ 386,375	22,250	\$ 444,990	15%
Rally Bike Band	29,638	\$ 592,752	31,760	\$ 635,200	7%
One-Day Special Event		\$ 3,700		\$ 6,500	76%
PERMITS	506,397	\$ 10,369,027	566,332	\$ 11,545,876	11%
Camping Services		\$ 12,451,392		\$ 13,311,103	7%
Picnic Reservations		\$ 9,910		\$ 15,262	54%
Firewood	54,295	\$ 325,768	43,449	\$ 260,695	-20%
Gift Card		\$ 7,883		\$ 8,595	9%
Boat Slips		\$ 144,735		\$ 216,313	49%
LODGING	54,295	\$ 12,939,688	43,449	\$ 13,811,967	7%
TOTAL	560,692	\$ 23,308,715	609,781	\$ 25,357,844	9%

Division of Parks and Recreation
October YTD 2021 Camping by District

<i>LOCATION</i>	<i>2020</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>LOCATION</i>	<i>2020</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>%</i>
Pickereel Lake	6,038	5,988	-1%	Lewis & Clark	48,097	48,246	0%
Fort Sisseton	1,339	1,515	13%	Chief White Crane	14,452	15,082	4%
Roy Lake	8,081	8,905	10%	Pierson Ranch	5,789	5,788	0%
Sica Hollow	426	316	-26%	Springfield	1,503	1,541	3%
DISTRICT 1	15,884	16,724	5%	Sand Creek	107	112	5%
Richmond Lake	1,820	1,943	7%	Tabor	38	44	16%
Mina Lake	3,313	3,696	12%	DISTRICT 9	69,986	70,813	1%
Fisher Grove	1,367	1,386	1%	North Point	11,098	10,962	-1%
Amsden	273	276	1%	North Wheeler	913	1,035	13%
Lake Louise	2,440	2,381	-2%	Pease Creek	1,738	2,102	21%
DISTRICT 2	9,213	9,682	5%	Randall Creek	5,290	8,034	52%
Pelican Lake	6,496	6,965	7%	South Shore	684	406	-41%
Sandy Shore	1,853	1,895	2%	South Scalp	59	112	90%
Lake Cochrane	2,419	2,424	0%	Whetstone	661	511	-23%
Hartford Beach	7,562	7,046	-7%	White Swan	316	185	-41%
DISTRICT 3	18,330	18,330	0%	DISTRICT 10	20,759	23,347	12%
Oakwood Lakes	10,779	10,412	-3%	Farm Island	8,195	8,914	9%
Lake Poinsett	9,006	9,127	1%	West Bend	8,957	9,322	4%
Lake Thompson	7,491	8,242	10%	DISTRICT 11	17,152	18,236	6%
DISTRICT 4	27,276	27,781	2%	Oahe Downstream	15,004	15,729	5%
Lake Herman	5,948	6,812	15%	Cow Creek	3,678	3,932	7%
Walker's Point	3,353	3,451	3%	Okobojo	2,387	2,074	-13%
Lake Carthage	1,138	947	-17%	Spring Creek	799	1,044	31%
DISTRICT 5	10,439	11,210	7%	DISTRICT 12	21,868	22,779	4%
Snake Creek	9,603	9,372	-2%	West Whitlock	5,221	5,740	10%
Platte Creek	2,090	1,915	-8%	East Whitlock	118	88	-25%
Buryanek	2,802	2,910	4%	Swan Creek	1,028	993	-3%
Burke Lake	72	80	11%	Indian Creek	8,138	8,403	3%
DISTRICT 6	14,567	14,277	-2%	Lake Hiddenwood	-	-	
Palisades	6,321	5,792	-8%	Walth Bay	48	16	-67%
Big Sioux	6,913	8,054	17%	West Pollock	1,545	1,342	-13%
Lake Vermillion	10,855	13,313	23%	DISTRICT 13	16,098	16,582	3%
DISTRICT 7	24,089	27,159	13%	Bear Butte	1,358	1,563	15%
Newton Hills	12,172	13,042	7%	DISTRICT 14	1,358	1,563	15%
Good Earth	-	-		Shadehill	6,905	7,556	9%
Union Grove	1,777	1,843	4%	Llewellyn Johns	571	622	9%
DISTRICT 8	13,949	14,885	7%	Rocky Point	7,308	7,364	1%
				DISTRICT 15	14,784	15,542	5%
				Custer	58,347	58,925	1%
				DISTRICT 16	58,347	58,925	1%
				Angostura	21,352	21,785	2%
				Sheps Canyon	2,361	2,435	3%
				DISTRICT 17	23,713	24,220	2%
				TOTAL YTD	377,812	392,055	4%
				TOTAL for Month	20,583	22,684	10%

Division of Parks and Recreation
October YTD 2021 Visitation by District

<i>LOCATION</i>	2020	2021	%	<i>LOCATION</i>	2020	2021	%
Pickerel Lake	51,095	48,830	-4%	Lewis & Clark	1,018,083	1,185,628	16%
Fort Sisseton	42,098	67,558	60%	Chief White Crane	58,206	54,441	-6%
Roy Lake	181,171	170,411	-6%	Pierson Ranch	86,032	83,506	-3%
Sica Hollow	22,429	33,109	48%	Springfield	160,145	154,240	-4%
DISTRICT 1	296,793	319,908	8%	DISTRICT 9	1,322,466	1,477,815	12%
Richmond Lake	51,628	51,405	0%	North Point	103,378	119,923	16%
Mina Lake	55,106	46,265	-16%	North Wheeler	15,626	14,613	-6%
Fisher Grove	21,442	17,449	-19%	Pease Creek	44,628	36,448	-18%
Lake Louise	37,349	31,845	-15%	Randall Creek	55,622	46,056	-17%
DISTRICT 2	165,524	146,964	-11%	Fort Randall Marina	21,061	19,218	-9%
Pelican Lake	73,066	76,430	5%	DISTRICT 10	240,315	236,258	-2%
Sandy Shore	36,077	31,649	-12%	Farm Island	154,706	157,549	2%
Lake Cochrane	32,577	22,115	-32%	West Bend	46,177	46,543	1%
Hartford Beach	140,570	150,470	7%	LaFramboise Island	79,747	70,587	-11%
DISTRICT 3	282,290	280,664	-1%	DISTRICT 11	280,630	274,679	-2%
Oakwood Lakes	101,456	75,130	-26%	Oahe Downstream	358,376	300,894	-16%
Lake Poinsett	70,758	45,251	-36%	Cow Creek	216,943	228,578	5%
Lake Thompson	54,581	48,968	-10%	Okobojo	70,903	51,492	-27%
DISTRICT 4	226,795	169,349	-25%	Spring Creek	266,474	339,601	27%
Lake Herman	125,199	120,332	-4%	DISTRICT 12	912,696	920,565	1%
Walker's Point	55,696	48,035	-14%	West Whitlock	46,429	51,768	11%
DISTRICT 5	180,895	168,367	-7%	Swan Creek	20,893	20,806	0%
Snake Creek	150,901	136,268	-10%	Indian Creek	62,532	68,524	10%
Platte Creek	167,940	135,415	-19%	Lake Hiddenwood	-	-	
Buryanek	34,291	30,438	-11%	Revheim Bay	53,518	53,616	0%
Burke Lake	16,916	17,492	3%	West Pollock	65,475	60,693	-7%
DISTRICT 6	370,048	319,613	-14%	DISTRICT 13	248,847	255,407	3%
Palisades	140,217	122,372	-13%	Bear Butte	18,199	18,955	4%
Big Sioux	65,199	66,265	2%	DISTRICT 14	18,199	18,955	4%
Beaver Creek	23,484	23,047	-2%	Shadehill	42,683	51,438	21%
Lake Vermillion	154,934	135,387	-13%	Llewellyn Johns	4,814	5,017	4%
DISTRICT 7	383,834	347,071	-10%	Little Moreau	14,396	19,084	33%
Newton Hills	197,053	154,194	-22%	Rocky Point	98,586	87,772	-11%
Good Earth	63,571	100,920	59%	DISTRICT 15	160,479	163,311	2%
Union Grove	23,783	20,271	-15%	Custer	1,996,914	2,253,513	13%
Lake Alvin	79,888	104,695	31%	DISTRICT 16	1,996,914	2,253,513	13%
Spirit Mound	26,117	18,222	-30%	Angostura	217,501	206,091	-5%
Adams	29,535	27,055	-8%	Sheps Canyon	49,884	44,705	-10%
DISTRICT 8	419,947	425,357	1%	DISTRICT 17	267,385	250,796	-6%
				TOTAL YTD	7,774,058	8,028,592	3%
				TOTAL for Month	518,358	589,376	14%

RESOLUTION 21-19

WHEREAS, the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks (DEPARTMENT) has expressed an interest in acquiring real property presently owned by the Boy Scouts of America, which property is described as:

The North Half of the Southwest Quarter (N1/2SW1/4), and
The South Half of the Northwest Quarter (S1/2 NW1/4), and
The Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SW1/4 NE1/4) and Government Lot 2, except McKee GPA Tract 1, and
Tract 1 of Boy Scouts of America Addition in the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) according to a Plat thereof, and
Lot 1 of Tract 1 of McKee GPA Tract 1, an Addition in Government Lot 2 according to a Plat thereof, and
Lot 2 of Tract 1 of McKee GPA Tract 1, an Addition in Government Lot 2 according to the Plat thereof,
all located in Section 12, Township 97 North, Range 49 West of the 5th P.M., Lincoln County, South Dakota, containing 224.35 acres, more or less, and hereto referred to as BSA PROPERTY.

WHEREAS, said property is to be acquired by and utilized by DEPARTMENT as both Game Production Area and State Park, with specific designated boundaries and uses as each to be determined based on greatest beneficial public use; and

WHEREAS, SDCL 41-4-1.1 requires before purchasing property, DEPARTMENT notify adjacent owners of land to the property being acquired by publishing notice once in each legal newspaper of the county in which the property to be purchased is located; and

WHEREAS, DEPARTMENT has published the required legal notice 30 days prior to the date of action by the Game, Fish and Parks Commission authorizing the intended purchase, which notice included the meeting time and location at which Game, Fish and Parks Commission action is expected and by giving notice of instructions for presenting oral and written comments to the Game, Fish and Parks Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Game, Fish and Parks Commission has reviewed any comments received relative to the intended purchase, and after consideration of the same, the Game, Fish and Parks Commission approves the purchase of said property for use as both Game Production Area and State Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the DEPARTMENT is authorized to complete negotiations for the purchase of the BSA PROPERTY and execute and consummate an agreement with the Boy Scouts of America which is acceptable to DEPARTMENT to acquire by purchase at the price of \$2,000,000.00 the BSA PROPERTY for use as both a Game Production Area and State Park, with specific designated boundaries and uses as each to be determined based on greatest beneficial public use.

Boy Scouts of America Property
Lincoln County, SD

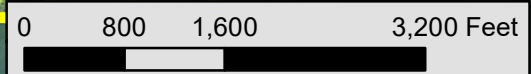
Johnson GPA

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property

Newton Hills State Park

McKee GPA

Pattee Creek GPA



License Sales Totals

(as of Oct 30)

date updated: 1 November 2021

Resident	2018	2019	2020	3-yr Avg	2021	2021			+/- Licenses		+/- Revenue		% Change from 3-yr Avg
						Revenue	2020 vs 2021	3-yr Avg vs 2021	2020 vs 2021	3-yr Avg vs 2021			
Combination	44,758	42,826	47,048	44,877	48,390	\$ 2,661,450	1,342	3,513	\$ 73,810	\$ 193,197	8%		
Junior Combination	6,849	6,423	8,549	7,274	5,649	\$ 152,523	-2,900	-1,625	\$ (78,300)	\$ (43,866)	-22%		
Senior Combination	9,360	9,533	10,508	9,800	11,332	\$ 453,280	824	1,532	\$ 32,960	\$ 61,267	16%		
Small Game	13,952	11,927	12,995	12,958	12,279	\$ 405,207	-716	-679	\$ (23,628)	\$ (22,407)	-5%		
Youth Small Game	3,773	3,288	3,492	3,518	4,269	\$ 21,345	777	751	\$ 3,885	\$ 3,757	21%		
1-Day Small Game	625	644	699	656	864	\$ 10,368	165	208	\$ 1,980	\$ 2,496	32%		
Migratory Bird Certificate	24,809	23,845	24,992	24,549	24,053	\$ 120,265	-939	-496	\$ (4,695)	\$ (2,478)	-2%		
Predator/Varmint	1,425	1,357	1,482	1,421	1,247	\$ 6,235	-235	-174	\$ (1,175)	\$ (872)	-12%		
Furbearer	2,976	3,224	3,293	3,164	3,801	\$ 114,030	508	637	\$ 15,240	\$ 19,100	20%		
Annual Fishing	56,713	51,950	67,192	58,618	55,375	\$ 1,550,500	-11,817	-3,243	\$ (330,876)	\$ (90,813)	-6%		
Senior Fishing	12,896	12,588	14,530	13,338	13,878	\$ 166,536	-652	540	\$ (7,824)	\$ 6,480	4%		
1-Day Fishing	5,483	5,462	6,964	5,970	6,353	\$ 50,824	-611	383	\$ (4,888)	\$ 3,067	6%		
RESIDENT TOTALS =	183,619	173,067	201,744	186,143	187,490	\$ 5,712,563	-14,254	1,347	\$ (323,511)	\$ 128,926	0.7%		

Nonresident	2018	2019	2020	3-yr Avg	2021	2021			+/- Licenses		+/- Revenue		% Change from 3-yr Avg
						Revenue	2020 vs 2021	3-yr Avg vs 2021	2020 vs 2021	3-yr Avg vs 2021			
Small Game	42,094	40,294	40,908	41,099	49,744	\$ 6,019,024	8,836	8,645	\$ 1,069,156	\$ 1,046,085	21%		
Youth Small Game	1,171	954	1,174	1,100	1,963	\$ 19,630	789	863	\$ 7,890	\$ 8,633	79%		
Annual Shooting Preserve	255	245	260	253	338	\$ 40,898	78	85	\$ 9,438	\$ 10,245	33%		
5-day Shooting Preserve	8,208	8,281	7,083	7,857	9,654	\$ 733,704	2,571	1,797	\$ 195,396	\$ 136,547	23%		
1-day Shooting Preserve	809	773	697	760	860	\$ 39,560	163	100	\$ 7,498	\$ 4,615	13%		
Spring Light Goose	4,714	2,810	2,961	3,495	4,486	\$ 224,300	1,525	991	\$ 76,250	\$ 49,550	28%		
Youth Spring Light Goose	179	94	122	132	161	\$ 4,186	39	29	\$ 1,014	\$ 763	22%		
Migratory Bird Certificate	1,317	1,425	1,901	1,548	4,637	\$ 23,185	2,736	3,089	\$ 13,680	\$ 15,447	200%		
Predator/Varmint	4,837	4,443	4,064	4,448	4,138	\$ 165,520	74	-310	\$ 2,960	\$ (12,400)	-7%		
Furbearer	8	10	10	9	9	\$ 2,475	-1	0	\$ (275)	\$ (92)	-4%		
Annual Fishing	25,862	22,710	27,407	25,326	32,228	\$ 2,159,276	4,821	6,902	\$ 323,007	\$ 462,412	27%		
Family Fishing	8,725	8,015	9,888	8,876	7,560	\$ 506,520	-2,328	-1,316	\$ (155,976)	\$ (88,172)	-15%		
Youth Annual Fishing	1,236	1,116	1,466	1,273	1,142	\$ 28,550	-324	-131	\$ (8,100)	\$ (3,267)	-10%		
3-Day Fishing	23,966	22,066	21,342	22,458	19,595	\$ 725,015	-1,747	-2,863	\$ (64,639)	\$ (105,931)	-13%		
1-Day Fishing	19,661	19,250	30,075	22,995	36,592	\$ 585,472	6,517	13,597	\$ 104,272	\$ 217,547	59%		
NONRESIDENT TOTALS =	143,042	132,486	149,358	141,629	173,107	\$ 11,277,315	23,749	31,478	\$ 1,581,571	\$ 1,741,982	22.2%		
GRAND TOTALS =	326,661	305,553	351,102	327,772	360,597	\$ 16,989,878	9,495	32,825	\$ 1,258,060	\$ 1,870,908	10.0%		

	2020	2021	+/- Licenses	+/- Revenue	2021 Revenue
Resident Habitat Stamp	52,676	154,013	101,337	\$ 1,013,370	\$ 1,540,130
Nonresident Habitat Stamp	60,092	128,892	68,800	\$ 1,720,000	\$ 3,222,300
Totals =	112,768	282,905	170,137	\$ 2,733,370	\$ 4,762,430