

SENATE FILE NO. SF0005

Medicine Lodge state archaeological site.

Sponsored by: Joint Travel, Recreation, Wildlife & Cultural Resources Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to state parks and archaeological sites;  
2 providing for additional state lands to be managed by the  
3 department of state parks and cultural resources for  
4 Medicine Lodge state archaeological site; retaining land  
5 ownership in state entities as specified; requiring updated  
6 legal descriptions of lands to be managed; and providing  
7 for an effective date.

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9 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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11 **Section 1.** W.S. 36-8-1501(c)(ii) is amended to read:

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13 **36-8-1501. State park designation; state historic**  
14 **site designation; state archeological site designation;**  
15 **state recreation area designation.**

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2 (c) In addition to state archaeological sites  
3 designated in other statutes, the following lands are  
4 designated as state archaeological sites and the department  
5 shall by rule specify the legal description of the sites:

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7 (ii) The lands in Big Horn County managed by the  
8 department as of July 1, ~~2010~~2018 as Medicine Lodge state  
9 archaeological site ~~including upon mutual written~~  
10 agreement with the Wyoming game and fish department the  
11 following adjacent state lands to be managed by the  
12 department of state parks and cultural resources:

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14 (A) A parcel of land of approximately ten  
15 (10) acres in Dry Fork canyon;

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17 (B) A parcel of land of approximately  
18 fourteen (14) acres of the pasture parcel in the hay  
19 meadow;

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21 (C) A parcel of land of approximately  
22 twenty-eight (28) acres west of park headquarters.

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1         **Section 2.** Nothing in this act shall be construed or  
2 interpreted to require transfer of ownership of the lands  
3 specified in W.S. 36-8-1501(c)(ii), as amended by this act.

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5         **Section 3.** As required by W.S. 36-8-1501(c), the  
6 department of state parks and cultural resources shall  
7 update its rules to include the lands specified in W.S.  
8 36-8-1501(c)(ii), as amended by this act, in the legal  
9 description of the Medicine Lodge state archaeological site  
10 upon entering a mutual written agreement with the Wyoming  
11 game and fish department to manage the lands.

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13         **Section 4.** This act is effective July 1, 2018.

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15                                 (END)