



Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules

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1. General Information			
a. Agency/Board Name* State Parks & Cultural Resources Department			
b. Agency/Board Address 2301 Central Avenue		c. City Cheyenne	d. Zip Code 82002
e. Name of Agency Liaison Nick Neylon		f. Agency Liaison Telephone Number 307-431-4866	
g. Agency Liaison Email Address nick.neylon@wyo.gov			
h. Date of Public Notice 1/7/2026		i. Comment Period End Date 2/26/2026	
j. Public Comment URL or Email Address: wyoparks@wyo.gov			
k. Program State Parks and Historic Sites			
Amended Program Name (if applicable):			
☐ By checking this box, the agency is indicating it is exempt from certain sections of the Administrative Procedure Act including public comment period requirements. Please contact the agency for details regarding these rules.			
2. Legislative Enactment For purposes of this Section 2, "new" only applies to regular non-emergency rules promulgated in response to a Wyoming legislative enactment not previously addressed in whole or in part by prior rulemaking and does not include rules adopted in response to a federal mandate.			
a. Are these non-emergency regular rules new as per the above description and the definition of "new" in Chapter 1 of the Rules on Rules?			
☒ No. ☐ Yes. If the rules are new, please provide the Legislative Chapter Numbers and Years Enacted (e.g. 2015 Session Laws Chapter 154):			
3. Rule Type and Information For purposes of this Section 3, "New" means an emergency or regular rule that has never been previously created.			
a. Provide the Chapter Number, Title and Proposed Action for Each Chapter. Please use the "Additional Rule Information" form to identify additional rule chapters.			
Chapter Number: 1	Chapter Name: Rules and Regulations	☐ New ☒ Amended ☐ Repealed	
Amended Chapter Name (if applicable):			
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4. Public Comments and Hearing Information

a. A public hearing on the proposed rules has been scheduled. ☒ **No.** ☐ **Yes. Please complete the boxes below.**

Date:	Time:	City:	Location:

b. What is the manner in which interested persons may present their views on the rulemaking action?

☒ By submitting written comments to the Agency at the physical and/or email address listed in Section 1 above.

☐ At the following URL: _____

A public hearing will be held if requested by 25 persons, a government subdivision, or by an association having not less than 25 members. Requests for a public hearing may be submitted:

☒ To the Agency at the physical and/or email address listed in Section 1 above.

☐ At the following URL: _____

c. Any person may urge the Agency not to adopt the rules and request the Agency to state its reasons for overruling the consideration urged against adoption. Requests for an agency response must be made prior to, or within thirty (30) days after adoption, of the rule, addressed to the Agency and Agency Liaison listed in Section 1 above.

5. Federal Law Requirements

a. These rules are created/amended/repealed to comply with federal law or regulatory requirements. ☒ **No.** ☐ **Yes. Please complete the boxes below.**

Applicable Federal Law or Regulation Citation:

Indicate one (1):

☐ The proposed rules meet, but do not exceed, minimum federal requirements.

☐ The proposed rules exceed minimum federal requirements.

Any person wishing to object to the accuracy of any information provided by the Agency under this item should submit their objections prior to final adoption to:

☐ To the Agency at the physical and/or email address listed in Section 1 above.

☐ At the following URL: _____

6. State Statutory Requirements

a. Indicate one (1):

☒ The proposed rule change *MEETS* minimum substantive statutory requirements.

☐ The proposed rule change *EXCEEDS* minimum substantive statutory requirements. Please attach a statement explaining the reason that the rules exceed the requirements.

b. ☒ The Agency has completed a takings assessment as required by W.S. 9-5-304. A copy of the assessment used to evaluate the proposed rules may be obtained:

☒ By contacting the Agency at the physical and/or email address listed in Section 1 above.

☐ At the following URL: _____

7. Additional APA Provisions

a. Complete all that apply in regards to uniform rules:

☒ These rules are not impacted by the uniform rules identified in the Administrative Procedure Act, W.S. 16-3-103(j).

☐ The following chapters do not differ from the uniform rules identified in the Administrative Procedure Act, W.S. 16-3-103(j):

(Provide chapter numbers)

☐ These chapters differ from the uniform rules identified in the Administrative Procedure Act, W.S. 16-3-103(j) (see Statement of Principal Reasons).

(Provide chapter numbers)

b. Checklist

☒ The Statement of Principal Reasons is attached to this Notice and, in compliance with *Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc. v. Environmental Quality Council*, 590 P.2d 1324 (Wyo. 1979), includes a brief statement of the substance or terms of the rule and the basis and purpose of the rule.

☐ If applicable: In consultation with the Attorney General's Office, the Agency's Attorney General representative concurs that strike and underscore is not required as the proposed amendments are pervasive (Chapter 3, *Types of Rules Filings*, Section 1, Proposed Rules, of the Rules on Rules).

8. Authorization

a. I certify that the foregoing information is correct.

<i>Printed Name of Authorized Individual</i>	Dave Glenn 
<i>Title of Authorized Individual</i>	Director
<i>Date of Authorization</i>	1/6/2026

STATEMENT OF PRINCIPAL REASONS FOR ADOPTION OF RULES

The Department of State Parks and Cultural Resources (Department) is proposing to amend Chapter 1, Rules and Regulations (State Parks & Historic Sites Program), of its rules. These amendments would constitute updates to better align the rules with the current needs of the Agency and our visitors.

The proposed amendments would be the first time in decades that the entire set of rules has been updated. The amendments update and expand definitions, remove redundant recitations of statute, and eliminate obsolete or unnecessary provisions. In addition, the proposal introduces several substantive changes. The most significant are summarized below:

Positive Changes / New Permissions

- Drone use allowed with prior written permission from the park superintendent
- Parks remain open after 10:00 p.m. for non-camping visitors (enabling night fishing, stargazing, etc.)
- Removed or clarified requirements for alcohol permits at Curt Gowdy State Park, Hot Springs State Park, and Bear River State Park
- Bicycles, skateboards, and roller skates now permitted in previously restricted areas
- ADA-designated campsites no longer reserved exclusively for vehicles displaying ADA plates/placards
- Vehicles present after 10:00 p.m. no longer automatically require a camping permit (required only if camping)
- Class 1 e-bikes permitted on trails; Class 2 and Class 3 e-bikes restricted from non-motorized trails

Protective / Restrictive Changes

- Maximum campsite occupancy reduced from 10 to 8 persons
- Pets may no longer be left unattended at any time (previously one-hour limit)
- Barking or excessively noisy dogs explicitly included in quiet-hours violations
- Bow fishing prohibited within 100 yards of any public facility
- Fishing prohibited in cooling ponds and canals at Hot Springs State Park
- Watercraft must be launched and retrieved only at designated locations
- New restrictions for rental units (no pets, no smoking, no cooking devices, no portable heaters, etc.)

Chapter 1

Rules and Regulations

Section 1. Authority. These rules are promulgated pursuant to Wyoming Statute (W.S.) 36-4-115.

Section 2. Authority to Enforce. Peace officers may enforce these rules and state statutes on park lands.

Section 3. Definitions.

(a) “Superintendent” means any official in charge of a park, historic or archaeological site, or recreation area.

(b) “Park lands” means all state owned or controlled parks, historic or archaeological sites, and recreation areas.

(c) “Camping permit” means a permit issued by the department authorizing overnight usage of park lands.

(d) “Camping unit” means a portable structure, shelter, or motor vehicle intended for occupancy by persons engaged in camping. Basic camping units include, but are not limited to, travel trailers, motorhomes, tents, tepees, yurts, RVs, roof-top campers, truck bed campers, and motor vehicles that will be occupied overnight.

(e) “Daily use permit” means a permit issued by the department authorizing the entrance upon and use of park lands.

(f) “Designated campsite” means an established area within park lands with a state provided picnic table and metal fire ring or an area designated as a campsite by department signage or campground maps.

(g) “Camp rental” means a department-provided structure that may be rented as an overnight accommodation. This includes, but is not limited to, cabins, camp shacks, treehouses, and yurts.

(h) “First-come, first-serve campsite” means a campsite that does not require a reservation prior to use.

(i) “Amenity fee” means a fee required for the use of added amenities such as water or electricity.

Section 4. Abandoned Property.

(a) Leaving any vehicle unattended for longer than twenty-four (24) hours without permission of the superintendent is prohibited and such vehicle may be removed and disposed of

as provided by law.

(b) In the event unattended property interferes with the safe or orderly management of the area, it may be removed by the superintendent or law enforcement officer at any time, and such property shall be removed and stored at the expense of the owner.

(c) Unless prior written permission has been obtained from the superintendent, personal property left for longer than thirty (30) days may be deemed abandoned and may be removed at the owner's expense and disposed of as provided by law.

Section 5. Aircraft and Powerless Flight.

(a) The operation of aircraft on park lands or waters other than at designated landing areas is prohibited.

(b) The air delivery of any person or thing by parachute, helicopter, or other means without written approval from the department is prohibited, except in emergencies involving the safety of human life or threat of property loss.

(c) This section does not apply to aircrafts that are engaged in official business of the state or federal government, used in emergency rescue, or forced to land due to circumstances beyond the control of the operator.

(d) The launching or landing of sailplanes, gliders, parasails, balloons, body kites, hang gliders, and other devices designed to carry persons or objects through the air in powerless flight is prohibited without prior written approval from the department specifying the conditions under which such launching or landing is to be conducted.

(e) The operation of any unmanned aircraft system or drone is prohibited without prior written approval from the department specifying the conditions under which such operation is to be conducted.

Section 6. Camping.

(a) Camping is permitted only in designated areas, unless otherwise posted.

(b) No person or camping unit may occupy any one (1) park, historic or archaeological site, or recreation area overnight for more than fourteen (14) nights in a thirty (30) day period.

(c) No person shall camp overnight on park lands without a valid camping permit. A member of the camping party must be present with the camping unit until a permit has been obtained.

(d) The digging or leveling of ground at any campsite is prohibited.

(e) Quiet shall be maintained in and around campgrounds between 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. Noise-producing generator use, barking dogs, the use of audio devices, or any actions that may disturb the peace are prohibited during these hours.

(f) The saving of first-come, first-serve campsites, such as to hold a campsite for use by another person who has not yet arrived, is prohibited.

(g) Where indicated by appropriate signing at the entrance to camping areas, permission to enter or occupy such an area is reserved to campers between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

(h) Camping units must be contained within a designated campsite, unless otherwise posted.

(i) Occupancy within a designated campsite is limited to one (1) camping unit and one (1) additional tent.

(ii) Wheeled camping units must be parked on the parking pad area, where provided.

(iii) In addition to the camping unit, no more than two (2) vehicles may occupy the designated campsite and must fit within the parking area of the site.

(iv) The maximum capacity at any single campsite is eight (8) people.

(i) Camping is prohibited on docks, beaches, parking lots, and day use areas unless specifically authorized by the superintendent.

(j) Permits and reservations are non-transferable.

(k) No person or group may camp in a campsite reserved for another.

(l) Switching of reserved campsites is allowed only by permission of the department.

(m) Campsites are intended for recreational use only.

(n) Camping units which are not occupied on a nightly basis are subject to removal as abandoned property.

Section 7. Closures. The superintendent may institute visiting hours, capacity limits, or closures to protect visitors or park resources. Such restrictions shall be posted with appropriate signage.

Section 8. Conduct.

(a) Visitors shall conduct themselves in a lawful, peaceful, and orderly manner, and

shall abide by these rules and regulations and all state statutes.

(b) The use of park lands and facilities by any person under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances to a degree which renders them a hazard is prohibited.

(c) The operation or use of any audio or visual devices or otherwise creating excessive noise in such a manner or at such a time so as to unreasonably disturb any person is prohibited.

(d) Possession of any container which contains an alcoholic or malt beverage in excess of two fluid gallons is prohibited without written permission of the superintendent. This section does not apply to the transportation of alcohol through park lands or to activities authorized through permits or contracts issued by the department.

(e) In addition to any other penalties provided, any person violating these rules and regulations may be removed from park lands.

(f) Public nudity is prohibited.

Section 9. Domestic Pets and Livestock.

(a) Except in designated off-leash areas, all pets must be in a vehicle, camping unit, or on a leash no longer than ten (10) feet in length and physically controlled at all times.

(b) Off-leash dog training is restricted to designated areas as indicated by signage or by permission of the superintendent.

(c) Pets are prohibited in public eating places, food stores, public buildings, and on designated beach areas. EXCEPTION: This paragraph shall not apply to service animals.

(d) Where hunting is permitted, the use of hunting dogs is allowed, provided that dog owners or handlers have control of and are responsible for the actions of such dogs.

(e) Grazing or ranging domestic animals is prohibited without superintendent permission.

(f) Pets shall not be left unattended for any length of time.

(g) Horses are permitted only in designated areas.

(h) Persons with pets shall be responsible for proper removal and disposal of the animal's waste.

Section 10. Fires.

(a) Wood fires are permitted only in department-provided fireplaces, unless otherwise

authorized by written superintendent permission. Fires using charcoal, propane, butane, or similar fuels are restricted to stoves, grills, lanterns, or firepits.

(i) Upon approval of the superintendent, wood fires may be built outside of department provided fireplaces, but shall not exceed thirty-six (36) inches in diameter or height.

(ii) Burning of plastics, glass, rubber, paints, pressurized containers, trash (other than paper), or any material containing metal (e.g. cans, nails, screws, staples, wire, or bolts) in a campfire is prohibited.

(b) No person may allow a fire to burn in a careless manner, leave a fire unattended, or fail to completely extinguish a fire.

(c) The superintendent may prohibit the kindling of fires when the fire hazard makes such action necessary.

Section 11. Fishing, Hunting, and Trapping.

(a) Fishing from motor vehicle road bridges is prohibited unless otherwise designated.

(b) Fishing from within twenty (20) yards of any public boat ramp, boat dock, mooring area, or designated beach area is prohibited without the written permission of the superintendent.

(c) Bow fishing within one hundred (100) yards of a public use facility is prohibited.

(d) All ice fishing equipment, vehicles, and debris must be removed from the frozen lake surface prior to departure.

(e) Unless otherwise posted, park lands are open to hunting subject to general hunting regulations prescribed by the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission.

(f) The use of firearms or other projectile devices is prohibited within four hundred (400) yards of any public use facility or activity area, including picnic areas, campgrounds, cabin and concession areas, boat ramps, designated trails, and parking lots unless otherwise designated.

(g) Trapping on park lands is authorized with prior written permission from the superintendent in designated areas with appropriate posting.

Section 12. Permits.

(a) Camping.

(i) Camping permits are required at the locations specified in the department's fee rules.

(ii) All camping permits expire at 11:00 a.m. on the last day of the permit period.

(iii) Any vehicle occupying a campsite between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. shall display a valid camping permit, or a receipt or confirmation letter showing proof of permit purchase.

(iv) Once purchased, an annual camping permit must be permanently affixed to the lower driver's side of the windshield for the vehicle it is registered to or the permit may be subject to confiscation.

(b) Daily Use.

(i) Daily use permits are required at the locations specified in the department's fee rules.

(ii) At any state park, recreation area, or archaeological site where daily use permits are required, all vehicles shall display a valid daily use permit, or a receipt or confirmation letter showing proof of permit purchase.

(iii) Once purchased, an annual daily use permit must be permanently affixed to the lower driver's side of the windshield for the vehicle it is registered to or the permit may be subject to confiscation.

(c) Lifetime veteran's passes may only be used when the registered owner is present.

(d) All permits are non-transferable.

(e) Short Term and Special Use Permits. Special use and short term permits are required for events such as commercial activities, sporting events, fishing derbies or tournaments, concerts, demonstrations, parades, fireworks shows, or other spectator attractions or participant activities open to the public.

Section 13. Camp Rentals and Amenities.

(a) The following are prohibited in camp rentals, unless otherwise designated:

(i) Pets, other than service animals.

(ii) The use of smoking products, tobacco, or vaping devices.

(iii) The use of electric, gas, or charcoal cooking devices.

(iv) Heating devices, other than department provided devices.

- (b) No additional camping units or tents are permitted at a camp rental site.
- (c) Payment of required amenities or rental fees is required prior to use.

Section 14. Preservation of Public Property.

(a) Without prior permission of the superintendent, the disturbance, damage, or removal of any building, sign, equipment, monument, or other structure, or of any animal or plant matter, nest, nesting site, soil, rock, mineral, fossil, historic or prehistoric artifact or feature is prohibited. EXCEPTION: Lawful activities authorized under this chapter are permitted.

(b) Gathering wild fruit for personal consumption is permitted unless otherwise designated.

(c) The use of any mineral or metal detecting device at a state historic or archeological site is prohibited, except for official use. The use of any mineral or metal detecting device at a state park or recreation area is prohibited without written permission of the superintendent.

(d) The collection of dead wood found on the ground is permitted unless otherwise designated.

(e) Dead timber which has been identified by the department for removal may be cut and removed by the public for personal use with the permission of the superintendent. The removal for the purpose of sale is prohibited unless authorized by a contract or permit issued by the department.

(f) Entering, climbing upon, or tampering with state owned motor vehicles and motorized or power equipment is prohibited.

Section 15. Public Safety.

(a) Unless otherwise provided, no person shall:

(i) Possess or use explosives, or use fireworks or pyrotechnics unless authorized by a permit or contract issued by the department.

(ii) Use or display any weapon in a threatening manner.

(iii) Discharge a firearm or other projectile device, or otherwise purposefully or negligently endanger the life of any person or creature. The discharge of a firearm or other projectile device while engaged in hunting or fishing as authorized by these rules is permitted.

(b) Glass beverage containers are prohibited outside of vehicles, camping units, and camp rentals, except in designated areas.

Section 16. Sanitation.

- (a) Trash must be deposited in places or containers designated for the disposal thereof or removed from park lands.
- (b) Draining or dumping refuse or wastes, including gray water, except in places or receptacles provided for such use, is prohibited.
- (c) Park hydrants shall be used only for the gathering of water for personal use while recreating on park lands. Bathing, fish cleaning, and washing of dishes, boats, or vehicles is prohibited in the area of hydrants. It is prohibited to fill storage containers with water from park hydrants for non-recreational use outside of park lands (e.g. industrial or agricultural use) without superintendent approval.
- (d) Polluting or contaminating any watershed, water supplies, or water used for drinking purposes is prohibited. This shall include the dumping of hazardous waste.
- (e) Depositing human waste in or on any park lands or facilities, except into fixtures provided for that purpose is prohibited. Placing any bottle, can, cloth, rag, metal, wood, or stone substances in any of the plumbing fixtures of park facilities is prohibited.
- (f) Urinating or defecating anywhere other than at the facilities provided for that purpose is prohibited.
- (g) Using government refuse containers or facilities for dumping commercial garbage or trash brought as such from private property is prohibited.

Section 17. Trail Use.

- (a) All designated trails are open to foot traffic. Bicycle and equestrian use are permitted unless otherwise designated.
- (b) Bicyclists and foot traffic must yield to horseback riders. Bicyclists must yield to foot traffic.
- (c) Motorized vehicles are prohibited on all trails except for department and emergency vehicles performing maintenance or management functions.
- (d) Riding or hitching horses or other saddle or pack animals, except where trails and facilities are provided for such use, is prohibited.
- (e) Riders shall slow their horses to a slow trot or walk when passing persons on foot or bicycle.
- (f) Pedestrians on trails shall conduct themselves in such a manner as not to frighten or interfere with horses or pack animals.

(g) All trail usage shall be in a manner to cause minimal damage to the trail.

(h) Class 1 electric bicycles are allowed on non-motorized trails. Class 2 and 3 electric bicycles are prohibited on all non-motorized trails.

Section 18. Solicitation.

(a) Solicitation of any kind is prohibited; provided that this section shall not apply to activities authorized through permits or contracts issued by the department.

(b) Display of unauthorized signs or advertising is prohibited.

(c) Panhandling and hitchhiking are prohibited.

Section 19. Suspension of Rules. In emergency situations, the department may provide temporary exceptions to the general rules for specific park lands, by posting notice of such exceptions at said park lands.

Section 20. Vehicles.

(a) No person shall operate a motorized vehicle except on such roads, trails, beaches, or areas designated for such use. This includes, but is not limited to motor vehicles, class 2 and 3 electric bikes, snowmobiles, tracked vehicles, and off-road vehicles (ORVs) such as motorcycles, mopeds, all-terrain vehicles, and utility task vehicles. This rule shall not apply to employees engaged in the performance of their official duties.

(i) Vehicle operation on any reservoir area below the high-water line may be restricted to designated areas and special management zones.

(ii) Vehicle use of any reservoir area below the high-water line shall be restricted to entering and leaving the reservoir bottom from a department established access.

(b) Persons driving a vehicle on any road within park lands shall observe the posted speed limit. The speed limit for all park roads that are not posted shall be fifteen (15) miles per hour.

(c) Vehicular traffic within campgrounds and picnic areas is limited to ingress and egress only.

(d) In the event an unattended vehicle interferes with the safe, secure, or orderly management of the area, a superintendent or law enforcement officer may order such vehicle to be removed and stored at the expense of the owner.

(e) No person shall engage in any motor vehicle speed or acceleration contest or exhibition driving without approval of the superintendent.

(f) No person shall operate a motor vehicle in a careless and imprudent manner, or without due regard for the safety of others.

(g) No ORV shall be operated on park lands without a valid ORV decal or license plate.

(h) No person shall operate an ORV on park lands without a valid driver's license, except on designated trails or in recreation areas where youth operation may be permitted.

(i) An ORV decal is required to operate an ORV on or within designated motorized trails and recreation areas regardless if the ORV has a license plate.

Section 21. Water Sports: Designated Beach Areas.

(a) No lifeguards are provided at designated beach areas. Swimmers swim at their own risk.

(b) No person may build or tend any fires on designated beach areas.

(c) Glass containers are not allowed at designated beach areas.

(d) Fishing is not allowed at designated beach areas.

(e) Except for service animals, no dogs, cats, or other domestic animals are allowed at designated beach areas.

Section 22. Water Sports: Boating.

(a) Boating is permitted, except as otherwise provided in these rules, and operation is subject to general boating regulations prescribed by the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission.

(b) Watercraft shall not be left unattended in waters except at designated mooring, anchoring, or beaching locations.

(c) In boat launching areas, vehicles and trailers must be parked in designated parking areas. Vehicles and trailers left in the boat ramp areas which hinder other users are prohibited and may be removed at the owner's expense.

(d) Docks installed adjacent to boat ramps shall only be used to launch or retrieve watercraft or to load or unload passengers or supplies. The use of such docks for any other reason or to leave watercraft moored for a period of time greater than that which is reasonable to accomplish the permitted activities is prohibited. This section does not apply to dock areas associated with marinas or boat clubs under contracts with the department.

(e) Unauthorized boat docks are prohibited.

- (f) Launch or retrieval of motorized watercraft is only permitted in designated areas.

Section 23. Special Regulations.

- (a) Curt Gowdy State Park.

- (i) No swimming is allowed in the reservoirs. No waterskiing is allowed in Crystal or North Crow reservoirs.

- (ii) No vehicles or debris are permitted upon the ice of the reservoirs.

- (b) Hot Springs State Park.

- (i) Camping, including overnight occupancy of a vehicle, is prohibited outside of a designated campsite, unless authorized by a permit or contract issued by the department.

- (ii) Quiet hours shall be maintained from 9:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. (east of Hwy 20 and railroad tracks). During quiet hours, excessive noise that unreasonably disturbs others, including loud electronics and engine revving, is prohibited unless authorized by a permit or contract issued by the department.

- (iii) It is unlawful to consume alcohol within park boundaries unless authorized by a liquor permit issued by the superintendent or their designee. This section does not apply to designated campgrounds or activities authorized by a permit or contract issued by the department.

- (iv) Diving or jumping into the Bighorn River is prohibited.

- (v) No person may remove more than six (6) gallons of mineral water per day, without written authorization from the department.

- (vi) Swimming and/or wading in any of the cooling ponds or canals used for mineral water from the Big Horn Spring is prohibited.

- (vii) Engaging in fishing or removing fish from the cooling ponds or canals is prohibited without written permission from the superintendent.

- (c) Edness Kimball Wilkins State Park. Ponds are closed to motorized watercraft, fishing, minnow seining, and minnow trapping.

- (d) Sinks Canyon State Park. Snowmobiles are prohibited from operating on park grounds.

- (e) Bear River State Park.

(i) The use of snowmobiles is prohibited, except by park staff on official duties, city grooming crews, or by permission of the superintendent.

(ii) The use of game calls, including but not limited to bugles or scent attractants is prohibited.

(iii) Harassment of wildlife is prohibited.

(iv) Tractor trailers are prohibited in the park unless authorized by the superintendent.

Section 24. Savings Clause. If any provision of this rule or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid or in conflict with any other provision of this rule, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this rule which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application and to this end the provisions of this rule are severable.

Chapter 1

Rules and Regulations

Section 1. Authority.

(a) These rules are promulgated pursuant to Wyoming Statute (W.S.) 36-4-115. The Department of State Parks and Cultural Resources is granted the following:

(i) ~~In accordance with W.S. § 36-4-115, the Department of State Parks and Cultural Resources, in consultation with the Wyoming parks and cultural resources commission, shall promulgate and enforce all reasonable rules and regulations necessary to carry out this act (W.S. §§ 36-4-101 through 36-4-119).~~

(ii) ~~Rules and regulations promulgated by the department under this act and governing state parks and historic sites shall include the:~~

(A) ~~Conservation of peace and good order within each park;~~

(B) ~~Preservation of state property;~~

(C) ~~Promotion of the well-being of park visitors and residents; and~~

(D) ~~Definition of a public nuisance within state parks and historic sites.~~

(iii) ~~The Department of State Parks and Cultural Resources shall enforce its rules and regulations. These rules and regulations supersede all such previous regulations.~~

Section 2. Authority to ~~To~~ Enforce.

(a) ~~All duly authorized peace officers as defined in W.S. § 7-2-101 while within the geographical boundaries of their jurisdiction shall have the authority to enforce all state statutes and these rules and regulations on park lands. Peace officers may enforce these rules and state statutes on park lands.~~

~~Section 3. — Penalty Clause.~~

(a) ~~These rules are specifically subject to the provisions of W.S. § 36-4-115 and shall be enforced pursuant to the provisions.~~

(i) ~~Any person violating W.S. §§ 36-4-101 through 36-4-123 or these rules is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), imprisoned for not more than six (6) months, or both.~~

Section 43. Definitions.

(a) ~~Department shall mean the Department of State Parks and Cultural Resources;~~

~~Division of State Parks and Historic Sites.~~

~~(b) Administrator shall mean the administrator of the Division of State Parks and Historic Sites or his authorized designees.~~

~~(ea) “Superintendent” shall means any official in charge of a park, recreation area, historic or archaeological site, or recreation area or his authorized designees.~~

~~(d) Authorized designee shall mean any superintendent, assistant superintendent or selected employee.~~

~~(fb) “Park lands” shall means all state owned or controlled parks, historical sites, or archaeological sites, and recreation areas administered by the department.~~

~~(g) Designated beach area shall mean those beaches with a buoyed off swim area.~~

~~(h) Firearms and other projectile devices shall mean any firearm, including an air or gas powered pistol or rifle, blow gun, paint ball gun, bow and arrow, or any other implement designed to discharge missiles in the air or under water.~~

~~(i) Camping shall mean the temporary lodging for outdoor recreational purposes and presupposes occupancy of a shelter designed for such purpose (i.e., sleeping bag, tent, trailer or other vehicle).~~

~~(jc) “Camping permit” shall means a permit issued by the department authorizing overnight usage of park lands.~~

~~(kd) A camping “Camping unit” means a portable structure, shelter, or motor vehicle designed and intended for occupancy by persons engaged in RVing or camping. The basic Basic camping units include, but are not limited to, travel trailers, motorhomes, tents, tepees, yurts, RVs, roof-top campers, truck bed campers, and motor vehicles that will be occupied overnight. One additional tent for a family (parents or grandparents and unmarried minor children) is considered part of a single camping unit.~~

~~(le) “Daily use permit” shall means a permit issued by the department authorizing the entrance upon and use of park lands.~~

~~(m) Special use permit shall mean a permit issued by the department for other authorized purposes.~~

~~(nf) “Designated campsite” shall means an established area within a state park or historic site park lands with a state provided picnic table and metal fire ring or an area designated as a campsite by department signage or campground maps.~~

~~(g) “Camp rental” means a department-provided structure that may be rented as an overnight accommodation. This includes, but is not limited to, cabins, camp shacks, treehouses,~~

and yurts.

(h) “First-come, first-serve campsite” means a campsite that does not require a reservation prior to use.

(i) “Amenity fee” means a fee required for the use of added amenities such as water or electricity.

Section 54. Abandoned Property.

(a) Leaving any vehicle ~~as defined in W.S. § 31-13-101~~ unattended ~~on any park land~~ for longer than twenty-four (24) hours without ~~prior~~ permission of the superintendent is prohibited and such vehicle may be removed and disposed of ~~pursuant to W.S. § 31-13-101 through 31-13-116~~ as provided by law.

(b) In the event unattended property interferes with the safe or orderly management of the area, it may be removed by the superintendent or law enforcement officer at any time, and such property shall be removed and stored at the expense of the owner.

(c) Unless prior written permission has been obtained from the superintendent, personal property left ~~in any park land~~ for longer than thirty (30) days ~~shall~~ may be deemed abandoned. ~~Property deemed abandoned and~~ may be removed at the owner’s expense and disposed of as provided by law.

Section 65. Aircraft and ~~And~~ Powerless Flight.

(a) The operation ~~or use~~ of aircraft on park lands or waters other than at designated landing areas ~~designated in special regulations~~ is prohibited. ~~Where the water surface is designated as a landing area, the operation or use of aircraft on the water within 500 feet of beach areas, boat docks, piers, ramps, or within one (1) mile of water control structures is prohibited.~~

(b) The air delivery of any person or thing by parachute, helicopter, or other means without ~~a valid special use permit~~ written approval from the department is prohibited, except in ~~extreme~~ emergencies involving the safety of human life or threat of ~~serious~~ property loss.

(c) ~~The provisions of this section shall not be applicable~~ This section does not apply to aircrafts that are engaged in official business of the state or federal government, ~~or~~ used in emergency rescue ~~in accordance with the directions of the superintendent~~, or forced to land due to circumstances beyond the control of the operator.

~~(d) The operation of aircraft shall be in accordance with current applicable regulations of the federal aviation administration.~~

(de) The launching or landing of sailplanes, gliders, ~~parasailing~~ parasails, balloons, body kites, hang gliders, and other devices designed to carry persons or objects through the air in

powerless flight is prohibited without ~~a written special use permit~~ prior written approval from the ~~superintendent department~~ specifying the conditions under which such launching or landing is to be conducted.

(e) The operation of any unmanned aircraft system or drone is prohibited without prior written approval from the department specifying the conditions under which such operation is to be conducted.

Section 76. Camping.

(a) Camping is permitted only in designated areas, unless otherwise posted. ~~and the use of trailers or other camping units is permitted on park land unless otherwise designated. Within specified locations, the pitching of tents or parking of trailers or other camping units is permitted only at designated sites or areas.~~

(b) No person or camping unit may occupy any one (1) park, historic or archaeological site, or recreation area overnight for more than fourteen (14) nights in a thirty (30) day period. ~~Camping is permitted for a maximum of 14 days at any one state park or historic site that allows overnight camping during any 30 days unless otherwise posted. The installation of permanent camping facilities is prohibited.~~

(c) No person shall camp overnight on park lands ~~unless such overnight camping shall be by authority of a~~ without a valid camping permit issued by the department. A member of the camping party must be present with the camping unit until a permit has been obtained.

(d) The digging or leveling of ground at any campsite is prohibited.

(e) Quiet shall be maintained in and around campgrounds ~~all areas used for camping between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., and~~ Noise-producing generator use, barking dogs, and the electronic use of audio devices, or any actions that may disturb the peace as defined in W.S. § 6-6-102 are prohibited during these hours.

(f) The saving of first-come, first-serve campsites, such as to hold a campsite for use by another person who has not yet arrived, is prohibited. ~~Camping equipment must be completely removed and the sites cleaned prior to departure.~~

(g) Where indicated by appropriate signing at the entrance to camping areas ~~or designated site camping areas,~~ permission to enter or occupy such an area is reserved to campers between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. ~~No other persons shall have permission to enter or occupy such areas, without a valid camping permit, during this time period unless specifically authorized by the superintendent.~~

(h) Camping units must be contained within a designated campsite, unless otherwise posted. ~~where established, and only one (1) camping unit is permitted to occupy a designated campsite. In addition to the camping unit no more than two (2) licensed vehicles may occupy the designated campsite if they can fit within the confines of the designated site. Other licensed~~

~~vehicles include but are not limited to tow vehicles, boat trailers, jet ski trailers, ORV trailers, ORVs and other family member vehicles. Any additional licensed vehicles shall be required to be parked in overflow parking areas where established and not be in vacant camping sites. The maximum capacity at any campsite is ten (10) people, although parents, grandparents and unmarried minor children may exceed this limit.~~

(i) Occupancy within a designated campsite is limited to one (1) camping unit and one (1) additional tent.

(ii) Wheeled camping units must be parked on the parking pad area, where provided.

(iii) In addition to the camping unit, no more than two (2) vehicles may occupy the designated campsite and must fit within the parking area of the site.

(iv) The maximum capacity at any single campsite is eight (8) people.

~~(i) Any vehicle within the boundaries of any park land between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. must display a valid camping permit.~~

~~(i)(j)~~ Camping is prohibited on docks, beaches, parking lots, and day use areas unless specifically authorized by the superintendent.

~~(k) All disabled accessible camping sites are reserved for eligible persons as defined in W.S. § 31-2-213(d)(ii), with vehicles displaying an international symbol of access or special license plate.~~

(j) Permits and reservations are non-transferable.

~~(k)(4)~~ No person or group may camp in a campsite reserved for another.

~~(m) Campsite reservation information will be posted at each campsite at least one day in advance.~~

~~(l)(n)~~ Switching of reserved campsites is allowed with only by permission of the ~~department~~superintendent.

~~(m)(o)~~ Campsites are intended for recreational use only. ~~Camping units on park lands which are not occupied on a nightly basis are subject to removal as abandoned property.~~

(n) Camping units which are not occupied on a nightly basis are subject to removal as abandoned property.

Section 87. Closures.

~~(a) The department superintendent may institute establish a reasonable schedule of~~

visiting hours, capacity limits, or closures to protect visitors or park resources. Such restrictions shall be posted with appropriate signage. for all or portions of park land; and close to public use all or any portion when necessary for the protection of an area or the safety and welfare of persons or property by the posting of appropriate signs indicating the extent and scope of such closures.

~~(b) — In accordance with W.S. § 6-6-303, all persons shall observe and abide by officially posted signs designating closed areas and visiting hours.~~

~~(c) — All park lands are closed after 10:00 p.m. except for camping.~~

~~(d) — The superintendent may set a visitor capacity limit for areas within park land. Each visitor capacity limit shall be enforced to protect park visitors and to prevent damage to the natural resources on park lands. Once capacity is reached, no additional visitors shall be admitted.~~

Section 98. Conduct.

(a) Visitors shall conduct themselves in a lawful, peaceful, and orderly manner, and shall abide by these rules and regulations and all state statutes.

(b) The use of park lands and facilities by any person under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances to a degree which renders ~~himself~~ them a hazard is prohibited.

~~(c) — Failure to comply with a lawful order issued by a department employee acting pursuant to these rules is prohibited.~~

~~(c) (d)~~ The operation or use of any audio or visual noise-producing devices or otherwise creating excessive noise in such a manner or at such a time so as to unreasonably disturb any person is prohibited.

~~(d) (e)~~ Possession of any container which contains an alcoholic or malt beverage in excess of two fluid gallons ~~by any person or persons~~ is prohibited without written permission of the superintendent unless a special use permit has been obtained in advance. This section does not apply to the transportation of alcohol through park lands or to activities authorized through permits or contracts issued by the department.

~~(e) (f)~~ In addition to any other penalties provided, ~~the any person; or persons~~ violating these rules and regulations, may be removed from the park lands ~~pursuant to W.S. § 6-3-303.~~

~~(f) (h)~~ Public nudity ~~Nudity~~ is prohibited ~~on park lands.~~

Section 109. Domestic Pets and And-Livestock.

(a) Except in designated off-leash areas, all ~~All~~ pets must be in a vehicle, camping unit, or on a leash no longer than ten (10) feet in length and physically controlled at all times.

(b) Off-leash dog training is restricted to designated areas as indicated by signage or by permission of the superintendent.

~~(b)~~ (c) Pets are prohibited in public eating places, and food stores, public buildings, and on designated beach areas. EXCEPTION: This paragraph shall not apply to service animals ~~guide dogs~~.

~~(c) Dogs, cats or other pets running at large may be impounded by the superintendent and may be disposed of in accordance to W.S. § 11-31-301. Any such animal that kills or seriously injures human beings, or wildlife may be impounded by the superintendent in the interest of public safety and the protection of wildlife, subject to disposition in accordance with W.S. § 11-31-301.~~

~~(d) On park lands where~~ Where hunting is permitted, ~~by the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission,~~ the lawful use of hunting dogs is allowed, provided that the area is open to hunting and the dogs' owners or handlers accompany and have control of such dogs and are responsible for the actions of such dogs.

~~(e) Grazing or ranging domestic animals or poultry is prohibited without prior written authorization by the department superintendent permission, or appropriate federal land managing agencies.~~

(f) Pets shall not be left unattended for any length of time, ~~greater than one hour.~~

(g) Horses are permitted only in park lands except within designated areas.
~~Exception: Horses being used in law enforcement activities.~~

~~(h) Parcels of park lands may be closed permanently or for a specified period of time to domestic pets in order to protect wildlife or adjacent landowners rights.~~

~~(ih) Persons with pets on lawns, picnic and camping areas will~~ shall be responsible for proper removal and disposal of the animal's waste.

Section ~~11~~10. Fires.

(a) ~~The kindling of fires is permitted only when the fire is confined in a Wood fires are permitted only in department-provided fireplaces, unless otherwise authorized by written superintendent permission. provided for the use of visitors, or in grills or in locations specified by the superintendent, or Fires using charcoal, propane, butane, or similar fuels are restricted to in stoves, grills, or lanterns, or firepits. using gasoline, propane, butane gas or similar fuels. Fires shall be kindled in such manner so as to prevent injury to trees, shrubs, grasses, or other combustible matter.~~

(i) Upon approval of the superintendent, wood fires may be built outside of ~~furnished grills or rings~~ department provided fireplaces, but shall not exceed thirty-six (36)

~~inches in diameter and or height. be of a reasonable size. Burning of any material containing metal (i.e., nails, screws, wire, or bolts) is prohibited.~~

(ii) Burning of plastics, glass, rubber, paints, pressurized containers, trash (other than paper), or any material containing metal (e.g. cans, nails, screws, staples, wire, or bolts) in a campfire is prohibited.

(b) No person may burn a fire in a careless manner, leave a fire unattended, or fail to completely extinguish a fire. When no longer needed, the fire shall be completely extinguished. Leaving a fire unattended is prohibited.

(c) The superintendent may prohibit the kindling of fires on park lands when the fire hazard makes such action necessary.

Section ~~1211~~. Fishing, Hunting, and ~~And~~ Trapping.

~~(a) — Fishing is permitted on all park lands subject to general fishing regulations prescribed by the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission.~~

~~(b) — Any area or portion of an area may be closed to all or any form or method of fishing by official action of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission.~~

(a) Fishing from motor vehicle road bridges is prohibited unless otherwise designated.

(b) Fishing from within twenty (20) yards of any public boat ramp, boat dock, mooring area, or designated beach area is prohibited without the written permission of the superintendent.

(c) Bow fishing within one hundred (100) yards of a public use facility is prohibited.

(d) Fishing from motor vehicle road bridges is prohibited unless otherwise designated. All ice fishing equipment, vehicles, and debris must be removed from the frozen lake surface prior to departure.

(e) Unless otherwise posted, park lands or portions thereof are open to hunting subject to general hunting regulations prescribed by the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission. While engaged in lawful hunting, the use of firearms or other projectile devices are prohibited within 400 yards of any public use facility or activity area, including picnic areas, campgrounds, private cabin and concession areas, boat ramps, hard surfaced roads, designated trails, and parking lots.

(f) The use of firearms or other projectile devices is prohibited within four hundred (400) yards of any public use facility or activity area, including picnic areas, campgrounds, cabin and concession areas, boat ramps, designated trails, and parking lots unless otherwise designated.

(gf) Trapping on park lands is authorized with prior written permission from the superintendent in designated areas with appropriate posting. ~~only by regulation of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission. Written permission to trap on park lands must be granted by the superintendent, upon approval of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission.~~

(g) ~~— All ice fishing equipment, vehicles, and debris must be removed from the frozen lake surface prior to departure. Ice shelters must have owner identification as required by Game and Fish Commission regulations.~~

Section ~~13~~12. Permits.

(a) ~~— All persons using any portion of park lands shall obtain the appropriate permits in accordance with W.S. § 36-4-121, and these rules and regulations.~~

(ba) Camping.

(i) ~~Camping permits are required from January 1 through December 31, inclusive, at the locations specified in the department's fee rules. W.S. § 36-4-121(a).~~

(ii) ~~All camping permits or receipts expire at 10:00~~ 11:00 a.m. on the last day of the permit period.

(iii) Any vehicle occupying a ~~camping~~ campsite between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. shall display a valid camping permit, or a receipt or confirmation letter showing proof of permit purchase.

(iv) ~~— The camping receipt shall be visible in the lower driver's side windshield of each vehicle at each campsite or visibly displayed on vehicles without windshields.~~

(iv) ~~All annual~~ Once purchased, an annual camping permit must be permanently affixed to the lower driver's side of the windshield for the vehicle it is registered to or the permit may be subject to confiscation.

(vi) ~~— Any annual camping permit not properly attached to the vehicle it was registered to may be seized and destroyed.~~

(eb) Daily Use.

(i) ~~Daily use permits are required from January 1 through December 31, inclusive, at the locations specified in the department's fee rules. W.S. § 36-4-121(a).~~

(ii) At any state park, recreation area, or archaeological site where daily use permits are required, all vehicles shall display a valid daily use permit, or a receipt or confirmation letter showing proof of permit purchase.

(ii) ~~— The daily use receipt shall be visible in the lower driver's side windshield~~

~~of each vehicle or visibly displayed on vehicles without windshields.~~

(iii) Once purchased, an annual daily use permit must be permanently affixed to the lower driver's side of the windshield for the vehicle it is registered to or the permit may be subject to confiscation.

~~(iv) — Any annual daily use permit not properly attached to the vehicle it was registered to may be seized and destroyed. —~~

(c) Lifetime veteran's passes may only be used when the registered owner is present.

(d) All permits are non-transferable.

(ed) Short Term and Special Use Permits. Special use and short term permits are required for events such as commercial activities, sporting events, fishing derbies or tournaments, concerts, demonstrations, parades, fireworks shows, or other spectator attractions or participant activities open to the public.

~~(i) — Sporting events, pageants, re-enactments, regattas, entertainment, fishing derbies, public meetings, assemblies, demonstrations, parades or other events, characterized as public spectator attractions or participant activities, are prohibited unless written permission therefore has been given by the superintendent. Such events shall be issued a special use permit only after a finding that the issuance of such permit will not be inconsistent with the purpose for which the area is established and maintained and will cause the minimum possible interference with use of the area by the general public. The permit may contain such reasonable conditions and restrictions as to duration and area occupied as are necessary for the protection of the area and the public use.~~

~~(ii) — Applications for a special use permit shall be received by the superintendent not later than thirty (30) days prior to the requested special activity and shall set forth the following: the name of the applicant, the date, time, duration, nature and place of the proposed activity, an estimate of the number of persons expected to attend, and a statement of equipment and facilities to be used in connection with the event or attraction.~~

~~(iii) — The superintendent may prohibit the consumption and/or possession of alcoholic or malt beverages within specified areas of park lands for specific activities and shall display such restrictions.~~

~~(A) — The superintendent may require applicants to arrange for general liability insurance to cover participants, and the State of Wyoming will be named as an additional insured.~~

~~(B) — As a condition of the permit issuance, the superintendent may require the filing of a bond with satisfactory surety payable to the state, to cover costs such as restoration, rehabilitation and cleanup of the area used, and other costs resulting from the permitted activity. In lieu of a bond, the applicant may elect to deposit cash equal to the amount~~

of the required bond.

(iv) ~~For lands and facilities designated for reservation use, large groups of ten (10) or more people holding private functions not requiring a special use permit as defined in section 13(d)(i) of these rules must obtain a reservation from appropriate park or site staff. Reservations shall be received by the superintendent a minimum of seven (7) days prior to the activity.~~

(v) ~~Applicants for a fishing derby are required to obtain prior permission from the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission before approval is granted by the department.~~

Section 13. Camp Rentals and Amenities.

(a) The following are prohibited in camp rentals, unless otherwise designated:

(i) Pets, other than service animals.

(ii) The use of smoking products, tobacco, or vaping devices.

(iii) The use of electric, gas, or charcoal cooking devices.

(iv) Heating devices, other than department provided devices.

(b) No additional camping units or tents are permitted at a camp rental site.

(c) Payment of required amenities or rental fees is required prior to use.

Section 14. ~~Picnicking.~~

(a) ~~Picnicking is permitted except in those locations designated by the superintendent by the posting of appropriate signs.~~

Section 14. Preservation of Public Property.

(a) Without prior permission of the superintendent, The the disturbance, damage, or destruction, injury, defacement, removal or disturbance in any manner of any building, sign, equipment, monument, statue, marker or other structure, or of any animal or plant matter and direct or indirect products thereof, including but not limited to petrified wood, flower, cane, or fruit, egg, nest, or nesting site, or of any soil, rock, or mineral formation, fossil, artifact, relic, historic or prehistoric artifact or feature, or of any other public property of any kind on park lands is prohibited without prior permission of the superintendent. EXCEPTION: Lawful activities authorized under this chapter are permitted.

(b) The gathering or possession for personal consumption or use of only such Gathering wild fruits and berries for personal consumption as the superintendent may designate

is permitted unless otherwise designated. ~~All such fruits and berries shall be picked only by hand. The gathering or collecting of such objects for the purpose of sale is prohibited.~~

(c) The use of any mineral or metal detecting device at a state historic or archeological site is prohibited, except for official use. The use of any mineral or metal detecting device at a state park or recreation area is prohibited without written permission of the superintendent.

(d) ~~The destroying, digging, cutting, removing, or possession of any tree, shrub or plant is prohibited.~~ The collection and possession of dead wood found on the ground for use as fuel in campgrounds or picnic areas is permitted unless otherwise designated, except as posted by appropriate signs.

(e) Dead timber which has been identified by the department personnel for removal from park land may be cut and removed from the area by the public for personal use consumption at home with the written permission of the superintendent. The removal for the purpose of sale is prohibited unless authorized by a contract or permit issued by the department.

(f) Entering, climbing upon, or tampering with state owned motor vehicles and motorized or power equipment is prohibited.

Section ~~16~~15. Public Safety.

(a) Unless otherwise provided ~~on park lands~~, no person shall:

(i) Possess or use explosives, or use fireworks or pyrotechnics of any type on park lands, unless authorized by a permit or contract issued by the department.

(ii) Use or display any weapon in a threatening manner.

(iii) Discharge a firearm or other projectile device, or otherwise purposefully or negligently endanger the life of any person or creature ~~within any park lands~~. The discharge of a firearm or other projectile device while engaged in hunting or fishing as authorized by these rules is permitted. Wyoming Game and Fish Commission regulations is authorized except within 400 yards of any public use facility or activity area, including picnic areas, campgrounds, private cabin and concession areas, boat ramps, hard surfaced roads, designated trails, and parking lots.

(b) Glass beverage containers are prohibited outside of vehicles, and all camping units, and camp rentals, on park lands except in on established commercial premises and designated historic sites areas.

Section ~~17~~16. Sanitation.

(a) ~~All garbage, papers, cans, bottles, waste materials, and rubbish of any kind~~ Trash must be deposited in places or containers designated for the disposal thereof, or removed from park lands, the area.

(b) Draining or dumping refuse or wastes, including gray water, ~~from any source,~~ except in places or receptacles provided for such use, is prohibited.

(c) ~~Campground~~ Park hydrants shall be used only for the gathering of water for personal and domestic use while recreating on park lands. Bathing, fish cleaning, and washing of dishes, boats, or vehicles is prohibited in the area of hydrants. It is prohibited to fill storage containers with water from park hydrants for non-recreational use outside of park lands (e.g. industrial or agricultural use) without superintendent approval.

(d) Polluting or contaminating ~~in any manner~~ any watershed, water supplies, or water used for drinking purposes is prohibited. This shall include the dumping of hazardous waste.

(e) Depositing ~~any human body~~ waste in or on any park lands or facilities, portion of any comfort station or other public structure except into fixtures provided for that purpose is prohibited. Placing any bottle, can, cloth, rag, metal, wood, or stone substances in any of the plumbing fixtures of ~~such structure or station~~ park facilities is prohibited.

(f) Urinating or defecating anywhere other than at the ~~places~~ facilities provided for that purpose ~~therefore~~ is prohibited.

(g) Using government refuse containers or ~~other refuse~~ facilities for dumping ~~household or commercial~~ garbage or trash brought as such from private property is prohibited.

Section ~~18~~17. Trail Use.

(a) All designated ~~hardened~~ trails are open to foot traffic. Bicycle and equestrian use ~~is are prohibited where permitted unless otherwise~~ designated.

(b) Bicyclists and foot traffic must yield to horseback riders. Bicyclists must yield to foot traffic.

(c) Motorized vehicles are prohibited on all trails except for department and emergency vehicles performing maintenance or management functions.

(d) Riding or hitching horses, or other saddle or pack animals, ~~in campgrounds or picnic areas or within the immediate vicinity of trail shelters, eating or sleeping establishments or other areas of public gatherings,~~ except where trails and facilities are provided for such use, is prohibited.

(e) Riders shall slow their horses to a slow trot or walk when passing persons on foot or bicycle.

(f) Pedestrians on trails shall conduct themselves in such a manner as not to frighten or interfere with horses or pack animals ~~when passing or being passed.~~

(g) All trail usage shall be in a manner to cause minimal damage to the trail.

(h) Class 1 electric bicycles are allowed on non-motorized trails. Class 2 and 3 electric bicycles are prohibited on all non-motorized trails.

Section ~~19~~18. Solicitation.

(a) Solicitation ~~Commercial solicitation~~ of any kind is prohibited; provided that this section shall not apply to ~~transactions with authorized concessions~~ activities authorized through permits or contracts issued by the department.

(b) Display of unauthorized signs or advertising ~~on park lands~~ is prohibited.

(c) Panhandling ~~Begging~~ and hitchhiking are prohibited.

Section ~~20~~19. Suspension of Rules.

~~(a) — In emergency situations, the department may provide temporary exceptions to the general rules for specific park lands, by posting notice of such exceptions at said park lands. Adopted civil defense plans for each area will become effective upon announcement by the superintendent.~~

Section ~~21~~20. Vehicles.

(a) No person shall operate a motorized vehicle ~~on any park land~~ except on such roads, trails, beaches, or areas designated for such use. This ~~shall include~~, but is not limited to motor vehicles, class 2 and 3 electric bikes, snowmobiles, tracked vehicles, and off-road vehicles (ORVs) such as motorcycles, trail bikes, mopeds, snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, and utility task vehicles and all other off road vehicles (ORVs). This rule shall not apply to employees engaged in the performance of their official duties.

(i) Vehicle operation on any reservoir area below the high-water line may be restricted to designated areas and special management zones.

(ii) Vehicle use of any reservoir area below the high-water line shall be restricted to entering and leaving the reservoir bottom from a department established access.

(b) Persons driving a vehicle on any road within park lands shall observe the posted speed limit. The speed limit for all park roads that are not posted shall be fifteen (15) miles per hour.

(c) Vehicular traffic within campgrounds and picnic areas is limited to ingress and egress only.

(d) In the event an unattended vehicle interferes with the safe, secure, or orderly management of the area, ~~it may be ordered to be removed by the~~ a superintendent or law

enforcement officer ~~at any time, and~~ may order such vehicle ~~shall to~~ be removed and stored at the expense of the owner.

(e) No person shall engage in any motor vehicle speed or acceleration contest, or exhibition driving ~~on any park land~~ without approval of the superintendent.

(f) No person shall operate a motor vehicle ~~on park land~~ in a careless and imprudent manner, or without due regard for the safety of others.

~~(g) No person shall operate any motor vehicle, except off road vehicles (ORV) as defined in W.S. § 31-1-101(a)(xv)(K), on park land:~~

~~(i) Without displaying valid registration.~~

~~(ii) Without being operated by a licensed driver with a license for the class and type and applicable endorsements valid for the motor vehicle being driven.~~

~~(iii) No owner of a motor vehicle required to be registered shall operate or permit the operation of his motor vehicle without having in full force and effect a motor vehicle liability policy in amounts provided by W.S. § 31-9-405(b) or a bond in amounts provided by W.S. § 31-9-102(a)(xi).~~

(hg) No ORV off road vehicle (ORV) as defined in W.S. § 31-1-101(a)(xv)(K) shall be operated on park lands without a valid ORV decal or license plate. ~~an ORV decal.~~

(ih) No person shall operate an ORV on park lands without a valid driver's license, except on designated trails or in recreation areas where youth operation may be permitted.

(i) An ORV decal is required to operate an ORV on or within designated motorized trails and recreation areas regardless if the ORV has a license plate.

Section 2221. Water Sports: Designated Beach Areas.

(a) No lifeguards are provided at designated beach areas. Swimmers swim at their own risk.

(b) No person may build or tend any fires on designated beach areas.

(c) Glass containers are not allowed at ~~on any~~ designated beach areas.

(d) Fishing is not allowed at ~~on any~~ designated beach areas.

~~(e) Persons using designated beach areas shall be attired in acceptable swim wear, so as to prevent any nudity.~~

~~(f) Dressing and undressing except in bathhouses, tents, or camper trailers is~~

prohibited.

~~(e)(g)~~ No Except for service animals, no dogs, cats, or other domestic animals are allowed at on-designated beach areas.

Section 2322. Water Sports: Boating.

(a) ~~Boating is permitted on all waters within park lands, except as otherwise provided in these rules, and operation is subject to general boating regulations prescribed by the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission.~~

~~(b) Any area or portion of an area within park land boundaries may be closed by the Game and Fish Commission under W.S. § 41-13-211 to all or any forms of watercraft by the placing of signs, markers, buoys, or other appropriate devices in widespread and common use for such purposes.~~

~~(be) Watercraft shall not be left unattended in or near waters owned or controlled by the State of Wyoming except at designated mooring, anchoring, or beaching locations. In boat launching areas, vehicles and trailers must be parked in designated parking areas. Vehicles and trailers left in the boat ramp areas which hinder other users are prohibited and may be removed by the superintendent with all related fees being paid by the owner.~~

~~(c) In boat launching areas, vehicles and trailers must be parked in designated parking areas. Vehicles and trailers left in the boat ramp areas which hinder other users are prohibited and may be removed at the owner's expense.~~

~~(d) Docks installed adjacent to boat ramps shall only be used to launch or retrieve watercraft or to load or unload passengers or supplies. only for the following purposes: launching and recovery of watercraft, and embarking and disembarking passengers. The mooring of watercraft at The use of such docks for any other reason or to leave watercraft moored for a period of time greater than that which is reasonable to accomplish the permitted activities is prohibited. This section does not apply to dock areas associated with marinas or boat clubs under contracts with the department.~~

~~(e) The towing of persons on waterskis, surfboards, and similar devices by vessels is permitted except on those portions of water surface restricted by buoy markers or signs, provided such activity is conducted in accordance with boating regulations prescribed by the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission.~~

~~(f) Boat races or regattas may be permitted in park lands with the written permission of the Superintendent and the Wyoming Game and Fish Department. Application for approval of any event must be submitted to the superintendent at least thirty (30) days prior to the event. An application must also be submitted to the Wyoming Game and Fish Department Watercraft Section at least thirty (30) days prior to the event.~~

~~(e) Unauthorized boat docks are prohibited.~~

~~(f) Launch or retrieval of motorized watercraft is only permitted in designated areas.~~

Section ~~23~~24. Special Regulations.

(a) Curt Gowdy State Park.

(i) ~~No swimming is allowed in the reservoirs at Curt Gowdy State Park. No waterskiing is allowed in Crystal or North Crow reservoirs.~~

(ii) ~~No vehicles or debris of any type shall be~~ are permitted upon any the ice surface of the reservoirs at Curt Gowdy State Park.

(iii) ~~Use of Hynds Lodge must be by reservation only. Users will be responsible for compliance with the terms and conditions regarding use of the facility as provided in W.S. § 36-4-121.~~

(iv) ~~Use of the amphitheater area must be by reservation or where appropriate a special use permit as permitted in Section 13(d) of these State Park Rules and Regulations.~~

(A) ~~Alcoholic beverages or malt beverages as defined by Wyoming State Statutes, kegs or containers, which the contents may be poured, are prohibited in the amphitheater and Hynds Lodge area except by specific permission granted in writing in a special use permit.~~

(v) ~~Pets are prohibited in the reservoirs at Curt Gowdy State Park.~~

(b) Hot Springs State Park.

(i) ~~Bicycles are prohibited on sidewalks and are further restricted to roadways and parking lots in accordance with W.S. §§ 31-5-701 through 31-5-706.~~

(ii) ~~Overnight occupancy within a motor home, camping trailer, pick-up camper, or other overnight vehicle type~~ Camping, including overnight occupancy of a vehicle, is prohibited outside of a designated campsite is prohibited within park boundaries including leased areas, unless authorized by a permit or contract issued by the department.

(iii) ~~Quiet hours shall be maintained in those portions of the park east of U.S. Hwy. 20 and the railroad tracks between the hours of from 9:00 p.m. to and 7:00 a.m. (east of Hwy 20 and railroad tracks). During quiet hours, excessive noise that unreasonably disturbs others, including loud electronics and engine revving, is prohibited unless authorized by a permit or contract issued by the department. This rule specifically applies, without limitation, to cars or automobiles or motorcycles which are unusually noisy, to automobile audio devices, or to portable audio devices being used by park visitors. The foregoing prohibition against unusually loud noises specifically applies to the racing or rapid acceleration of motor vehicle engines in such a manner as to cause the vehicle to emit a noise louder than normal acceleration.~~

~~(iv)(iii)~~ Liquor/alcohol permits are required at Hot Springs State Park. It is unlawful for any person to consume alcohol within park boundaries unless authorized by a liquor permit issued by the superintendent or their designee. ~~any alcoholic or malt beverage or to be in possession of any type of alcoholic or malt beverage in an open container of any type, upon any state park land, public street, sidewalk, alley or public vehicle parking area, whether public or privately owned or leased, unless specifically permitted by the department.~~ This section does not apply to designated ~~campsites~~ campgrounds or activities authorized by a permit or contract issued by the department.

~~(A)~~—A liquor/alcohol permit shall be acquired from the park headquarters or from a park ranger prior to the consumption of the liquor or malt beverage. The permit shall be acquired at least 24 hours in advance of the event and during regular working hours.

~~(B)~~—Open containers are prohibited within fifty (50) feet of Buffalo, Tepee, or Park Streets.

~~(C)~~—All persons consuming alcoholic or malt beverages shall abide by all applicable Wyoming Statutes and Thermopolis Town ordinances pertaining to the consumption of alcohol.

~~(iv)~~—Liquor/alcohol permits are required for the consumption of alcohol or malt beverages in those areas of Hot Springs State Park that are leased to other governing agencies i.e., Hot Springs County, Hot Springs School District, the Recreation Board, etc. Alcohol permits for these areas shall be obtained prior to the event from the governing body responsible for the management of these specific areas.

~~(iv)~~ Diving or jumping into the Bighorn River from any structure or embankment is prohibited within park boundaries.

~~(vii)~~—Pets that have been impounded will be turned over to the authorized impound used by the City of Thermopolis.

~~(v)(viii)~~No person may remove mineral water from within park boundaries, in excess of more than six (6) gallons of mineral water per day, without written permission authorization from the park superintendent, or by prior written agreement with the department.

~~(ix)~~—No person shall use a skateboard or any wheeled coaster device on any roadway within the park unless the roadway has been closed by park personnel for an approved event. Skateboards are prohibited on any sidewalks within the park boundaries.

~~(x)~~—The designation of school zones covers only those days when school is in session, and such hours as children are in route to and from school. Every driver of a motor vehicle shall exercise extreme care in approaching and driving through such areas. At those intersections adjacent to schools where stop signs are maintained at various hours of the day, it

shall be the duty of every driver of a motor vehicle to stop and permit any child to cross, when such child or children are waiting at the curb or within five (5) feet thereof. (As per city Ordinance 376, 12/21/51, 92.)

~~(xi) — Article V. of the Thermopolis City Ordinance pertaining to emergency snow route markings and restrictions shall be in effect where roadways are signed and/or advertised per city ordinances.~~

~~(vi)(xii)~~ Swimming and/or wading in any of the cooling ponds or canals used for mineral water from the Big Horn Spring is prohibited.

~~(vii) Engaging in fishing or removing fish from the cooling ponds or canals is prohibited without written permission from the superintendent.~~

(c) Edness Kimball Wilkins State Park.

~~(i) — Pets are prohibited in designated areas.~~

~~(ii) — The use of dogs for dog training shall be restricted to areas designated by the superintendent.~~

~~(iii) — Motorized watercraft are prohibited on ponds.~~

~~(iv) — Ponds are closed to motorized watercraft, fishing, minnow seining, and minnow trapping.~~

(d) Sinks Canyon State Park.

~~(i) — The nature trail is open to foot traffic use only.~~

~~(ii) — Snowmobiles are prohibited from operating on park grounds.~~

(e) Bear River State Park.

~~(i) — Possession and/or consumption of alcohol.~~

~~(A) — It shall be unlawful to consume or to possess alcoholic or malt beverages in an open container while operating a motor vehicle.~~

~~(B) — It shall be unlawful for any person to consume or to carry in an open container any alcoholic or malt beverage, except in designated campsites or areas designated on a properly obtained 24 hour state park permit. Permits are available from park headquarters/travel information center, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. only.~~

~~(C) — For the purpose of this section, an open container is any glass, cup, bottle, can or other receptacle used for drinking which is not sealed or capped.~~

~~(i)(ii)~~ The use of snowmobiles is prohibited, ~~within Bear River State Park~~ except by park staff on official duties, city grooming crews, or by permission of the superintendent.

~~(iii)~~ ~~The use of skateboards and roller skates are prohibited within 50 feet of any building or structure. Destructive uses of these devices such as ramping or jumping onto any facility or structure is also prohibited.~~

~~(ii)(iv)~~ The use of game calls, including but not limited to bugles or scent attractants ~~is shall be~~ prohibited.

~~(iii)(v)~~ Harassment of wildlife ~~is shall be~~ prohibited.

~~(iv)(vi)~~ Tractor trailers ~~are shall be~~ prohibited in the park unless authorized by the superintendent.

~~(f)~~ ~~Guernsey State Park.~~

~~(i)~~ ~~Motorized boats or personal watercraft shall be launched only from specified boat ramps.~~

~~(g)~~ ~~Ft. Bridger State Historic Site.~~

~~(i)~~ ~~It shall be unlawful for any person to consume or to carry in an open container any alcoholic or malt beverage, except in designated campsites or areas designated on a properly obtained 24 hour state park permit.~~

~~(ii)~~ ~~All paths are open to foot traffic only. All vehicles must remain on established roads and/or parking area, except maintenance vehicles.~~

Section 2425. Savings Clause.

~~(a)~~ ~~If any provision of this rule or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid or in conflict with any other provision of this rule, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this rule which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application and to this end the provisions of this rule are severable.~~