

Report to
Legislative Council Rules Clearinghouse
NR 1, 45 and 51, Wis. Adm. Code
Natural Resources Board Order No. LF-17-07

Wisconsin Statutory Authority

ss.23.091, 23.09(2)(intro.), 23.11(1), 23.28(3), 23.293, 27.01(2)(j), 27.01(10)(b) and (f) and 227.11(2)(a), Stats., interpreting ss. 23.091, 23.09(2)(intro.), 23.11(4), 23.17, 23.175, 23.28(3), 23.293, 27.01(2)(i) and (j), 27.01(10)(f) and 28.04(2), Stats.

Federal Authority

N/A

Court Decisions Directly Relevant

None

Analysis of the Rule - Rule Effect - Reason for the Rule

Chapter NR 45 contains the administrative rules for the use of department properties and applies to lands and facilities that are owned, acquired by easement or leased by the department. This chapter is reviewed approximately every 2 years and revisions are proposed by the department to address various issues that arise on the properties. The proposed rule contains a number of changes for the purpose of improving or clarifying existing rules, creating a few property specific rules and amending a number of rules affecting fees and reservations in state parks and forests.

Seven state parks are being proposed to be added to the list of parks that charge an additional \$3.00 per day for camping due to local market conditions and there is also a proposal that the fee be applied year round to all 15 parks that charge this differential. A state trail season pass fee increase of \$5.00 is being proposed to meet increasing costs of maintaining and managing the trails. This would increase the annual fee from \$15 to \$20. Other proposals are aimed at simplifying the fee system in response to requests by the users.

Rules are being proposed for the newly established Lake Shore State Park that will establish hours and prohibit alcohol consumption outside of organized events.

Language has been included in ch. NR 1

Agency Procedures for Promulgation

Public hearings, Natural Resources Board final adoption, followed by legislative review.

Description of any Forms (attach copies if available)

None

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