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MEMORANDUM TO THE DIRECTOR

Information: Natural Resources Commission

Subject: Order to Regulate Use, Repeal of Motor Vehicle Permit for Access to State
Parks, Recreation Areas, and Scenic Sites
Land Use Order of the Director Amendment No. 1 of 2014
FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Authority:

The Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, authorizes the Director to issue orders to implement land use rules.

Discussion and Background:

The Recreation Passport replaced the motor vehicle permit requirement. The Recreation Passport is covered in the amendment to the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, Part 741, MCL 324.74120. As a result, the Land Use Order of the Director 5.16 is obsolete and is recommended to be repealed.

Recommendation:

The Michigan State Parks Advisory Committee passed a Resolution in Support of this order at their meeting held on December 12, 2013. This order is being submitted for information and consideration. This item appeared on the Department's December 2013 calendar and may be eligible for approval on February 13, 2014.

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LAND USE ORDERS OF THE DIRECTOR

Amendment No. 1 of 2014

By authority conferred on the Director of the Department of Natural Resources by Section 504 of the Natural Resources Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.504, and in accordance with R 299.921 to R 299.933 , the Director of the Department of Natural Resources orders the following:

~~5.16 Entry, use and occupancy of certain state parks recreation areas and scenic sites, motor vehicle permit requirement; additional fees~~ Repealed, Amendment 1, 2014, Post February 6, 2014.

~~Order 5.16 (1) The department may require motor vehicle permits for nonresident motor vehicles or commercial motor vehicles and collect fees for entry into a state park or a recreation area. The department may waive the motor vehicle permit requirement for department sponsored events or other circumstances as determined by the director or the director's designee. The department shall prepare and distribute motor vehicle permits to implement this part.~~

~~(2) Except as otherwise provided in this order, an annual motor vehicle permit shall be issued and shall authorize the entry of the nonresident motor vehicle or commercial motor vehicle to which it is originally attached within the confines of any state park or recreation area during the calendar year for which it is issued. The fee for the annual motor vehicle permit is as follows:~~

~~(a) For the owner of a nonresident motor vehicle, \$29.00.~~

~~(3) A daily permit, valid for 1 day only, shall authorize the entry of the motor vehicle to which it is originally attached within the confines of a state park or recreation area during the day for which it is issued. The fee for a daily permit is as follows:~~

~~(a) For the owner of a nonresident motor vehicle, \$8.00.~~

~~(4) A person who has obtained an annual motor vehicle permit under this section for a recreational vehicle to be used as a stationary primary camping shelter camped legally in and not moved from a state park or recreation area campground during the period of the camping stay may obtain a duplicate motor vehicle permit for a towed second motor vehicle present at the time of entry for a fee of \$8.00 effective for the duration of camping stay.~~

~~(5) This section does not obviate the necessity of obtaining additional permits for special services or park privileges as previously or subsequently may be required by law or by rules promulgated by the department.~~

~~(6) Commercial motor coaches or vans with a capacity of more than 12 passengers are not eligible to enter a state park or recreation area with an annual motor vehicle permit. The daily fee to allow commercial motor coaches or vans with a capacity of over 12 passengers daily entry into a state park or recreation area is \$15.00.~~

~~(7) If a person's annual motor vehicle permit is lost or destroyed, the department shall provide that person with a replacement motor vehicle permit free of charge. The department may require a person requesting~~

~~a replacement motor vehicle permit to supply sufficient evidence of the loss or destruction of the original motor vehicle permit.~~

~~(8) As used in this order, "resident motor vehicle" means a vehicle that is registered as a motor vehicle in this state.~~

~~(9) The fees for recreation passports purchased at state parks and recreation areas shall be as follows:~~

~~(a) In 2011, equal to the fee charged by the Secretary of State in 2011 for the recreation passport.~~

~~(b) In 2012, \$5.00 in addition to the fee charged by the Secretary of State in 2012 for the recreation passport (\$2.50 in addition for motorcycles).~~

~~(c) In 2013 and thereafter, two times the fee charged by the Secretary of State for the recreation passport for all qualifying vehicles.~~

This amended order shall be posted on or after the 14th day of February, 2014.

Issued on this 13th day of February, 2014.

Keith Creagh
Director