

North Dakota Parks & Recreation Department
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North Dakota State Parks Ready for Summer Visitors

The staff at North Dakota State Parks are ready for your visit! North Dakota's State Parks return to full services on Friday, May 19. This means campgrounds will have full services, boat ramps/docks will be open, public showers and bathroom facilities will be up and running, and summer park staff will be ready to help you have a legendary North Dakota outdoor experience.

Vehicle entrance fees are \$5 per day or \$25 for an annual pass, which is valid through April 30, 2018. Daily entrance fees will increase to \$7 on August 1 of this year and next year's annual pass will cost \$35. Discounts are available to seniors and disabled military veterans. Annual passes, which provide entry to all 13 North Dakota State Parks, are available for purchase at each of the state parks or at the North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department in Bismarck at 1600 E. Century Ave., Suite #3. They can also be purchased online at www.parkrec.nd.gov.

Over the past several years, North Dakota's state parks have been popular destinations for tourists, recording over a million visitors each year. "North Dakota State Parks provide exceptional outdoor recreational experiences to both residents and tourists. We are proud to contribute to the high quality of living in our local communities and to our state's outdoor recreation economy," said Melissa Baker, Director of North Dakota Department of Parks and Recreation. "Our park staff have been hard at work during the off-season to make sure facilities are first-rate and services are of the quality visitors have come to expect."

Camping also continues to grow in popularity at North Dakota State Parks. Campsites, cabins, yurts and tipis can be reserved online at www.parkrec.nd.gov or by calling 800-807-4723.

More information about the North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department and its offerings can be found on its website at www.parkrec.nd.gov.