

North Dakota Parks & Recreation Department

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **NDPRD seeks comment on outdoor recreation plan**

The North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department (NDPRD) seeks public comment on the *2013-2017 North Dakota State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan* (SCORP).

Developed every five years, the SCORP is a guide for managing and developing North Dakota's non-consumptive (excluding hunting and fishing) outdoor recreation base. The public is invited to review the SCORP and provide comments by 5 p.m. CDT on Aug. 27, 2012.

Research for the SCORP took place earlier this year. North Dakota households and outdoor recreation providers were surveyed to determine the demand for and supply of outdoor recreation (not including hunting and fishing) in the state. Based on the research results, funding priorities for outdoor recreation parks and facilities at the state and regional level were established as part of the SCORP implementation plan. The goal of the SCORP is to enhance outdoor recreation across the state by educating and engaging North Dakotans to ensure diverse outdoor recreation opportunities are available to citizens and visitors.

North Dakotans interested in reviewing and commenting on the SCORP should go online at [www.parkrec.nd.gov](http://www.parkrec.nd.gov). An electronic version of the SCORP can be found online along with further information and a method to submit comments.