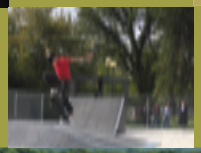

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Dear Fellow North Dakotans:

It is my pleasure to present North Dakota's 2008-2012 State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP). This plan identifies regional and statewide outdoor recreation needs and concerns, including a framework to guide decision makers in planning, developing, managing and protecting North Dakota's outdoor recreation resources. In addition, this plan maintains North Dakota's eligibility for receipt of Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) program grant dollars.

The outcomes, priorities and recommendations included in this document are the result of input received through surveys and regional planning workshops by citizens representing a cross section of North Dakota residents, and representatives from federal, state and local agencies. Public involvement, as well as participation by park and recreation professionals and resource agencies, contributed to the overall quality of this document. Thank you to everyone who provided input.

North Dakota has a rich heritage and is blessed with an abundance of natural, cultural and recreational resources that enhance the quality of life for all of us. It is important for local, state and federal partners to continue to work together to maintain the integrity of existing resources, while carefully utilizing the objectives in the SCORP to enhance outdoor recreation opportunities to meet future public demand.

Thank you for all you do to enhance and protect North Dakota's outdoor recreation resources. We look forward to continuing to work with you as we pursue these important goals for our state.

Sincerely,

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