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NEWS RELEASE / PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

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From: Todd Bierman, Vilas County Parks and Recreation Supervisor

RE: Vilas County Park User Fees

Public Notice

There has seemed to be some confusion to which facilities in Vilas County are requiring the purchase of a user permit. The only Facilities requiring the permit are the facilities owned, operated and maintained by Vilas County. The following is a list of facilities where a permit will be needed: Boot Lake, Buckatabon Lake, Eagle Lake, Lake of the Hills, Hunter Lake, Muskellunge Lake, Pickerel Lake, Snipe Lake, McLeod Lake, Snyder Lake, Torch Lake, Tamarack Flowage, Buckatabon Creek, Cranberry Island, Lac Vieux Desert, River Road, Rummels Road, Tamarack Springs, Dr. Oldfield Memorial Park, Heart Lake Road, County Highway K, and the Vilas County Shooting Range.

Permit fees for the 2023 season are as follows:

- Daily Permit, \$5.00
- Resident Seasonal, \$25.00
- Resident Senior (oldest person in household over 65 years of age), \$15.00
- Non-Resident Seasonal, \$45.00
- Commercial Operator Seasonal, \$250.00 (Single Vehicle)
- Commercial Operator Seasonal, \$375.00 (Multi-Vehicle)
- A convenience fee of \$1.00 for daily permits and \$4.50 for seasonal permits applies to cover transaction costs.

The new permitting system is quick and user-friendly, whether purchasing a daily permit or applying for an annual seasonal permit. Daily and seasonal permits can be purchased on-site at each park and landing location through a user's mobile device by following the simple instructions on the location's posted signage.

Resident, commercial operator and non-resident seasonal permits can also be purchased online at www.vilascountrypermits.com through a simple application and check-out process. The website also contains comprehensive information regarding the new permitting system and offers customer assistance through email and telephone support.

“The County board has responded to stakeholder concerns about the wear and tear of continued growth in the use of the county’s parks and landings and the new permitting system will help support ongoing upgrades and maintenance to support the parklands and ensure we preserve the amenities into the future.” says Todd Bierman, Parks & Recreation Supervisor for Vilas County Forestry, Recreation and Land.

For more information on permits, locations and fees, visit
www.vilascountypermits.com.

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