



Minnesota Natural Resources
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DEPARTMENT NATURAL RESOURCES - Parks & Rec.*Office Memorandum*

TO : Regional Park Supervisors
Regional Business Managers

DATE: May 29, 1979

FROM :  Merle DeBoer, Operations Specialist

PHONE: 296-2609SUBJECT: Resource Management Positions

A separate AID is required and has been established for each Region in order to make these positions seasonal. This AID will continue next biennium; as will all development program AID's.

As soon as money is in this AID the PCN will be issued by Pat Burt. Each Region should transfer funds if not already done so from the appropriate park AID's in the development account to this AID.

Region I	AID 341321
Region II	AID 346965
Region III	AID 351486
Region IV	AID 358184
Region V	AID 361865
Region VI	AID 368795

Please call if you have any questions.

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DEPARTMENT NATURAL RESOURCES - Parks & Rec. *Office Memorandum*

TO : Don D. Davison, Director

DATE: March 15, 1979

FROM : *R* Frank J. Svoboda, Statewide Resource Coord. PHONE: 6-8289
*Frank Svoboda*SUBJECT: Need for Regional Resource Coordinators and Project Money
Expended to Date

Below is a list of arguments for making the Regional Resource Coordinator position more effective. The position should be a Natural Resources Specialist I unclassified position.

Arguments for:

1. All positions in all regions would receive same title, compensation, benefits (if entitled to any).
2. Employees filling those positions would receive credit for their work experience when applying for a permanent Civil Service job.
3. A nine-month position would be more effective than a six-month temporary position in retaining an employee. To successfully administer and spend \$500,000 we need employee continuity.
4. The Regional Park Supervisors (Johnston, Weir, Mitchell, Ludwig) see the value and need for this functional position in the region.
5. Managers need the help to do the job because they lack the expertise and time.
6. Employees are leaving to take more permanent positions or ones with professional job classifications.

Also attached is a summary document for each region listing projects by type, cost, amount budgeted, amount committed to date and amount remaining. You will notice that the regions without coordinators have made the least effective use of the funds. For what these positions cost, we are getting a lot of product in return.

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Attachment

cc: Wayland K. Porter, Park Systems Supervisor ✓
Merle DeBoer, Operations Specialist
Regional Park Supervisors
Regional Resource Coordinators

Summary of Resource Management Projects Funded for 1978-79 Biennium

<u>Region I</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Category & Cost</u>		<u>Total</u>
		<u>Study</u>	<u>Management</u>	
Paul Rundell, Regional Coordinator				
<u>Hayes Lake</u>	Seeding for erosion control		\$ 2,000	
	Controlled Burning		?	
	Gauging Station		1,000	
	Wild Rice Seed		?	
	Sedimentation Study	\$3,000		
	Shoreland Stabilization		?	
	*Oxygen and Dissolved			
	Gas Study	3,000		
	Miscellaneous		500	
	Budgeted			\$27,400
	Committed			9,500
	Remaining			17,900
*Fisheries has reported that oxygen levels are low and fish survival is poor in Hayes Lake. So far the early indications of this study are that oxygen is good in some portions of the lake and if an aerator is needed we can locate it at a point in the lake where it will do the most good for the fish. We have spent \$3,000 to make the most efficient use of a \$50,000 aerator if needed.				
<u>Maplewood</u>	Prairie Remnant Mgmt.		\$ 1,000	
	Marsh Burns		5,000	
	Old Field Burns		4,000	
	Campground Screening			
	with vegetation		6,000	
	Screen Park boundaries			
	with vegetation		2,000	
	Miscellaneous		5,000	
	Budgeted			\$23,000
	Committed			27,000
	Remaining			0
<u>Lake Bronson</u>	Shoreline Stabilization		\$ 3,000	
	Gabbion Baskets		1,500	
	Prairie Remnant			
	Transplant		?	
	Sand Dune Mgmt.		?	
	Controlled Burning		?	
	Demonstration Forest		?	
	Budgeted			\$52,800
	Committed			27,500
	Remaining			25,300

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<u>Project</u>	<u>Study</u>	<u>Mgmt.</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Lake Bemidji</u>			
Controlled Burns		?	
Mistletoe Study	\$ 300		
Dredge Harbor		\$2,000	
Erosion Control		500	
Remove Boardwalk		200	
Budgeted			\$12,400
Committed			3,000
Remaining			9,400

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Region II - No Regional Coordinator until March 26, 1979

	<u>Project</u>	<u>Study</u>	<u>Management</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Gooseberry Falls</u>	Burn		\$ 2,000	
	Timber Removal		15,500	
	Planting/Seeding		1,500	
	Dredging mouth of river		200	
	Habitat Improvement		<u>4,000</u>	
	Budgeted			\$23,200
	Committed			-
	Remaining			23,200
<u>Jay Cooke</u>	Pine planting		600	
	Aspen Reestablishment		10,000	
	Burning		4,400	
	Erosion Control		<u>4,000</u>	
	Budgeted			\$19,000
	Committed			-
	Remaining			19,000
<u>Scenic</u>	Erosion Control on Chase Point		\$ 2,200	
	Burn		?	
	Timber Removal		3,000	
	Planting		2,500	
	Pine and Cedar Regeneration Study	?	<u> </u>	
	Budgeted			\$21,000
	Committed			7,700
	Remaining			13,300

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Region III - No Regional Coordinator

	<u>Project</u>	<u>Study</u>	<u>Management</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Father Hennepin</u>	Storm Clean-up		\$5,075	
	Plugging Drainage ditches		<u>?</u>	
	Budgeted			\$ 7,125
	Committed			5,075
	Remaining			2,050
<u>Interstate</u>	Erosion Control		\$15,000	
	Replanting High Intensity Use Areas		<u>20,000</u>	
	Budgeted			\$35,000
	Committed			35,000
	Remaining			-
<u>Lake Maria</u>	Ditch Plugging		?	
	Marsh Restoration		?	
	Burning		?	
	Chemical Treatment		?	
	Research	?		
	Budgeted			\$13,000
	Committed			-
	Remaining			13,000

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Region IV - No Resource Management Coordinator. Resigned to accept more permanent job.

	<u>Project</u>	<u>Study</u>	<u>Management</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Camden</u>	Gravel Pit Rehab. Planting of Rehab. Gravel Pits		\$7,500 <u>?</u>	
	Budgeted Committed Remaining			\$25,310 7,500 17,810
<u>Minneopa</u>	Burning Screening of Highway 68 Develop and Maintain Upland Prairie Develop and Maintain Oak-Savanna Planting Diseased Tree Removal Administration		\$2,000 6,000 2,000 ? ? 2,000 <u>2,400</u>	
	Budgeted Committed Remaining			\$19,000 14,400 4,600
<u>Sibley</u>	Prairie Restoration Reforestation		\$6,000 <u>?</u>	
	Budgeted Committed Remaining			\$20,000 6,000 14,000

Region V - Tony Stegen, Regional Resource Coordinator

	<u>Project</u>	<u>Study</u>	<u>Management</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Forestville</u>	Planted Trees and Shrubs		\$ 5,000	
	Prairie Development		4,000	
	Administration	\$500		
	Budgeted			\$10,000
	Committed			10,000
	Remaining			-
<u>Frontenac</u>	Tree and Shrub Planting		\$ 3,000	
	Prairie Development		5,000	
	Burning of Prairies		1,000	
	Administration	\$500	500	
	Budgeted			\$10,000
	Committed			10,000
	Remaining			-
<u>O.L. Kipp</u>	Green Ash and Walnut			
	Transplanting		\$10,000	
	Tree and Shrub Planting		15,000	
	Prairie Burning		500	
	Miscellaneous		1,500	
	Administration	\$1,000	2,000	
	Budgeted			\$31,000
	Committed			30,000
	Remaining		1,000	
<u>Whitewater</u>	Vegetative Restoration of			
	Golf Course		\$15,000	
	Tree and Shrub Planting -			
	New Campground		8,000	
	Prairie Burning		1,000	
	Prairie Restoration		3,000	
	Prairie Nursery Dev.		1,000	
	Administration	\$1,500	1,500	
	Budgeted			\$31,000
	Committed			31,000
	Remaining		-	

Region VI - Craig Cox, Regional Resource Coordinator

	<u>Project</u>	<u>Study</u>	<u>Management</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Afton</u>	Prairie Seedling Planting		\$21,500	
	Prairie Burning		1,000	
	Plant Tree Seedlings		1,000	
	Thin Out Pine Grove		1,000	
	Prescribed Burning in Pioneer hardwoods		1,000	
	Erosion Control		3,500	
	Aerial Census of deer Population		500	
	Wood Duck and Bluebird Nest Boxes		500	
	Administration	\$2,750	2,000	
	Budgeted			\$34,750
	Committed			34,750
	Remaining			-
<u>Fort Snelling</u>	Water Quality Investigation of Perched Bogs and inter- agency coordination	\$9,000		
	Fisheries Aeration System in Snelling Lake		\$21,500	
	Site Rehab. of Fill Areas		6,500	
	Aerial Deer Census	1,000		
	Inventory of Perched Bog Vegetation			
	Prescribed Burn of Perched Bogs			
	Brush Cutting and Shrub Plantings			
	Photographic Documentation			
	Purchase Trees for Development Area			
	Establishment of Permanent Vegetation Plots			
	Preparation of Instructional Manual			
	Total Vegetation Management Costs	\$3,000	\$27,000	
	Budgeted			\$69,000
	Committed			69,000
	Remaining			-

June 19, 1979

Mr. Frank Jones, Regional Director
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service
Lake Central Region
Federal Building
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48107

Re: Wildlife Food Plots

Dear Mr. Jones:

Given below is the Department of Natural Resources wildlife food plot program in its southwestern Minnesota parks.

Traverse Des Sioux State Park

Total Acres = 580
Food plot size = 6 acres
Area impacted = 80 square miles
Provides 390 hunter days recreation
58 deer wintered in 1978-79

Lac Qui Parle State Park

Total Acres = 530
Food Plot size = 16 acres
Area impacted = 75 Square miles
Provides 468 hunter days of recreation
270 deer wintered in 1978-79

Flandrau State Park

Total acres = 805
Food plot size = 22 acres
Area impacted = 200 aquare miles
Provides 1080 hunter days of recreation
181 deer wintered in 1978-79

Upper Sioux Agency State Park

Total acres = 1280
Food plot size = 30 acres
Area imported = 75 square miles
Provides 390 hunter days of recreation
220 deer wintered in 1978-79

Lake Shetek State Park

Total acres = 1175

Food plot = 40 acres

Area impacted = 150 square miles

Provides 1056 hunter days of recreation

333 deer wintered in 1978-79

Kilen Woods State Park

Total acres = 228

Food plot size = 6.1 acres

Area impacted = 100 square miles

Provides 854 hunter days recreation

85 deer wintered in 1978-79

Camden State Park

Total acres = 1995

Food plot size = 30 acres

Area impacted = 190 square miles

Provides 1622 hunter days recreation

250 deer wintered in 1978-79

Attached are maps of six of these parks showing the locations of the food plots. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Johnson
Federal Aid Coordinator

cc: Don Davison
. Charles Mitchell

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7/26/79

RESOURCE MEETING

record keeping
critical areas
not noted
in plans

Lake Bronson

regrading lake bank
too steep - a safety prob.

gravel pit restoration
picked up prairie sod and used to cover
gravel pit up.

Ways Lake

Lake study
critical areas not noted ~~put~~ on a trail

GOOSE BERRY

- DEER rain hell with plantings
- under planting birch with spruce
and red pine
- park shows signs of returning to conifers
- used stump count to determine original
density
- need of guaranteed source of trees
seedlings and big stuff

*
check with
Bill Beant

* money not being coded to projects
* New op order #46 (1976) -

- Lake Maria

- wild life openings

5 1-2 acre openings cut in poplar

- prairie landscaping

dress up entrance road

mature center int. area.

- After Maria landscaping

- planting flowers 70% success

- fall burning

tree planting

erosion control

wood duck & blue bird boxes ready

deer census

38 deer per sq mile (Fort Snelling)

40-60% increase

- Camden

gravel pit reclamation

prairie restoration

Minnesota

prairie restoration

screen planting ~~contractor~~ bidder

contractor didn't come through

sod cover too heavy to let
cedar to make it

Libby

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Maplewood archaeological site found
need some one to look at before
Public Access work can be done
call Sue Quarapel

Frontenac

burn goat prairie

park manager wife directing where trees go!


~~01~~
02 Kipp -

trees out in open 11 days no protection
manager in a prob.

Whitewater S.P.

hardwood 3 year
15,000 per bed

Carlos Avery - hardwood

Maple Wood S.P.
Beers Lake E ~~are~~ of existing accen.
surveyed 



- Rat Trapping for interperation

no. of permits - 2 per permit

pre-ice season

provide canoe & traps

parental sign off

30-40 traps

(MINN & MUSKRATS)

Oct. 1 - deadline

water permit letter

VEG & ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

- project proposals on all veg & animal management projects.

R. mgr & veg manag. sign
Pesticide licenses

Review by G.H.K.

* Change veg. mgt. to
Ecosystem Mgt.

enclosures

Forest management demo.

Firewood^{lot} management