LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF ADOPTED REGULATIONS – NRS 233B.066

Informational Statement LCB FILE R086-17

1. A clear and concise explanation of the need for the adopted regulation.

To streamline State Parks fees and to simplify permits offered throughout the state while keeping changes as revenue neutral as possible.

Multiple regulations will be impacted, however all of the changes revolve around minimizing the number of different permits for sale and standardizing fees at parks throughout the state.

2. A description of how public comment was solicited, a summary of public responses, and an explanation how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

Copies of the proposed regulations, notices of workshops and notice of intent to act upon the regulations were sent by US Postal Service and/or emailed to the locations listed below and to county libraries throughout Nevada. Copies were made available on request from the Division and Region offices. They were also posted on the Division of State Parks website, www.parks.nv.gov and the Legislative Counsel Bureau website, www.leg.state.nv.us/App/Notice/A/.

Department of Conservation & Division of State Parks Southern Region

Natural Resources 4747 Vegas Drive 901 So. Stewart Street Las Vegas, NV 89108 Carson City, NV 89701

Division of State Parks Eastern Region Division of State Parks Western Region

333 Cathedral Gorge Rd. 16799 Lahontan Dam Rd. Panaca, NV 89042 Fallon, NV 89406

Elko County Library Esmeralda County Library

720 Court Street Crook Ave Elko, NV 89801 Crook Ave Goldfield, NV 89103

Humboldt County Library State of Nevada, Grant Sawyer Building

85 Fifth Street 555 E. Washington Ave. Winnemucca, NV 89445 Las Vegas, NV 89101

Tonopah Public Library

167 Central Street

Tonopah, NV 89049

Eureka County Library

10190 Monroe Street

Eureka, NV 89316

Workshops were held on August 16, 2017 at the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, 901 So. Stewart Street, Carson City, 89701 and Division of State Parks, 4747 Vegas Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89108.

Public hearings were held on November 29, 2017, at the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, 901 So. Stewart Street, Tahoe Hearing Room 2nd Floor, Carson City, 89701, Nannini Administrative Building, 720 Court Street Rm. 102, Elko, NV 89801 and at The Division of State Parks, 4747 Vegas Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89108.

- 3. The number of persons who:
 - a. Attended each hearing:

No public attendees. N/A

b. Testified at each hearing:

No public attendees. N/A

c. Submitted to the agency written comments:

None received

4. For each person identified in paragraphs (b) and (c) of number 3 above, the following information if provided to the agency conducting the hearing.

N/A

5. A description of how comment was solicited from affected businesses, a summary of their response and an explanation how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

The Nevada Division of State Parks reviewed the proposed regulations specifically to identify any known or potential negative impacts on small businesses or park visitors. No solicitation was made as no conceivable impacts were identified. Solicitation for public comment was made and no public comment was received.

Considerations included:

- **a.** Potential competition created by regulation.
- **b.** Potential negative impact on fee changes and permit processes.
- **c.** Excessive burden imposed on small businesses to comply with regulation.

No information was found to indicate that the proposed regulations are likely to: impose a direct and significant economic burden on a small business or directly restrict the formation, operation or expansion of a small business. It is concluded that there will be no impact to business.

6. If the regulation was adopted without changing any part of the proposed regulation, a summary of the reasons for adopting the regulation with change.

No public comment was received, the agency is submitting for final adoption as proposed.

- 7. The estimated economic effect of the regulation on the business which it is to regulate and on the public.
 - a. Estimated economic effect on the businesses which they are to regulate.

No effect on businesses, this is to streamline and simplify the fees and permits for Nevada State Parks.

b. Estimated economic effect on the public which they are to regulate.

There should be little or no impact to the public as the changes are intended to be revenue neutral.

8. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulations.

There is no additional cost to State Parks for the enforcement as we are currently enforcing fees throughout the state park system.

9. A description of any regulation of other state or government agencies which the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates, and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, the name of the regulation federal agency.

There is no overlapping as our agency is solely responsible for collecting fees at the properties that state parks manage.

10. If the regulation includes provisions that are more stringent than a federal regulation that regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions.

N/A

11. If the regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, a statement indicating the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used.

The proposed changes increase some user fees, while reducing other user fees. It establishes fees for cabins (yet to be built) and establishes fees at two new parks that have yet to open allowing the agency the ability to collect fees once the parks / facilities open for business. The total revenue expected for the cabins and new park fees total roughly \$283,000. Those fees are not expected until FY20 as the cabins have yet to be built, as do the new facilities at the new park. When the fees are realized, they will be added into the rest of the user fees collected by the agency and used to offset the amount of General Fund budget required to operate state parks throughout the state.