

**FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT
FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

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Address: 5825 Florida Blvd., Suite 6000 Rule
Baton Rouge, LA 70806 Title: Indian Creek Recreation Area
(LAC 7:XXXIX.501-543)

Date Rule
Takes Effect: August 20, 2016

SUMMARY
(Use complete sentences)

In accordance with Section 953 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, there is hereby submitted a fiscal and economic impact statement on the rule proposed for adoption, repeal or amendment. THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS SUMMARIZE ATTACHED WORKSHEETS, I THROUGH IV AND WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE LOUISIANA REGISTER WITH THE PROPOSED AGENCY RULE.

I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

The proposed rules LAC 7:XXXIX.501-543 will not result in any material savings or costs to state or local governmental units.

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

It is not anticipated that the proposed rules LAC 7:XXXIX.531, 533, 539, and 541, which modify and add fees for the Indian Creek Recreational Area, will result in a significant net increase in self-generated revenues due to patrons of the park paying higher rates annually from March 1 to October 31 for use of the recreational area. In addition, patrons will be allowed to pay reduced rates from November 1 to February 28 for use of the facilities. Proposed rule 533 adds fees for the use of flat bottom boats, kayaks, canoes, life jackets, and paddles at the park. Proposed rule 541 adds a non-refundable, undetermined service fee for all reservations and a cancellation fee equal to one night's stay at the reserved campsite for any canceled reservation to use the park's facilities. Cancellations must be made at least 48 hours prior to the reservation.

The remaining proposed rules are not anticipated to have a direct material effect on revenue collections of state or local governmental units.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS OR NON-GOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)

The proposed rules LAC 7:XXXIX.531, 533, and 539 will result in patrons of the Indian Creek Recreation Area paying higher rates and a higher net cost overall to use the area's amenities and will result in patrons paying less to use the amenities in the winter months. Proposed rule 541 creates an undetermined reservation fee and a cancellation fee equal to one night's stay at the reserved campsite. Proposed rule 543 establishes refund procedures for visitors to the park. Proposed rules 501-527 also establish rules that must be followed by visitors to the Indian Creek Recreation Area, however these rules are technical in nature and will not result in any costs or economic benefits to patrons of the park.

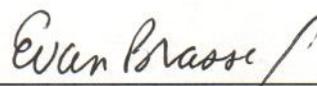
IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

The proposed rules will not have a material effect on competition and employment.



Signature of Agency Head or Designee

Dane Morgan, Assistant Commissioner
of Management and Finance, LDAF



Legislative Fiscal Officer or Designee

6/8/16

Date of Signature

6/9/16

Date of Signature

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The following information is required in order to assist the Legislative Fiscal Office in its review of the fiscal and economic impact statement and to assist the appropriate legislative oversight subcommittee in its deliberation on the proposed rule.

- A. Provide a brief summary of the content of the rule (if proposed for adoption, or repeal) or a brief summary of the change in the rule (if proposed for amendment). Attach a copy of the notice of intent and a copy of the rule proposed for initial adoption or repeal (or, in the case of a rule change, copies of both the current and proposed rules with amended portions indicated).

Proposed rules 501-543 are being adopted to bring the Indian Creek Recreation Area in line with other state parks by adopting regulations to provide the proper atmosphere for the enjoyment and protections of facilities and the safety of visitors.

The proposed rules repeal and replace fees outlined currently in LAC 7.XXXIX.501 and move a majority of the fees to proposed rules 531 and 539. The only fee being entirely repealed is for use of the park's boat launch (\$7/boat). Under the new rules, a person visiting Indian Creek to use the boat launch will pay a \$7 entrance fee instead of a \$7 boat launch fee.

Proposed rules 501-519 set forth the rules that must be followed when visiting Indian Creek Recreation Area, including rules relating to the park property, the use of vehicles and watercraft, animals permitted on the property, litter, fires, fishing or hunting, the use of firearms or fireworks, swimming and amplified sound equipment. Rule 521 prohibits disorderly conduct. Rule 523 prohibits business activities on the property. Rule 525 sets forth procedures for the enforcement of the rules. Rule 527 sets forth rules governing the overnight use of the campground. Proposed rule 529 allows LDAF to close the Indian Creek Reservation Area in case of an emergency.

Proposed rule 531 alters day-use entrance fees for the park from \$7 per vehicle with up to six occupants plus an additional \$2 per person for additional occupants to a flat fee of \$7 per vehicle. Prior to these proposed amendments, the fees for admittance of the Indian Creek Recreation Area were found in Rule 501.

Proposed rule 533 sets new fees charged for renting flat bottom boats (\$30 per boat per day), paddleboats (\$5 per hour or \$30 per boat per day), kayaks (\$5 per hour or \$30 per boat per day), canoes (\$5 per hour or \$30 per boat per day), and pavilions (\$100 per day).

Proposed rule 535 allows for exemptions and discounts from park fees for disabled veterans, school groups, and persons possessing National Parks and Federal Recreation Lands Passes.

Proposed rule 537 allows LDAF to discount fees and create promotional offers as a means to encourage visitation and mandates that the department review promotional offers annually.

Proposed rule 539 replaces and revises fees for use of campsites at the Indian Creek Recreation Area. In addition to the fees outlined below, proposed rule 539 creates a fee of \$50/night for use of a Rally Camping site in addition to charging the day-use fee and the regular campsite rate for each camping rig. A new fee of \$4 per night is also charged for sewerage hook-up.

Type of Campsite	Current Fee	Proposed Fee * "Regular Rates" are available March 1-October 31 of each year * "Winter Rates" are available November 1-February 28 of each year
Regular Campsite	\$22 per day	Regular Rate: \$22/night Winter Rate: \$18/night
Regular Waterfront Campsite	\$28 per day	Regular Rate: \$28/night Winter Rate: \$22/night
Pull-Through Non-Waterfront Single	\$22 each or \$42 all day	Regular Rate: \$22/night Winter Rate: \$18/night

Pull-Through Non-Waterfront Double	\$22 each or \$42 all day	Regular Rate: \$42/night Winter Rate: \$32/night
Pull-Through Waterfront Single	\$28 each or \$54 all day	Regular Rate: \$28/night Winter Rate: \$22/night
Pull-Through Waterfront Double	\$28 each or \$54 all day	Regular Rate: \$54/night Winter Rate: \$42/night

Proposed rule 541 adds an undetermined service fee for all reservations, allows persons 18-years or older to make reservations, allows patrons to pay deposits in full for reservations by credit card, check, or money order, and adds provisions for a cancellation fee equal to one night's stay at the reserved campsite. In addition, the proposed rule includes a refund provision in the event LDAF must close the park for emergency reasons.

Proposed rule 543 includes provisions for refunds, including prohibiting refunds for persons ejected from the park or who leave the site due to inclement weather, as well as all refunds being issued by the office of Management and Finance.

- B. Summarize the circumstances, which require this action. If the Action is required by federal regulation, attach a copy of the applicable regulation.

Rules 501-543 are being adopted to provide the proper atmosphere for the enjoyment and protections of facilities and the safety of visitors.

- C. Compliance with Act 11 of the 1986 First Extraordinary Session

- (1) Will the proposed rule change result in any increase in the expenditure of funds? If so, specify amount and source of funding.

The proposed rule changes will result in any increase in the expenditure of funds.

- (2) If the answer to (1) above is yes, has the Legislature specifically appropriated the funds necessary for the associated expenditure increase? Not applicable.

(a) _____ Yes. If yes, attach documentation.

(b) _____ NO. If no, provide justification as to why this rule change should be published at this time

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I. A. COSTS OR SAVINGS TO STATE AGENCIES RESULTING FROM THE ACTION PROPOSED

1. What is the anticipated increase (decrease) in costs to implement the proposed action?

The proposed rules will not result in costs or savings to state or local governmental units.

COSTS	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18
Personal Services	0	0	0
Operating Expenses	0	0	0
Professional Services	0	0	0
Other Charges	0	0	0
Equipment	0	0	0
Major Repairs & Constr.	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0
POSITIONS (#)	0	0	0

2. Provide a narrative explanation of the costs or savings shown in "A. 1.", including the increase or reduction in workload or additional paperwork (number of new forms, additional documentation, etc.) anticipated as a result of the implementation of the proposed action. Describe all data, assumptions, and methods used in calculating these costs.

Not applicable.

3. Sources of funding for implementing the proposed rule or rule change.

Not applicable.

SOURCE	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18
State General Fund	0	0	0
Agency Self-Generated	0	0	0
Dedicated	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0
Other (Specify)	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0

4. Does your agency currently have sufficient funds to implement the proposed action? If not, how and when do you anticipate obtaining such funds?

The proposed rules will be administered using current personnel under the department's current budget.

B. COST OR SAVINGS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS RESULTING FROM THE ACTION PROPOSED.

1. Provide an estimate of the anticipated impact of the proposed action on local governmental units, including adjustments in workload and paperwork requirements. Describe all data, assumptions and methods used in calculating this impact.

It is not anticipated that the proposed rule will have an impact on local governmental units.

2. Indicate the sources of funding of the local governmental unit, which will be affected by these costs or savings.

Not applicable.

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II. EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS

A. What increase (decrease) in revenues can be anticipated from the proposed action?

LDAF anticipates that proposed rules LAC 7:XXXIX.531, 533, 539, and 541, which modify and add fees for the Indian Creek Recreational Area, will result in a net increase in self-generated revenues due to patrons of the park paying higher rates. Rules 531 and 539 revise fees for daily admission and use of the park's different types of campsites. Proposed rule 533 adds fees for the use of flat bottom boats, kayaks, canoes, life jackets, and paddles at the park. Proposed rule 541 adds a non-refundable, undetermined service fee for all reservations and a cancellation fee equal to one night's stay at the reserved campsite.

REVENUE INCREASE/DECREASE	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18
State General Fund	0	0	0
Agency Self-Generated	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE
Dedicated Funds*	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0
Local Funds	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0

*Specify the particular fund being impacted.

B. Provide a narrative explanation of each increase or decrease in revenues shown in "A." Describe all data, assumptions, and methods used in calculating these increases or decreases.

The anticipated increase in revenue resulting from the proposed changes to Rule 539 is indeterminable.

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III. COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS OR NONGOVERNMENTAL GROUPS

- A. What persons or non-governmental groups would be directly affected by the proposed action? For each, provide an estimate and a narrative description of any effect on costs, including workload adjustments and additional paperwork (number of new forms, additional documentation, etc.), they may have to incur as a result of the proposed action.

Proposed rules LAC 7:XXXIX.531, 533, and 539 will affect in patrons of the Indian Creek Recreation Area. Patrons will pay less in the winter months for use of the facilities. Proposed rule 541 creates an undetermined reservation fee and a cancellation fee equal to one night's stay at the reserved campsite. Proposed rule 543 establishes refund procedures for visitors to the park. Proposed rules 501-527 also establish rules that must be followed by visitors to the Indian Creek Recreation Area, however these rules are technical in nature and will not result in any costs or economic benefits to patrons of the park.

- B. Also provide an estimate and a narrative description of any impact on receipts and/or income resulting from this rule or rule change to these groups.

Not applicable.

IV. EFFECTS ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT

Identify and provide estimates of the impact of the proposed action on competition and employment in the public and private sectors. Include a summary of any data, assumptions and methods used in making these estimates.

The proposed rule changes will not have a material effect on competition and employment.