

TITLE 19 NATURAL RESOURCES AND WILDLIFE
CHAPTER 5 STATE PARKS AND RECREATION
PART 3 PARK MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT PLAN

19.5.3.1 ISSUING AGENCY: Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, State Parks Division.
[12-31-96; 19.5.3.1 NMAC - Rn, 19 NMAC 5.3.1, 12/31/2002; A, 1/1/2008]

19.5.3.2 SCOPE: 19.5.3 NMAC applies to the division and the general public.
[12-31-96; 19.5.3.2 NMAC - Rn, 19 NMAC 5.3.2, 12/31/2002; A, 1/1/2008]

19.5.3.3 STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 19.5.3 NMAC is authorized pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 9-1-5(E) and Sections 16-2-2 *et seq.*
[12-31-96; 19.5.3.3 NMAC - Rn, 19 NMAC 5.3.3, 12/31/2002; A, 1/1/2008]

19.5.3.4 DURATION: Permanent.
[12-31-96; 19.5.3.4 NMAC - Rn, 19 NMAC 5.3.4, 12/31/2002]

19.5.3.5 EFFECTIVE DATE: December 31, 1996, unless a later date is cited at the end of a section.
[12-31-96; 19.5.3 5 NMAC - Rn & A, 19 NMAC 5.3.5, 12/31/2002]

19.5.3.6 OBJECTIVE: 19.5.3 NMAC's objective is to provide direction for the management and development of the parks in the New Mexico state parks system in a manner that enhances recreational opportunities, protects park resources, provides for public input and protects the environment.
[12-31-96; A, 12-31-98; 19.5.3.6 NMAC - Rn, 19 NMAC 5.3.6, 12/31/2002; A, 1/1/2008]

19.5.3.7 DEFINITIONS: [RESERVED]
[12-31-96; 19.5.3.7 NMAC - Rn, 19 NMAC 5.3.7, 12/31/2002; A, 1/1/2008]
[See 19.5.1.7 NMAC for definitions.]

19.5.3.8 REQUIREMENT: Each park shall establish a park management and development plan and conform to the plan at all times except in cases of emergency in order to protect life or property. This requirement shall not prevent the director or secretary from making and implementing policy decisions concerning a park's management and operation if a plan is not in place and shall not require an existing plan to be amended before such policy decision is made and implemented.
[12-31-96; 19.5.3.8 NMAC - Rn & A, 19 NMAC 5.3.8, 12/31/2002; A, 1/1/2008]

19.5.3.9 CONTENT OF PARK MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT PLANS:

A. Park management and development plans shall address at a minimum:

- (1) the park's mission and goals;
- (2) park operational and management programs that:
 - (a) identify how public use facilities, support facilities and infrastructure are maintained;
 - (b) identify how the division manages the park to provide recreation opportunities and to protect park resources and visitors; and
 - (c) provide for the park's administration;
- (3) current and future concessions at the park; and
- (4) expansion and development concepts that identify future capital improvement needs to facilities, structures and recreational use areas.

B. Park management and development plans shall include a map that identifies current facilities and activity areas and may identify areas where future development, management and recreational activities may be planned in the park.
[12-31-96, 12-31-98; 19.5.3.9 NMAC - Rn & A, 19 NMAC 5.3.9, 12/31/2002; A, 1/1/2008]

19.5.3.10 PUBLIC COMMENT: The park management and development plan shall be available for public comment for 30 calendar days before the division implements or modifies it. The division shall publish a public notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the park's locality and mail it to persons who have made a

written request for advance notice at least 30 calendar days before the division implements or modifies a park management and development plan.

[12-31-96; 19.5.310 NMAC - Rn & A, 19 NMAC 5.3.10, 12/31/2002; A, 1/1/2008]

19.5.3.11 APPROVAL: Park management and development plans require the director and secretary's written approval.

[12-31-96; 19.5.311 NMAC - Rn & A, 19 NMAC 5.3.11, 12/31/2002; A, 1/1/2008]

19.5.3.12 MODIFICATION OF PARK MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT PLAN: The division shall not modify or change a park management and development plan without a public comment period as provided in 19.5.3.10 NMAC. The division may review and update park management and development plans at any time if the director determines review is necessary.

[12-31-96; 19.5.312 NMAC - Rn & A, 19 NMAC 5.3.12, 12/31/2002; A, 1/1/2008; A, 1/1/2013]

HISTORY OF 19.5.3 NMAC:

Pre NMAC History: None.

History of Repealed Material: [RESERVED]

Other History:

19 NMAC 5.3, Park Management and Development Plan, filed 12/17/96 was renumbered, reformatted, amended and replaced by 19.5.3 NMAC, Park Management and Development Plan, effective 12/31/02.