



MONTANA STATE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Meeting Date: August 16, 2017

Agenda Item: Parks/Enforcement Discussion

Division: Parks

Action Needed: Informational

Time Needed on Agenda for this Presentation: 60 minutes

Background (Brief description of the issue, decision to be made, history, etc.):

The Enforcement Division of Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks conducts most of the law enforcement activities within State Parks. This involves an annual allocation of funding from the Parks Division to the Enforcement Division, which in-turn results in the allocation of hours to individual FWP Wardens throughout the state for work activities throughout the year. For FY '18, the Parks Division will provide approximately \$375,000 to the Enforcement Division, which funds 4.0 FTE statewide.

Attached is the allocation of Enforcement FTE per each Region. Please note that this seven-Region allocation differs slightly from the five-Region Parks look at the state.

The presentation at the meeting will include the Enforcement Division Chief. Besides the funding and FTE allocation, the discussion will include parks enforcement in the field, allocation of hours, tracking hours, the new PR funding requirements, and Parks/Enforcement communications. Specifically, the interaction that occurs between individual Regional Park Managers and the respective Regional Warden Captains.

Public Involvement Process & Results (Brief description of the type of public involvement and summary of what we heard from the public):

N/A – informational item.

Alternatives and Analysis (Brief description of alternative solutions with analysis of the pros and cons of each):

N/A – informational item.

Agency Recommendation and Rationale (Brief description of our recommendation to the Board and the reasons for it):

N/A – informational item.

Proposed Motion (Draft language the Board could use to adopt the agency recommendation):

N/A – informational item.