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## MONTANA STATE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

**Meeting Date:** June 20, 2019

**Agenda Item:** Parks Capital Projects

**Action Needed:** Final

**Time Needed on Agenda for this Presentation:** 15 min.

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**Background:** HB 436 was passed in the recent Session, which raised the Board approval amount for proposed capital expenditures from \$5,000 to \$50,000. At the present time, given the capital funds appropriated this Session, the following state parks have projects exceeding \$50,000:

- Big Arm - dock replacements; \$60,000
- Fort Owen - roof repairs; \$50,000.
- Clearwater Dump Station; \$50,000.
- Bannack - roofing, repairs, etc.; \$50,000
- Lewis & Clark Caverns - concession building repairs. \$100,000
- Elkhorn - roofing/foundation repairs; \$60,000.
- Smith River - streambank stabilization work; \$200,000.
- Makoshika - elevator repairs; \$50,000.
- Makoshika - fire protection; \$100,000.
- Makoshika - water line project (HB 652); \$1.3 million.
- Finley Point - county co-op road project; \$150,000 (Lake County road project).

An update will be provided on the status of the three large capital projects funded via the 2017 Legislative Session:

- Lewis & Clark Caverns - electrical, lighting, handrail upgrade project; \$2,200,000.
- Bannack - replacement of townsite fire alarm system; \$1,650,000.
- Makoshika - upgrade of primary access road; \$2,073,000.

**Public Involvement Process & Results: Alternatives and Analysis:** An Environmental Assessment (EA) will be published and public comments invited for several of the projects. These will include the proposed work at Lewis & Clark Caverns, Elkhorn, Fort Owen, Makoshika State Parks, as well as the Smith River Project. The purely maintenance efforts such as the dock replacement, the elevator repair, and the road maintenance effort do not typically involve or require the public involvement process.

**Agency Recommendation and Rationale:**

Proceed with the capital projects as proposed. All are work which has been identified as priority needs and a benefit to the respective park.

**Proposed Motion:**

I move the Parks and Recreation Board approve the proposed Parks Division's capital projects and costs as listed above.