

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND TOURISM

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ben Vidricksen at 9:05 a.m. On February 11, 1997 in Room 254-E of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator Nancy Harrington

Committee staff present: Hank Avila, Legislative Research Department
Bruce Kinzie, Revisor of Statutes
Marian Holeman, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Steve A. Williams
Ramon Powers

Others attending: See attached list

INTRODUCTION OF BILL(S)

Senator Salmans' requested bill which contains an additional class allowing hunting on one's own land will be read in today. He explained the bill's rationale as one to improve cottage tourism business by allowing a stability in the process of deer hunting. The bill is basically just an extension of the pheasant hunting process.

KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND PARKS

Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks Secretary, Steve A. Williams, talked to the Committee regarding the role his Department does or could play in travel and tourism across the State and what they are doing in terms of promotion. Members were referred to the Department's mission statement and "Overview of the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks (Attachment 1)". The Department has developed a variety of brochures and maps which are available at the travel information centers. Mr. Williams asked members to pay particular attention to the Department's 1997 Legislative Agenda, specifically, regarding the rail trails, and deer hunting. Pheasant restoration continues to be the premier bird hunting goal.

Members explored further development of the Department's resources. It was suggested that perhaps they should begin exploring establishing a lodge system at Kansas lakes. Most other states have developed lodge systems in their state parks. Secretary Williams explained that at this time they need to generate enough funds to take care of what they now have; to repair and to restore. All Wildlife and Parks areas are suffering from years of underfunding and neglect. Kansas ranks 48th in spending on the state park system. Questions and discussion focused on El Dorado, Cheney, deer hunting, Cedar Bluff problems, etc.

KANSAS STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Executive Director, Ramon Powers, addressed the importance of historic places in the state's tourism promotion; citing Elk Falls and Jerry McGuire's promotion of the area's heritage; Yates Center and the Creek Indians; as well as several other historic sites (Attachment 2). The Historical Society needs funds for promotion and restoration as well as maintenance. They are getting more communities involved in the operation of the sites - primarily through volunteerism. They hope to be a partner in nurturing the state's historical and natural sites. The Historical Society can help people market their communities. Discussed how to help communities to help themselves.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 12, 1997.



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TO: The Honorable Ben Vidricksen, Committee on Transportation and Tourism

FROM: Steve A. Williams, Secretary, Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks

SUBJECT: Overview of the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks

DATE: February 11, 1997

The Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks (KDWP) was created by ERO 22 which was approved by the 1987 Legislature. The KDWP became effective on July 1, 1987 and merged the Kansas Fish and Game Commission with the Kansas Park and Resources Authority. The state statutes that pertain to organization and powers of the KDWP are contained in KSA 1997 supp. 32-801 et. seq. The mission of the KDWP is to conserve and enhance Kansas' natural heritage, its wildlife and its habitats to ensure future generations the benefits of the State's diverse, living, resources; to provide the public with opportunities for use and appreciation of the natural resources of Kansas, consistent with the conservation of those resources; and to inform the public of the status of the natural resources of Kansas.

The KDWP is a cabinet level agency administered by a Secretary appointed by the Governor with approval by the Senate. A seven member Commission on Wildlife and Parks is appointed by the Governor and performs an advisory role in assisting the Secretary. In addition, the Commission governs the establishment of Department regulations.

The KDWP is required by State Statute to maintain an administrative facility in Topeka and an operations facility in Pratt. The Topeka office is the location of the Office of the Secretary, the Assistant Secretary for Administration, and the engineering, budget, planning, and federal grants functions. The Pratt office is the location for the Assistant Secretary for Operations, division directors, and the support staff for the Divisions of Administrative Services, Law Enforcement, Parks, and Fisheries and Wildlife. In addition, the KDWP maintains five regional offices located in Hays, Topeka, Dodge City, Wichita, and Chanute.

In order to accomplish its mission, the KDWP operates numerous programs for the benefit of the public. The Department maintains 24 state parks, 41 state fishing lakes, and numerous wildlife areas. The KDWP is also developing the Prairie Spirit Rail Trail between Ottawa and Iola. In addition, the KDWP recently initiated the Walk-in Hunting Access (WIHA) program to increase opportunities for public hunting. Other programs utilized by the KDWP to serve the public include the Community Lake Assistance Program (CLAP), the distribution of federal aid for local parks developments, Hunter Education, and Becoming an Outdoor Woman.

SENATE TRANSPORTATION & TOURISM
DATE: 2/11/97
ATTACHMENT: 1

The KDWP has provided to each of you a packet of material that will assist in further understanding the Department. In addition, material regarding the FY 1998 Governor's Budget Recommendations and proposed 1997 legislation is provided.

Attachments

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Senate Committee on Transportation and Tourism
FROM: Secretary Steve Williams
DATE: February 11, 1997
SUBJECT: Proposed 1997 Legislation Summary

Statutory Authorization for the KDWP to Exceed Established Expenditure Limitations

Summary: The proposed legislation would create a permanent statute to allow the KDWP to exceed expenditure limitations established by an annual appropriation bill for the Wildlife Fee Fund, Park Fee Fund, or the Boating Fee Fund. This authority is necessary for the KDWP to comply with requirements established by the USFWS for the use of federal aid. The authority requested in the proposed legislation would allow KDWP to adjust expenditures between the three funds listed above in order to balance program expenditures with the appropriate funding source.

Creation of Wildlife and Parks Nonrestricted Fund

Summary: The request of the KDWP is to establish a special revenue fund entitled "Wildlife and Parks Nonrestricted Fund." This fund would be used to deposit monies which are not subject to USFWS restrictions. Creation of the fund was recommended by the Legislative Post Auditor (audit 94-44) as a method of allowing the KDWP to comply with federal aid requirements.

Prairie Spirit Rail Trail State Park

Summary: The Prairie Spirit Rail Trail is a 52 mile linear corridor that has been established through the rail banking and conversion process. Eighteen miles of the trail have been fully developed and opened to the public in 1996. The second phase of an additional 18 miles is currently under construction and expected to be opened to public use in 1997. The trail is currently operated and maintained by the State Parks Division of the KDWP. The designation of

this property into the state park system would allow the Prairie Spirit Rail Trail to be funded through the Park Fee Fund rather than through State General Funds.

Boating Under the Influence

Summary: KDWP proposes to amend existing BUI statutes 32-1131, (crime); and 32-1134, (use of evidence to mirror current Kansas DUI laws). In addition, KDWP proposes the inclusion of a new statute, 32-1138, (preliminary screening test for breath alcohol concentration; request be officer, grounds; notice required; refusal to take test is a class C misdemeanor; use of results of test; additional tests), to mirror current Kansas DUI laws.

Boating Safety Education Certification

Summary: The KDWP is pursuing legislative options for creating a more complete boating safety program. The desired initiative would require that all boat operators born on or after January 1, 1986 possess a card certifying that they have successfully completed a boating safety course and have passed a proficiency test. Such certification cards would be required in order to operate a boat on all public waters of Kansas, and would be subject to suspension or revocation.

Permitting the Use of Crossbows to Take Wild Turkey

Summary: The KDWP proposes to amend existing KSA 32-932, Physical Disability Crossbow Permits, to include the taking of wild turkey.

Elimination of Art Component of Migratory Waterfowl Habitat Stamp Program

Summary: The department and DU recognize that the art production and collector sale component of the waterfowl stamp program is no longer financially beneficial; though the sale of stamps to waterfowl hunters remains an important source of State funds that are used to match DU contributions for waterfowl conservation. As a result, the department is proposing, with DU support, the elimination of the art production and collector sale component of this program. All other statutes associated with the migratory waterfowl stamp would remain intact. Non-artistic stamps would continue to be required of waterfowl hunters, and the sale proceeds would continue to accrue to the Migratory Waterfowl Propagation and Protection Fund.

Deer Permits for Nonresident Students and Military Personnel

Summary: The Department of Wildlife and Parks propose to change existing Kansas Statute Annotated 32-980, Form, contact; resident, nonresident; armed forces personnel, to allow the issuance of resident big game permits and other department issues to nonresident, active duty

military stationed in Kansas and nonresident, full-time students attending college in Kansas.

K.S.A. 32-980, Section (2) allows a person who is on active duty in the armed forces of the United States to purchase licenses, permits, stamps and other issues of the department as a Kansas resident.

Section (1) allows nonresident active duty military stationed in Kansas, to purchase resident hunting and fishing license only. Section (3) allows nonresident full-time students attending college in Kansas, to purchase resident hunting and fishing license only.

The wording of Sections (1) and (2) would indicate that active duty military personnel stationed in Kansas and full-time students attending college in Kansas, would not be allowed to purchase resident big game permits or other department issues. Historically any person with a valid resident hunting license has been issued resident big game permits upon application. To discontinue this practice would cause confusion for the persons affected, require a new and more complicated big game application form, impose violations on persons affected or and adversely affect established M.O.U.s with Fort Riley Military Reservation regarding elk and deer hunting permits.

The following change would allow the department to continue to sell big game permits and other department issues to persons eligible for resident hunting and fishing licenses.

Nonresident Deer Hunting Permits

Summary: The Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks administers a deer permitting system which has allowed non-resident hunters to apply for and receive permits to hunt in Kansas. K.S.A. 32-937 was enacted in the 1993 session of the Kansas legislature and Kansas implemented it's first non-resident deer hunt in 1994. Major provisions of this statute are:

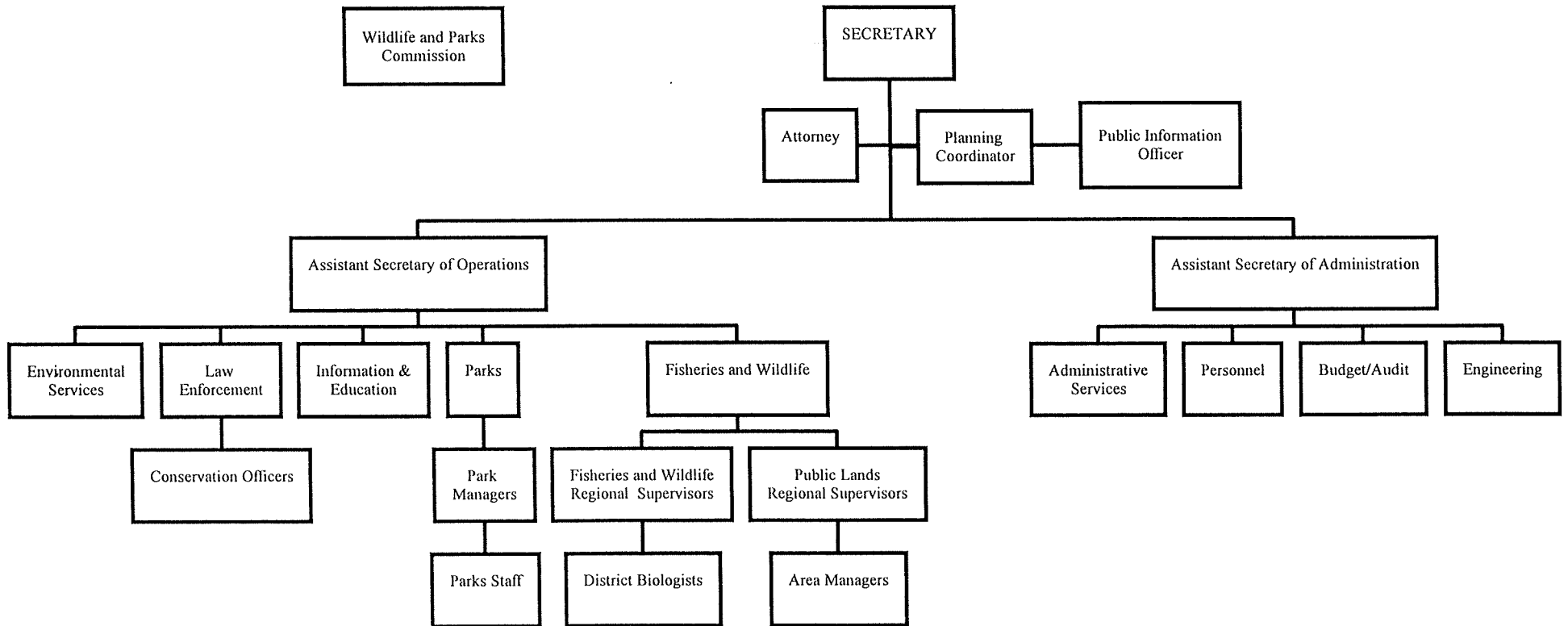
1. Provides authority for the Secretary to establish permit numbers within certain constraints:
 - a. total number of nonresident deer firearm permits issued for a season, in a management unit, shall not exceed 5% of the total number of resident deer permits authorized for that unit.
 - b. total number of nonresident deer archery permits issued for a season, in a management unit, shall not exceed 5% of the total number of resident permits of the same type and unit.
 - c. if unlimited for season or management unit , then the percentage limitations (5%) apply based on the total number of resident firearm permits and the total number of archery permits, respectively, issued in the management unit during the preceding similar season.
 - d. permits may only be issued in units if resident firearm permits of such type remained unissued after the close of the previous year's first permit selection process in that management unit.

e. if a nonresident is successful one year, then they are ineligible the following year.

Clarification of Law Enforcement Authority for Conservation Officers

Summary: KDWP seeks to amend KSA 32-808; and 32-1048, relative to enforcement and arrest authorities of department conservation officers. The proposed amendment would clarify the jurisdictional authorities. The department seeks to establish language that would provide enforcement authority to conservation officers anywhere in the state, rather than restricted to department lands only. This action is necessitated by recent Attorney General's opinion.

KANSAS DEPT OF WILDLIFE AND PARKS ORGANIZATIONAL OVERVIEW



BUDGET SUMMARY

13-Jan-97

	FY 1996 Actual	FY 1997 Gov Rec	FY 1998 Gov Rec	
Administrative Services	2,153,764	1,945,465	2,020,977	
Grants-in-Aid	287,506	300,000	300,000	
Executive Services	4,161,301	4,403,331	4,461,045	
Law Enforcement	3,575,013	4,084,259	4,005,479	
Parks	5,659,847	6,268,136	6,515,020	
Fish and Wildlife	10,122,526	10,934,248	11,090,360	
Capital Improvements	8,279,522	22,210,567	4,443,833	
Total	34,239,479	50,146,006	32,836,714	
Salaries and Wages	16,178,722	16,447,186	17,138,562	
Contractual Services	4,601,160	5,241,117	5,929,312	
Commodities	2,825,875	3,120,562	3,290,686	
Capital Outlay	1,373,604	2,155,433	1,409,321	
Subtotal - Operations	24,979,361	26,964,298	27,767,881	
Aid/Other Assistance	980,596	971,141	625,000	
Capital Improvements	8,279,522	22,210,567	4,443,833	
Total	34,239,479	50,146,006	32,836,714	
State General Fund	4,234,696	3,832,112	4,628,771	
Wildlife Fee Fund	15,489,735	17,353,123	17,107,639	
Park Fee Fund	2,384,991	3,166,804	3,734,441	
Boat Fee Fund	865,416	1,128,074	1,046,146	
Water Plan Fund	128,154	184,532	50,000	
Nongame Fund	160,203	111,000	132,324	
W/P Nonrestricted Fund	223,475	225,000	150,000	
Others	1,492,691	963,653	918,560	
Subtotal - Operations	24,979,361	26,964,298	27,767,881	
LWCF - Aid	287,506	300,000	300,000	
EDIF - Other Assistance	40,000	0	0	
Wildlife Fee Fund - Aid	371,615	311,670	225,000	
Federal Grants Fund	6,000	259,471	0	
Private Gifts & Donations	10,000	0	0	
Wildlife Conservation Fund	200,000	50,000	50,000	
Nongame Fund - Aid	58,500	50,000	50,000	
Other	6,975	0	0	
Subtotal - Aid/Other Assist	980,596	971,141	625,000	
Capital Improvements:				
State General Fund	211,434	9,517,349	280,700	
Wildlife Fee Fund	1,109,146	4,416,278	2,346,700	
Park Fee Fund	120,948	371,039	0	
Boat Fee Fund	57,279	636,388	80,600	
Water Plan Fund	1,799,139	482,772	55,833	
Nongame Fund	20,000	135,000	0	
EDIF	104,898	65,657	0	
Federal Funds	1,742,746	2,391,825	30,000	
Road Fund	1,359,187	2,245,102	1,350,000	
Wildlife Conservation Fund	717,014	1,272,236	0	
Other Funds	1,037,731	676,921	300,000	
Subtotal - Capital Imp.	8,279,522	22,210,567	4,443,833	
Total	34,239,479	50,146,006	32,836,714	
Positions	FTE	404.75	402.75	402.75
	Spec Projects	11.0	11.0	3.0

FY 1998 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS - GOV REC

PN*	Level	Description	Slate General Fund	Wildlife Fee Fund	Boating Fee Fund	Water Plan Fund	Roads Fund	Fed Grant Funds	Migratory Waterfowl Fund	TOTAL
										265,000
1		ADA Renovation	115,000	150,000						312,500
2		Major Maintenance	135,700	176,800						0
3		Flood Damage (a)	0				1,350,000			1,350,000
4		Roads Maintenance				0				700,000
5		Repair - Miami SL Dike		700,000						421,200
6		Repair - McPherson SL Dam		421,200						0
7		Repair - Wilson SL Dam		0						54,000
8		SI Fishing Lakes Outlet Study		54,000						94,700
9		Fisheries Enhancements		94,700						250,000
10		Shooting Range Development		250,000					300,000	300,000
11		Acquisition of Wetlands								0
12		El Dorado Payment (b)	0		80,600					80,600
13		Boating Improvmts at SI Parks		500,000						500,000
14		Land Acquisition		0						0
15		Playa Lake Acquisition/Dev						30,000		60,000
16		Cheney SP Match + BOR Funds	30,000			55,833				55,833
		<i>River Recreation (c)</i>								
		TOTAL	280,700	2,346,700	80,600	55,833	1,350,000	30,000	300,000	4,443,833

* priority

- (a) FY 1998 request of \$385,000 shifted to FY 1997 as supplemental
- (b) FY 1997 supplemental of \$8,170,756 recommended
- (c) New initiative for FY 1997. Projected carryover funds from FY 1997.

State Parks and Lakes By Visitation In Kansas
-1995 Total Visitors-

	<u>State Parks & Lakes</u>	<u>Total Visitors</u>
1	El Dorado	1,281,612
2	Cheney	591,114
3	Perry	558,560
4	Hillsdale	461,525
5	Tuttle Creek	456,010
6	Clinton	440,320
7	Kanopolis	315,825
8	Glen Elder	311,465
9	Council Grove	291,192
10	Webster	258,046
11	Scott	256,042
12	Pomona	218,270
13	Toronto	197,083
14	Wilson	192,657
15	P-S Big Hill	168,024
16	Marion	164,097
17	Lovewell	161,868
18	Cedar Bluff	155,122
19	Crawford	143,946
20	Prairie Dog	140,651
21	Milford	135,585
22	Fall River	120,745
23	John Redmond	106,555
24	Eisenhower	104,501
25	Meade	102,433
26	Elk City	83,541
27	Sand Hills	21,440
28	Melvern	4,459
	1995 Average Visitation	265,810

Source: Kansas Wildlife and Parks and U.S. Corp. of Engineers

**Attractions By Attendance In Kansas
-1995 Total Visitors-**

<u>ATTRACTIONS</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>TOTAL VISITORS</u>
1 The Woodlands	Kansas City	580,827
2 Sedgwick County Zoo	Wichita	445,431
3 Wichita Greyhound Park	Wichita	424,083
4 Kansas Cosmosphere & Space Center	Hutchinson	303,172
5 Heartland Park Topeka	Topeka	244,700
6 New Theatre Restaurant	Overland Park	227,143
7 Deanna Rose Children's Farmstead	Overland Park	217,668
8 Lee Richardson Zoo	Garden City	217,243
9 World Famous Topeka Zoo	Topeka	202,047
10 Fort Leavenworth	Fort Leavenworth	200,000
11 Louisburg Cider Mill	Louisburg	200,000
12 Kansas Museum of History	Topeka	169,701
13 Old Shawnee Town	Shawnee	155,649
14 Dyche Museum of Natural History	Lawrence	150,000
15 Boot Hill Museum	Dodge City	135,429
16 Botanica, the Wichita Gardens	Wichita	107,102
17 Eisenhower Center	Abilene	100,309
18 Frontier Army Museum	Leavenworth	100,000
19 Dillon Nature Center	Hutchinson	95,088
20 Lied Center of Kansas	Lawrence	90,000
21 Sunset Zoological Park	Manhattan	90,000
22 Hutchinson Zoo	Hutchinson	75,555
23 Historic Ward-Meade Park	Topeka	70,000
24 NCAA Visitors Center	Overland Park	67,800
25 State Capitol Building	Topeka	66,870
26 U.S. Cavalry Museum	Fort Riley	61,419
27 Indian Center Museum	Wichita	58,232
28 Big Well (the)	Greensburg	57,625
29 Wichita Art Museum	Wichita	56,008
30 Brit Spaugh Zoo	Great Bend	50,000

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**Source: Based on figures obtained from each attraction.*

Please note attendance figures include both local residents and visitors (Kansas' residents or out-of-state visitors). As a result, in some instances, figures are impacted by repeat local traffic.

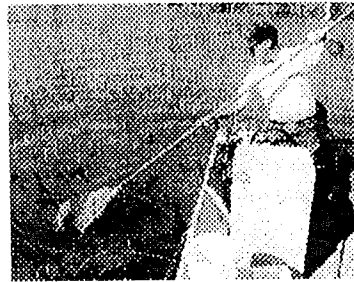
Top 20 Tourist Attractions In Kansas
- By Attendance -

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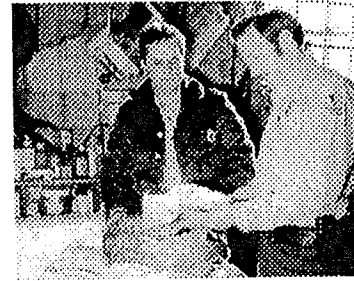
Department employees help people of all ages learn more about the outdoor world through programs at state parks, nature centers, fishing clinics, hunter education courses, boating safety classes, and environmental programs for schools.



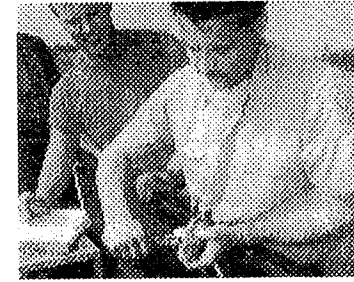
Fisheries biologists improve fish habitat at lakes and reservoirs, develop management plans for individual waters, conduct research, teach fishing clinics, and provide assistance to private pond owners. Fish culture biologists maintain four state hatcheries, where millions of fish are raised to be stocked into state waters each year.



Conservation officers and state park rangers are the most visible representatives of the department. In addition to their law enforcement responsibilities, they are actively involved in a variety of conservation and education programs statewide.



Wildlife biologists ensure the future of Kansas wildlife through research, reintroduction programs, habitat development on public lands, habitat improvement assistance to private landowners, and public education programs.



Parks managers and staff maintain and improve park facilities, organize a variety of activities for park visitors to enjoy, develop trails, and provide for public security and safety on park lands.



The Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks has regional and unit offices located within convenient distance of most Kansas residents. Contact the office nearest you for assistance.

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El Dorado (316) 321-7180
Elk City (316) 331-6295
Glen Elder (913) 545-3345
Hillsdale (913) 783-4507
Kanopolis (913) 546-2565
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Mined Land (316) 231-3173
Perry (913) 246-3449
Pomona (913) 828-4933
Prairie Dog (913) 877-2953
Pratt Sandhills (316) 672-5911
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Toronto/Fall River (316) 637-2213
Tuttle Creek (913) 539-7941
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KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND PARKS



SERVING PEOPLE, MANAGING WILD RESOURCES

We have a rich blend of outdoor-related opportunities in Kansas - fishing, birdwatching, hunting, hiking, sailing, camping, water skiing, canoeing, sailboarding, and nature photography, to name a few. The Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks is dedicated to maintaining and improving these opportunities, while also exploring and providing new ones. Come out doors with us. You'll like what you see.

OUR MISSION

Life and outdoor recreation are important to the quality of life for all Kansans. As the public guardian of our natural resources and servant of the people, the department's mission is to:

Conserve and **enhance** Kansas' natural heritage, its wildlife and its habitats to ensure future generations the benefits of the state's diverse, living resources;

Provide the public with opportunities for use and appreciation of the natural resources of Kansas, consistent with the conservation of those resources;

Inform the public of the status of the natural resources of Kansas to promote understanding and gain assistance in achieving this mission.

DEPARTMENT STRUCTURE

The Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks is a cabinet-level agency with a secretary appointed by the governor. A seven-member, bipartisan commission – also appointed by the governor – advises the secretary and approves regulations governing outdoor recreation and wildlife resources in Kansas. The commission conducts business in regular sessions that are open to the public.

The department employs a staff of 394 full-time employees in five divisions: Executive Services, Administrative Services, Fisheries and Wildlife, Law Enforcement, and Parks. Following is a summary of the functions of these divisions and the programs they administer for the people of Kansas.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

This division is responsible for enforcing the state's wildlife and natural resource laws and regulations. Division staff also inspect and license game breeders, controlled shooting areas, and guiding and outfitting operations.

EXECUTIVE SERVICES

This division includes Personnel Services, Engineering, Environmental Services, and Information and Education sections. The Engineering Section provides technical assistance for construction and maintenance on department-owned lands and recreational facilities. The Environmental Services Section reviews publicly-funded and government-sponsored development projects across the state, advising developers of

state and federal regulations and minimizing impacts on important wildlife habitats. The Information and Education Section informs the public through *Kansas Wildlife & Parks* magazine, a regular news release package, video programs, regulation pamphlets, and brochures, as well as a department homepage on the Internet. This section also administers the hunter, furharvester and boater education programs; provides environmental education materials to Kansas schools; and maintains the Pratt, Milford, and Prairie Center education facilities.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

This division oversees business management, accounting, data processing, planning, and budgeting efforts of the department. Administrative Services staff develop and manage the licenses and permits purchased by hunters, anglers, trappers, boaters, and park visitors.

FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

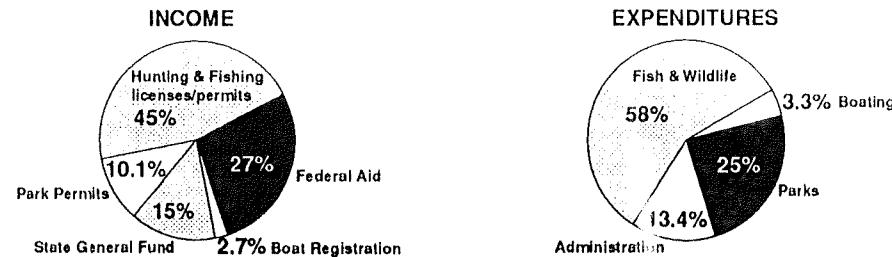
This division provides the technical expertise to manage fish, wildlife and public land resources in the state. The Investigations, Inventory, and Management sections evaluate fish and wildlife populations, conduct research, monitor environmental conditions, improve wildlife habitats, survey recreationists, and recommend adjustments in fish and wildlife regulations. The Fish Culture Section produces and stocks millions of sportfish in waters across the state each year. The Public Lands Section manages department lands for optimum wildlife habitat, as well as recreational opportunities for hunters, anglers, birdwatchers, and hikers.

PARKS

This division operates and maintains 24 state parks, hosting more than 6 million visits annually. In addition to building and maintaining facilities, parks staff develop wildlife habitat, offer entertainment and educational programs, host major events such as concerts or jamborees, and improve access to the lands and waters around our parks.

DEPARTMENT INCOME

The Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks relies on fees paid by the people it serves for most of its income. The sale of hunting and fishing licenses and state park permits accounts for about 50 percent of the department's annual income. Another 30 percent is derived from excise taxes paid on hunting and fishing gear and other outdoor equipment, which is distributed back to the state by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.



DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES

The department operates under general guidelines outlined in a long-term strategic plan. The plan lists specific goals and objectives that are established cooperatively by department employees, conservation and sporting organizations, and the public. Each year, department employees plan, through the budgeting process, what they need to achieve in the next fiscal year. The department's total budget for Fiscal Year 1997 (July 1, 1996 through June 30, 1997) was \$33 million.

DID YOU KNOW?

*In 1995, nearly 29 million fry, fingerling and intermediate-sized fish were stocked into Kansas waters, including walleye, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, channel catfish, blue catfish, bluegill, striped bass, wiper, rainbow trout, crappie, paddlefish, sauger and saugeye.

*Forty department-owned state fishing lakes and 24 department-managed federal reservoirs provide more than 175,000 surface acres of water for Kansans to enjoy.

*Twenty-four state parks attract more than 6 million visits each year.

*Approximately 190,000 hunting licenses are sold each year, including 35,000 to non-residents.

*Approximately 250,000 fishing licenses are sold each year.

*More than 20,000 Kansans voluntarily contributed \$150,000 to the Nongame Wildlife Program through the Chickadee Checkoff on their state income tax forms in 1996.

*More than 1,500 publicly funded development projects were reviewed by the department's Environmental Services staff in 1995, including 738 new projects. Of the new projects, only 4 percent required an action permit due to impacts on habitats critical to threatened and endangered species.

*Nearly 100,000 boats are registered in Kansas.

*More than 13,000 young Kansans were certified last year through the department's Hunter Education Program, bringing the total since 1972 to 330,000.

*Sixty conservation officers patrol the state's 105 counties, enforcing fishing, hunting, boating, and other wildlife and resource-related laws.

*More than 400 miles of scenic hiking, biking and equestrian trails are maintained by the department.

*The Walk-In Hunter Access program leased more than 180,000 acres of private land in Kansas in 1996, opening it to public hunting and nearly doubling the state's public hunting opportunities.

Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs described herein is available to all individuals without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or handicap. Complaints of discrimination should be sent to Office of the Secretary, Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks, 900 Jackson St., Suite 502, Topeka, KS 66612.

KANSAS STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY'

STATE HISTORIC SITES

ADAIR CABIN

The log cabin of Rev. Samuel and Florella Adair, John Brown's half-sister, stands on the site of the Battle of Osawatimie. The Adairs worked hard to bring religion to the area and to keep slavery out of it.

[REDACTED]

From within these walls the Lecompton Constitution fanned the flames that became the Civil War. Supporters of the constitution tried to use it to impose a proslavery majority in Kansas Territory. Their failure pushed the South toward withdrawing from the Union.

COTTONWOOD RANCH

The stone house and outbuildings symbolize English settlement and ranching on the High Plains of Kansas. The Pratt family maintained elements of their British heritage in the construction of the buildings and in their daily activities.

FIRST TERRITORIAL CAPITOL

All eyes turned to this simple warehouse when the first Kansas territorial legislature briefly met here in 1855 before moving to the Shawnee Methodist Mission. The very few antislavery delegates who had survived the unfair election process were denied admission to the session, leaving the proslavery party in complete control.

FORT [REDACTED]

Blockhouse, guardhouse, officers quarters, and visitors center all bring to life the military frontier from the 1860s to the 1880s. Life was difficult for the soldiers who protected the trails and the railroad from Native Americans who resented outsiders taking the land and destroying the buffalo.

GOODNOW HOUSE

The Goodnow family came from New England to find a new home and to keep slavery out of Kansas Territory. They stayed and led in the educational development of the new state.

GRINTER HOUSE

Moses Grinter came to Kansas long before it was a territory. He earned his livelihood by trading with the Native Americans and by operating a ferry where the military road crossed the Kansas River. Here in the 1850s he and his wife, Annie, a Delaware Indian, built a fine new house that echoed those he had known in his native Kentucky.

[REDACTED]

Immigrant wagons, stagecoaches, and Pony Express riders all paused here in passing along the Oregon-California Trail. Gerat and Sophia Hollenberg sold them draft animals, supplies, meals, and overnight lodging to make their long journeys more bearable.

KAW MISSION

Thousands of freight wagons once poured down the Santa Fe Trail near the Methodist mission where Kaw children from the reservation lived and studied. Efforts to influence the Native Americans were largely ineffective, so the missionaries turned their attention to educating white students.

MARAIS DES CYGNES MASSACRE

In a shallow ravine eleven men were gunned down by border ruffians in 1858. Five died. This was one in a long line of bloody incidents that occurred along the border between Kansas and Missouri until well after the Civil War.

MINE CREEK BATTLEFIELD

At the creek a large body of Union cavalry swept down on the rear of Confederate Gen. Sterling Price's supply train that was returning south after a long raid through Missouri and Kansas. In a short battle that was part of a day-long skirmish, the Confederate troops were thrown into disarray and a portion of the train was destroyed.

[REDACTED]

Exhibits tell the story of the emigrant tribes that were settled by treaty in present eastern Kansas during the 1800s and of their interaction with the advancing white population. Folk arts exhibits show the work of contemporary Native American artists who carry on the cultural traditions of these tribes.

PAWNEE INDIAN VILLAGE

A modern museum surrounds an excavated Pawnee earthlodge. The grounds are dotted with the remains of the village - lodges, storage pits, plazas, and a fortification wall.

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Pawnee Rock was a prominent landmark to travelers on the Santa Fe Trail. The view from the top is inspiring.

SHAWNEE MISSION

Methodist missionaries operated a manual labor school to teach Native American children academic subjects and crafts. The government of Kansas Territory used the site as a capitol during the first two years of the territory's existence.

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SENATE TRANSPORTATION

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STATE HISTORIC PROPERTIES

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Goodnow House State Historic Site

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Grinter Place State Historic Site

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Hollenberg Station State Historic Site

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Sun 1 pm - 5 pm
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Kaw Mission State Historic Site

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Hours: Tue - Sat 10 am - 5 pm
Sun 1 pm - 5 pm
Closed Mon

Marais des Cygnes Massacre State Historic Site

Brad Woellhof, Curator
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Pleasanton, KS 66075-9487
Phone: 913-352-6174
Hours: Wed - Sat 10 am - 5 pm
Sun 1 pm - 5 pm
Closed Mon & Tue

Mine Creek Battlefield State Historic Site

(Open dawn to dusk)

Native American Heritage Museum at Highland Mission

Suzette McCord-Rogers, Curator
RR 1, Box 152C
Highland, KS 66035-9801
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Hours: Wed - Sat 10 am - 5 pm
Sun 1 pm - 5 pm
Closed Mon & Tue

Pawnee Indian Village State Historic Site

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Phone: 913-361-2255
Hours: Wed - Sat 10 am - 5 pm
Sun 1 pm - 5 pm
Closed Mon & Tue

Pawnee Rock State Historic Site

(Open dawn to Dusk)

Shawnee Mission State Historic Site

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DATE: February 5, 1997
TO: JOINT STATE BUILDING COMMITTEE
FROM: Jean Barbee, Executive Director
RE: State Historical Society Capitol Outlay Request

Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, my name is Jean Barbee. I am the Executive Director of the Travel Industry Association of Kansas (TIAK).
The legislative goals of TIAK are to support public policy which will:

- **Insure adequate public access to natural resources which provide recreational opportunities**
- **Sustain historical preservation**
- **Create an environment conducive to tourism business**
- **Provide for the promotion and marketing of tourism activities, attractions, events and businesses**
- **Assure the adequate servicing of the tourist**
- **Encourage efficiency in state government through partnerships**

*Note-

*The State Historical Society has several initiatives which fit these goals and I am here to support their capitol improvement budget requests for these projects to

Sustain historical preservation:

1. Funding in the amount of \$431,200 has been requested for capitol improvements at three historical sites:
 - Kaw Mission Educational Center in Council Grove
 - Block and Guard House rehabilitation at Ft. Hays
 - Bringing the 1st Territorial Capitol in Ft. Riley up to ADA standards and adding rest rooms to an existing building.

It is our understanding that this is a portion of a multi-year strategic plan which will eventually restore or rehabilitate fifteen (15) state owned historical sites across the state.

According to the Department of Commerce and Housing, Division of Travel & Tourism, travel and tourism is a \$2.6 billion business in Kansas, employing over 41,500 people. More than 450,000 travelers visited the state-operated visitor information centers last year. Surveys showed travelers spent \$41 million on their Kansas trips.

As we expressed to the House Tourism Committee last week, these historic sites are our natural attractions in Kansas. We believe the rehabilitation and restoration of these sites will cause our visitor industry to grow. We wholeheartedly support these capitol improvement requests.

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