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OVERVIEW OF THE RECORDS

- Agency:** Minnesota. Division of Parks and Recreation.
- Series Title:** Numerical files,
- Dates:** 1935, 1962-1975.
- Abstract:** Correspondence, maps, reports, minutes, statistics and surveys, inventories, and legal and financial documents documenting various aspects of park management.
- Quantity:** 1.5 cu. ft. (2 boxes).
- Location:** See Detailed Description section for box locations.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE RECORDS

Management areas covered included state forests, recreational areas, plans and practices, public access, canoe routes, snowmobile trails, campground and picnic areas, budget and spending, natural resources projects, solitude areas, recreation planning, private contracts, and proposed legislation.

Items of particular interest include Southern Minnesota Rivers Basin Study and Minnesota Recreational River System reports and materials (1966-1973), proposed spending plans (Fiscal Year 1967 - Fiscal Year 1973), campground and picnic areas visitor use surveys (1965-1971), recreational areas equipment inventories (1971-1973), and a contract with Greenview, Inc., a non-profit company that hires needy, elderly persons to provide maintenance for state park recreational facilities (1971-1975).

Forms part of the records of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

INDEX TERMS

This collection is indexed under the following headings in the catalog of the Minnesota Historical Society. Researchers desiring materials about related topics, persons or places should search the catalog using these headings.

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Organizations:

Greenview, Inc.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Note to Researchers: To request materials, please note both the location and box numbers shown below.

Location	Box	Contents
111.G.5.1B	1	<p>114-4 Maps--State Forest Brochures, 1967-1975. Correspondence, circulars, and sample brochures.</p> <p>140-0 State Forests--Acreage by County and by Forest, 1968-1970.</p> <p>151-0 Outdoor Recreation--General, 1962-1973. 2 folders. Mainly requests for information on forests, maps, and snowmobile and hiking trails.</p> <p>151-0 Outdoor Recreation--Directories--Recreational Areas, 1969, 1970, 1972. Annotated copies.</p> <p>151-0 Outdoor Recreation--Southern Minnesota Rivers Basin Study, 1970-1973. Scattered minutes and reports.</p> <p>151-1-0 Plans and Practices--General, 1962, 1966-1973. Correspondence relating to trails and campgrounds.</p> <p>151-1-1 Plans and Practices--Island Lake Campground, 1972.</p> <p>151-1-2 Plans and Practices--Paleface Lake Picnic and Access, 1970.</p> <p>151-1-2 Plans and Practices--Porcupine Lake Picnic Area, 1969.</p> <p>151-1-3 Plans and Practices--Trails General Snowmobile, 1967-1969.</p> <p>151-1-4 Plans and Practices--Canoe Routes--General, 1968.</p> <p>151-1-4 Plans and Practices--Buena Vista Canoe, 1969.</p> <p>151-1-5 Plans and Practices--Pelican Lake Access, 1971.</p> <p>151-3-0 Public Access--General, 1972.</p> <p>151-3-0 Public Access--Boating, 1963-1969.</p> <p>151-3-0 Public Access--Transitional, 1968-1973.</p> <p>151-3-0 Public Access--Transfers and/or Abandonments, 1971-1972.</p> <p>151-3-0 Public Access--Caribou Lake, Marcell, Minnesota, 1971.</p> <p>151-3-0 Public Access--Elbow Lake, 1970-1971.</p> <p>151-3-0 Public Access--Fin Bay Public Access, 1964 -1966.</p> <p>151-3-0 Public Access--McFarland Lake, 1972.</p> <p>151-3-0 Public Access--Moose Lake, 1969-1970.</p> <p>151-3-0 Public Access-- Silver Lake, 1972.</p> <p>151-4 Canoe Routes--General, 1965-1973. Correspondence relating to routes.</p> <p>151-4 Canoe Routes--Boating and Canoe Route Committee, 1971.</p> <p>151-4 Canoe Routes--Minnesota Recreational River System--General, 1966-1967. Study to determine official canoe routes.</p>

- 151-4 Canoe Routes--Minnesota Recreational River System--Maps and River Descriptions, 1967, 1972.
- 151-4 Canoe Routes--Crow River--North Fork, 1972.
- 151-4 Canoe Routes--Crow Wing River, 1965-1970.
- 151-4 Canoe Routes--St. Croix, 1972.
- 151-7 Trails--Snowmobile, 1965-1972. 2 folders.
- 151-8-0 Fiscal Biennial Budget Requests General, 1965-1973.
Includes 1971-1973 Proposed Snowmobile Budget.
- 151-8-1-2 Spending Plan, Fiscal Year 1967 - Fiscal Year 1973.
Proposed spending plans.
- 151-8-2 Campground Remittances, 1964 -1966, 1972.
Annual summaries; by campground and in total.
- 151-20 Camp and Picnic Areas--General, 1962-1972.
- 151-26 Camp and Picnic Areas--Visitor Use Survey, 1965-1971.
Visitor counts and summaries for seasons, by area and date; done according to Bureau of Outdoor Recreation Standards.
- 151-26 (Form 182): Inventory of Recreational Areas, 1971-1973. 3 folders.
Sheet for each area listing axes, buildings, cash box, dock, fireplaces, garbage cans, garbage can stands, boat access, saws, signs, tables, toilets, toolboxes, and water hand pump/well.

Location	Box	Contents
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Concerns new acquisitions and development.

413-21 Recreation Planning, 1968-1974 .

419-0 Circular Letters, 1972.

Directions on how to write a circular letter.

424 Private contracts, 1971-1975.

Concerns contract with Greenview, Inc., a non-profit company that hires needy, elderly persons to provide maintenance for recreational facilities in the parks.

467 Proposed legislation-1971, 1970-1971.

Mainly regarding a state forest boundary bill and state forest trust lands.

467 Proposed legislation-1973, 1972-1973.

Mainly regarding the 1973 state forest boundary bill.