

SENATE FILE NO. SF0012

State parks and historic sites-boundaries and designations.

Sponsored by: Joint Travel, Recreation, Wildlife and
Cultural Resources Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to state parks and historic sites;
2 designating state parks, state historic sites, state
3 archaeological sites and state recreation areas; requiring
4 legal descriptions by rule; repealing statutory legal
5 descriptions; and providing for an effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 36-8-1501 is created to read:

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ARTICLE 15

12

OTHER DESIGNATIONS

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14 **36-8-1501. State park designation; state historic**
15 **site designation; state archeological site designation;**
16 **state recreation area designation.**

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2 (a) In addition to state parks designated in other
3 statutes, the following lands are designated as state parks
4 and the department shall by rule specify the legal
5 description of the parks:

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7 (i) The state-owned lands in Fremont County
8 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Boysen
9 state park;

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11 (ii) The state-owned lands in Park County
12 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Buffalo
13 Bill state park;

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15 (iii) The state-owned lands in Natrona County
16 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Edna
17 Kimball Wilkins state park;

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19 (iv) The state-owned lands in Platte County
20 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Glendo
21 state park;

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1 (v) The state-owned lands in Platte County
2 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Guernsey
3 state park;

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5 (vi) The state-owned lands in Crook County
6 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Keyhole
7 state park;

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9 (vii) The state-owned lands in Carbon County
10 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Seminole
11 state park.

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13 (b) In addition to state historic sites designated in
14 other statutes, the following lands are designated as state
15 historic sites and the department shall by rule specify the
16 legal description of the sites:

17
18 (i) The state-owned lands in Albany County
19 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Ames
20 Monument state historic site;

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22 (ii) The state-owned lands in Sheridan County
23 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Conner
24 Battlefield state historic site;

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2 (iii) The state-owned lands in Sheridan County
3 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Fetterman
4 Battlefield state historic site;

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6 (iv) The state-owned lands in Sublette County
7 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Fort
8 Bonneville state historic site;

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10 (v) The state-owned lands in Uinta County
11 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Fort
12 Bridger state historic site;

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14 (vi) The state-owned lands in Converse County
15 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Fort
16 Fetterman state historic site;

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18 (vii) The state-owned lands in Johnson County
19 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Fort Phil
20 Kearney state historic site;

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22 (viii) The state-owned lands in Johnson County
23 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Fort Reno
24 state historic site;

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2 (ix) The state-owned lands in Uinta County
3 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Fort Supply
4 state historic site;

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6 (x) The state-owned lands in Sweetwater County
7 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Granger
8 Stage Station state historic site;

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10 (xi) The state-owned lands in Laramie County
11 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as the
12 Historic Governor's Mansion state historic site;

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14 (xii) The state-owned lands in Natrona County
15 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as
16 Independence Rock state historic site;

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18 (xiii) The state-owned lands in Fremont County
19 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Lander
20 Cemetery state historic site;

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22 (xiv) The state-owned lands in Lincoln County
23 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Names Hill
24 state historic site;

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2 (xv) The state-owned lands in Platte County
3 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Oregon
4 Trail Ruts state historic site;

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6 (xvi) The state-owned lands in Uinta County
7 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Piedmont
8 Kilns state historic site;

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10 (xvii) The state-owned lands in Carbon County
11 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Platte
12 River Stage Crossing state historic site;

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14 (xviii) The state-owned lands in Sweetwater
15 County managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as
16 Point of Rocks Stage Station state historic site;

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18 (xix) The state-owned lands in Natrona County
19 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Red Buttes
20 Battle and Cemetery state historic site;

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22 (xx) The state-owned lands in Platte County
23 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Register
24 Cliff state historic site;

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2 (xxi) The state-owned lands in Sheridan County
3 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Trail End
4 state historic site;

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6 (xxii) The state-owned lands in Sheridan County
7 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Wagon Box
8 Fight state historic site;

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10 (xxiii) The state-owned lands in Platte County
11 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Wyoming
12 Pioneer Museum state historic site.

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14 (c) In addition to state archaeological sites
15 designated in other statutes, the following lands are
16 designated as state archaeological sites and the department
17 shall by rule specify the legal description of the sites:

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19 (i) The state-owned lands in Hot Springs County
20 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Legend Rock
21 state archaeological site;

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1 (ii) The state-owned lands in Big Horn County
2 managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Medicine
3 Lodge state archaeological site.

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5 (d) The state-owned lands in Goshen County managed by
6 the department as of July 1, 2010 as Hawk Springs
7 recreation area are designated as the Hawk Springs state
8 recreation area. The department shall by rule specify the
9 legal description of the recreation area.

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11 **Section 2.** W.S. 36-8-302, 36-8-501 by creating a new
12 subsection (c), 36-8-601(a)(intro), 36-8-701(a),
13 36-8-801(a)(intro) and (b), 36-8-902(a) and (d) and
14 36-8-1001(a)(intro), (b), (c) and (d)(i) and (ii) are
15 amended to read:

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17 **36-8-302. Name of park.**

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19 From and after the passage of this act, the land ~~which was~~
20 ~~granted to the state of Wyoming by act of congress of 1897,~~
21 ~~which ceded to the state of Wyoming, one (1) square mile of~~
22 ~~land,~~ managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 in the
23 northeast portion of the Shoshone Indian Reservation, upon
24 which is located the Big Horn Hot Springs, is hereby

1 declared to be and shall hereafter be known as the "Hot
2 Springs State Park". The department shall by rule specify
3 the legal description of the state park.

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5 ARTICLE 5

6 OLD SOUTH PASS CITY HISTORICAL SITE

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8 **36-8-501. Old South Pass City historic site.**

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10 (c) The state-owned lands in Fremont County managed
11 by the department as of July 1, 2010 as Old South Pass City
12 are designated as the Old South Pass City historic site.
13 The department shall by rule specify the legal description
14 of the historic site.

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16 **36-8-601. Declaration of Curt Gowdy state park.**

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18 (a) The lands in Laramie and Albany counties ~~known as~~
19 ~~the~~ managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 at Granite
20 Reservoir, Crystal Reservoir and Upper North Crow Reservoir
21 areas ~~described as follows~~ known collectively as Curt Gowdy
22 state park are hereby declared to be a state park. ~~÷~~ The
23 department shall by rule specify the legal description of
24 the state park.

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2 36-8-701. Declaration of Sinks Canyon state park;
3 disposal of land.

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5 (a) The state owned lands in Fremont County managed
6 by the department as of July 1, 2010 and known as Sinks
7 Canyon ~~described as follows~~ are hereby declared to be a
8 state park. ~~In township 32 north, range 100 west, 6th~~
9 ~~p.m., section 8: S1/2SE1/4, NE1/4SE1/4, section 9:~~
10 ~~NW1/4SW1/4; section 17: E1/2NW1/4; N1/2SW1/4; SW1/4SW1/4;~~
11 ~~W1/2NE1/4; section 18: NE1/4SE1/4; S1/2SE1/4; SE1/4SW1/4,~~
12 ~~containing 600 acres, more or less~~ The department shall by
13 rule specify the legal description of the state park.

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15 36-8-801. Declaration of area as Fort Fred Steele
16 state historic site; administration; safety facilities.

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18 (a) The lands in Carbon county managed by the
19 department as of July 1, 2010 and known as the Fort Fred
20 Steele area ~~described as follows~~ are hereby declared to be
21 a ~~historical~~ state ~~park:~~ historic site. The department
22 shall by rule specify the legal description of the site.

1 (b) The department of state parks and cultural
2 resources shall administer this area providing for the best
3 possible ~~historical state park~~ state historic site, and it
4 shall be the responsibility of the department to provide
5 all reasonable and necessary safety facilities made
6 necessary by reason of the increased hazards resulting from
7 the establishing of a state park adjacent to, and on both
8 sides of, Union Pacific Railroad Company's main line right-
9 of-way and tracks. These safety facilities shall include,
10 but are not limited to, such fencing of Union Pacific
11 Railroad Company's main line right-of-way as is reasonably
12 necessary to prevent access by the general public to such
13 right-of-way; some type of pedestrian walkway through the
14 grade separation to provide pedestrian access between the
15 south and north sides of the ~~park~~ site; and either the
16 closing of the Fort Steele grade crossing to the general
17 public or the establishment at said crossing of grade
18 crossing protection devices consisting of flasher lights
19 and gates. The department is hereby authorized to enter
20 into agreements with Union Pacific Railroad Company
21 relative to the department's providing such reasonable and
22 necessary safety facilities. In the event the department
23 and Union Pacific Railroad Company are unable to so agree,
24 the public service commission of Wyoming shall determine

1 what reasonable and necessary safety facilities shall be
2 provided by the department at Fort Fred Steele state park
3 historic site, upon application filed with the public
4 service commission of Wyoming by either Union Pacific
5 Railroad Company or the department. These necessary and
6 reasonable safety facilities shall be constructed before
7 the opening of the Fort Fred Steele state park-historic
8 site to the public.

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10 **36-8-902. Designation of lands as Bear River state**
11 **park; park administration and operation.**

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13 (a) The state-owned lands in Uinta county ~~described~~
14 ~~as follows~~ managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 are
15 designated as the Bear River State Park. ~~;~~ ~~In Township 15~~
16 ~~North, Range 120 West, 6th P.M., Section 22: N1/2 SE1/4;~~
17 ~~SE1/4 SE1/4; that portion of S1/2 NE1/4 lying south of the~~
18 ~~Interstate 80 highway right of way; that portion of SW1/4~~
19 ~~SE1/4 and E1/2 SW1/4 lying northeast of a line described as~~
20 ~~follows: beginning at a point on the south line of Section~~
21 ~~22 which is 42.30 chains east of the southwest corner of~~
22 ~~Section 22, then running North 21°15' West 11.20 chains to~~
23 ~~a point, and then running North 27° West 43.50 chains, more~~
24 ~~or less, to a point where the line intersects the west line~~

1 ~~of SE1/4 NW1/4 of Section 22; and that portion of SE1/4~~
2 ~~NW1/4 lying northeast of the above described line and south~~
3 ~~of the Interstate 80 highway right of way; containing 280~~
4 ~~acres, more or less. Effective no later than May 1, 1997,~~
5 ~~pursuant to a conveyance of state-owned lands from the~~
6 ~~Wyoming state hospital to the department of commerce, the~~
7 ~~state-owned lands in Uinta county described as follows~~
8 ~~shall be designated as part of the Bear River State Park:~~
9 ~~within Section 26, Township 15 N. Range 120 W., 6th~~
10 ~~Principal Meridian, Uinta County, Wyoming described to wit:~~
11 ~~NW1/4 OF NW 1/4 of the NW1/4 of said Section 26; containing~~
12 ~~10 acres, more or less~~ The department shall by rule specify
13 the legal description of the state park.

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15 (d) The department of state parks and cultural
16 resources ~~is the successor agency to the department of~~
17 ~~commerce and the Wyoming recreation commission and~~ shall
18 administer and operate the state park created by this
19 section. ~~in accordance with the plan specified in W.S.~~
20 ~~36-8-901(e) unless otherwise directed by the legislature.~~

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22 **36-8-1001. Wyoming Territorial Prison state park and**
23 **state historic site.**

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1 (a) The state owned lands in Albany County ~~described~~
2 ~~as follows~~ managed by the department as of July 1, 2010 and
3 known as the Wyoming Territorial Prison are declared to be
4 a state park and ~~historical~~ historic site. ~~+~~ The department
5 shall by rule specify the legal description of the state
6 park and the state historic site.

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8 (b) The state park and ~~historical~~ historic site shall
9 be known as the "Wyoming territorial prison state park and
10 ~~historical~~ historic site".

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12 (c) The board of land commissioners shall not trade,
13 sell or otherwise dispose of the lands described in
14 paragraph ~~(a)(i)~~ (a) of this section without approval of
15 the legislature.

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17 (d) The department of state parks and cultural
18 resources shall prepare a plan for the operation of the
19 Wyoming territorial prison historic site and state park by
20 the department as part of the department's comprehensive
21 plan under W.S. 36-4-106. In developing the plan, the
22 department shall:

(i) Exclude from the state park the historic prison buildings situated on the lands described under subsection (a) of this section including the prison building, the warden's residence, broom factory, adjacent buildings and the grounds immediately surrounding the buildings not to exceed seven (7) acres of land, to be administered by the department as a state ~~historical~~ historic site in a manner compatible with the National Historic Preservation Act;

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11 (ii) Establish the boundary between the state
12 park and the ~~historical~~historic site to insure the
13 integrity of the historic structures for public enjoyment;

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15 **Section 3.** W.S. 36-8-501(a), 36-8-601(a)(i) through
16 (v), 36-8-801(a)(i) through (iii), 36-8-901, 36-8-902(b)
17 and (c), 36-8-1001(a)(i) and 36-8-1002(a) are repealed.

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19 **Section 4.** This act is effective July 1, 2010.

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21 (END)