

State parks-nonmotorized recreational trail fees.

26LSO-0115, 1.0

**FISCAL NOTE**

	<b>FY 2027</b>	<b>FY 2028</b>	<b>FY 2029</b>
<b>NON-ADMINISTRATIVE IMPACT</b>			
Anticipated Revenue increase			
NONMOTORIZED RECREATIONAL TRAILS ACCOUNT	\$110,520	\$110,520	\$110,520
<b>NON-ADMINISTRATIVE IMPACT</b>			
Anticipated Expenditure increase			
NONMOTORIZED RECREATIONAL TRAILS ACCOUNT	\$3,875	\$3,500	\$3,500

Source of revenue and expenditure increase:

This bill creates the Nonmotorized Recreational Trails Account (NRTA) and authorizes the Department of State Parks and Cultural Resources (Department) to collect nonmotorized recreational trail fees to be deposited into the NRTA and continuously appropriates the funds deposited into the NRTA to the Department for the administration of the nonmotorized recreational trail program.

Assumptions:

The bill allows the Department to establish nonmotorized recreational trail permit fees for Wyoming residents and nonresidents. Annual fees shall be not more than \$10.00 for Wyoming residents and \$20.00 for nonresidents. Daily fees shall be not more than \$5.00 for any user, regardless of residency. A person under eighteen years of age is exempt from any nonmotorized recreational trail permit fee.

The Department assumes 20,680 daily use permits, 614 annual resident permits, and 49 annual nonresident permits will be issued each calendar year, and the maximum fee will be charged for each permit, resulting in an estimated revenue increase of \$110,520 from permit fees to be deposited within the NRTA each fiscal year. The Department estimates the number of permits issued based on mountain bike traffic counts on nonmotorized trails at select state parks during 2023 and 2024.

The Department estimates a corresponding expenditure increase from the NRTA for the administration of the nonmotorized recreational trail program. The Department estimates an annual expenditure increase of \$3,500 based on an assumption of 25,000 printed decals purchased at a cost of \$0.14 per decal each fiscal year. The Department also estimates an expenditure increase in FY 2027 to purchase 25 trail signs at a cost of \$15.00 per sign.

The Department assumes remaining administrative costs will be covered by existing staff installing necessary signage and developing the permitting process.

Prepared by: Enee Crosslin, LSO Phone: 777-7881  
(Information provided by Caryn Erickson, Department of Parks and Cultural Resources, 777-6538)