

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS  
BOARD ACTION SUMMARY

DEPT: Parks and Recreation

BOARD AGENDA #: 9:05 AM (B)

AGENDA DATE: May 10, 2016

**SUBJECT:**

Public Hearing to Introduce and Waive the First Reading of an Ordinance to Establish New and Amend Existing Fees for the Department of Parks and Recreation

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**BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:**

**No.** 2016-241

On motion of Supervisor O'Brien, Seconded by Supervisor DeMartini  
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Chiesa, Withrow, DeMartini, and Chairman Monteith

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1)  Approved as recommended


2)  Denied

3)  Approved as amended

4)  Other:

MOTION:

ATTEST:

  
ELIZABETH A. KING, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

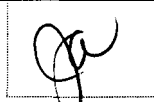
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**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS  
AGENDA ITEM**

DEPT: Parks and Recreation

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Urgent  Routine



AGENDA DATE: May 10, 2016

CEO CONCURRENCE: *phx*

4/5 Vote Required: Yes  No

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. Conduct a Public Hearing to Introduce and Waive the First Reading of an Ordinance to Establish New and Amend Existing Fees for the Department of Parks and Recreation.

**DISCUSSION:**

Stanislaus County Department of Parks and Recreation (Department) operates four regional parks which charge entrance, use, and privilege/service fees: Frank Raines Off-Highway Vehicle Park, La Grange Off-Highway Vehicle Park, Modesto Reservoir, and Woodward Reservoir. The revenue collected from these fees pays for the operations and maintenance of these facilities. In addition, the Frank Raines and La Grange Off-Highway Vehicle Parks receive State grants for the operations and maintenance as well as special projects.

Annually, in preparation for the proposed budget, the Department evaluates the cost of services provided and the fees associated with these regional parks. The evaluation process includes the consideration of new or additional fees, where appropriate, as well as modifications to existing fees in order to cover the cost of operations and maintenance at these sites (Attachment A). The recently conducted fee survey of similar facilities in the surrounding areas found that the proposed fees are comparable to other parks, with the exception of the Day Use fee, which is slightly higher and would be paid by out-of-county visitors. The Day Use fee for comparable recreation areas averages close to \$10. Other fee increases include vessels, camping, annual passes, late exit fee, fireworks show, picnic shelter, and dog field trial training for both private and commercial. One new proposed fee is a deposit for large (over 5,000 persons) events, which is refundable if conditions are met.

In a regularly scheduled meeting on February 11, 2016, the Parks Commission reviewed the proposed fees and recommended to support the proposed fees. On February 17, 2016, the Department held a workshop (Attachment B) to discuss the proposed fee changes with the public. Three people from the public attended the workshop. Clarifying questions were asked and one positive comment was received indicating that they were happy to see the Senior rates were not increased. Additionally, two comments were received on the proposed exclusive use fees. A concern was expressed regarding the increase in proposed fees potentially pricing community events out of the parks. In addition, a concern was expressed that increasing the exclusive use fees for an outside venue, in addition to paying agreed upon

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per person fees, for large events was significantly higher than the event coordinators have paid for other venues. Based on these comments and research, the department has concluded to not increase exclusive use fees as there is the ability to negotiate per person fees for large events.

Information about the workshop was disseminated through the Department's normal process via e-mail to parties affected by the fees including waterfowl hunters, off-highway vehicle enthusiasts, regular users of the Exclusive Use process, the Stanislaus County Fish and Wildlife Committee, and the Stanislaus County Parks and Recreation Commission, as well as members of the public who requested to be placed on a notification list. In addition, information regarding the proposed fees is posted on the Department's Internet site.

### Proposition 26

Proposition 26 was approved by California voters on the November 2010 ballot. Its passage amended sections of the California Constitution to define many fees as taxes, stipulating that they can no longer be levied or increased unless passed by not less than a two-thirds majority vote. The proposition, however, exempts specific types of fees from this requirement as follows: 1) charges imposed for entrance to or use of local government property; and 2) charges for a specific benefit, privilege, or governmental service granted directly to the payor.

County Counsel has opined that Parks and Recreation fees are exempt from Proposition 26, but did clarify that benefit, privilege, and service fees such as hunting permits and reservation fees cannot be discounted. In these fee categories, all customers must be charged equally and the amounts charged cannot exceed the reasonable cost to provide the benefit/privilege/service. The Department is not proposing to discount any benefit/privilege/service fees and the fees within these categories reflect only the cost of providing these services.

### **POLICY ISSUE:**

Prior to levying a new fee or amending an existing fee, the County is required by Government Code Section 54985 et seq., to hold a scheduled public hearing as part of a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Supervisors. At that time the Board may introduce and waive the first reading of an ordinance to establish new and amend existing fees of the Department of Parks and Recreation. If approved, these fee changes will become effective on June 26, 2016.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Estimated revenue for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 is \$2,400,000, if the fee adjustments are approved, the potential revenue for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 will be approximately \$2,640,000 and will be included in the Department's Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Proposed budget.

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<b>Cost of recommended action:</b>		\$ 240,000
<b>Source(s) of Funding:</b>		
Parks Fee Revenue	\$ 240,000	
<b>Funding Total:</b>		\$ 240,000
<b>Net Cost to County General Fund</b>		<u>-</u>

<b>Fiscal Year:</b>	2016-2017
<b>Budget Adjustment/Appropriations needed:</b>	No

**Fund Balance as of**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PRIORITY:**

The recommended action supports the Board's priorities of A Safe Community, A Healthy Community, A Well Planned Infrastructure System, and the Efficient Delivery of Public Services by making funds available to the Department of Parks and Recreation to continue to operate efficiently and effectively, and to assist in promoting a safe and healthy environment and improving the quality of life in Stanislaus County.

**STAFFING IMPACT:**

Existing staff will support these recommended actions.

**CONTACT PERSON:**

Jami Aggers, Director of Parks and Recreation

Telephone: 209-525-6770

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

- A. Proposed Fee Schedule
- B. Notice of Public Workshop

**PARKS AND RECREATION PROPOSED FEES 2016**

**Attachment A**

Prior rates remain in effect until new rates are effective June 26, 2016

STANDARD FEES		OLD	PER	CHANGE
<b>DAY USE</b>	<b>6:00AM TO 10:00PM</b>			<b>Proposed</b>
Vehicle		\$10	vehicle	\$15
Vessel		\$7	vessel	\$10
Holiday Day Use Fee	Applies to Memorial Day, Independence Day, & Labor Day	\$5	vehicle	no change
<b>DAY USE DISCOUNTS</b>	<b>6:00AM TO 10:00PM</b>			
Stanislaus County Resident	Driver's License proof of residency (except on Fireworks Show days)			\$10
Senior/Disabled Vehicle	Seniors must be 62 years and over	\$5	vehicle	no change
Senior/Disabled Vessel	Seniors must be 62 years and over	\$5	vessel	no change
Veteran Vehicle	Free on Veteran's Day and Memorial Day each year	\$5	vehicle	no change
Veteran Vessel	Free on Veteran's Day and Memorial Day each year	\$5	vessel	no change
<b>CAMPING</b>	<b>PER NIGHT</b>			
Vehicle at campsite		\$20	vehicle	\$25
Vehicle at hookup campsite	Includes A-D loop Mod Res	\$25	vehicle	\$30
2nd Vehicle at campsite	Max vehicle per campsite is 2	\$10	one allowed	\$25
Designated Group Campsite Fee	Additional camping vehicle fees apply (Modesto Reservoir Only)	\$60	night	\$90
Holiday Weekend Fee	Applies to 3 weekend-nights during Memorial/Independence/Labor Day Holiday	\$5	night/vehicle	no change
<b>CAMPING DISCOUNTS</b>	<b>PER NIGHT</b>			
Senior/Disabled Vehicle	Seniors must be 62 years and over	\$10	vehicle	no change
Senior/Disabled Vehicle (hookup)	includes A-D loop Mod Res; Seniors must be 62 years and over	\$15	vehicle	no change
Veteran Vehicle* camping	From Nov. 1st through 14th, \$5/night for one vehicle ONLY	\$10	vehicle	no change
Veteran Vehicle (hookup)	Includes A-D loop Mod Res; From Nov. 1st through 14th, \$5/night for one vehicle ONLY	\$15	vehicle	no change
<b>ANNUAL PASSES</b>	<b>Rule: Only one discount is allowed per customer, see rules and regs for details</b>			
Annual Pass-Vehicle		\$80	vehicle	\$100
Annual Pass-2nd Vehicle		\$40	vehicle	\$50
Annual Pass-Vessel		\$80	vessel	\$100
Annual Pass-2nd Vessel		\$40	vessel	\$50
<b>ANNUAL PASS DISCOUNTS</b>	<b>APPLIES TO DAY USE ONLY</b>			
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Senior/Disabled Vessel		\$40	vessel	\$50
Veteran Vehicle*		\$40	vehicle	\$50
Veteran Vessel*		\$40	vessel	\$50
<b>OHV FEES</b>				
OHV Day Use	OHV day use hours are from dawn to dusk	\$5	vehicle	no change
OHV Veteran Day Use	\$1.00 net discount	\$4	vehicle	no change
OHV Senior/Disabled Day Use	\$1.00 net discount	\$4	vehicle	no change
OHV Annual Day Use Pass		\$80	vehicle	\$100
OHV Camping		\$15	vehicle	no change
OHV Camping (hookup)		\$25	vehicle	no change
OHV 2nd Vehicle at Campsite	2 Max. veh. per site, unless authorized	\$10	one allowed	no change
<b>ANNUAL PASS</b>	<b>APPLIES TO DAY USE ONLY</b>			
Senior/Disabled Vehicle	Seniors must be 62 years and over	\$40	vehicle	\$50
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<b>HUNTING FEES</b>				
Deer/Rabbit/Pig Hunting Permit		\$15	week/weekend	no change
Annual Deer/Rabbit/Pig Hunting Permit (valid July through June per rules and regulations)		\$100	fiscal year	no change
Waterfowl Draw Registration Fee		\$45	registration	no change
Waterfowl Blind Permit Fee		\$400	permit	no change
Waterfowl Blind Deposit (Refundable)		\$300	registration	no change
<b>OTHER FEES</b>	<b>RULES (See complete Rules and Regulations)</b>			
Exclusive Use		\$90	day	no change
	Deposit for large events - Refundable if conditions are met. May be required for events over 5,000 people.		one time	\$10,000
Event Fee	Add'l charge if OHV entrance station fees are collected for event.	\$5	vehicle	no change
Key Deposit	Refundable	\$30	event	no change
Reservation Fee (nonrefundable)	Full fee required within 7 days	\$10	day	no change

**PARKS AND RECREATION PROPOSED FEES 2016**

**Attachment A**

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Reservation Change/Cancellation		\$15	change/canc	no change
Concession Registration/App. Fee	Once annually (Change fees are additional)	\$100	application	no change
Concession License Fee	Day use fees apply	\$25	day	no change
Pool Rental, unheated	Minimum 2 hours required; additional lifeguard costs apply	\$60	hour	no change
Pool Rental, heated	Additional charge for each day it takes to bring pool to temp.	\$60	day	no change
Pool Deposit (Refundable)		\$250	reservation	no change
Courthouse Lawn Use		\$35	day	no change
Late Exit Fee	Vehicles exiting after 10:00p.m.	\$10	exit	\$15
Fireworks Show	All discounts will be void	\$20	vehicle	\$25
Mooring Fee	Free annual pass w/ 3 mos paid (max boat length allowed 20 ft)	\$100	month	no change
Dry Storage		\$35	month	no change
Picnic Shelter	Reservoirs Only	\$60	day	\$90
Recreation Hall	Frank Raines Regional Park	\$75	day	no change
Recreation Hall Deposit (Refundable)		\$100	use	no change
Field Trial Competition	(1-50) complete entry fee	\$200	competition	no change
Field Trial Competition	(51+) complete entry fee	\$300	competition	no change
Dog Field Trial Training-Commercial	Camping fees are extra	\$75	annual	\$100
Dog Field Trial Training-Private	Camping fees are extra	\$50	annual	\$75
Dog/Horse	No animals allowed at Modesto Reservoir	\$3	dog/horse/day	no change
Annual Pass-Horse		\$40	horse	\$50
Annual Pass-Additional Horse		\$20	horse	\$25
Annual Pass Replacement Fee		\$10	replacement	no change

**\*Veteran must be present and proof of veteran's status must be presented with a valid government issued photo ID if the proof itself has no photos. Accepted forms of proof are: Distinguished Veteran Pass, DD-214 Certificate, valid Military ID, or Department of Veterans Affairs ID, and other IDs approved by Dept.**



Department of Parks and Recreation  
3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C  
Modesto, CA 95358-9492  
Phone: 209.525.6750 Fax: 209.525.6773

**WORKSHOP**  
for  
**PROPOSED FEE CHANGES 2016**

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**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2016**  
**5:00 PM – 6:00 PM**  
**AGRICULTURAL CENTER, Harvest Hall (Rooms D & E)**  
**3800 CORNUCOPIA WAY**  
**MODESTO, CA 95358**

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This notice is an invitation to attend a public meeting to discuss proposed revisions to the Stanislaus County Master Schedule of Fees for the Department of Parks and Recreation. To achieve and maintain an appropriate level of service, our department is recommending new fees and changes and would like feedback from our customers. Your input and experience are valuable to help us in our decision-making process.

This workshop is being conducted prior to the Board of Supervisors approval of the fee proposal.

**Please join our staff to discuss the newly proposed fee schedule.**

Your feedback is important to us. If you are not able to attend, you may submit any comments in writing by email to:

[msong@parksrec.org](mailto:msong@parksrec.org)

OR by mail to:  
Stanislaus County Parks and Recreation (Fees)  
3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C  
Modesto, CA 95358

The proposed fee changes/added are in noted in the fee schedule attached.

ORDINANCE NO. C.S. \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING NEW AND AMENDING  
EXISTING FEES COLLECTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF  
PARKS AND RECREATION**

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** Fees to be collected by the Department of Parks and Recreation are adopted and amended as set forth in the Department of Parks and Recreation Fee Schedule attached hereto as Attachment A and incorporated by reference, a copy of which is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and is available for public inspection and copying in that office in accordance with the California Public Records Act.

**Section 2.** This ordinance shall take effect 30 days from and after the date of its passage and before the expiration of fifteen (15) days after its passage, it shall be published once, with the names of the members voting for and against the same, in the Modesto Bee, a newspaper published in the County of Stanislaus, State of California.

Upon motion of Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_, the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Stanislaus, State of California, the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016, by the following called vote:

AYES: Supervisors:

NOES: Supervisors:

ABSENT: Supervisors:

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Chairman of Board of Supervisors  
County of Stanislaus, State of California



ATTEST:

ELIZABETH A. KING,  
CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE  
COUNTY OF STANISLAUS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JOHN P. DOERING  
COUNTY COUNSEL

By  \_\_\_\_\_  
Amanda Dehart  
Assistant County Counsel

STANISLAUS COUNTY PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 24, 2016, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors will meet in the Basement Chambers, 1010 10th St., Modesto, CA, to consider the adoption and the waiving of the second reading of the following ordinances:

- A. Ordinance C.S. 1176 to establish new fees, amend existing fees, and eliminate fees for the Department of Environmental Resources. The proposed fee adjustments would consist of:
- New fees for implementation and maintenance of the Hazardous Materials California Environmental Reporting System (CERS) database, Hazardous Materials change of ownership/transfer fee, Hazardous Materials monitoring wells and soil borings, Environmental Health water well permit transfer, extension, and amendment fees, and Milk and Dairy plan review, rescoring, compliance inspections, sampling, and applying for Grade A fees.
  - Fee changes for Hazardous Materials Aboveground Storage Tanks and the Farm Disclosure Program, Milk and Dairy Grade A and Grade B quarterly fees including Other Hooved Mammals, and changes of ownership, tipping fees for waste-to-energy ash disposal, Landfill Hard-to-Handle bulk materials and mattresses, and various Hazardous Materials Programs.
- For further information, contact Jami Aggers, Director of Environmental Services, at (209) 525-6770, [jaggers@envres.org](mailto:jaggers@envres.org) or at 3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C, Modesto, CA.
- B. Ordinance C.S. 1177 to establish new fees and amend existing fees for the Department of Parks and Recreation. The proposed fee adjustments would consist of:
- New fee for a deposit for large exclusive use events
  - New day use discount for Stanislaus County residents
  - Increased fees for day use vehicle/vessel, camping, 2<sup>nd</sup> vehicle at campsite, designated group campsite; annual passes; annual pass discounts; late exit fee; fireworks show, picnic shelter, and, dog field trial competition commercial and private.
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- C. Ordinance C.S. 1178 to decrease two existing fees for the County Clerk-Recorder-Elections Division (for further information, contact Marnie Ardis, Clerk Recorder-Elections Division at (209) 525-5211 [ardism@stancounty.com](mailto:ardism@stancounty.com) or at 1021 I Street, Modesto, CA).
- D. Ordinance C.S. 1179 to establish new fares and amend or eliminate existing transit fares for the Department of Public Works Transit Division related to transit operations provided in the County's service area, (for further information, contact Matt Machado, Director of Public Works, at (209) 525-4153, or Eunice Lovi, Transit Manager at (209) 525-7560 or visit the office at 1010 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 4204, Modesto, CA).

ADDITIONAL NOTICE IS GIVEN that the proposed Ordinances and Fee Schedules will be available for review in the Clerk of the Board Office, 1010 10th Street, Suite 6700, Modesto, CA.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATED: May 10, 2016

ATTEST: ELIZABETH A. KING, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
of the County of Stanislaus, State of California.

BY:

  
Pam Villarreal, Assistant Clerk

**DECLARATION OF PUBLICATION  
(C.C.P. S2015.5)**

**COUNTY OF STANISLAUS  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident Of the County aforesaid; I am over the age of Eighteen years, and not a party to or interested In the above entitle matter. I am a printer and Principal clerk of the publisher of THE MODESTO BEE, printed in the City of MODESTO, County of STANISLAUS, State of California, daily, for which said newspaper has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of the County of STANISLAUS, State of California, Under the date of February 25, 1951, Action No. 46453; that the notice of which the annexed is a printed copy, has been published in each issue there of on the following dates, to wit:

May 17, 2016

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury That the foregoing is true and correct and that This declaration was executed at

MODESTO, California on

May 17th, 2016

(By Electronic Facsimile Signature)

*Cynthia A. Villanreal*

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Division. For further information, contact Marnie Ardis, Clerk Recorder-Elections Division at (209) 525-5211 ardism@stancounty.com or at 1021 I Street, Modesto, CA.

D. Ordinance C.S. 1179 to establish new fares and amend or eliminate existing transit fares

for the Department of Public Works Transit Division related to transit operations provided in the County's service area. For further information, contact Matt Machado, Director of Public Works, at (209) 525-4153, or Eunice Lavi, Transit Manager at (209) 525-7560 or visit the office at 1010 10th Street, Suite 4204, Modesto, CA.

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# **Department of Parks and Recreation**

**New and Amended Fees  
May 10, 2016**

# Proposed New and Amended Existing Fees

- Four Regional Parks: Frank Raines, LaGrange, Modesto and Woodward Reservoirs
- Annually, revenue is approximately \$2.4 Million, which is used for operations and maintenance

# Proposed New and Amended Existing Fees, Cont'd.

- Frank Raines and LaGrange also receive State Off-Highway Vehicle grants which offset operations and maintenance costs and pay for special projects
- In preparation for Proposed budget, the Dept. evaluates the cost of services provided and the associated fees

# Proposed New and Amended Existing Fees, Cont'd.

- The evaluation for the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year indicates a need to continue to increase revenue, in order to maintain a balanced budget, as costs continue to rise and to lessen reliance on the General Fund

# Proposed New and Amended Existing Fees, Cont'd.

- Day Use and Camping Fees were last amended in 2011
- A fee survey of similar facilities finds that the proposed fees are comparable to other parks, with the exception of the Day Use fee, which is slightly higher and would be paid by out-of-county visitors



# Proposed New and Amended Existing Fees, Cont'd.

- New fee – Refundable deposit for large special events
- Fee increases were applied to:
  - Day Use
  - Camping
  - Annual Passes
  - Late Exit Fee
  - Fireworks Show
  - Picnic Shelter
  - Dog Field Trial Training
  - Group Campsite

# Discount Fee

- Stanislaus County Resident Discount for Day Use \$10.00

# Proposed New and Amended Existing Fees, Cont'd.

- Stakeholder meeting was conducted on February 17, 2016
  - Clarifying questions were asked and one positive comment was received regarding no proposed increases for Seniors
  - Two concerns were raised regarding proposed increases in exclusive use fees and as a result the proposed increases are not included

# Proposed New and Amended Existing Fees, Cont'd.

- Stanislaus County Park Commission moved to support the proposed fees at their meeting on February 11, 2016
- Public notices were printed in the Modesto Bee on April 29, 2016 and May 5, 2016
- Proposed fees were also posted on the Department's website

# Staff Recommendation:

- Introduce and Waive the First Reading of an Ordinance to Establish New and Amend Existing Fees for the Dept. of Parks and Recreation
- If approved, fees would be effective June 26, 2016

**Questions?**