



DECISION NOTICE

Makoshika State Park Pavilion Project

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PROJECT

Montana State Parks (MSP), a division of Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (MFWP), proposed to construct a new 20 ft x 30 ft pavilion shelter in **Makoshika State Park** near Glendive, Montana. The new pavilion would be located near the Hiatt Amphitheater. The new pavilion would include six picnic tables and rock work around the pillars. The parking area will receive an upgrade with parking curbs and improved access for large vehicles. The purpose of the pavilion is to provide additional day use opportunities for visitors.

MONTANA ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (MEPA) PUBLIC PROCESS AND COMMENT

The Montana Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) requires MFWP to assess impacts to the human and natural environment.

A draft Environmental Assessment (EA) was prepared for this project to assess impacts to the human and natural environment. A public comment period took place from March 2, 2021 to 5 p.m. April 1, 2021. Legal Notice of the EA release and comment period was published two times in each of the following newspapers: *Glendive Ranger Review*, *Helena Independent Record* and *Miles City Star*. We received no comments during that time.

Public notice was also placed on the FWP website. Direct mailing and/or email notification was provided to adjacent landowners, interested parties, all MFWP Regions, Legislative Services, State Historical Preservation Office, Natural Resources Policy Advisor, Montana Wildlife Federation, Fish & Wildlife Commission, Bureau of Land Management, Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Montana Sportsmen Alliance, Region 7 Citizen Advisory Council members, MSP Parks Board, Dawson County Commissioners, Glendive Chamber of Commerce and the Friends of Makoshika. We received no comments.

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MSP is moving forward with implementation of the Makoshika State Park Pavilion Project. Implementation will include necessary design work, permitting and construction. The estimated completion date is October 1, 2021.

If there are any questions regarding this project, please contact MFWP Region 7 Park Manager Brian Burky at Brian.Burky@mt.gov or 406-234-0941.


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Date