Montana State Parks Capital Improvement Projects

The following projects are on the horizon for 2020, in the planning stage for bidding this year or currently underway.

Preserving the History of Montana

Chief Plenty Coups State Park – stabilize the foundation on Chief Plenty Coup’s historic log home. Designed by a private firm specializing in historic architecture, the project will ensure settlement issues are addressed in a timely manner.

Elkhorn State Park – reroof of the two historic buildings that make up the state park, Fraternity Hall and Gillian Hall.

Bannack State Park – projects this year will include reroofing efforts to ensure the continued preservation of buildings within the historic townsite.

Anaconda Stack State Park – upgrade and replacement of the old electrical service lines to the base of the Stack. The existing dilapidated lines provide electricity for the Stack lighting and have been in-place for many decades.

Fort Owen State Park – address leaks on the Barracks roof, an important historic structure.

Customer Service Upgrades

Lake Mary Ronan State Park – extend the existing concrete boat ramp. The work will ensure the ramp is far enough out so boat trailers do not drop off the end of the concrete prior to reaching deep water.

Makoshika State Park – provide a sprinkler system in the basement area of the visitor’s center. This project will address code compliance in the lower areas of the visitor center that are open to the public.

Lewis & Clark Caverns State Park – complete the upgrade of the wastewater treatment system serving the upper area prior to the May 1 park opening. The project began in 2019 and is an extensive infrastructure project which replaced a 50-year old system at the end of its useful life.

Lewis & Clark Caverns State Park – upgrade the existing concession building. The improvements will result in better service to the public during the summer season for visitors taking the Caverns Tours. The project will be complete and available to the public for spring 2021 park opening.

Logan State Park – improve the concrete boat launch and parking area at this popular site.

Flathead Lake State Park-Big Arm & Wayfarers, and Logan State Park – interior maintenance of the comfort stations at these popular NW Montana park sites will occur before opening. The work includes painting and ventilation upgrades.

Smith River State Park – replace the picnic tables at Camp Baker, the popular launch and camping site for Smith River floats. Additionally, a grade/gravel maintenance project is planned for the access road into the site.