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# **RRA CProposals**

October2008

# AGENDA

- MarkTwain
- Chippewa
- Monongahela
- Shawnee
- Huron-Manistee

Please...

- Turnoffcell phones
- Askquestions!
- HaveFUN

# MARKTWAIN

## ORV Trails

- 2007: 12,707 daily permits, 2,229 annual permits.  
Total revenue = \$141,550.
- Average use = 20 visits/annual permit
  - ❖ At current rate, \$35, = \$1.75/visit
  - ❖ At proposed rate, \$45, = \$2.25/visit
- Proposed fee would generate approx. \$42,000
  - construction and maintenance of trails
  - signs & equipment
  - salary for 2 trail technicians
  - trailhead improvements



One of about 20 trail bridges on



/20/2002

Trailhead information at campground - Chadwick



Conlock block to harden rolling dip on motorized trail.



Conlock block to stabilize motorized trail on slope.

# MarkTwainPublicInput

- Posted at rec. sites/trailheads
- Press releases sent to 16 newspapers/radio stations
- Radio Talk Show: approx. 20,000 listeners
- 8 local elected officials
- 41 Tribal leaders
- 11 ORV clubs
- 41 responses:
  - For=13
  - Against=18
  - For reduced increase=10

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**Questions about the Mark Twain?**



# Chippewa Proposal

- Increase nightly fee from \$23 to \$26 on the Chippewa Loop and in the Stony Pt. CG.
- Fees for the other 3 loops at Norway Beach CG would remain unchanged (\$23).



National Get Outdoors Day: tent race!

# ChippewaPublicInput

- Over 80,000 possible reviewers:
  - Posted data affected CGs during busy summer season
  - 9 newspapers
  - 4 Chambers of Commerce
  - 4 County Commissions
  - Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe
  - 8 Congressionals
  - Forest Website
- Received 3 comments (0.003%):
  - 2 opposed
  - 1 wants more electric hook-ups



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**Questions about the Chippewa?**

# MONONGAHELA CAMPING

## River Sites (new fee)

- 30 campsites along Williams River; 14 on the Cranberry River
- By Forest Order, camping is already restricted to numbered sites only.
- Amenities:
  - Accessible table and fire ring
  - lantern post
  - trash container
- Accessible toilets:
  - 38 campsites within walking distance
  - 6 campsites are up to 2 miles from the nearest toilet facility.
- Occupancy: 90% March – May, 30-50% summer, 50-70% fall.



# Monongahela Challenges



# Monongahela Proposal



■ \$5/night

# MonongahelaPublicInput

- Over 32,000 possible reviewers:
  - Posted at affected sites (17,000 campers)
  - 2 newspapers
  - Chamber of Commerce, CVB, local clubs
  - 3 County Commissioners
  - 3 Congressionals
  - Forest Website
  - Federal Register
- Received only supportive comments



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**Questions about the Monongahela?**

# SHAWNEECG

## Fee Increase

- Pine Ridge, Pharaoh, Camp Cadiz, Pine Hills:
  - now \$5/night, proposed \$10
- Johnson Creek:
  - \$5/night/single would become \$10/night
  - \$9/night/double would go to \$12/night
  - \$12/night/triple would increase to \$15/night
- Current fees are insufficient to cover expenses and lower than private & other public providers

# ShawneePublicInput

- $\geq 1000$ campers
- 5newspapers
- 3localBoards
- ChamberofCommerce
- 2tourismcouncils
- 2trailsgroups;equestrian groups
- 2 Congressionals
- Publicmeetings
- Interviewsw.radio,TV,and printmedia
- ForestWebsite
- FederalRegister
- Received200comments:
  - 60support
  - Partialsupport(increase CGfeesonly)frommany others.

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**Questions about the Shawnee?**

# Huron-Manistee

- Overview of Public Input
- Campground Fee Increase
- Group Camping Fee Increase
- Day Use Fee Increase
- River Corridor Camping Fee Increase
- Kirtland's Warbler Guided Tour Fee Increase
- Forest Pass Fee Increase
- Day Use & Campground Fee Elimination

# H-M Public Input



- 16 people; 19 comments:
  - 2=no fees anywhere
  - 6=keep current fees
  - 4=increase less than prop.
  - 5=support proposed
  - 1=increase more than prop.
  - 1=add fees

# HURON-MANISTEE CG

## Fee Increase

- Increase fees at 21 CGs
- Eliminate at 1 CG



TYPE OF RECREATION	CURRENT	PROPOSED
Equestrian - Horse Camp Expanded Amenities	\$3.00	\$15.00
High Developed Campground Expanded Amenities	\$3.00	\$15.00
High Developed Campground Expanded Amenities	\$12.00	\$15.00
Med Developed Campground Expanded Amenities	\$3.00	\$10.00

# HURON-MANISTEE GROUP CAMPING

## Fee Increase

- Increase fee at South Branch Trail Group Campsite:

	Current	Proposed
Group Camp Fee for 1 to 50 people	\$25.00	\$40.00
Group Camp Fee for 50 to 100 people	\$40.00	\$70.00
Group Camp Fee for 101 to 150 people	\$50.00	\$80.00
Group Camp Fee for 151 to 200 people	\$60.00	\$90.00
Group Camp Fee for 201 to 250 people	\$70.00	\$100.00

# HURON-MANISTEEDA YUSE

## Fee Increase

- 52 sites: trailheads, picnic sites, boat access
- Current=\$3 -4; Proposed=\$5





# HURON-MANISTEE RIVER CAMPING

## Fee Increase

- 102 sites
- Current = \$5/night
- Proposed = \$10/night



**BEFORE (2001)**

# HURON-MANISTEEKWTOUR

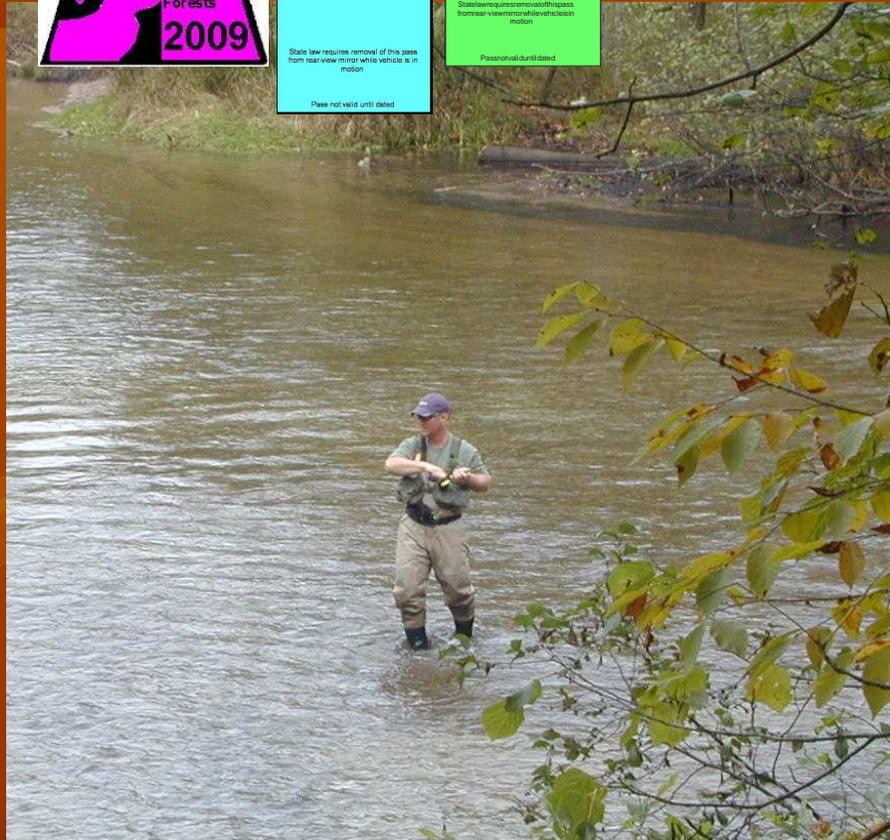
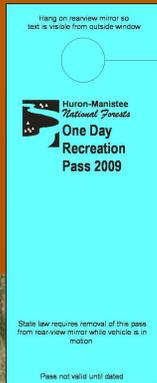
## Fee Increase

- Use has increased from 200 - 1800 visitors/year since 1993.
- Current: \$5/adult; Proposed: \$10.
- Children still free.



# HURON-MANISTEE FOREST PASS

## Fee Increase



Pass	Current	Proposed
Daily	\$3.00	\$5.00
Weekly	\$5.00	\$15.00
Annual	\$20.00	\$30.00
Household (two annual passes sold to two people at the same home address).	\$30.00	\$45.00

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# **Questions about the Huron-Manistee?**

# Suggestions for next time?

- What did you like about the format of today's proposals?
- What could we do better?
- Are the proposals providing the info. you need to make your decision?
- Any business advice you would like us to share with the Forests?
- Did this meeting meet your expectations?



**THANKS!**



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