

SUBJECT: Friends of Mirror Lake State Park will donate \$60,000 to help fund the replacement of the seating located at the existing amphitheater area of Mirror Lake State Park.

FOR: APRIL 2012 BOARD MEETING

TO BE PRESENTED BY / TITLE: Cathy Stepp, Secretary

SUMMARY:

The Friends of Mirror Lake State Park will donate \$60,000 to help fund the replacement and improvement of the seating located at the existing amphitheater area of Mirror lake State Park.

The amphitheater currently seats approximately 75 visitors on wooden benches. The master plan approved in 2003 identifies replacing this seating, as it is in very poor condition, difficult to maintain, uncomfortable and a popular nesting area for wasps, resulting in stings to visitors and park staff. Throughout the spring, summer and fall this amphitheater is utilized on a weekly basis as guests and park staff hold interpretive programs and camping groups use this area for educational and informational gatherings. This project includes replacing the existing wooden benches with a natural stone/paver terrace seating arrangement to accommodate approximately 150 visitors, and recessed lighting to improve visitor safety during evening programs. This combination will allow Mirror Lake to expand the number of programs offered.

RECOMMENDATION:

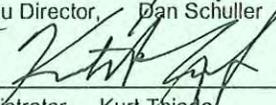
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| No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Environmental Assessment or Impact Statement Required | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | Attached |
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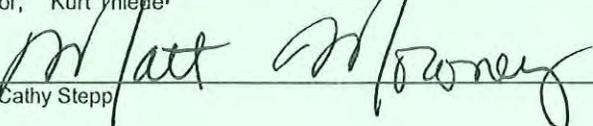
APPROVED:


Bureau Director, Dan Schuller

3/20/12
Date


Administrator, Kurt Thiede

3/22/12
Date


Secretary, Cathy Stepp

4/2/12
Date

cc: NRB Liaison
DNR Rules Coordinator

Acknowledgment of Gift

This is to certify that at its April 2012 meeting, the Natural Resources Board gratefully accepted a gift of \$60,000 from

Friends Of Mirror Lake State Park

to be used to fund the replacement and improvement of the seating located at the existing amphitheater area of Mirror Lake State Park.

Our expression of appreciation on behalf of Wisconsin's citizens is hereby recorded in the official records of the Natural Resources Board. We acknowledge this generous contribution.

Natural Resources Board

David Clausen, CHAIR