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Senator Calatayud moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 244 - 411
and insert:

1. All lands managed pursuant to this chapter must be
managed:

a. In a manner that will provide the greatest combination
of benefits to the public and to the land's natural resources;
and

b. For conservation-based recreational uses and associated
facilities; public access and related amenities, including



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roads, parking areas, walkways, and visitor centers; Florida heritage and wildlife viewing, including preservation of historical structures and activities such as glass bottom boat tours; and scientific research, including archaeology. Such uses must be managed in a manner that is compatible with and ensures the conservation of this state's natural resources by minimizing impacts to undisturbed habitat. As used in this subparagraph, the term "conservation-based recreational uses" means public outdoor recreational activities that do not significantly invade, degrade, or displace the natural resources, native habitats, or archaeological or historical sites that are preserved within state parks. These activities include, but are not limited to, fishing, camping, bicycling, hiking, nature study, swimming, boating, canoeing, horseback riding, diving, birding, sailing, jogging.

2. To ensure the protection of state park resources, native habitats, and archeological and historical sites, sporting facilities, including, but not limited to, golf courses, tennis courts, pickleball courts, ball fields, or other sporting facilities, may not be constructed within the boundaries of state parks. This subparagraph may not be construed to prohibit the continued operation, maintenance, or repair of any such sporting facilities, or other facilities, existing within a state park.

~~(c)(3) The Division of Recreation and Parks shall~~ Study and appraise the recreational ~~recreation~~ needs of the state and assemble and disseminate information relative to recreation.

~~(d)(4) The Division of Recreation and Parks shall~~ Provide consultation assistance to local governing units as to the



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protection, organization, and administration of local recreation systems and the planning and design of local recreational ~~recreation~~ areas and facilities.

~~(e)(5) The Division of Recreation and Parks shall~~ Assist in recruiting, training, and placing recreation personnel.

~~(f)(6) The Division of Recreation and Parks shall~~ Sponsor and promote recreation institutes, workshops, seminars, and conferences throughout this ~~the~~ state.

~~(g)(7) The Division of Recreation and Parks shall~~ Cooperate with state and federal agencies, private organizations, and commercial and industrial interests in the promotion of a state recreation program.

~~(2)(8) This part shall be enforced by~~ The Division of Law Enforcement of the Department of Environmental Protection and its officers and ~~by~~ the Division of Law Enforcement of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and its officers shall enforce this part.

Section 4. Present subsection (5) of section 258.007, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (7), a new subsection (5) and subsection (6) are added to that section, and subsection (3) of that section is amended, to read:

258.007 Powers of division.—

(3)(a) The division may, as consistent with s. 258.004, grant privileges, leases, concessions, and permits for the use of land for the accommodation of visitors in the various parks, monuments, and memorials in accordance with all of the following provisions:

1. , ~~provided no~~ Natural curiosities or objects of interest may not ~~shall~~ be granted, leased, or rented on ~~such~~ terms that



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70 ~~as shall~~ deny or interfere with free access to them by the
71 public.~~;~~

72 2. ~~provided further,~~ Such grants, leases, and permits may
73 be made and given without advertisement or securing competitive
74 bids.~~;~~ and

75 3. ~~provided further, that no~~ Such grants, leases, and
76 permits may not grant, lease, or permit shall be assigned or
77 transferred by any grantee without consent of the division.

78 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), ~~after May 1, 2014,~~ the
79 division may not grant new concession agreements for the
80 accommodation of visitors in a state park that provides beach
81 access and contains less than 7,000 feet of shoreline if the
82 type of concession is available within 1,500 feet of the park's
83 boundaries. This paragraph does not apply to concession
84 agreements for accommodations offered at a park on or before May
85 1, 2014. ~~This paragraph shall take effect upon this act becoming~~
86 ~~a law.~~

87 (5) The division may acquire, install, or permit the
88 installation or operation at state parks of campsites and
89 cabins. The installation and operation of campsites and cabins
90 must be compatible with the state park's land management plan
91 and must be approved pursuant to s. 253.034(5). Campsites and
92 cabins must be sited to avoid impacts to a state park's critical
93 habitat and natural and historical resources.

94 (6) The division may not authorize uses or construction
95 activities, including the building or alteration of structures,
96 within a state park which may cause significant harm to the
97 resources of the state park. Any use or any construction
98 activity must be conducted in a manner that avoids impacts to a



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state park's critical habitat and natural and historical resources. The division may not install or permit the installation of any lodging establishment as defined in s. 509.242 within the boundaries of state parks. This subsection may not be construed to prohibit the continued operation, maintenance, or repair of any such public lodging establishment existing within a state park.

Section 5. Section 258.152, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

258.152 Ney Landrum State Park designation.—The St. Marks River Preserve State Park, located in Leon and Jefferson Counties, is renamed and designated as Ney Landrum State Park.

Section 6. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (8) of section 259.032, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

259.032 Conservation and recreation lands.—

(8)

(b) Individual management plans required by s. 253.034(5) ~~7~~ for parcels over 160 acres and for parcels located within a state park must, ~~shall~~ be developed with input from an advisory group.

1. Members of the ~~this~~ advisory group shall include, at a minimum, representatives of the lead land managing agency, comanaging entities, local private property owners, the appropriate soil and water conservation district, a local conservation organization, and a local elected official. If habitat or potentially restorable habitat for imperiled species is located on state lands, the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services must ~~shall~~ be included on any advisory group required



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under chapter 253, and the short-term and long-term management goals required under chapter 253 must advance the goals and objectives of imperiled species management without restricting other uses identified in the management plan.

2. The advisory group shall conduct at least one public hearing within the county in which the parcel or project is located. For those parcels or projects ~~that are~~ within more than one county, at least one areawide public hearing is ~~shall be~~ acceptable and the lead managing agency shall invite a local elected official from each county. The areawide public hearing must ~~shall~~ be held in the county in which the core parcels are located. At least 30 days before the public hearing, notice of the ~~such public~~ hearing must ~~shall~~ be posted on the parcel or project designated for management, advertised in a paper of general circulation, and announced at a scheduled meeting of the local governing body ~~before the actual public hearing.~~

3. The management prospectus required pursuant to paragraph (7)(b) must ~~shall~~ be available to the public for a period of 30 days before the public hearing.

(c) Once a plan is adopted, the managing agency or entity shall update the plan at least every 10 years in a form and manner adopted by rule of the board. Such updates, ~~for parcels over 160 acres~~ and for parcels located within a state park must, ~~shall~~ be developed with input from an advisory group. Such plans may include transfers of leasehold interests to appropriate conservation organizations or governmental entities designated by the council for uses consistent with the purposes of the organizations and the protection, preservation, conservation, restoration, and proper management of the lands and their



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resources. Volunteer management assistance is encouraged, including, but not limited to, assistance by youths participating in programs sponsored by state or local agencies, by volunteers sponsored by environmental or civic organizations, and by individuals participating in programs for committed delinquents and adults.

By July 1 of each year, each governmental agency and each private entity designated to manage lands shall report to the Secretary of Environmental Protection on the progress of funding, staffing, and resource management of every project for which the agency or entity is responsible.

Section 7. By December 1, 2025, the Department of Environmental Protection shall submit a report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives which includes all of the following information regarding the state park system:

(1) Park amenities or areas of state parks that:

(a) Have limited use or are closed due to needed repairs;

(b) Are in need of repair or renovation; or

(c) Lack the infrastructure necessary to support park purposes as provided in the park's most recent approved management plan.

(2) The system's estimated budget allocation expenditures for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, broken down by salaries and benefits, equipment costs, and contracting costs for the following categories: operations, maintenance and repair, park improvement, and administrative overhead.

(3) A plan for addressing any needs identified in



subsection (1), including estimated costs for opening all such
amenities or areas no later than July 1, 2035, to ensure access
to and the

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And the title is amended as follows:

Delete lines 16 - 28

and insert:

term "conservation-based recreational uses";
prohibiting the construction of certain facilities
within the boundaries of state parks for the
protection of certain resources; providing
construction; making technical changes; amending s.
258.007, F.S.; requiring the division to comply with
specified provisions when granting certain privileges,
leases, concessions, and permits; authorizing the
division to acquire, install, or permit the
installation or operation at state parks of campsites
and cabins that meet certain requirements; prohibiting
the division from authorizing certain uses or
construction activities within a state park;
prohibiting the division from installing or permitting
the installation of any lodging establishment within
the boundaries of a state park; providing
construction; creating s. 258.152, F.S.; designating
the St. Marks River Preserve State Park as Ney Landrum
State Park; amending s. 259.032, F.S.; requiring that