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The Honorable John H. Chichester
Senate Finance Committee Chairman
P.O. Box 904
Fredericksburg, VA 22404

The Honorable Vincent F. Callahan, Jr.
House Appropriations Committee Chairman
P. O. Box 1173
McClean, VA 22101

RE: Conservation Resources Fund – FY 2005 3rd & 4th Quarter Status Reports

Dear Senator Chichester and Delegate Callahan:

Item 383, Paragraph I in Chapter 951, of the 2004 Virginia Acts of Assembly, approved May 4, 2005 provides that the amount of the Conservation Resources Fund utilized for the operation of state parks shall be approved by the Secretary of Natural Resources and shall be reported on a quarterly basis to the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees.

Attached is our estimated revenue and uses of that revenue for FY 2005 that we shared with you previously, and the 3rd and 4th quarter (January 1, 2005 through March 31, 2005 and April 1, 2005 through June 30, 2005) expenditures of the fund for FY 2005. The year-end cash balance met the mandated requirement of having cash-on-hand for revenue collected for overnight stays prior to the visit occurring. As with past years, revenue has been monitored and the operating plan adjusted to accommodate revenue fluctuations. During any fiscal year, events may occur that require a change in planned expenditures.

Please do not hesitate to contact my office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph H. Maroon".

Joseph H. Maroon
Director

Attachments

Copy: The Honorable W. Tayloe Murphy, Jr.
Neal Menkes, Senate Finance Committee Staff
Paul Van Lenten, House Appropriations Staff

*State Parks • Soil and Water Conservation • Natural Heritage • Outdoor Recreation Planning
Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance • Dam Safety and Floodplain Management • Land Conservation*

**Department of Conservation and Recreation
Estimated Uses of Conservation Resources Fund
Fiscal year 2005**

	Original Fiscal Year Estimate July 1, 2004	Actual Expenditures 3rd Quarter Expenditures January through March 31, 2005	Actual Expenditures Year-To-Date Through March 31, 2005
Estimated Available Amount for Expenditure in FY 2005. Includes cash balance and State Park user fees to be collected	\$9,469,492		
Proposed Uses of Fund in FY 2005			
Operating Support (includes using fee increase to replace General Fund budget reductions)	\$3,933,663	\$983,416	\$2,950,248
Extended Season	\$1,325,018	\$331,255	\$993,764
Advertising	\$261,000	\$31,849	\$109,863
Reservation Center Operating Costs	\$533,185	\$68,078	\$368,002
Maintenance Reserve	\$567,000	\$106,282	\$208,875
Preventive Maintenance	\$1,195,239	\$334,945	\$841,348
Resource Management	\$404,387	\$56,983	\$152,781
Completion of Pocahontas Pool Repair (This matches federal Land and Water Grant of \$850,000)		\$5,875	\$56,859
Repairs resulting from storm damage		\$44,114	\$119,021
Total Proposed Uses of Fund in FY 2005	\$8,219,492	\$1,962,797 (24%)	\$5,800,761 (71%)
Estimated Cash Balance June 30, 2005	\$1,250,000		

**Department of Conservation and Recreation
 Estimated Uses of Conservation Resources Fund
 Fiscal year 2005**

	Original Fiscal Year Estimate July 1, 2004	Actual Expenditures 4th Quarter Expenditures April through June 30, 2005	Actual Expenditures Year-To-Date Through June 30, 2005
Estimated Available Amount for Expenditure in FY 2005. Includes cash balance and State Park user fees to be collected	\$9,469,492		
Proposed Uses of Fund in FY 2005			
Operating Support (includes using fee increase to replace General Fund budget reductions)	\$3,933,663	\$745,893	\$3,696,141
Extended Season	\$1,325,018	\$331,254	1,325,018
Advertising	\$261,000	\$132,782	\$242,645
Reservation Center Operating Costs	\$533,185	\$124,985	\$492,987
Maintenance Reserve	\$567,000	\$(162,898) *	\$45,977
Preventive Maintenance	\$1,195,239	\$442,852	\$1,284,200
Resource Management	\$404,387	\$121,087	\$273,868
Completion of Pocahontas Pool Repair (This matches federal Land and Water Grant of \$850,000)		\$50,000	\$56,859
Leesylvania Fishing Pier Capital Project		\$65,000	\$65,000
First Landing Bathhouse Capital Project		\$220,000	\$220,000
Repairs resulting from storm damage		\$9,239	\$128,260
Total Proposed Uses of Fund in FY 2005	\$8,219,492	\$2,080,194 (25%)	\$7,830,955 (95%)
Estimated Cash Balance June 30, 2005	\$1,250,000		
* 2005 General Assembly approved additional General Funds for Maintenance Reserve. Transferring expenditures to GF resulted in a negative expenditure for the 4th Quarter for this category.			