Information/Resources Provided

MSP Mission

 The mission of the state park system is to preserve and interpret the state's most outstanding natural landscapes and cultural landmarks, and to provide outstanding recreational opportunities compatible with those resources.

Park Mission

 Preserve, interpret, and enhance, through careful management techniques, the natural landscapes and creatures located within the park. Rediscover, preserve, and interpret the cultural landmarks within the park. Provide high quality recreational opportunities to our visitors. Provide our visitors clean, well maintained and safe facilities by a friendly and caring staff.

Review of Park Facts

- Washington State Park is significant as it includes cultural and natural history as well as recreational opportunities.
- o 3 petroglyph sites/Native American Heritage
- National Historic Register buildings and structures
- o African American CCC Co 1743
- Natural Hardwood Forest
- o Ephemeral area base of 1000 step trail
- o Hiking Trails, Camping, Cabins, Float Trips on Big River

Brochures/Information Provided

- Parks and Soils Sales Tax
- Park Data Sheets
- Park/Trail Maps
- Concessionaire Brochures
- MSP and Camping Brochures
- Guest Experience Cards
- Sign-In Sheet Provided
- Photos of Projects for Display
- Staff on Site

Talking Points

- Maintenance and Repair Projects
 - Renovation of superintendent residence as staff housing
 - Seasonal Quarters roof replaced
 - o Cabin 11 windows and siding purchased (project to be completed this winter)
 - Swimming pool leak repair and reopening
 - Lift station repair

• Enterprise Fund Project

- o Platform Tent Sites
- Converting 2 basic sites (36 and 45) to platform tent sites wooden deck on site
- o Initially 1 site will have a three-season tent provided on the site, eventually both will have tents in place

• Equipment Replacement

- New traffic road counters
- Security cameras
- Mowing equipment
- o Electric range for Cabin 10
- o Replacement of stolen equipment and tools

Stewardship

- Invasive Species Control
 - Japanese Hops (BRDUA) and Stiltgrass (drainage of RW trail)
- Burn Season Update
 - No burning last year
 - Petroglyph Glade on burn plan for this season (22 -23)

Interpretation/Special Events

- Special Events Completed for 2022
 - Sips, Stars, and Meteors
 - CCC Celebration Event with Scott Joplin House SHS Seniors to Parks event
- Weekly Interpretive Programs for 2022
 - Memorial Day Labor Day weekend for public
- Continued programming with local organizations, school, libraries, scouts, Y Rangers, and other groups
- Upcoming Special Events
 - Fall Harvest Fest

Volunteer Groups and Contributions

- BETA Fund
 - Climbing area in WSP
 - Trail constructed
 - Climbing area in process of rebolting
 - Parking area to be completed
- Friends of Washington State Park
 - Special Events in Park Egg Hunt, Cinco de Mayo, Christmas in July
 - Upcoming: Halloween Hootenanny
 - Purchased ADA swings for park; 4 of 6 have been installed

Updates/Future Projects

- Concession contract going to for bid
- Security fencing project
- Replace mower
- Host WashCo Chamber
- Hazardous Tree Survey and Mitigation