

needs which will be met by county and local governments.

- A statement of recreation needs of special populations such as the elderly, the handicapped, and the poor.
- A description of those actions which are proposed for the next five years to provide more outdoor recreation opportunities, such as proposals for acquisition and development, legislation, financial and technical assistance, and research.

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SCORP

Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans

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THE HERITAGE CONSERVATION AND RECREATION SERVICE is a recreation planning agency for the Secretary of the Interior and banker for the Land and Water Conservation Fund which provides grants to States for acquisition and development of recreation areas.

BEFORE YOUR STATE can receive money from the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund to buy land and build recreation facilities, it must have a current plan which describes ways in which the State will help satisfy recreation needs at all levels of government. This plan is called the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP).

A NEW RECREATION PLAN must be prepared and distributed throughout your State at least once every five years. You can help prepare this plan.

IT IS IMPORTANT that your State recreation planners know the recreation needs of your community or interest group.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED in learning how you can become involved in updating and improving this plan, contact the appropriate regional office of the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

ASK THE STATE when the next plan will be prepared and if public meetings will be held in your area.

EACH STATE IS ENCOURAGED by the Service to hold public meetings throughout the State so that elected officials, organized clubs, planners, and interested citizens can review their State's recreation policy. They can suggest changes in policy, and can inform State officials of the needs of their communities.

IT DOESN'T MATTER whether your interest in outdoor recreation is personal or professional. Everyone has an opinion on how to spend leisure time.

FOR EXAMPLE

Do your children have to play in the street because there are no playing fields nearby? Are there school playgrounds and gyms open on weekends and during the evenings?

Do you own a bicycle, a snowmobile, or a trail

bike and have difficulty finding a safe place to ride?

Is there a spot along your favorite stream to launch a boat or canoe for a day without trespassing on private property?

Can you visit a park if you don't own a car, if you're too young or too old to drive, or if you're confined to a wheelchair?

How long must you drive to reach the nearest beach or pool on a hot summer Sunday?

IF YOU ARE NOT SATISFIED with your opportunities for enjoying the out-of-doors, if you can't find a place to participate in outdoor activities with your family and friends, get involved now in recreation planning for your community and your State.

THINK OF YOUR CHILDREN and their future opportunities for outdoor recreation.

YOU CAN INFLUENCE THE DECISIONS BEING MADE TODAY FOR TOMORROW.

WHAT IS A STATEWIDE COMPREHENSIVE OUTDOOR RECREATION PLAN?

It is a guide to public and private actions in the State which will help satisfy needs of the residents and visitors for outdoor recreation.

IT GENERALLY INCLUDES:

- A brief description of those factors, such as climate, topography, wildlife, history, population, and urbanization which influence outdoor recreation activity in the State.
- A list of the Federal and State agencies which are responsible for creating, administering, and financially assisting publicly-owned recreation areas.
- An inventory of recreation areas which are publicly or privately-owned, summarized by region or county; also a list of historic sites.
- An estimate of the numbers of people who participate in each of several recreation activities, now and in the future, and an estimate of the frequency with which they participate.
- A statement of recreation needs which will be met by the State and a statement of those