

RANGE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES & SCHOOLS


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RESOLUTION

Comprehensive Visitor Use and Facilities Plan Voyageurs National Park, Minnesota

- WHEREAS, The Enabling Legislation for Voyageurs National Park authorizes a variety of uses, including fishing, cross-country skiing, recreational uses, hiking, snowmobiling, aircraft use, and all types of boating; and
- WHEREAS, The National Recreational Trails Fund Act was recently passed to support motorized and non-motorized recreational trails and to help avoid and resolve conflicts among a variety of recreational interests; and
- WHEREAS, National Park Service Management Policies allow for the development and implementation of a single integrated plan that addresses a broad spectrum of recreational activities; and
- WHEREAS, Section 401(b) of Public Law 97-405 (1983), which amends the original Voyageurs National Park Act of 1971, states, in part, that "The Secretary shall, in cooperation with other federal, state, and local governmental entities and private entities experienced in the fields of outdoor recreation and visitor services, develop and implement a comprehensive plan for visitor use and overnight visitor facilities for the park;" and
- WHEREAS, The Range Association of Municipalities and Schools supports a positive effort to bring all appropriate interests together to pursue common ground, to resolve existing conflicts; and to establish a forum designed to avoid or minimize future conflicts.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Range Association of Municipalities and Schools wished to go on record in support of a comprehensive visitor use and facilities plan for Voyageurs National Park as required by Public Law 97-405.



GARY AKRE
President
Range Association of
Municipalities & Schools

Dated this 6th day of March, 1993.