

RESOLUTION NO. 25-028

A RESOLUTION OF THE CANYON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS INCREASING THE PARTICIPATION FEE FOR THE CANOE SCIENCE CAMP OPERATED BY THE CANYON COUNTY PARKS, CULTURAL & NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

The following Resolution was considered and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Canyon County, Idaho on the 25th day of February, 2025.

Upon the motion of Commissioner Van Beek and second by Commissioner Holton, the Board resolves as follows:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Idaho Code § 31-801, the Canyon County Board of County Commissioners (“Board”) has jurisdiction and power under such limitations and restrictions prescribed by law; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Code § 31-801 grants general powers and duties, subject to the restrictions of law, to the boards of county commissioners in their respective counties; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Code § 31-828 grants the Board authority “to do and perform all other acts . . . which may be necessary to the full discharge of the duties of the chief executive authority of the county government”; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Code § 31-807 authorizes the Board to manage county property subject to restrictions including, but not limited to, those described in Idaho Code § 31-808; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Code § 31-806 authorizes the Board to hold, maintain, and operate a public park or public recreation;

WHEREAS, Idaho Code § 31-870(1) authorizes the Board to “...impose and collect fees for those services provided by the county which would otherwise be funded by ad valorem tax revenues”; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Code §§ 31-870(1) and 63-1311 require that the fees imposed and collected by the County must be reasonably related, and not exceed, the actual cost of the services being rendered; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Canyon County Parks, Natural and Cultural Department (“Parks Department”) is to preserve the cultural and natural resources of Canyon County as recreational and educational opportunities for our citizens and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the Parks Department operates a Canoe Science Camp (“Camp”) that is open to children to attend; and

WHEREAS, the cost per Camp participant to the County, is approximately \$553.31, as detailed further in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated by reference; and

WHEREAS, the Board previously established a \$50 participation fee on March 2nd, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the proposed \$10 increase to the participation fee proposed for a total of \$60 by the Parks Department is far less than the actual cost that the County incurs per Camp participant; and

WHEREAS, requiring participants to pay a participation fee can reduce the number of last-minute cancellations and no-shows, thus ensuring that all participant slots are utilized; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Idaho Code § 63-1311A, the Board published notice caused to be published in the Feb 4 + 11, 2025, edition of the Idaho Press-Tribune newspaper a notice of a public hearing to be held on February 18, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. regarding establishing a participation fee for the Camp; and

WHEREAS, the Board held the public hearing on February 18, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds good cause to increase the nominal participation fee for the Camp;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD HEREBY RESOLVES to increase the participation fee for the Canoe Science Camp to \$60.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE BOARD that this resolution be effective this 25th day of February, 2025.

Canoe Science Camp – Example Costs in an Average Year

Staff:

Canoe Camp Field Instructors (5x)	\$21,600
Programs Manager (wage + benefits cost)	\$6,550.32
Visitor Services Specialist (wage + benefits cost).....	\$4,803.20
Gross Costs.....	\$32,953.52

Supplies:

Water Testing Kits.....	\$200
Replacement Canoe Paddles	\$180
Sunscreen	\$50
First Aid Certification (Field Instructors).....	\$100
Misc Office Equipment	\$50
Gross Costs.....	\$580

Total Costs.....	\$33,533.52
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Net Revenues (70% of gross fees – 56 x \$65)	\$2,548
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Net Costs	\$30,985.52
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Net costs per participant (56 participants).....	\$553.31
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