

RESOLUTION NO. 25-047

**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 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025.

Upon the motion of Commissioner Van Beek and second by Commissioner Brooks, 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 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board previously established a \$60 participation fee on February 25, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed \$5 increase to the participation fee proposed for a total of \$65 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 on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2025 edition of the Idaho Press-Tribune newspaper a notice of a public hearing to be held on March 20, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. regarding establishing a participation fee for the Camp; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board held the public hearing on March 20, 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 \$65.



## 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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\$65 per participant