

## **Dustin Webb's Updates, Lewis and Clark Public Meeting 2022**

### **Region Breakdown:**

- Northern region, 1 of 3 regions in which our park system is broken down.
- We have 35 parks and historic sites in our region.
- Statewide we have 92 state parks and historic sites.

### **Volunteers and Hosts:**

- We are grateful for the efforts and the support of our volunteers and campground hosts.

### **Funding:**

- Parks and Soils sales tax: Thanks for the continued support. 1/10 of 1% is split in half between Missouri State Parks, and soil conservation in all our counties across the state.
- This sales tax funds 75% of our funding, and provides free access to all our parks.
- This is not the case in many other park systems around the country. Cost the average Missourian \$8 per year for free access to all our parks all year.

### **Large Projects:**

Good to get the park, part of the campground, and the portable shower house opened in April.

Next on the list is the campground renovation and the replacement of the current shower house.

### **Bond Project:**

- Governor Parson approved the bonding authority of \$60.2 million for state park improvement projects. The revenue bonds will assist with completing 28 revenue bond funded projects at 22 different parks across the state.
  - Renovate 20 campsites to full hookup sewer, 50-amp electric, water campsites,
  - Add a second satellite shower house.
  - 2.3 Million dollar upgrade.
  - In design phase, as we are fine tuning the details. Construction will start next year and should not affect the rest of the campground operation.
  
- I am thankful for Jim and his team's hard work at Lewis and Clark!