BANNACK STATE PARK

SPECIAL RECREATION PERMIT

Bannack State Park permits the reservation and rental of the Bannack Church, Hotel Meade, the Group Use Shelter, School House, and the Road Agent Campground on a reservation and fee basis. Any activity within Bannack must not interfere with the public enjoyment of the park and must be consistent with the historic atmosphere of Bannack. All areas have limited availability and specific use restrictions, as stated below.

I. FEES

A. SPECIAL RECREATION PERMIT FEE CRITERIA

In issuing a special recreation permit, the following conditions must be satisfied:

1. The use complies with pertinent state and federal laws and regulations on public health, safety, air quality and water quality.

2. The use will not adversely impact archaeological, historic or natural values and is not in conflict with existing policy guidelines and specific park management programs and objectives.

3. The necessary clean up and restoration is done for any damage to resources or facilities.

4. The use is restricted, to the extent practical, to an area where minimal impact is imposed on the recreational, cultural or natural resource values.

B. FACILITIES RENTAL POLICIES

The following policy applies to designated group use areas:

1. Telephone reservations may be made to park office between 8 a.m. and 5p.m., Monday through Friday. All reservations must be secured with the permit in order to be held. Phone reservations must be confirmed within 48 hours by the completion and filing of a special recreation permit and the payment of cash or check by a representative of the interested group.

2. Department representatives shall have authority to determine if violation of rules and regulations or undue expense in cleanup or maintenance of the area shall be grounds for denying return of the cleaning deposit or denying another reservation to any group. The Department may post more specific or rigorous rules for the use of each group use area as group size or complexity dictates.

3. A non-refundable use fee and a non-refundable Reservation fee will be assessed for each area for each 24-hour period or fraction thereof.

4. In the event a reservation is canceled more than 72 hours before the intended use period, the use fee and cleaning deposit will be refunded. If a reservation is canceled less than 72 hours before the
intended use period, only the cleaning deposit will be refunded. If an area is unavailable for the intended use (e.g. unscheduled maintenance) the fee and deposit will be refunded.

C. GROUP USE FEES FOR SAME DAY USE:

For the Hotel, Church, School, Group Use Shelter, and Road Agent Campground.

Groups of 30 or less (year round): Full day= $100; ½ day = $60
Groups of 31 to 50: Full day=$150; ½ day= $90
Groups over 51: Full day = $200; ½ day = $120
Cleaning deposit (optional) = $100
Full day= >4 hours, ½ day = 1-4 hours.

D. GROUP USE FEE RATES FOR RESERVATION:

For the Hotel, Church, School, Group Use Shelter, and Road Agent Campground, a $25 reservation fee will apply.

Groups of 30 or less (year round): Full day= $100; ½ day = $60
Groups of 31 to 50: Full day=$150; ½ day= $90
Groups over 51: Full day = $200; ½ day = $120
Cleaning deposit (optional) = $100
Full day= >4 hours, ½ day = 1-4 hours.

II. DATES AVAILABLE/HOURS AVAILABLE/LIMITS

A. CHURCH/HOTEL:100 person limit

(Only available limited hours)

Memorial Day Weekend to Labor Day: 8:00am - 11:30pm 5:00pm - 9:00pm Remainder of the Year: 8:00am - 5:00pm

B. GROUP USE SHELTER:200 person limit

(Not available the third week in July or second weekend in September)

Memorial Day to Labor Day: 8:00am - 9:00pm
Remainder of the Year: 8:00am - 5:00pm
C. ROAD AGENT CAMPGROUND: 50 person & 15 camping vehicle limit

(Not available the third week in July) Year Round: 24 hours

III. BANNACK POLICIES

1. In keeping with the historical ambiance of Bannack, the use of modern vehicles in the Bannack town site is prohibited. All preparation, set-up and clean-up materials and supplies must be hauled in on foot (unless prior arrangements are made). All participants must also walk-in.

2. Due to the extreme flammable nature of the buildings at Bannack. NO SMOKING PERMITTED. Smoking, including cigarettes, pipes and cigars are prohibited in the town site.

3. Please keep your pets (DOGS) leashed at all times in the park.

4. All activities should be consistent with the historic atmosphere of Bannack and not interfere or intrude upon use by the general public and must be approved in advance.

5. All activities in Bannack buildings are required be open to the general public. The public cannot be prohibited or prevented from entering any buildings or facilities in Bannack.

6. Users may not alter the buildings or grounds in any manner. Any decorations used in Bannack buildings must be free standing. No tape, nails, staples, etc. may be used in or on any of the buildings.

7. Bannack buildings do not have any heat or power. In addition, they are highly susceptible to fire. The use of generators, candles, gas and propane heaters with open flames are prohibited.

8. All litter must be picked-up. The use of rice after wedding ceremonies is prohibited.

9. Maximum capacity for the church is 100 people, 250 people for the group use shelter and 50 people for the small campground.

10. Campground users may not be in the Bannack town site after 9:00 pm or before 8:00 am during the summer months. In the winter months, the town site is closed between 5:00 pm and 8:00 am.