

APPENDIX C – MEANINGFUL MEASURES STANDARDS

Listed below are Forest Service standards for operation and maintenance of developed recreation sites.

Key Measure: Health and Cleanliness

- Visitors are not exposed to human waste.
- Water, wastewater, and sewage treatment systems meet federal, state, and local water quality regulation.
- Garbage does not exceed the capacity of the garbage containers.
- Individual units and common areas are free of litter including domestic animal waste.
- Facilities are free of graffiti.
- Restrooms and garbage locations are free of objectionable odor.
- Constructed features are clean.

Key Measure: Resource Setting

- Effects from recreation use do not conflict with environmental laws (such as ESA, NHPA, Clean Water, TES, etc.).
- Recreation opportunities, site development, and site management are consistent with recreation management system (ROS, SMS, BBM) objectives, development scale, and the Forest land management plan.
- Landscape character at the developed recreation site is consistent with the Forest scenic integrity objectives.
- Visitors and vehicles do not exceed site capacity.

Key Measure: Safety and Security

- High risk conditions do not exist in developed recreation sites.
- Utility inspections meet federal, state, and local requirements.
- Laws, regulations and special orders are enforced.
- Visitors are provided a sense of security.

Key Measure: Responsiveness

- When signed as accessible, constructed features meet current accessibility guidelines.
- Visitors feel welcome.
- Information boards are posted in a user-friendly and professional manner.
- Visitors are provided opportunities to communicate satisfactions (needs, expectations).
- Visitor information facilities are staffed appropriately during seasons of use and current information is available.

- Recreation site information is accurate and available from a variety of sources and outlets.

Key Measure: Condition of Facilities

- Constructed features are serviceable and in good repair throughout the designated service life.
- Constructed features in disrepair due to lack of scheduled maintenance, or in non-compliance with safety codes (e.g. OSHA, environmental, etc.) or other regulatory requirements (ADA, etc.), or beyond the designed service life, are repaired, rehabilitated, replaced, or decommissioned.
- New, altered, or expanded constructed features meet Forest Service design standards and are consistent with an approved site development plan, including an accessibility transition plan.
- At the time the authorization expires, all facilities will be returned to the Forest Service in the same or better condition (allowing for normal wear and tear) as they were when they were authorized for use by the holder.

The following standards shall be met in sites offering services to the public in order to ensure a pleasant recreation experience for the visitor.

Toilets, Showers, and Dressing Areas

- Toilet bowls, risers, seats, covers, and urinals free of deposits on surfaces;
- Building interiors free of dirt, trash, graffiti, insects (dead and alive), and spider webs;
- Floors free of standing water;
- Chrome ware clean and bright;
- Toilet paper, towels, and seat covers (where provided) stocked to last until next day and/or cleaning;
- Unpleasant odors (both sewage and chemical) minimized.

Toilets and Other Buildings (Exterior)

- Walkways and trails clean and clear of obstructions for public safety and accommodating people with disabilities;
- Floor mats clean;
- Exterior walls free of graffiti;
- Roof generally free of leaves and branches;
- Eaves free of wasp nests, bird nests, and spider webs.

Toilet Vaults

- Vaults not more than 3/4's full;

- During pumping, the vaults should be cleaned as thoroughly as possible to prevent the production of odors.

Tables and Benches

- Tops and seats free of dirt, grease, and large carvings;
- Under portion free of spider webs, etc;
- Tops, seats, and legs secure and functional.

Fireplaces, Char-grills, Fire Rings, and Stoves

- No more than half full of ashes;
- All ashes and partially burned wood confined to fireplace or grill;
- Grill surface free of grease and food particles when ash is removed;
- Pedestals and bases straight and secure, and components functional;
- Leftover firewood stacked beside unit.

Garbage Cans and Depositories

- Plastic liner half full or less;
- Cans clean on the outside; all litter and debris picked up around cans or container.

Hand Pumps, Fountains, and Hydrants

- All units free of grease or residue;
- All units secure and drip free;
- Catch basins (drains) free of feed particles, soaps, grease, debris, standing water, and functioning properly.