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84.87 Operation; regulations by municipalities.

[For text of subds 1 to 2a, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 3. Regulations by political subdivisions. Notwithstanding anything in this section to the contrary, a county board may by resolution permit the operation of snowmobiles upon the roadway, shoulder, or inside bank or slope of any county highway or county state aid highway if safe operation in the ditch or outside bank or slope thereof is impossible, in which case the county board shall cause appropriate notice thereof to be given.

Any county, city, or any town acting by its town board, may regulate the operation of snowmobiles on public lands, waters, and property under their jurisdiction and on streets and highways within their boundaries by resolution or ordinance of the governing body and by giving appropriate notice, provided such regulations are not inconsistent with the provisions of sections 84.81 to 84.88 inclusive and rules and regulations, promulgated thereunder. However, no such governmental unit may adopt an ordinance which (1) imposes a fee for the use of public land or water under the jurisdiction of either the commissioner of natural resources or any other agency of the state, or for the use of any access thereto owned by the state, or a county or city; or (2) require a snowmobile operator to possess a motor vehicle driver's license while operating a snowmobile.

[1977 c 31 s 1]

CHAPTER 84B. VOYAGEURS NATIONAL PARK

Sec. 84B.07 Payment in lieu of property taxes.

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When a tract or lot of privately owned property is acquired by the federal government for inclusion within Voyageurs National Park, and when, as a result of the acquisition, taxes are no longer assessed against the tract or lot or any improvements thereon, the following amount shall be paid by the commissioner of natural resources to the county of Koochiching or St. Louis for distribution to the taxing districts: In the first year after taxes are last required to be paid on the property, 80 percent of the last required payment; in the second year after taxes are last required to be paid on the property, 60 percent of the last required payment; in the third year after taxes are last required to be paid on the property, 40 percent of the last required payment; in the fourth year after taxes are last required to be paid on the property, 20 percent of the last required payment. The county auditor shall certify to the commissioner of natural resources the total amount due to a county on or before March 30 of the year in which money must be paid pursuant to this section. Money received by a county pursuant to this subdivision shall be distributed to the various taxing districts in the same proportion as the levy of a taxing district bears to the total levy on the property in the last year taxes were required to be paid on the property. In no case shall the total amount of money paid to Koochiching county exceed \$19,000, and in no case shall the total amount of money paid to St. Louis county exceed \$111,000.

[1977 c 403 s 3]

CHAPTER 85. DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Sec. 85.016 Bicycle trail program. 85.23 Cooperative leases of agricultural lands. [New] Canoe and boating routes.

85.016 Bicycle trail program.

The commissioner of natural resources shall establish a program for the de-

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velopment of bicycle trails utilizing the state trails authorized by section 85.015, other state parks and recreation land, and state forests. "Bicycle trails", as used in this section, includes bicycle lanes and bicycle ways as those terms are used in sections 160,263 and 160,264. The program shall be coordinated with the local park trail grant program established by the state planning agency pursuant to section 4.36, with the bicycle trail program established by the commissioner of transportation pursuant to section 160.265, and with existing and proposed local bicycle trails. In the metropolitan area as defined in section 473.121, the program shall be developed in accordance with plans and priorities established by the metropolitan council. The commissioner shall provide technical assistance to local units of government in planning and developing bicycle trails in local parks. The bicycle trail program shall, as a minimum, describe the location, design, construction, maintenance and land acquisition needs of each component trail and shall give due consideration to the model standards for the establishment of recreational vehicle lanes promulgated by the commissioner of transportation pursuant to section 160.262. The program shall be developed after consultation with the state trail council and regional and local units of government and bicyclists organizations.

[1977 c 421 s 3]

85.017 Trail registry.

The commissioner of natural resources shall compile and maintain a current registry of cross-country skiing, hiking, horseback riding and snowmobiling trails in the state and shall publish and distribute the information in the manner prescribed in section 86A.11. The metropolitan council, the state planning agency, the Minnesota historical society, and local units of government shall cooperate with and assist the commissioner in preparing the registry.

[1977 c 421 s 4]

85,23 Cooperative leases of agricultural lands.

On any agricultural lands however acquired, located within a state park, where the use of the lands would not conflict with normal park uses, cooperative farming leases on a sharecrop basis may be completed with nearby farmers to provide needed park services such as grassland restoration or development, weed control, and the provision of food plots, such as corn, for deer, pheasants and other wildlife species that are indigenous to the habitats existing in state parks and which are of value and interest to state park visitors and the general public.

The sharecropping leases may be entered into for state park lands in lieu of any rental arrangement established for use with respect to state lands in any other provision of law.

[1977 c 249 s 1]

85.32 Canoe and boating routes.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1976]

Subd. 2. Camp sites, rest areas, river accesses and portages, land acquisition. The commissioner may, in cooperation with local units of government as provided in subdivision 1, acquire land by purchase, grant, gift, devise, exchange, lease or easement for camp sites, rest areas, river accesses and portages. The acquisition of any parcel of land pursuant to this subdivision shall not exceed 20 acres, unless it will or should require a land survey or a larger parcel will be in the best interest of the state, in which case the commissioner may acquire land not to exceed 40 acres or unless specifically authorized by the executive council. The commissioner may also develop and be responsible for the maintenance of campsites, rest areas, river accesses, and portages on the areas acquired, or in cooperation with local units of government, organizations, or individuals, along those rivers designated in subdivision 1.

[For text of subd 3, see M.S.1976]

[1977 c 224 s 1]