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RECLAMATION

Chain of Lakes Recreation Area/ McClusky Canal

Dakotas Area Office



Rules and Regulations

Please observe the following rules so that everyone's stay may be more enjoyable.

1. Camping is only permitted in designated areas. Digging or leveling of ground is not permitted.
2. Reserving a campground is not permitted.
3. The maximum amount of time that you may camp at Chain of Lakes Recreation Area is 14 days within a 30-day consecutive period.
4. You must get permission from occupants of a site to camp within 50 feet of that occupied camping site.
5. Personal property may not be left unattended for more than 24 hours.
6. Quiet time is from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. Disorderly conduct and excessive noise is not permitted.
7. Pets must be on a leash no longer than 10ft and must not be a nuisance or danger to other campers or the general public.
8. Campfires are only allowed at designated camping areas and must be within provided fire rings, stoves, or grills. All fires must be attended and completely extinguished before leaving the site. Permission to light fires of any kind is contingent on the

current status of ND Burn Ban Restrictions.

9. Personal fireworks are **not** permitted on any Federal lands.

10. Please refer to ND Game & Fish for state hunting regulations.

<https://gf.nd.gov/hunting>

11. Exercise safe boating practices and observe all boating signs.

12. All motor vehicles, including ATVs, must stay on established roads. Both the driver and vehicle must have a valid license.

13. Destruction, defacement, removal, or alteration of public property or natural resources, cultural features, or artifacts is not permitted and is in direct violation of State and Federal laws.

14. Use of a metal detector is not permitted.

15. Littering and improper disposal of waste is not permitted.

16. Contact Reclamation for permit to conduct commercial activities.

In addition to the rules and regulations listed above, applicable state and local laws and regulations remain in full force. Conviction will result in the required payment of court costs together with a fine of \$1000 or more.

Background

Chain of Lakes was created as part of the Garrison Diversion Unit, which was authorized in 1965 to provide irrigation and flood control. It includes both the Garrison Dam and Lake Sakakawea as major features.

Water is pumped from Lake Sakakawea into Lake Audubon via the Snake Creek Pumping Plant and then flows into the McClusky Canal. The canal connects the series of waterbodies that comprise Chain of Lakes, which assures a reliable source of water for fish and wildlife during years of drought.

Work on the Chain of Lakes portion of the Garrison Diversion Unit was completed in 1974, turning it into the recreation area that visitors still enjoy today.

Questions or Comments?

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For emergencies, please call 911