



RUETER-HESS ADVISORY BOARD

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8, 2025

AGENDA

Friday, August 8, 2025

9:00 AM

**13939 Ancestry Drive
Parker, CO 80134**

1. Call to Order

- a. Roll Call
- b. Approval of the Agenda

2. Approval of Minutes

Attachments: [Unofficial Minutes for July 11, 2025](#)

3. Citizen Comment

4. Discussion and Action Items

- a. Rueter-Hess Entrance Shed Update
- b. Budget Request
- c. Rueter-Hess Update for July 2025

Attachments: [Rueter-Hess Update for July 2025](#)

- d. Rueter-Hess Budget Update for July 2025

Attachments: [Rueter-Hess Budget Update July 2025](#)

5. Other Business and Discussion

6. Adjournment

The Next Regular Meeting Will be Held on Friday, September 12, 2025 @ 9:00 a.m.

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MEETING DATE: August 8, 2025

ATTACHMENTS:

Unofficial Minutes for July 11
2025



RUETER-HESS ADVISORY BOARD

FRIDAY, JULY 11, 2025

MINUTES

Friday, July 11, 2025	9:00 AM	9343 Double Angel Rd Parker, CO 80134
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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

a. Roll Call

PRESENT

Board Member Bill Wasserman.

Board Member Austin Good

Alternate Marne Hansen

Board Member Mary Colton

Alternate Amy Knopp

EXCUSED

Alternate Ron Redd

Board Member Jeff Brauer

Board Member Steve Shoultz

Alternate Michael Lawson

Alternate David Anderson

Alternate Seth Hoffman

STAFF

PRESENT

Jarod Baylie, PWSD

Marcus Graves, City of Castle Pines

Celeste Deal, County Liaison

Kyle Kruzel, Human Resources, Douglas County

b. Approval of the Agenda

Board Chair, Bill Wasserman, asked for a motion from the RAB to approve today's agenda.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Austin Good

SECONDER: Mary Colton

AYES: Wasserman, Good, Hansen, Colton, Knopp

EXCUSED: Redd, Brauer, Nimmo, Shoultz, Lawson, Anderson, Hoffman

2. Approval of Minutes

Board Chair, Mr. Wasserman, asked for a motion from the RAB to approve the minutes from April 11, 2025.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Marne Hansen

SECONDER: Mary Colton

AYES: Wasserman, Good, Hansen, Colton, Knopp

EXCUSED: Redd, Brauer, Nimmo, Shoultz, Lawson, Anderson, Hoffman

3. Citizen Comment

There were none.

4. Discussion and Action Items**a. Update on Entry Station Improvements**

Amy Knopp, Manager, Rueter-Hess, updated the RAB on the progress of the entry station improvements.

b. Rueter-Hess Update for June 2025

Staff briefed the RAB on the new safety boat's performance and the difference it has made during assists and rescues on the reservoir in the short time since receiving it.

The rangers are scheduled for deep water rescue training.

July 4th was the busiest day at the reservoir. There were 132 reservations.

July 9th a big media campaign was released regarding the new fishing regulations and electric trolling motors allowed at Rueter-Hess.

The RAB discussed the recent drowning at a local reservoir and wanted to reiterate their commitment to the Rueter-Hess policy which requires everyone to have their life jackets on while on the water.

c. Rueter-Hess Budget Update for June 2025

Amy Knopp, Manager, Rueter-Hess, updated the RAB on the expenditures for 2025 up to date this year.

We have funds allocated in our budget for phase 2 of the docks in 2025 and a phase 3 in 2026 if the RAB decides to pursue them. If not the money will remain in the account.

d. Property Tour

The RAB members will be taking a tour of the reservoir from the new patrol boat immediately following the meeting.

5. Other Business and Discussion

a. Catch and Keep Fishing Discussion

Staff updated the RAB on catch and keep fishing which started July 1st on certain species. At this time there has not been any reports of any walleye being caught. Several perch have been caught.

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:09 a.m.

The Next Regular Meeting Will be Held on Friday, August 8, 2025 at 9:00 a.m..

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MEETING DATE: August 8, 2025

ATTACHMENTS:

Rueter-Hess Update for July 2025

Memorandum

Date: August 4, 2025
To: Douglas County Advisory Boards
From: Amy Knopp, Manager of Rueter-Hess Reservoir
CC: Steven Shoultz, CPRE, Assistant Director of Parks, Trails & Building Grounds
Subject: **Rueter-Hess Recreation Update for July 2025**

UPDATES

Beginning July 1, 2025, Douglas County implemented new recreation rules that improve fishing at Rueter-Hess Reservoir. These new rules allow limited catch-and-keep fishing, marking a key milestone for recreation. Additionally, barbed hooks and scented baits are now allowed. Live bait remains prohibited. The catch-and-keep fishing limits in effect are:

- Walleye: 16"– 20" with a bag limit of 2 fish per angler
- Largemouth Bass: 14"–18" with a bag limit of 1 fish per angler
- Yellow Perch: Over 6" with a bag limit of 5 fish per angler

A Douglas County resident became the first angler to reach the full catch limit of yellow perch. His haul included fish measuring up to 12.5 inches, a promising sign for the reservoir's thriving ecosystem. Rangers help anglers check the size and species to maintain the health of the fishery.

Additionally, trolling electric motors are now allowed when actively engaged in fishing. They must be hand-tilled and rated at no more than 55 pounds of thrust. All watercraft must be launched by hand; trailers are not permitted.



Operational Updates

- Maintenance
- Dock Water Elevation Adjustment
 - Three Volunteer Events
 - Volunteer Corridor Clearing
 - Volunteer Shoreline Clean-Up
 - Rosie Rueter Social Trail Fencing 1st Phase
- Staff Development and Training
 - Continued Onboarding of New Rangers
 - Rescue X Training (Backboard)
 - New Employee Orientation
- Other
 - Fall Maintenance Planning (Trails, Mowing, Corridor Clearing)
 - 6 Special Events
 - Amateur Radio
 - Girl Scouts of Colorado
 - Lone Tree Partner Day
 - South Metro Fire Training
 - Castle Rock Partner Day
 - Douglas County Commissioner Video Shoot

Calendar of Events 2025		
Date	Special Event	Location
4/19/2025	Journey Church Fishing	Reservoir
5/11 & 12/2025	PWSD Student Visit to the Reservoir	Reservoir
5/14/2025	South Metro Fire Training	Reservoir
5/31/2025	Runuphill Racing	Incline
6/7/2025	Fransen Pittman Company 5K	Incline
6/7/2025	Journey Church Fishing	Reservoir
6/6/2025	Celebration of Life	Pavilion/Observation Deck
6/7/2025	Colorado Gun Dog Association	Hess Rd. Access
6/9/2025	Lone Tree Rec. Committee Tour	Reservoir
7/4/2025	Jaegger Family Visit to Rueter-Hess	Reservoir
7/19/2025	South Metro Dive Rescue Training	Reservoir
7/21/2025	South Metro Dive Rescue Training	Reservoir
7/23/2025	South Metro Dive Rescue Training	Reservoir
7/24/2025	South Metro Dive Rescue Training	Reservoir
8/9/2025	Ashley Elfeld Wedding	Pavilion/Observation Deck
9/13/2025	WICT Network Rocky Mountain	Incline
6/1 to 8/15/25	Avid4 Adventure Summer Season Day Camp	Reservoir
6/26 to 6/28/25	Amateur Radio Emergency Service	Hess Rd. Access
7/14 to 7/18/25	Girl Scouts of Colorado Camp Days	Reservoir
8/23/2025	Douglas County Sheriff's Office	Reservoir

	RAB /Partner Days	
7/19/2025	Lone Tree Partner Day	Reservoir
7/27/2025	Castle Rock Partner Day	Reservoir
8/6/2025	PWSD Family Day 3-6 pm	Reservoir
8/10/2025	Castle Pines Partner Day	Reservoir
8/16/2025	Parker Partner Day	Reservoir
	Partner Programing	
6/14/2025	Dash Across the Dam - Parker 5K	Reservoir
	Volunteer Programming	
4/3/25	Rocky Outcropping Fence*	Incline
4/10/25	Rocky Outcropping Fence*	Incline
4/17/25	Tentative Rocky Outcropping Fence*	Incline
6/30/25	Corridor Clearing	Coyote Loop
7/18/25	Shoreline Clean-up	Reservoir
7/25/25	Social Trail Closure	Rosie Rueter
9/12/25	Shoreline Clean-up	Reservoir

* Canceled due to weather

Rueter-Hess Recreation Stats (Updated 07/30/25)

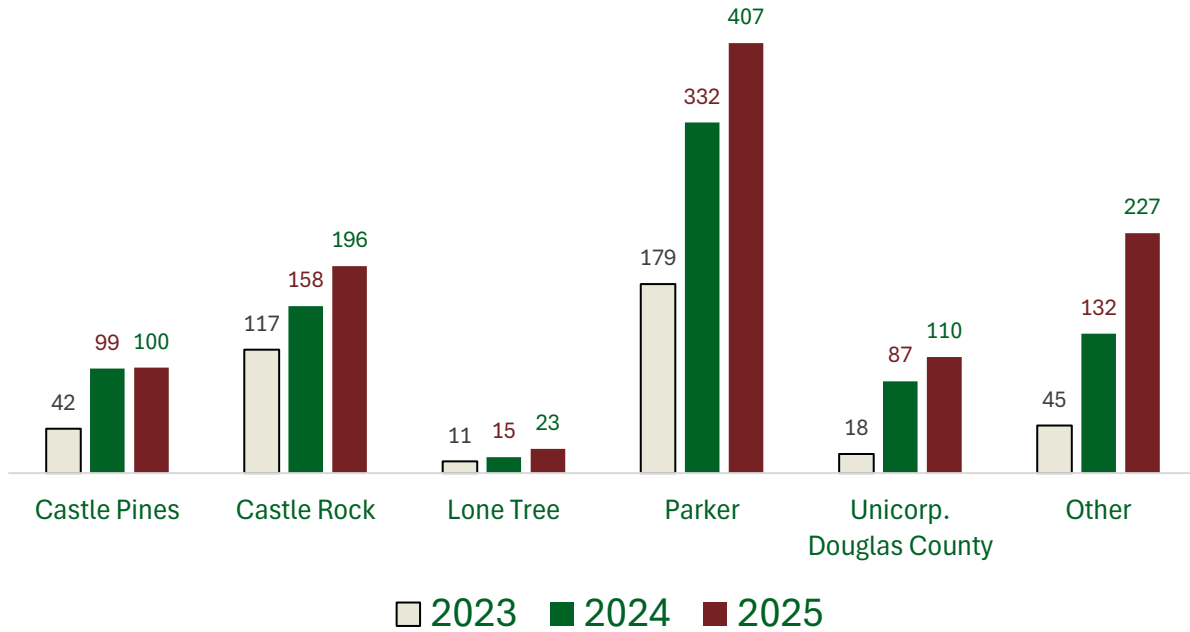
Visitation	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	2025 Total
Reservations Made	2	3	130	140	312	819	1081	2487
Total Trails Visitors	2894	4338	7571	7626	9230	10395	8964	51018
Total Visitors	2903	4352	7794	7850	9774	12114	11130	55917
Fishing	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	2025 Total
Adult Anglers	0	0	94	114	189	266	339	1002
Youth Anglers	0	0	37	26	48	133	142	386
Total Anglers	0	0	131	140	237	399	481	1388
Public Safety	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	2025 Total
Trail Assist	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trail Rescue	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Water Assist (Just Needed Some Help)	0	0	0	0	1	16	6	23
Water Rescue (Dangerous Or Distressed Situations)	0	0	0	0	8	6	1	15
EMS Requested	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number Of People Helped By EMS	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Overdue Groups	0	0	1	1	0	1	4	7
Number Of People Overdue	0	0	2	2	0	4	10	18
Number Of People Helped During Assists	0	0	0	0	1	16	6	23
People Helped During Rescue	0	0	0	0	8	7	1	16
Number Of People Helped To Recreate Safely	0	0	0	0	9	23	7	39

Rules and Regulations	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	2025 Total
PFD Violations	0	0	0	0	9	22	182	213
Swim/Wade	0	0	0	0	5	12	40	57
Dogs On Shore	0	0	0	3	2	4	0	9
Dogs In Water	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Dogs Off Leash	2	3	1	1	3	3	0	13
Alcohol On Property	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Vehicles Undesignated Areas	2	1	4	0	3	18	51	79
Off Trail Use	0	0	0	1	4	2	1	8
Bait Violations	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
Hook Violations	0	0	0	2	5	5	0	12
Poles Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Fishing In Restricted Areas	0	0	0	1	3	9	15	28
Fishing License Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No Fishing Permit Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Rule Violations	4	4	5	8	34	80	292	427

RUETER-HESS VOLUNTEER HOURS 2025								
Month	Number of Hosted Events	Number of Volunteers	Hours of Service	Hours of Check-Ins & Inspections	Bags of Trash Collected	Feet of Shoreline Maintained	Bags of Weeds Pulled	Miles of Trail Maintained
March	8	8	24	24	0	0	0	0.00
April	11	11	33	33	0	0	0	0.00
May	19	19	57	50	3	20	1	0.25
June	10	10	30	26	3	0	1	0.00
July	8	8	24	10	3	200	0	0.25
Totals	56	56	168	143	9	220	2	0.50

Rueter-Hess Recreation

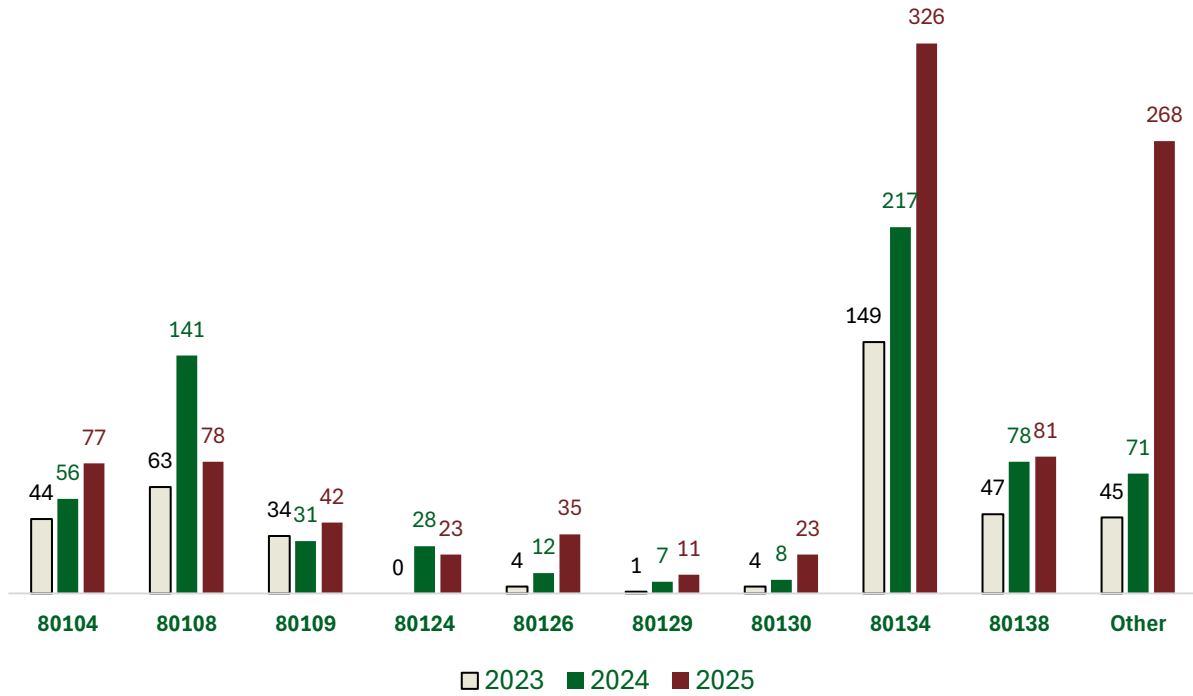
Reservations by Jurisdiction July 2025



Usage By Jurisdiction July 2023 - 2025

City	2023	2024	2025
Castle Pines	42	99	100
Castle Rock	117	158	196
Lone Tree	11	15	23
Parker	179	332	407
Unincorporated Douglas County	18	87	110
Other	45	132	227

Reservations by Zip Code July 2025



Rueter-Hess Usage by Zip Code July 2023 - 2025

Zip Code	2023	2024	2025
80104	44	56	77
80108	63	141	78
80109	34	31	42
80124	0	28	23
80126	4	12	35
80129	1	7	11
80130	4	8	23
80134	149	217	326
80138	47	78	81
Other	45	71	268

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MEETING DATE: August 8, 2025

ATTACHMENTS:

Rueter-Hess Budget Update July 2025

2025 FUNDS
FUND 245

Rueter-Hess Maintenance and Operations
BUSINESS UNIT 47100, 850900, 850901, 850902, 850903

Year to Date

8/1/25

	Expenditures	Summary				
Object Account	Supplies	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Allocated	Spent	Remaining
433200	Office Supplies	\$ 1,281.98	\$ 22.95	\$ -	\$ 62.70	\$ (62.70)
433400	Operating Supplies	\$ 3,092.45	\$ 17,538.87	\$ -	\$ 4,133.55	\$ (4,133.55)
433410	Emergency Response Supplies	\$ 835.78	\$ 74.99	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
433450	First Aid Supplies	\$ -	\$ 2,497.89	\$ 3,100.00	\$ 1,264.76	\$ 1,835.24
433500	Clothing & Uniform	\$ 2,609.21	\$ 5,126.25	\$ -	\$ 1,993.24	\$ (1,993.24)
433600	Uniform/Equip/Tool Allowance	\$ -	\$ 2,800.00	\$ -	\$ 3,200.00	\$ (3,200.00)
433900	Janitorial Supplies	\$ -	\$ 129.86	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
436200	Equip & Motor Vehicle	\$ 59.87	\$ 2,257.60	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 749.85	\$ 1,750.15
433930	Operating Equip. Accessories	\$ -	\$ 1,789.02	\$ -	\$ 105.91	\$ (105.91)
436400	Consumable Tools	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
436500	Sign Parts & Suppl	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
436600	Other Repair & Maint	\$ -	\$ 1,140.23	\$ -	\$ 51.58	\$ (51.58)
436800	Reservoir Supplies	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Remaining Dollars		\$ 7,879.29	\$ 33,377.66	\$ 5,600.00	\$ 11,561.59	\$ (5,961.59)

		Summary				
Object Account	Controllable Assets (C.A.)	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Allocated	Spent	Remaining
438000	C.A. Other Epuipment	\$ -	\$ 3,761.87	\$ -	\$ 4,796.87	\$ (4,796.87)
Remaining Dollars		\$ -	\$ 3,761.87	\$ -	\$ 4,796.87	\$ (4,796.87)

		Summary				
Object Account	Purchased Services	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Allocated	Spent	Remaining
440200	Newspaper notices/ Adver.	\$ -	\$ 49.60	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
442350	Employee Phone allowance	\$ 480.00	\$ 880.00	\$ -	\$ 720.00	\$ (720.00)
442420	Cell Phone Service	\$ 317.50	\$ 416.28	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
443100	Medical Dental & Vet Service	\$ 480.00	\$ 255.00	\$ -	\$ 75.00	\$ (75.00)
443600	Other Professional Services	\$ 37,907.50	\$ 12,442.00	\$ -	\$ 2,410.92	\$ (2,410.92)
444200	Repairs-Equip/ Motor Vehicle	\$ 431.11	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
444700	Other Repair & Maint. Serv.	\$ 584.90	\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ 24.45	\$ (24.45)
445200	Metro Area Meeting Expense	\$ 45.00	\$ 65.93	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
445500	Catered Meal Service	\$ 8.17	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
446100	Conference, Seminar, Training	\$ -	\$ 185.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
446400	Books and Subscriptions	\$ -	\$ 78.20	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
447900	Recruitment Costs	\$ 129.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Remaining Dollars		\$ 40,383.18	\$ 14,447.01	\$ -	\$ 3,230.37	\$ (3,230.37)

		Summary				
Object Account	Fixed Charges	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Allocated	Spent	Remaining
449055	Fuel Charges	\$ 2,460.79	\$ 4,453.97	\$ 7,500.00	\$ -	\$ 7,500.00
449056	Fleet Maintenance	\$ 1,031.79	\$ 6,330.07	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00
449057	Fleet Outside Repair	\$ -	\$ 79.56	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
449058	Fleet Maintenance Labor	\$ -	\$ 1,699.72	\$ 1,520.00	\$ -	\$ 1,520.00
450240	Waste Disposal Services	\$ 8,465.00	\$ 24,653.54	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 9,989.86	\$ 15,010.14
Remaining Dollars		\$ 11,957.58	\$ 37,216.86	\$ 44,020.00	\$ 9,989.86	\$ 34,030.14

		Summary				
Object Account	Personnel Services	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Allocated	Spent	Remaining
411100	Salaries & Wages - Regular FT	\$ 241,846.26	\$ 426,601.46	\$ 427,401.00	\$ 191,004.96	\$ 236,396.04
411225	Addtl Compensastion	\$ -	\$ 1,890.54	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
411230	Stipend	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 2,100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
411300	Salaries & Wages Seasonal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,800.00	\$ (3,800.00)
411600	Merit Pool	\$ -	\$ 11,348.87	\$ 20,302.00	\$ 6,415.12	\$ 13,886.88
412100	Overtime/Straight Reg.	\$ 1,649.08	\$ 1,462.31	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
420050	Sick Conversion/Payout	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,424.80	\$ (3,424.80)
420100	Vacation Payout	\$ -	\$ 7,500.32	\$ -	\$ 2,021.68	\$ (2,021.68)
430150	Medical Benefit	\$ 37,246.17	\$ 75,021.10	\$ 104,568.00	\$ 36,268.01	\$ 68,299.99
430160	Dental Benefit	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,605.00	\$ -	\$ 1,605.00
430200	Social Security	\$ 18,929.25	\$ 31,245.66	\$ 34,249.00	\$ 17,167.31	\$ 17,081.69
430300	Retirement	\$ 19,908.26	\$ 42,312.71	\$ 49,248.00	\$ 20,659.40	\$ 28,588.60
430400	Fringe Benefits Pool	\$ 11,232.43	\$ 19,870.73	\$ 18,942.00	\$ 9,404.36	\$ 9,537.64
Remaining Dollars		\$ 334,011.45	\$ 619,353.70	\$ 656,315.00	\$ 290,165.64	\$ 366,149.36

		Summary				
Object Account	Capital Outlay	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Allocated	Spent	Remaining
474100	Heavy Equipment				\$ 715.66	
474800	Other Machinery & Epuip	\$ -	\$ 18,800.00	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 150,000.00	\$ (117,000.00)
474300	Cars, Vans, & Pickups	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 60,000.00	\$ -	\$ 60,000.00
Remaining Dollars		\$ -	\$ 18,800.00	\$ 93,000.00	\$ 150,715.66	\$ (57,715.66)

		Summary				
Object Account	Contingencies & Reserves	2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Allocated	Spent	Remaining
483100	Miscellaneous Contingency	\$ -		\$ 50,000.00	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00
Remaining Dollars		\$ -		\$ 50,000.00	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00

BU 850900	Fishery Management	Summary				
Object Account		2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Allocated	Spent	Remaining
473500	Parks & Recreation Improvement	\$ -	\$ 15,580.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
443600	Other Prof. Services	\$ -	\$ 16,310.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Remaining Dollars		\$ -	\$ 31,890.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ -	\$ -

BU 850901	Docks	Summary				
Object Account		2023 Actuals	2024 Allocated	2025 Allocated	Spent	Remaining
473500	Parks & Recreation Improvement	\$ -	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 124,064.88	\$ 75,935.12
Remaining Dollars		\$ -		\$ 200,000.00	\$ 124,064.88	\$ -

BU 850902	Trailhead Planning & Const.	Summary				
Object Account		2023 Actuals	2024 Actuals	2025 Allocated	Spent	Remaining
473500	Parks & Recreation Improvement	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 75,000.00	\$ -	\$ 75,000.00
443600	Other Prof. Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,166.38	\$ (8,166.38)
Remaining Dollars		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 75,000.00	\$ -	\$ 66,833.62

BU 850903	Entrance Improvements	Summary				
Object Account		2023 Actuals	2024 Allocated	2025 Allocated	Spent	Remaining
473500	Parks & Recreation Improvement	\$ -	\$ (110,000.00)	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 95,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Remaining Dollars		\$ -	\$ (110,000.00)	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 95,000.00	\$ 15,000.00

REVENUES						
Intergovernmental	Revenues	Summary				
330000		2023	2024	2025 Projected	Received	Total
338300	Municipalities	\$ 2,413,627.80	\$ 620,000.00	\$ 620,000.00	\$ 796,539.00	\$ (176,539.00)
395250	Douglas County	\$ -	\$ 229,166.63	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 145,833.31	\$ 145,833.31
361101	Treas Pool Earnings	\$ 28,510.61	\$ 75,570.12	\$ -	\$ 53,906.41	\$ 53,906.41
361102	Pool Bond Amort/Accretion	\$ 4,538.73	\$ 7,049.07	\$ -	\$ 2,997.04	\$ 2,997.04
330000		\$ 2,446,677.14	\$ 931,785.82	\$ 870,000.00	\$ 999,275.76	\$ 26,197.76

Charges for Services	Revenues	Summary				
340000		2023	2024	2025 Projected	Received	Total
344200	Facility Use Fees/Special Events	\$ 33,076.00	\$ 18,801.76	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,340.00	\$ 1,340.00
344302	Vendor (Damage Deposit 2025)			\$ -	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00
344300	Admission Fees	\$ -	\$ 33,510.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 24,110.00	\$ 24,110.00
340000		\$ 33,076.00	\$ 52,311.76	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 27,950.00	\$ 27,950.00