



## **Pottawattamie County Conservation Board**

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### **Camping Operation Protocols**

Effective May 6, 2020 until further notice

1. Per the Governor's proclamation, campgrounds will reopen on Friday, May 8 at 6:00 AM on a first come-first-served basis. No campers, with the exception of camp hosts or identified essential workers, will be allowed to inhabit a site prior to that time.
2. RV campground use is restricted to self-contained camper units only.
3. Campsite occupancy must at all times be less than 10 people, no buddy sites or group camping will be allowed. Pre-identified sites may be closed to ensure physical distancing.
4. Campers are encouraged to wear gloves and use hand sanitizer when using dump stations.
5. Backpack camping will be re-opened Monday May 11th, reservations are required.
6. Tent camping will be opened at Arrowhead, Botna Bend and Hitchcock on Friday May 22nd in select locations with select pit toilets available for tent campers. Tent sites will be restricted to immediate family members only, no group tent camping.
7. Staff will be monitoring and enforcing proper physical distancing (6 feet) at all times.
8. On-site transactions (i.e. registrations and firewood sales) are to be done while maintaining proper physical distancing. Staff and camp hosts are not to directly handle money, registration slips, or anything immediately handled by the public.
  - a. Customers shall use the pay box or other established depository to make payments. Drop box deposits should not be collected within 24 hours of deposit.
  - b. Firewood is to be delivered to the customer's campsite or vehicle by staff or camp hosts only, while maintaining proper distancing. The public shall not be allowed to collect their own firewood from firewood shelters.
9. All staff and volunteers shall wear protective gloves when handling money & registration forms and during cleaning of facilities. Wash hands and disinfect areas immediately after handling money or registration slips and after cleaning facilities.
10. All staff and volunteers at their discretion and comfort level may wear a face mask when interacting with the public if a 6-foot physical distance is not possible. Face masks are not mandatory.
11. There will be no canoe and paddle-boat rentals or other concessions.
12. All playgrounds, restrooms and shower facilities will remain closed.
13. Shelter house use is restricted to groups of less than 10. Proper physical distancing is to be maintained at all times. Reservations for shelters will not be accepted for dates through May 31st.