

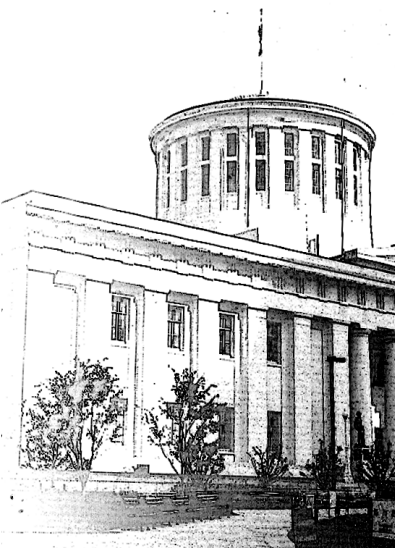
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*Without adequate funding for the parks, the economic benefits they offer are in jeopardy and communities stand to lose revenue and jobs.*

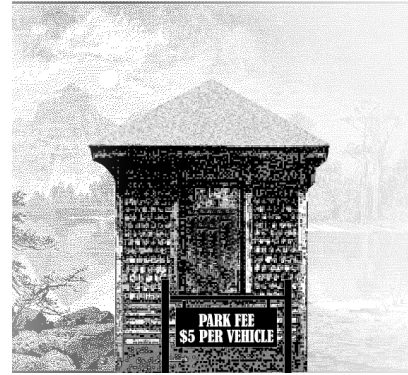


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## Did you know 23 state parks have no full-time staff?

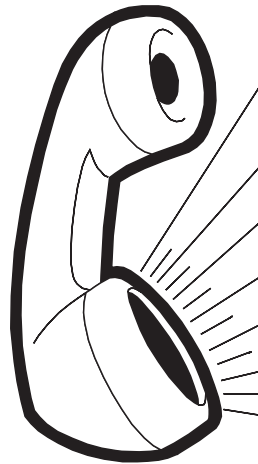
Won't the new \$5 parking fee help offset the massive cuts the Division of Parks has undergone?



You decide. Despite good intentions, the \$5 parking fee proposed by ODNR *won't begin* to make up for years of cuts to the parks. Parks' staff have been cut 40 percent since 1990 and 25 percent in the last three years. Just this month 18 more were laid off.

Ten years ago, the Parks Division employed 850 full-time employees. Today, that figure is 481.

*Plus*, the parking fee collections would be offset by proposed cuts to the parks budget, rendering the fee proposal revenue-neutral.



### Concerned?

**Call your legislators today and tell them to consider a dedicated funding source for parks, such as exists for the Divisions of Watercraft and Wildlife. Call 800-282-0253 to contact your legislators.**