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Subject: Damages to Entry Portal Gates at Pilot Knob State Park Caused by Vehicle
Crash on February 3, 2025
Department of Natural Resources
Claim Dated April 23, 2025
AOS Claim ID: 3981

In accordance with Executive Council policy, we have examined the claim for 29C.20 funds for the above-mentioned damage. It is our conclusion that the above-mentioned damage incurred by the Department of Natural Resources is covered by Chapter 29C.20 of the Code of Iowa. Therefore, we recommend an Executive Council allocation in the amount of \$35,000.00, subject to an audit of actual invoices.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian R. Brustkern".

Brian R. Brustkern, CPA
Deputy Auditor of State

cc: Sherry L. Arntzen, Bureau Chief, State Parks, Forests, and Preserves Bureau,
Department of Natural Resources
Kara Bryant, Budget and Finance, Department of Natural Resources
Heather Hackbarth, Department of Management

April 23, 2025

Victoria Newton
Executive Council
State Capitol
LOCAL

Tammy Hollingsworth
Auditor's Office
Lucas Building
LOCAL

RE: Vehicle Crash into Entry Portal Gates at Pilot Knob State Park

Dear Victoria and Tammy:

On Sunday, February 2, 2025, a vehicle crashed into the entry portal gate at Pilot Knob State Park. Seth Moore sent an initial e-mail notification of the damages on February 3, 2025. Total estimate of repairs is \$45,000. The insurance company of the driver has a maximum payout limit of \$10,000. After applying the \$10,000 insurance payout, the remaining repair costs are \$35,000, as outlined in the attached estimate.

The supporting documents include:

- Estimated cost of repair

This information is being submitted to the Executive Council as a request for allocation of \$35,000 for AOS ID #3981.

I thank you and the Executive Council members for your time and consideration in reviewing this material. Please inform me if it would be advantageous to participate in the Executive Council meeting in order to answer any questions.

Sincerely,

Sherry L. Arntzen, Bureau Chief
Parks, Forests and Preserves Bureau

Cc: Kara Bryant, DNR Budget and Finance

Attachments: 1

ESTIMATE OF PROBABLE COSTS

Project #	25-02-95-03				
Project Location	Pilot Knob State Park				
Project Description	Entrance Portal Repair				
Date	4/15/2025				
Author	Heath Delzell				
		Full Project			
Item No.	Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Cost	Cost
1	Mobilization	1	Lump Sum	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
2	Demolition	1	Lump Sum	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
3	Gates	1	Lump Sum	\$41,000.00	\$41,000.00
				Engineer's Total Estimate	\$45,000.00
				Insurance Payment Adjustment	-\$10,000.00
				Allocation Request Total	\$35,000.00