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VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT

The undersigned wishes to participate as a volunteer in the volunteer program conducted by the Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department (EMNRD), State Parks Division and agrees to abide by all applicable state, federal, and local government statutes, regulations, rules, and ordinances, as well as EMNRD policies controlling the activity in which the undersigned will participate or the area where that activity will be performed.

Risk Management

The undersigned recognizes the Volunteer Program is not without risks, since there are risks in all jobs associated with parks, boating, and the like. The undersigned agrees to help minimize those risks by exercising reasonable judgment and due care for his/her own safety. The undersigned also recognizes he/she is a volunteer and may choose not to perform a task requested by EMNRD personnel, especially if the request goes beyond the risks the undersigned wishes to accept. The undersigned agrees not to undertake any task that EMNRD personnel have directed the undersigned specifically or volunteers in general, not to perform. The undersigned recognizes this agreement or any other agreement to perform volunteer services for EMNRD may be terminated at any time with or without cause by the volunteer, by EMNRD or its agent.

Insurance Coverage

The undersigned accepts he/she is not an employee and is therefore not provided with workers' compensation coverage, salary, or medical insurance. If a volunteer is injured or suffers a loss as part of the volunteer service and the state was negligent, the avenue for recovery is to make a claim to the Risk Management Division pursuant to the Tort Claims Act, NMSA 1978, § 41-4-1 *et seq*. The Tort Claims Act provides coverage for volunteers who are sued as a result of their volunteer service as long as the volunteer's actions are within the scope of his/her volunteer work with the Division.

State Vehicles and Insurance

The undersigned agrees he or she may operate a state vehicle in conjunction with volunteer service only if in possession of a current and valid New Mexico driver's license and if he or she completes the required Defensive Drivers Training Course in advance and has obtained prior written authorization from the PS/M for each travel occurrence. If the undersigned will be using a personal vehicle in conjunction with volunteer activities they must provide proof that the vehicle is adequately insured prior to the performance of the activities.

Name(s) _____

Address _____

In case of emergency, contact (1) _____ _____
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(2) _____ _____

State Park _____ Schedule _____

I/We have read and agree to the terms of the Volunteer Agreement, as stated above. I/We also acknowledge that I/we have received a copy of the Volunteer Handbook and will abide by the EMNRD Code of Conduct, Department and Division rules and policies and procedures during my/our volunteer service with the State Parks Division.

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Volunteer signature Date Volunteer signature Date

(If volunteer is under age 18, parent/guardian signature is required.)

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Supervisors signature Date