



JOHNSON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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2021 Memorandum of Understanding

Between Johnson County Conservation
and

_____ a business in Johnson County

WHEREAS, the use of public areas in Johnson County, IA has increased over the last several years. One component of this is the increase of local outdoor experience related businesses that provide services to the public for a fee.

WHEREAS, Johnson County Conservation Board (Hereinafter “Board”) manages several public areas within Johnson County. Businesses commonly use said public lands and waters to provide services to the public.

WHEREAS, businesses may not operate within a County managed property without a payment of a \$20.00 fee and written permission by the Board. This MOU shall exclusively serve as written permission.

WHEREAS, the Code of Iowa, Section 350.5 allows the Board to make, alter, amend or repeal regulations for the protection, regulation, and control of all museums, parks, preserves, parkways, playgrounds, recreation centers, and other property under its control.

BE IT UNDERSTOOD that the undersigned business and Board agree to the following:

1. Business operations shall take reasonable steps to prevent their business patrons and staff from interfering with public use of an area managed by the conservation department. A patron is defined as any person receiving services provided by the business operation. Failure to take reasonable steps to prohibit patrons from interfering with public use of the public area may result in loss of written permission and therefore loss of a business’s ability to operate on County managed property.
2. The business shall submit a written plan of action to the Board outlining how the business operation plans to operate their business within the county managed public area while providing services. This plan of action shall be submitted prior to receiving written permission by the Board. The Board reserves the right to reject any and all applications on the basis of the Boards authority to control businesses operating on public property managed by the Board.

3. Business operations shall not block or restrict access to park facilities, which impairs access to those facilities by the general public and other park users. This includes blocking access with vehicles, buses, trailers and equipment used in operation of the business. The business shall also remove all trash and litter resulting from use of the public area by patrons of the business. Failure to abide by this term may result in loss of written permission and therefore loss of a business's ability to operate on County managed property.
4. The undersigned business understands and agrees that the Johnson County Conservation Board has full right and authority to rescind this MOU at anytime for failure of the business to abide by the above terms and conditions.
5. The terms of this MOU and said written permission by the Board shall commence on the date of signing and run until _____, or rescinded by either party.

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| Johnson County Conservation | Date |
| Business Operation | Date |

The business will abide by the outlined plan of action, as well as all Iowa State Laws, and Johnson County Conservation Board administrative rules and regulations.

Business Plan of Action

Business Name _____
Address _____

Phone# _____
Email _____

- Business and client vehicles will only be parked in designated parking areas (never on grassy areas or roadways)
- Any trash generated will be collected and removed by the business
- The business does not have exclusive rights to any part or portion of the park
- The business will not impair any recreational visitors' access to or enjoyment of the park
- The business will not place photography equipment or conduct activities on roadways or trails
- While conducting business no part of the park will be altered or damaged