PARKS & VISITOR SERVICES STRATEGIC & BUSINESS DIRECTIONS

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OUTPUT

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• Parks and Visitor Services.



OUTCOME

• Community enjoyment and appreciation of parks, wildlife and the natural environment without compromising conservation and management operations.

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Dealing with public involvement, visitation and appreciation of the natural environment on lands and waters managed by the Department, including preparing and implementing management and recreation site development plans, providing, managing and maintaining appropriate access, recreation opportunities and visitor facilities, protecting natural areas, visitors and facilities from wildfire, training Departmental staff and volunteers, working with local tourist bureaux and commercial tour operators, involving Aboriginal people in park management, providing visitor information and designing and initiating educational and interpretive activity programs that enrich visitor experience and help develop greater community awareness and support for parks, natural areas, nature based tourism and recreation services and policies.

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