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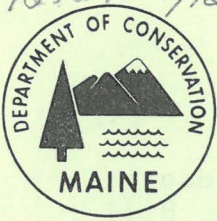
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PARK - Maine's state parks and historic sites begin the 1985 season with public use since January estimated to be 30 percent ahead of the same period in 1984 according to the Bureau of Parks & Recreation. The increase occurred from January 1 through April and includes estimated attendance at 61 facilities. Except for Eagle Island, all parks and historic sites are now open for the season. The new trails, elevated boardwalk and interpretive panels at Quoddy Head, built by members of the Maine Conservation Corps will be open this year.

BIOMASS - DOC's Forest Marketing & Assessment Program has issued two Request for Proposals to be awarded June 21, 1985. The first contract implements the recommendations of Commissioner Anderson's Biomass Research Committee and will provide an evaluation of the current status of biomass harvesting research as well as a strategy for the formation of a formal intensive harvesting research institute within Maine to address effective utilization of the forest resource. The second RFP solicits bids on the organization and coordination of three biomass field days to be held this fall in response to the Biomass Strategy Task Force's call for a major educational campaign.

STATE - On June 1, Walter Anderson hosted the field trip portion of the Annual Meeting of the American Association of State Geologists. Joe Kelley led the trip which emphasized the impact of crustal subsidence and coastal processes on shoreline development in southern Maine. The rest of the proceedings took place in Mystic, Connecticut and included a computerized geographic information system workshop which Walter, Marc Loiselle, Jim Rea and Diane Hankinson attended.

SPRAY - A spruce budworm spray aircraft crash-landed on June 9 in Sully, Quebec while attempting to leave Estcourt Airport in the northern tip of Maine. The Pilot, Bill Fogarty of Nebraska, was unharmed in the crash. The 600-gallon load of Bt being carried was contained in a 20-foot square area of meadowland. According to Fogarty, the cause of the crash was a lack of air-speed, which prevented him from flying over a small hill located at the northern end of the runway. Fogarty works for Precision Air Services of Selma, Alabama, this year's spray contractor. Other than this one incident, the project is going smoothly and is right on target, being 38.07 percent complete as of Monday, June 10.



OUTDOOR RECREATION - William Warner of Hallowell has been appointed Outdoor Recreation Planner for the Bureau of Public Lands. Bill is a graduate of Transylvania University and earned a Master of Science in recreation and park management at the University of Wyoming and a Ph.D. in forest resources from UMO. Welcome to DOC, Bill!

COMPARABLE WORTH - Over the next week, many of you will be receiving a classification questionnaire asking you to answer several questions about your job. This study is being conducted by the joint Labor-Management Committee on Comparable Worth. Please fill out the forms as accurately as possible and then give them to your supervisors in order for them to complete their portion. When completed, supervisors should send them directly to the Comparable Worth Committee at State House Station # 125, Augusta, Maine. If you have any questions regarding this study, please call Personnel at 289-2211.

LIFEGUARD TRAINING - Maine State Park Lifeguard Training will be held today and tomorrow at the YMCA Camp on Cobbossee Lake in East Winthrop. According to Tim Hall, Lifeguard Coordinator, 64 lifeguards who will be working at State Parks this summer will be trained in the use of rescue equipment, CPR, first-aid and communications.

RETIREMENT - Jean Kinney ends her 19-year career with the Department of Conservation this Friday, June 14. She will be honored at a party on Thursday at Patricia's Place in East Winthrop. Jean plans to work part-time for her son who is opening a veterinary clinic. Best wishes, Jean, for a happy retirement!

BABY TALK - Jym St. Pierre, LURC, passed out flowers instead of cigars in honor of the birth of his 2nd son, Jaaron Anthony St. Pierre Shaw on May 28. Jaaron weighed in at 6 lbs - 15 ozs. Congratulations Jym!

PERSONNEL NEWS - Jill Parks has returned to LURC after her quick recovery from an unexpected appendectomy which occurred 3½ weeks ago. Welcome back Jill...Barbara Kimball has been promoted to an Accountant I in the Bookkeeping Section...Brian Murray has been promoted to Park Manager I at Pemaquid...Congratulations to Barbara and Brian...Don Norman has returned to his old position, working with Franklin Sargent keeping track of equipment and uniforms...Joyce Grondin will be assisting in the Personnel Office this summer on a work study program from UMO. She will be attending the University of Oregon in the Fall...Tom Kenney, a UMF student is the Governor's Intern working with the Maine Geological Survey for the summer.

BELL INTERVIEWED - Gordon Bell, Park Manager of Camden Hills State Park, will be interviewed by WBZ-TV of Boston this week. They are doing a story on tourism in the Camden area which will be on their program, "Evening Magazine".

READING RAINBOW - On Monday, June 24, MPBN is devoting a full hour of prime time to the promotion of the READING RAINBOW IN MAINE series. The Maine Forest Service helped with the production of the program.