



who we are

Navajo State Park is a place where recreation, history, wildlife and the beauty of southwest Colorado meet. The 35-mile long Navajo Reservoir, with 15,000 surface acres, offers a unique challenge to the angler and unlimited pleasure to the boater. Record-size northern pike, small mouth bass and catfish fill these uncrowded waters. During the winter months, bald eagles soar above the lake. The park visitor center contains artifacts of the ancient Puebloans in a setting rich in local history.

Visitors to Navajo State Park spend about \$18.3 million annually at local businesses.

Source: Corona Research, Colorado State Parks Marketing Assessment, "Visitor Spending Analysis 2008-2009."

top attractions

- Water recreation
- Fishing
- Camping
- Wildlife viewing (especially bald eagles during winter months)
- Marina

our partners

- U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
- San Juan Sailing Club
- British Petroleum

challenges we face

- The potable water system within the park still incorporates original wells and storage tank facilities constructed in the mid-1960's. These facilities are in need of repair and/or replacement.
- The marina facility, boat moorings, rental boat program, and dry storage operated by park staff is extremely successful in both revenue generation and providing customer service. Adequate budget and on-going maintenance are necessary for the successful and continued operation of this vital facility.
- Limited funding for hiring seasonal workers has reduced our ability to recruit employees and provide competitive wages. Development of additional seasonal housing is one possible way to help address the wage issue.



our enduring vision

Colorado State Parks offer exceptional settings for renewal of the human spirit. Residents and visitors enjoy healthy, fun-filled interaction with the natural world, creating rich traditions with family and friends that promote stewardship of our natural resources. Park employees and their partners work together to provide ongoing and outstanding customer service through recreational programs, amenities and services.

statistics and ratios

Visitation FY 09-10: **309,482**

Estimated expenditures within 50 miles of the park: **\$18,307,128 (2008-2009)**

Full-time staff: **7**

Visitor to full-time staff ratio: **44,212:1**

Temporary employees: **33**

Volunteers: **20**

Volunteer hours contributed: **5,915**

County: **Archuleta and La Plata**

Congressional District: **3**

State Legislative Districts
Senate: **6**
House: **59**

expenses/revenue

Total operating expenses: **\$1,391,998**

Total construction expenses: **\$0**

Total revenue generated: **\$ 812,304**

Self-sufficiency ratio: **58%**
(FY 09-10 revenue/operating expenses)

park inventory

Year became a state park: **1964**
Land acres: **2,087**
Water acres: **3,000**
Elevation: **6,100'**

Ownership

State parks: **1%**
Other: **99%**

Miles of Roads

Paved: **2.2**
Unpaved: **3.6**

Miles of Trails

Hiking/biking: **6.0**

Boat ramps: **1**
Marinas: **1**
Campsites: **148**
Cabins: **3**
Picnic sites: **12**
Concessions: **0**

Major buildings/structures:

Park office/visitor center
Camper services buildings
Dry storage area
Group picnic shelters
Marina dock with retail store
and boat slips
Break water structure
Boat mooring areas

land acquisitions FY 09-10

There were no new acquisitions in FY 09-10.

volunteer activities

- Campground host program
- Boat ramp shuttle program
- Visitor services assistant program
- Marina volunteer program

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