



Tennessee State Parks

Park Strategic Management Planning Response to Comments

Burgess Falls State Park

The 10-year individual Park Strategic Management Plans for Tennessee State Parks are part of the overall planning processes within the department and are developed to guide the management and direction of each park. These plans steer continued success of each park and influence long term innovation by the park staff. Building on Tennessee State Parks' strong foundation they seek to address the various challenges anticipated for each park. The Strategic Management Plans present a strategic and actionable strategy for the next 10 years.

This response to comments document is shared publicly as a record of comments that were made at a public information meeting as well as an online survey. The public information meeting was held at the Burgess Falls State Park Maintenance Shop on December 16th, 2025, at 5:30pm.

Summary of Public Comments and Department Responses

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation received **1 public comment** specific to the draft Strategic Management Plan for Burgess Falls State Park. The respondent is complimentary of the park's clean and well-maintained restrooms and trails.

Department Response

The Department appreciates the public's engagement and their thoughtful input regarding the future of Burgess Falls State Park. All comments received through the public meeting and online survey were thoroughly reviewed and evaluated by Tennessee State Parks leadership. Each suggestion was considered in the context of the park's mission, existing site conditions, operational needs, and the goals and strategies outlined within the Strategic Management Plan.