

DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION

July 30, 1985

STAFF DIRECTIVE 85-12

TO: Directorate
FROM: Director *William J. [Signature]*
SUBJECT: *Complying* Assignment of Responsibilities -
~~Camping~~ with Section 504 of the
1973 Rehabilitation Act

Effective immediately, and until further notice the following policy is implemented.

Policy for Compliance with 1973 Rehabilitation Act
Section 504, Handicap Accessibility

1. ALL new projects started after the establishing of this policy shall comply with the 1973 Rehabilitation Act, Section 504.
2. Design and Development staff will review all consultant design submissions and/or in-house designs using the Handicapped compliance checklist developed for the LWCF project final inspections by the Consulting Services Section.
3. The Consulting Services Section of the Division of Parks and Recreation will develop a facility accessibility study to determine the needs of each park. This study will include a list of access renovations needed to existing facilities to be used for future budget preparations and a list of which activities should be designed for handicap access in future construction projects. The Design and Development Section will use this study to develop scopes of work which will fulfill handicap requirements and bring the State Parks Program into compliance with Federal law.
4. The Division of Parks and Recreation will petition the Department of Administration, Division of State Construction to incorporate language into their standard design contract to require all design professionals to incorporate appropriate 1982 NC Standards checklist items into every submittal. We will further request that the Division of State Construction incorporate the 1982 NC Standards checklist into their review process; either in their office or by the Department of Insurance.

5. It shall be the responsibility of the Design and Development Section to insure that all plans and specifications meet the standards provided to them by the Consulting Services Section. This shall include completing the accessibility checklist prior to the beginning of construction.
6. It shall be the responsibility of the Design and Development Section to insure that the plans are built per specification and they shall so certify by accepting the project from the contractor.
7. It shall be the responsibility of the Consulting Services Section, in consort with the LWCF grants staff, to conduct the final LWCF inspection which shall include a statement certifying compliance with the 1973 Rehabilitation Act.