

Dear committee members,

I would like to express my support for HB 6539, I visit the Machimoodus State Park and adjacent Sunrise State Park quite regularly and the juxtaposition between the two contrasting environments is striking. Machimoodus is a beautiful well managed park that is a delight to hike through while Sunrise looks like an episode of the History Channel's *Life After People*. The condition of the structures in Sunrise is down right dangerous and there are numerous environmental concerns from old tires and batteries to garbage. Since this is public land we have a responsibility as stewards to maintain it properly and unfortunately that is not what has happened so I believe it is important that we plan a fitting future for the park.

Thanks for your time.

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