

Ohio State Parks On The Air



Information for Ohio Department of Natural Resources and Ohio State Parks staff and service providers

The person handing you this information sheet is an F.C.C. licensed Amateur Radio operator participating in an event called Ohio State Parks On The Air (OSPOTA). This is a contest and field event for Amateur Radio operators throughout the State of Ohio and is intended to develop and enhance their abilities to respond to communications emergencies.

OSPOTA stations will be on the air from noon till 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 6, 2008 at State Parks around Ohio. This event is sponsored by the Portage County Amateur Radio Service, Inc., (PCARS) a non-profit amateur radio organization here in Ohio.

Any installations will be completely temporary, no harm will be caused to any ODNR property, and all operational sites will be restored to their prior condition at the end of operations. We welcome you to visit and observe each station while it is in operation. This is a great way for you to learn more about Amateur Radio. Please feel free to ask questions!

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources has given its approval for this event. The ODNR contact person is Phil Hoffman, Field Support Group, Ohio State Parks, 614-265-6911, phil.hoffman@dnr.state.oh.us. PCARS application to hold a special activity was submitted and approved on March 4, 2008.

If necessary, additional information may also be obtained from Jim Aylward, KC8PD, the Public Information Officer for PCARS by calling him at 330-221-2033.