571—17.9(461A) Lease fees for state-owned property, riverbed, lakebed, and waterfront lands. The following guidelines are for the purpose of expediting the administration of applications for lease and use of land under the jurisdiction of the natural resource commission, excepting those lands leased for agricultural purposes, commercial concession agreements, and agreements covering the removal of sand, gravel, and other natural materials.

17.9(1) Annual lease fee. Beginning January 1, 2024, the fee for leases shall be \$0.0600 per square foot. Leases deemed commercial by the commission will have a minimum lease value of \$300, and those deemed nonprofit or noncommercial by the commission will have a minimum lease value of \$150.

17.9(2) Administration fee. All nonflecting leases shall be assessed a one-time charge of 18 percent to cover the department's cost of inspecting lease sites, reviewing applications, preparing leases, and administering the lease program.

17.9(3) Exceptions to standard lease fee. When persons apply for permission to convert or have converted state property under the jurisdiction of the commission to personal use and the commission determines that leasing is an appropriate alternative to removal or that the above rates are not appropriate, the annual lease fee shall be determined by the commission. When determining the fee, the commission may consider availability of the property for public use, the type of personal use being made of the property, appraisal, effect on the natural resources and other items appropriate for the area involved. [ARC 7895C, IAB 5/1/24, effective 6/5/24]