

CHAPTER 55-06

HISTORICAL STUDY OF YELLOWSTONE AND MISSOURI RIVER CONFLUENCE

55-06-01. Yellowstone-Missouri Rivers confluence commission. There is a Yellowstone-Missouri Rivers confluence commission. The commission is a governmental agency with the authority to exercise the powers specified herein, or which may be reasonably implied. The commission is composed of the governor as chairman, the president of the senate, the speaker of the house, the director of the state historical society, the commissioner of commerce, all ex officio, and five citizens of the state to be appointed by the governor who shall serve without compensation for the purpose of investigating, in cooperation with the state of Montana and the national park service, the historical importance and significance of the confluence area and for formulating and executing plans for the preservation of the historic sites illustrative of the history of the United States. The commission may expend its operating expenses and other funds provided by legislative appropriations and public and private grants for programs, improvements, and facilities to preserve and improve the Yellowstone-Missouri confluence area.

55-06-02. Organization of commission - Powers and duties. Upon call of the governor, the commission shall meet and select from among its members a vice chairman and a secretary. All commission employees are entitled to be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred while attending meetings or otherwise engaged in the official business of the commission at the same rates as other state officers. The commission may establish such committees and subcommittees as it may deem desirable and necessary to carry out its purposes and adopt such rules as deemed appropriate. It may accept funds, property, and services and other assistance, financial or otherwise, from federal, state, county, municipal, and other public or private sources for the purpose of assisting and promoting its functions. It shall enlist the aid of all departments of the state and may call upon civic, patriotic, educational, fraternal, professional, and religious bodies and organizations for assistance.