

Measure 1

The **Iowa Outdoor Recreation Trust Fund Amendment** will appear on the November 2, 2010 ballot as a legislatively-referred constitutional amendment. If the measure is approved by a simple majority of Iowa voters, the next time the Iowa Legislature approves a sales tax increase, the measure would allow 3/8^{ths} of one cent to be used in support of the [Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation Trust Fund](#). This would establish permanent revenue for natural resources and outdoor recreational programs in Iowa. The measure was introduced by Representative Paul Bell of Newton.

If the measure is enacted, the estimated \$150 million would be spent as follows on outdoor recreation and natural resources:

- Natural resources: 23 percent would be allocated to state parks, state forests, state preserves, wildlife areas and other
- Soil conservation and water protection: 20 percent would be used for soil conservation and watershed protection
- Watershed protection: 14 percent would be used to help preserve watersheds
- Resource Enhancement and Protection Program: 13 percent of the revenue would be used for natural, cultural, and recreational resources parks, trails, museums, and roadside beautification
- Local conservation partnership: 13 percent would be handed out to local communities for areas pertaining to outdoor and recreation
- Trails: 10 percent would go to outdoor trails for recreational use.
- Lake restoration: 7 percent would go to public lake restoration around the state

If approved, the measure would amend Article VII of the Iowa Constitution by adding Section 10 entitled *Natural Resources*.

Measure 2

The **Iowa Constitutional Convention Question** will appear on the November 2, 2010 ballot as an automatic ballot referral. Per the state constitution, the question appears on the Iowa ballot every 10 years. The last constitutional convention question was defeated by a simple majority of Iowa voters.

ARTICLE X. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

[Constitutional convention. SEC. 3.](#) At the general election to be held in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventy, and in each tenth year thereafter, and also at such times as the general assembly may, by law, provide, the question, "Shall there be a convention to revise the constitution, and propose amendment or amendments to same?" shall be decided by the electors qualified to vote for members of the general assembly; and in case a majority of the electors so qualified, voting at such election, for and against such proposition, shall decide in favor of a convention for such purpose, the general assembly, at its next session, shall provide by law for the election of delegates to such convention, and for submitting the results of said convention to the people, in such manner and at such time as the general assembly shall provide; and if the people shall approve and ratify such amendment or amendments, by a majority of the electors qualified to vote for members of the general assembly, voting thereon, such amendment or amendments shall become a part of the constitution of this state. If two or more amendments shall be submitted at the same time, they shall be submitted in such a manner that electors may vote for or against each such amendment separately.

Repealed and rewritten 1964, Amendment [22]
Statutory provision, [§39.4](#)