

19-6-4. [Depredations; penalty.]

Any person who shall cut down, remove, destroy or injure, or who shall take, remove or carry away, any timber, trees or firewood standing, growing or lying upon any state lands, or who shall extract or remove, or attempt to extract or remove, from any state lands, any stone, minerals, oil, gas, salt or other natural products or deposit, or any lessee who shall permit the same to be done, without authority from the commissioner, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished as provided in the preceding section [[19-6-3](#) NMSA 1978], and in addition thereto shall forfeit and pay to the state an amount double the value of material so cut, removed, destroyed, injured or extracted.