

governments. Therefore, BLM is not required to prepare a statement containing the information required by the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (2 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*)

Executive Order 12630, Governmental Actions and Interference with Constitutionally Protected Property Rights (Takings)

The supplementary rules do not represent a government action capable of interfering with constitutionally protected property rights. The supplementary rules do not address property rights in any form, and do not cause the impairment of anyone's property rights. Therefore, the Department of the Interior has determined that the supplementary rules would not cause a taking of private property or require further discussion of takings implications under this Executive Order.

Executive Order 13132, Federalism

The supplementary rules will not have a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. The supplementary rules affect land in only one State, Nevada, and do not address jurisdictional issues involving the State government. Therefore, in accordance with Executive Order 13132, BLM has determined that these proposed supplementary rules do not have sufficient Federalism implications to warrant preparation of a Federalism assessment.

Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform

Under Executive Order 12988, the Office of the Solicitor has determined that these proposed supplementary rules would not unduly burden the judicial system and that they meet the requirements of sections 3(a) and 3(b)(2) of the Order.

Paperwork Reduction Act

These proposed supplementary rules do not contain information collection requirements that the Office of Management and Budget must approve under the Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

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Under the authority of 43 CFR chapter II, part 8360, sections 8364.1, 8365, 8365.1-2, and 8365.1-6, the Nevada State Director proposes supplemental rules applicable to these areas, to read as follows:

Supplementary Rules for the Silver Saddle Ranch and the Ambrose Carson River Natural Area

Sec. 1 Motor vehicle rules

a. You may use motorized vehicles only in parking areas and on designated routes of travel.

b. Motorized vehicles must be equipped with an approved spark arrester, as required and specified by 43 CFR 8343.1(c)

Sec. 2 Closed and limited use areas.

a. You may enter the area of the Silver Saddle Ranch (SSR) west of the Carson River only between the posted hours of sunrise to sunset, except during special events permitted by the BLM. This restriction also applies to SSR lands east of the Carson River and the Ambrose Carson River Natural Area (ACRNA) which are open sunrise to sunset.

b. Except during BLM guided or permitted activities, along the river corridor a three quarter (¾) mile long portion of riparian area west of the banks of the Carson River at the Silver Saddle Ranch, south of the Carson River Park and north of the Mexican Ditch trail, is closed to public use in order to protect both wildlife and riparian vegetation.

c. All agricultural fields are closed to the public while in farming/grazing operational use.

Sec. 3 Other restrictions on recreation use.

a. You may ride bicycles, or horses only on designated trails.

b. West of the Carson River, on the Silver Saddle Ranch, you must keep your dog on a leash at all time.

c. You must remove and properly dispose of any manure created by your pets.

d. To fish, you must possess a valid State of Nevada fishing license.

Sec. 4 Prohibited acts.

You must not:

a. Drive a motorized vehicle except in parking areas in designated routes of travel;

b. Drive a motorized vehicle not equipped with an approved spark arrester;

c. Enter areas that are closed under Sec. 2 of these supplementary rules;

d. Camp at the ACRNA or at the SSR without a permit from BLM-

e. Discharge any firearms, fireworks, or projectiles.

f. Start or use a campfire without specific BLM authorization. You may use portable stoves using gas, kerosene, jellied petroleum, or pressurized liquid fuel. Until such time as BLM installs permanent fire rings, grates, and/or other appropriate facilities, charcoal fires are allowed only if you first obtain a BLM permit.

g. Ride bicycles or horses except on designated trails;

h. Allow dogs and other pets to run unrestricted in areas specified in Sec. 3b of these supplementary rules;

i. Fail to remove manure deposited by your pet.

Sec. 5 Penalties.

Under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1733(a)), any person failing to comply with the supplemental rules provided in the notice, may be subject to imprisonment for not more than 12 months, or a fine in accordance with the applicable provisions of 18 U.S.C. 3571, other penalties in accordance with 43 U.S.C. 1733 or both.

Sec. 6 Administrative and emergency use.

These supplementary rules do not apply to emergency or law enforcement personnel, or BLM employees engaged in the performance of their official duties.

Dated: November 3, 2000.

Jean Rivers-Council,

Associate State Director, Nevada.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Draft General Management Plan, Environmental Impact Statement, Mount Rainier National Park, Washington

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Impact Statement and General Management Plan.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the National Park Service (NPS) announces the availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement and General Management Plan (DEIS/GMP) for Mount Rainier National Park, Washington.

DATES: Comments on the DEIS/GMP will be accepted through February 9,

2001. Public meetings concerning the DEIS/GMP will be held at the following locations and dates: *Seattle*: Sunday, December 3, 2000, 2:00–5:00 PM, Recreational Equipment, Inc. (REI), North Conference Room, 222 Yale N; *Olympia*: Monday, December 4, 2000, 10:00 AM–12:30 PM, Department of Ecology, Main Auditorium, 300 Desmond Drive; *Tacoma*: Monday, December 4, 2000, 5:00 PM–9:00 PM, Washington State History Museum, 1911 Pacific Avenue; *Enumclaw*: Tuesday, December 5, 2000, 5:00–9:00 PM, Green River Community College Center, 1414 Griffin; *Packwood*: Wednesday, December 6, 2000, 5:00–9:00 PM, Packwood Senior Center, 12931 U.S. Highway 12; *Yakima*: Thursday, December 7, 2000, 5:00–9:00 PM, Doubletree Hotel, 1507 North First Street; *Eatonville*: Friday, December 8, 2000, 5:00–9:00 PM, Pack Forest, 9010 453rd St. E.

Comments: If you wish to comment on the DEIS/GMP, you may mail your comments to the Mount Rainier Team, Denver Service Center, P.O. Box 25287, Denver, CO 80225–0287. You may also send your comments via the Internet to www.mountaincomments@nps.gov. Note that there are no spaces between the words. Capitalization does not matter. Please submit Internet comments as a text file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Be sure to include your name and return street address in your Internet message.

Please be aware that names and addresses of respondents may be released if requested under the Freedom of Information Act. Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review during regular business hours. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from the record, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There also may be circumstances in which we would withhold from the record a respondent's identity, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety. Anonymous comments may be included in the public record. However, the NPS is not legally required to consider or respond to anonymous comments.

ADDRESSES: The DEIS/GMP will be available for review on the Internet at www.hps.gov/planning and www.nps.gov/mora. Copies of the DEIS/GMP are available from the Superintendent, Mount Rainier National Park, Star Route, Tahoma Woods, WA 98304. Public reading copies of the DEIS/GMP will be available for review at the following locations: Office of the Superintendent, Mount Rainier National Park, Tahoma Woods, Washington 98304, phone (360) 569–2211; NPS Library, Columbia Cascades Support Office, 909 First Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104–1060, phone (206) 220–4114; Office of Public Affairs, Pacific West Region, NPS, 600 Harrison St., Suite 600, San Francisco, CA 94107–1372, phone (415) 427–1320; Office of Public Affairs, NPS, 18th and C Streets NW, Washington, DC 20240, phone (202) 208–6843.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DEIS/GMP analyzes three alternatives for managing the resources, visitors, and facilities in Mount Rainier National Park. The plan is intended to provide a foundation to help park managers guide park programs and set priorities. The alternative that is finally chosen as the plan will guide the management of Mount Rainier National Park over the next 20 years.

The “no-action” alternative is a continuation of the present management course regarding the management of visitor use. The NPS's proposed action, alternative 2, would continue focusing on protecting the park's natural and cultural resources, while improving the quality of visitor experiences. Among other actions, shuttle service would be provided to Paradise, White River campground, Sunrise, Mowich Lake, and the Westside Road; overflow parking would be eliminated throughout the park; the Henry M. Jackson Memorial Visitor Center at Paradise would be replaced with a smaller facility; the Carbon River Road would eventually be closed to private vehicles; and private vehicles would park 0.5 mile from Mowich Lake. Alternative 3 would offer a different combination of visitor opportunities than those offered in the proposed action. Under this alternative more designated parking spaces would be provided at several popular facilities, visitors would be able to drive high-clearance vehicles on the Westside Road, the last 0.75 mile of the Mowich Lake Road would be surfaced, and State Road 410 would be plowed in the winter up to the White River entrance. None of the alternatives would propose major new developments within the park. Both alternatives 2 and

3 would establish a visitor carrying capacity framework, provide shuttles, eliminate overflow parking, provide new visitor information services and facilities, and recommend a boundary adjustment near the Carbon River entrance.

The DEIS/GMP evaluates the environmental consequences of the proposed action and the other alternatives on natural resources (e.g., air and water quality, soils, special status species), geologic (volcanic and nonvolcanic) hazards, cultural resources (e.g., historic resources, archeological resources), visitor experiences (e.g., visitor access, the range of activities available, wilderness values and experiences), and the socioeconomic environment (e.g., regional context, gateway communities).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Eric Walkenshaw, Mount Rainier National Park, at the above address and telephone number, or Larry Beal, Denver Service Center, P.O. Box 25287, Denver, CO 80225–0287, phone (303) 969–2454.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Management Plan/Special Resource Study/Record of Decision Shenandoah Valley Battlefields National Historic District, VA

AGENCIES: Shenandoah Valley Battlefields National Historic District Commission and National Park Service; Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the Shenandoah Valley Battlefields National Historic District Commission and the National Park Service have signed a Record of Decision for the Management Plan/Special Resource Study for the Shenandoah Valley Battlefields National Historic District.

The NPS and the Commission will implement the proposed action identified in the Abbreviated Final Environmental Impact Statement (Alternative B: “Clusters”). A new non-profit organization, the Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation, will be created to manage the District.