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National Park Service

General Management Plan, Draft Environmental Impact Statement, Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve, CO

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of the Interior.


DATES: The National Park Service will accept comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement from the public through June 26, 2006. Public meetings will be scheduled during the comment period, including hearings on the wilderness study, and dates and times will be posted in a newsletter, on the planning Web site, and by contacting the park.

ADDRESSES: Information will be available for public review and comment online at http://parkplanning.nps.gov, in the office of the Superintendent, Steve Chaney, Great Sand Dunes National Monument and Preserve, 11500 Hwy. 150, Mosca, CO 81146–9798; Tel: (719) 378–6300; and at the following locations: Southern Peaks Public Library, 423 4th Street, Alamosa, Colorado; West Custer County Library, 209 Main Street, Westcliffe, Colorado; Crestone/Baca Library, Crestone, Colorado; Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve Visitor Center.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent Steve Chaney, Great Sand Dunes National Monument and Preserve, 11500 Hwy. 150, Mosca, CO 81146–9798; Tel: (719) 378–6300; FAX: (719) 378–6311; e-mail: steve_chaney@nps.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: If you wish to comment, you may submit your comments by any one of several methods. You may mail comments to Suzy Stutzman, National Park Service, Intermountain Region, Room 186, Lakewood, CO. It is the practice of the NPS to make all comments, including names and addresses of respondents who provide that information, available for public review following the conclusion of the [NEPA] process. Individuals may request that the NPS withhold their name and/or address from public disclosure. If you wish to do this, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment.

Commentators using the Web site can make such a request by checking the box “keep my contact information private.” NPS will honor such requests to the extent allowable by law, but you should be aware that NPS may still be required to disclose your name and address pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act.


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Notice of Intent to Expand the Scope of the General Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement for the Addition at Big Cypress National Preserve, FL

SUMMARY: The National Park Service (NPS) is expanding the scope of the General Management Plan (GMP)/Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) being prepared for the Addition lands. As part of this planning effort, the NPS will include a wilderness study to determine if any portions of the Addition Lands of Big Cypress National Preserve (Preserve) should be recommended for inclusion in the National Wilderness Preservation System as defined in the Wilderness Act of 1964. The NPS also will prepare an Off-Road Vehicle Management Plan that will address in more detail the management of off-road vehicles in the Addition Lands. These new elements will be included as part of the GMP/EIS currently in preparation. A Notice of Intent to prepare an EIS with that GMP was published in the Federal Register of June 12, 2001. That EIS now will be expanded to include an evaluation of the impacts associated with possible designation of wilderness and off-road vehicle management within the Addition Lands of the Preserve. This notice is being furnished as required by National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) regulation 40 CFR 1501.7.

To facilitate sound planning and analysis of environmental impact, the NPS is gathering information necessary for the preparation of the GMP, the Wilderness Study, Off-Road Vehicle Management Plan and the associated EIS and is obtaining suggestions and information from other agencies and the public on the scope of issues to be addressed. Comments and participation in this scoping process are invited.

DATES: Open house meeting places and times will be announced by press release to the Naples Daily News and the Miami Herald and on the park Web site at: www.nps.gov/bicy.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to comment may do so by any one of several methods. They may attend open houses noted above. They may mail comments to Big Cypress Planning Team, National Park Service, Denver Service Center, P.O. Box 25287, Denver, Colorado 80225. They also may comment via the Internet at http://parkplanning.nps.gov or e-mail to BICY_GMP_Planning@nps.gov. Finally, they may hand-deliver comments to the Big Cypress National Preserve headquarters in Ochopee, Florida.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Persons who previously submitted comments on the scope of the EIS as it relates to the GMP need not resubmit those comments. The NPS already is considering that input as planning continues. However, persons who have not previously submitted comments on...
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Background: On April 6, 2006, the National Park Service (NPS) announced a Subsistence Resource Commission (SRC) meeting for Gates of the Arctic National Park.

The purpose of the meeting is to develop and continue subsistence management programs within the Alaska Region for Gates of the Arctic National Park.

The meeting is open to the public and will be held at the Coldfoot Camp Motel in Coldfoot, Alaska, telephone: (907) 474–3500.

Notice of meeting.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Dave Mills, Superintendent and Fred Andersen, Subsistence Coordinator, Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve, 201 First Avenue Fairbanks, AK 99701, telephone: (907) 457–5752.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Meeting location and dates may need to be changed based on weather or local circumstances. Notice of SRC meetings will be published in local newspapers and announced on local radio stations prior to the meeting dates.

**Agenda:**

1. Call to order (SRC Chair).
2. SRC Roll Call and Confirmation of Quorum.
3. SRC Chair and Superintendent’s Welcome and Introductions.
4. Review and Approve Agenda.
5. Review and adopt minutes from last meeting.
7. Commission Member Reports.
8. Superintendent and NPS Staff Reports.
11. Agency and Public Comments.
12. SRC Work Session. Prepare correspondence and hunting program recommendations.
13. Set time and place of next SRC meeting.

**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Reclamation**

**Meeting of the Yakima River Basin Conservation Advisory Group, Yakima River Basin Water Enhancement Project, Yakima, WA**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** As required by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given that the Yakima River Basin Conservation Advisory Group, Yakima River Basin Water Enhancement Project, Yakima, Washington, established by the Secretary of the Interior, will hold a public meeting.

The purpose of the Conservation Advisory Group is to provide technical advice and counsel to the Secretary of the Interior and Washington State on the structure, implementation, and oversight of the Yakima River Basin Water Conservation Program.

**DATES:** Thursday, May 18, 2006, 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Bureau of Reclamation Office, 1917 March Road, Yakima, Washington.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. James Esget, Manager, Yakima River Basin Water Enhancement Project, 1917 Marsh Road, Yakima, Washington 98901; 509–575–5848, extension 267.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the meeting will be to review the staff reports requested at the last meeting and provide program oversite. This meeting is open to the public.

Dated: March 24, 2006.

James A. Esget,
Program Manager.

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