

Lottery Application Form

The Lottery Application Form is required to submit an application in a lottery. It allows the applicant to list 5 preferences for a launch date and trip size, and list Potential Alternate Trip Leaders.

Accept Trip Form

The Accept Trip Form is available only to those who win launches through the lottery and required if they wish to keep the trip. This form asks if they wish to keep the trip, and if so requires entry or verification of their mailing address. Once this form is complete, the user is given the option to go to a pay.gov form and pay a deposit.

Noncommercial River Trip Application Form

The Noncommercial River Trip Application Form is due 90 days before launch and required from those who have completed the Accept Trip Form. It asks for concurrence with the NPS requirements associated with the use of a noncommercial river permit and information about the qualified boat-operator, watercraft, safety equipment, and itinerary.

Trip Leader Trip Participant Form

The Trip Leader Trip Participant Form asks for the name, e-mail, and both the date and location when each individual participant will join or leave the river trip.

Confirm Trip Participation Form

All participants on noncommercial trips complete this form, indicating their intent to participate on the trip and recording their legal name and date of birth.

Diamond Creek Application

The Diamond Creek Application is required from individuals who wish to receive a permit to take a group down the Colorado River launching at Diamond Creek. The form asks for the applicant's contact information and proposed itinerary.

Abstract: These forms will provide public access on the Colorado River and overnight access into backcountry use areas within Grand Canyon National Park where use limits are imposed in accordance with NPS regulations. Such permitting improves the ability of the NPS to: educate users, promote public safety, encourage visitor enjoyment, enforce limits and regulations, verify technical river skills, conduct search and rescue efforts, collect fees, and promote visitation practices which preserve both the health of the environment and the quality of the

overall backcountry experience. We will use collected information for recreational use planning and resource management. Some nonpersonal information will be aggregated and shared on the park's Web site with the public.

The National Park Service Organic Act of 1916, 38 Stat 535, 16 U.S.C. 1, *et seq.*, requires that the NPS preserve national parks for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. The Organic Act and its amendments afford the NPS latitude to make resource decisions that balance visitor recreation and resource preservation. NPS regulations codified in 36 CFR parts 1 through 7, 12, and 13 are designated to implement statutory mandates that provide for resource protection and public enjoyment.

Backcountry permit information is collected via paper forms, and river permit information is collected via a combination of an online system and paper forms.

Comments: Comments are invited on: (1) The practical utility of the information being gathered; (2) the accuracy of the burden hour estimate; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden to respondents, including use of automated information techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that the comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this IC. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask OMB in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that it will be done.

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Robert M. Gordon,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request: Shenandoah National Park Angler Survey

AGENCY: National Park Service (NPS), Interior.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We (National Park Service, Shenandoah National Park) will ask the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve the information collection (IC) described below. To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and as a part of our continuing efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, we invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on this IC. We may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

DATE: Please submit your comment on or before November 14, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Please send your comments to the IC to Phadrea Ponds, Information Collections Coordinator, National Park Service, 1201 Oakridge Drive, Fort Collins, CO 80525 (mail); or phadrea_ponds@nps.gov (e-mail). Please reference Information Collection 1024-NEW, SHEN-ANGLER.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeb Wofford by mail at Shenandoah National Park, 3655 U.S. HWY 211E, Luray, VA 22835 or Jeb_Wofford@nps.gov (e-mail). You are entitled to a copy of the entire IC package free-of-charge.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: None. This is a new collection.

Title: Shenandoah National Park Angler Survey.

Type of Request: New.

Affected Public: General public.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Frequency of Collection: One-time (spring, summer, and fall seasons).

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 500.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 83 hours.

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost" Burden: None

Abstract: Aquatic resources and recreational fishing played a large role in the establishment of Shenandoah National Park and fishing remains an important recreational activity. Nevertheless, relatively little is known

about the angling public that enjoys Shenandoah. The objective of this collection is to educate park managers about the park's angling population and provide information on angling's potential effects on park resources. This project will inform park managers as well as provide the public an opportunity to offer the park their opinions about park aquatic resources and aquatic resource management. The information gathered through interviews and self-surveys will be used to assess current fisheries regulations and fish management in Shenandoah. The NPS may use the information to provide qualitative, quantitative, or graphical descriptions of a variety of angling statistics, including but not limited to angler use, satisfaction, and fish harvest. We will protect information from respondents considered proprietary under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and implementing regulations (43 CFR part 2), and under regulations at 30 CFR 250.197, "Data and information to be made available to the public upon request for limited inspection." Responses are voluntary and no questions of a "sensitive" nature will be asked.

Comments: We invite comments concerning this IC on: (1) Whether or not the collection of information is necessary, including whether or not the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of our estimate of the burden for this collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents.

Please note that the comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask OMB in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that it will be done.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Draft Environmental Impact Statement for General Management Plan for Golden Gate National Recreation Area and Muir Woods National Monument, Counties of Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo, CA

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement/General Management Plan for Golden Gate National Recreation Area and Muir Woods National Monument.

SUMMARY: In accord with § 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and pursuant to the Council on Environmental Quality's regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-08), the National Park Service has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Draft EIS) for the updating the General Management Plan (GMP) for Golden Gate National Recreation Area and Muir Woods National Monument. The Draft EIS/GMP evaluates four alternatives for managing Golden Gate National Recreation Area and Muir Woods, and upon approval the GMP would serve as a blueprint to guide management of these units of the National Park System over the next 15-20 years.

Background: Established in 1972 to bring "parks to the people", until now Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) has been operating under its first GMP, approved in 1980. During the 30 years since the GMP was approved, GGNRA has doubled in size, visitation now approaches 16 million annually. The management staff has gained a better understanding of the natural and cultural resources of the park and the many recreational uses that occur within the park areas. Muir Woods was declared a national monument in 1908 and is currently managed as part of GGNRA.

Public scoping was initiated in the spring of 2006. The Notice of Intent to prepare an EIS was published in the **Federal Register** on March 29, 2006. Five public scoping meetings were held in the area; approximately 300 participants overall provided relevant information which was duly considered in preparing preliminary alternatives. The preliminary alternatives were initially reviewed with the public at meetings held in June, 2008 (over 1,500 substantive comments were collected). Additionally, numerous coordination meetings were conducted with local

agencies and partner organizations. An update on the evolving preferred alternative was provided to the public in the summer, 2009.

Proposal and Alternatives: As noted, the Draft GMP/EIS describes and analyzes four alternatives. The no-action alternative consists of the existing park management and serves as a basis for comparison in evaluating the other alternatives.

Alternative 1, "Connecting People with the Parks," would further the founding idea of "parks to the people" and would engage the community and other visitors in the enjoyment, understanding, and stewardship of the park's resources and values. Park management would focus on ways to attract and welcome people, connect people with the resources, and promote understanding, enjoyment, preservation, and health. Alternative 1 is the "agency-preferred" alternative for managing most park lands in Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo Counties.

Alternative 2, "Preserving and Enjoying Coastal Ecosystems," would place an emphasis on preserving, enhancing, and promoting the dynamic and interconnected coastal ecosystems in which marine resources are valued and prominently featured. Recreational and educational opportunities would allow visitors to learn about and enjoy the ocean and bay environments, and gain a better understanding of the region's international significance and history.

Alternative 3, "Focusing on National Treasures," would place an emphasis on the park's nationally important natural and cultural resources. The fundamental resources of each showcased site would be managed at the highest level of preservation to protect the resources in perpetuity and to promote appreciation, understanding, and enjoyment of those resources. Visitors would have the opportunity to explore locally the wide variety of experiences that are associated with many different types of units of the National Park System. All other resources would be managed to complement the nationally significant resources and associated visitor experiences. Alternative 3 is the "agency-preferred" alternative for Alcatraz Island and Muir Woods National Monument.

As presented in the Draft EIS/GMP, Alternative 1 is the "environmentally preferred" course of action for lands in Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo Counties. Alternative 3 is "environmentally preferred" for Muir Woods NM and Alcatraz Island.