

preferred" alternative. Management of the park would emphasize increased opportunities for recreational diversity and research and education. Most recreational opportunities would remain, but new opportunities along Rim Drive would allow visitors to directly experience the primary resource of Crater Lake in ways other than driving. Any new uses around the rim would be non-motorized and low impact. Research and educational opportunities would be enhanced. A new science and learning center would form the core of the new research. The park would expand and encourage partnerships with universities, scientists, and educational groups. The information gathered would be disseminated throughout the park to rangers, interpretive staff, and visitors.

Alternative 3 emphasizes enjoyment of the natural environment. This alternative would allow visitors to experience a greater range of natural and cultural resources significant and unique to the park through recreational opportunities and education. A wider range of visitor experiences would reach out to greater diversity of visitor groups. Recreational programs, which would focus on minimizing impact, would provide the focus for interpretation and education. Resources would be managed to permit recreation while protecting the resources. Opportunities for recreation would be viewed in a regional context, where the park could serve as a source of information for regional recreational opportunities. Use of most current facilities would continue. News trails, new interpretive signs and other media, and expanded tour programs would be possible in Alternative 3.

In Alternative 4, park management would be focused on resource preservation and restoration. The park would be an active partner in a regional conservation strategy that would include other agencies and environmental groups. Most park operations and visitor contact facilities would be outside the park and shared with other agencies and communities. Areas that have been altered would be restored to their natural conditions. Cultural resources would be preserved at the highest level possible. The visitor experience would stress activities that have low environmental impacts on and are harmonious with the resources. More emphasis would be placed on self-guided and discovery education, and interpretive programs would focus on stewardship. Vehicular transportation would be altered to reinforce the visitor experience. The Rim Road would be closed between Cleetwood Cove and Kerr Notch. Winter use of the park

would change to allow natural processes to proceed with fewer disturbances than current management practices allow. Winter plowing of the road to the rim would stop, except for spring opening. Snowmobiling along North Junction Road would no longer be allowed. Facilities that are not historic and not essential to park functions would be removed and the area rehabilitated. Functions that are, by necessity park-based, would be retained in the park.

Public Review: The Final EIS/GMP is now available. Interested persons and organizations wishing to express any concerns or provide relevant information are encouraged to obtain the document from the Superintendent, Crater Lake National Park, P.O. Box 7, Highway 62, Crater Lake, Oregon, or via telephone at (541) 594-3001. The document may also be viewed at area libraries, or obtained electronically via the park's Web site at <http://www.planning.nps.gov>. Please note that names and addresses of people who comment become part of the public record. If individuals commenting request that their name or address be withheld from public disclosure, it will be honored to the extent allowable by law. Such requests must be stated prominently in the beginning of the comments. There also may be circumstances wherein the NPS will withhold from the record a respondent's identity, as allowable by law. As always: The NPS will make available to public inspection all submissions from organizations or businesses and from persons identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations and businesses; and, anonymous comments may not be considered.

Decision: Following release of the Final EIS/GMP, a Record of Decision (ROD) will be prepared and approved not sooner than 30 days after the EPA has published its notice of filing of the document in the **Federal Register**. A notice of the approved ROD would be similarly published, as well as announced through local and regional press media. As a delegated EIS, the official responsible for the decision is the Regional Director, Pacific West Region, National Park Service; subsequently the official responsible for implementing the approved GMP is the Superintendent, Crater Lake National Park.

Dated: April 4, 2005.

Jonathan B. Jarvis,
Regional Director, Pacific West Region.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

The Transportation Plan/Draft Environmental Impact Statement, Grand Teton National Park, WY

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of the draft environmental impact statement for the Transportation Plan, Grand Teton National Park.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4332(c), the National Park Service announces the availability of draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Transportation Plan, Grand Teton National Park, Wyoming.

DATES: The National Park Service will accept comments from the public on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for 60 days after publication of this notice. No public meetings are scheduled at this time, but may be announced at a later date.

ADDRESSES: Information will be available for public review and comment at the Park Headquarters Visitor Center in Moose, Wyoming and the Reference Desk of the Teton County Library in Jackson, Wyoming. It will also be available online at both <http://parkplanning.nps.gov> and <http://www.nps.gov/grte/plans/planning.htm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Gibson Scott, Superintendent, Grand Teton National Park, PO Drawer 170, Moose, Wyoming 83012-0170, (370) 739-3410.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: If you wish to comment, you may submit your comments by any one of several methods. You may mail comments to Superintendent Office, P.O. Drawer 170, Moose, Wyoming 83012-0170, Attention: Transportation Plan. You may also comment via the e-mail to <http://parkplanning.nps.gov>, choose "Grand Teton National Park" or "Plan/Documents Open for Comment" and then click "Comment on Document". Finally, you may hand-deliver comments to the Grand Teton Visitor Center, Moose, Wyoming. Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review during 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.

Dated: April 29, 2005.

Michael D. Snyder,

Acting Regional Director, Intermountain Region, National Park Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement, Effigy Mounds National Monument, IA

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement for the general management plan, Effigy Mounds National Monument.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4332(C), the National Park Service (NPS) is preparing an environmental impact statement for a general management plan for Effigy Mounds National Monument, Iowa. The environmental impact statement will be approved by the Director, Midwest Region.

The general management plan will prescribe the resource conditions and visitor experiences that are to be achieved and maintained in the monument over the next 15 to 20 years. The clarification of what must be achieved according to law and policy will be based on review of the monument's purpose, significance, special mandates, and the body of laws and policies directing park management. Based on determinations of desired conditions, the general management plan will outline the kinds of resource management activities, visitor activities, and development that would be appropriate in the future. A range of reasonable management alternatives will be developed through this planning process and will include, at a minimum, no-action and the preferred alternative.

Major issues to be addressed in the plan include: Cultural and natural resources of the park, visitor use of facilities and programs, staff access for resource patrols and visitor protection,

trail development, vegetation control, management of threatened and endangered species, management of the Yellow River, and land protection.

DATES: Any comments on the scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS should be received no later than December 30, 2005. Public meetings regarding the general management plan will be held during the scoping period. Specific dates, times, and locations will be made available in the local media, on the Effigy Mounds National Monument Web site (<http://www.nps.gov/efmo>), on the NPS Planning, Environment and Public Comment (PEPC) Web site (parkplanning.nps.gov/publicHome.cfm), or by contacting the Superintendent.

ADDRESSES: Information on the planning process and copies of newsletters will be available from the office of the Superintendent, 151 Highway 76, Harpers Ferry, Iowa 52146-7519.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent Phyllis Ewing, Effigy Mounds National Monument, 151 Highway 76, Harpers Ferry, Iowa 52146-7519, telephone 563-873-3491.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: If you wish to comment on any issues associated with the plan, you may submit your comments by any one of several methods. You may mail comments to: Effigy Mounds National Monument, 151 Highway 76, Harpers Ferry, Iowa 52146-7519. You may also comment via e-mail to efmo_superintendent@nps.gov. Please submit e-mail 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. You may provide comments electronically by entering them into the PEPC Web site at the address above. Finally, you may hand-deliver comments to the monument headquarters located three miles north of Marquette, Iowa, on Highway 76.

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 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.

Dated: April 29, 2005.

Ernest Quintana,

Director, Midwest Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Receipt of Application for Telecommunication Site

AGENCY: National Park Service, Theodore Roosevelt National Park.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of application for telecommunication site.

SUMMARY: (Authority: 47 U.S.C. 332 (Telecommunications Act of 1996); 16 U.S.C. 5; other applicable authorities and Director's Order 53).

Theodore Roosevelt National Park (THRO) has received an application from Verizon Wireless to rebuild the THRO's South Unit radio tower near Medora, North Dakota to accommodate Verizon Wireless equipment. The location of the proposed telecommunication site is Township 140 North, Range 102 West, W $\frac{1}{2}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 16, Billings County, North Dakota. The proposed site may include a rebuilt tower not to exceed 180 feet in height, a 12' x 30' equipment building, and necessary utilities. The staff at THRO is currently evaluating the proposal and conducting a review and analysis pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), the Telecommunications Act of 1996, and National Park Service (NPS) requirements, policy and regulations. Once completed, the NEPA analysis, including the effects, if any, on cultural resources, will be available for public review at: <http://www.nps.gov/thro>, and at the NPS Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) Web site at: <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/publicHome.cfm>. This Web site allows the public to review and comment directly on this document.

Comments: Comments on the proposal may be mailed to Theodore Roosevelt National Park, P.O. Box 7, Medora, North Dakota 58645, Attention Wireless Telecommunications Facility; by e-mail to thro_forum@nps.gov, or directly through the PEPC Web site.

DATES: Review and analysis pursuant to the NEPA and the NHPA are currently being conducted in the THRO and will