

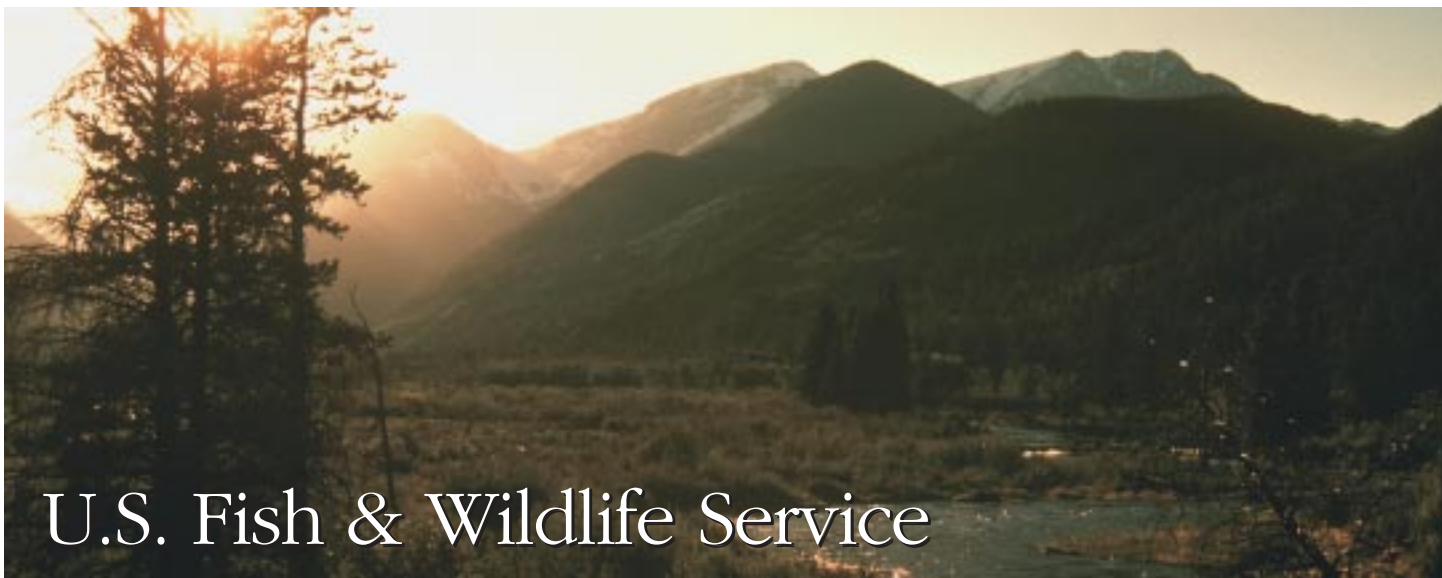
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The writer Wallace Stegner, who served as Assistant Secretary of the Interior in the Kennedy Administration, once called national parks “the best idea we ever had. Absolutely American, absolutely democratic, they reflect us at our best....” Since Yellowstone National Park was established in 1872, the National Park System has grown to encompass 83 million acres (34 million hectares) in 385 areas within 49 States, the District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico, Saipan, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Its mission is “to preserve unimpaired the natural and cultural resources and values of the National Park System for the enjoyment, education, and inspiration of this and future generations.” Conserving endangered species is an important part of that mission.



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Rocky Mountain National Park, Colorado

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