

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

SPECIAL MANDATES

Environmental Compliance and Permitting

Finding staff to prepare National Environmental Policy Act and National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 compliance documents, enter data into the Planning, Environment and Public Comment (PEPC) system, and monitor all construction and special park uses is escalating with more complexity in each project. Two positions in the resource management staff can devote from 0.3-.5 FTE to this task. Also it is difficult to project workload on many of these projects as we do not control when permit applications will be filed for approval. When project requests are complex such as construction or deer management, a temporary position dedicated to the project must be funded by the permittee in order to complete the compliance work.

Special Use /Public Gathering Permit (Form 10-114) are required for all public assemblies and special events and can be obtained by filling out a Form 10-930 Application for a Special Use/Public Gathering Permit. The fully completed application will be approved or denied within 2 business days of receipt. If permits are denied by the Superintendent, the applicant shall be informed in writing of the reasons for denial. Any and all locations may not be available due to: (1) area closures in effect and/or (2) previously permitted activities.

The park issues the following permits per year:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Annual Average</u>
Backcountry Shelters	115
Residential Camps	
<i>Greentop</i>	22
<i>Misty Mount</i>	697
<i>Round Meadow</i>	59
Special Event	5
Special Uses	7



Misty Mount Cabin.
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