



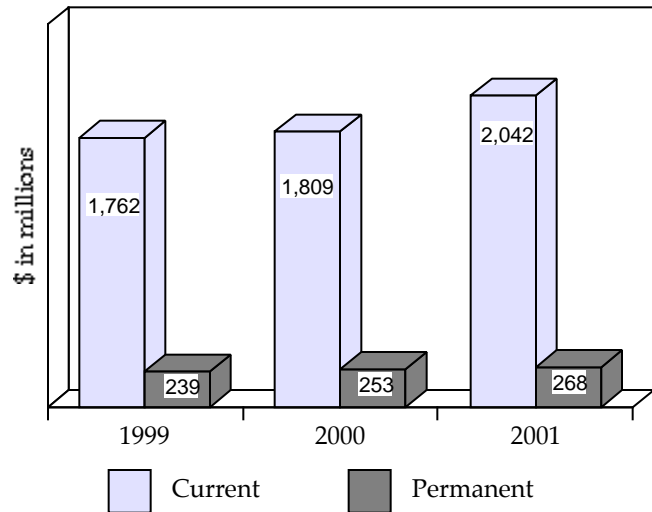
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Mission - In 1872, the Congress designated Yellowstone National Park as the Nation's first "public park or pleasuring ground for the benefit and enjoyment of the people." The subsequent establishment of the National Park Service on August 25, 1916, reflected a national consensus that natural and cultural resources must be set aside for public enjoyment and preserved for future generations. As stated in the original authorizing legislation, the NPS 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."

Program Overview - The stewardship responsibilities of NPS include 379 parks in 49 states, the District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Virgin Islands. The newest park, authorized in 1999, is Minuteman Missile National Historic Site in Interior, South Dakota. In its entirety, the Park system represents and interprets the collective struggles and cultural identity of the American people by preserving both the natural and cultural sites which are ingrained in the Nation's history. Representative of this rich diversity of our national culture are the numerous designations used for park sites. There are over 20 such designations. They range from the traditional national park designation to the more specific national scenic trail, national memorial, national battlefield, national seashore, national historic site, national historical park, and national monument. The Park Service also provides funding support and technical assistance to several national heritage areas. All of the Park system areas are of such national significance as to justify special recognition and protection in accordance with various acts of Congress. Park visits total more than 280 million annually.

Central to carrying out the Park Service mission are the employees. Total staffing in 1999 was 19,918 full time equivalents. More than 80 percent are employed in parks, with the remainder in headquarters, central offices, and service-wide programs. The NPS estimates that staffing will total 20,450 full time equivalents in 2001. Park employees serve a diverse clientele of visitors and function in multiple roles including stewards of the public

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trust, interpreters of natural and cultural sites, and guarantors of visitor safety. In the area of cultural resource preservation, park staff serve as historians, curators, archaeologists, and conservators. In the natural resource programs, park staff serve as biologists, hydrologists, geologists, and general resource management specialists.

Budget Overview - The 2001 NPS budget includes a significant investment in the Administration's Lands Legacy Initiative; continues the Administration's commitment to the Everglades ecosystem restoration effort; and stresses important investments in park operations and natural resource programs. Proposed appropriations in the 2001 budget total \$2.04 billion, \$233.5 million above the 2000 enacted level, and includes \$317.5 million in support of the Lands Legacy Initiative.

Lands Legacy - The Park Service budget includes a significant increase for the Administration's Lands Legacy Initiative. The NPS Land Acquisition and State Assistance appropriation is funded at \$297.5 million, providing \$147.5 million for Federal land acquisition and \$150.0 million for State conservation grants.

An increase of \$12.8 million over the 2000 enacted level for Federal land acquisition includes \$22.0 million to acquire lands at six Civil War battlefield parks and \$5.3 million for land acquisition in Southern California, including \$900,000 to complete acquisition from the Catellus Corporation to protect fragile desert ecosystem in the Mojave National Preserve.

The 2001 budget reflects the last year of a four-year initiative accelerating the Everglades ecosystem restoration. Of the funds requested for Federal land acquisition, the NPS budget includes \$50.0 million for Everglades land acquisition, including \$47.0 million to continue the important partnership with the State of Florida in acquiring land to support Everglades restoration.

The State Conservation Grants Program will provide \$150.0 million in grants to States to acquire and develop land for public recreation purposes. Grants will be provided to States on a 50/50 matching basis, and through the States, to local governments. One half of new program funds will be distributed to States through formula; the remaining grant funds will be allocated on need-based criteria as determined by the Secretary including: pristine Northern Forest lands; Civil War battlefields outside NPS boundaries that are under threat of development; imperiled wetlands in the Lower Mississippi Delta; and important wildlife habitat in Southern California and the New York/New Jersey area. Of the amount allocated under the existing formula, the budget assumes that no more than one-half is available for development projects.

Park Operations - Funding for the Park Operations appropriation, the money that funds resource protection, visitor services, and other programs in parks, is increased by a net of \$90.3 million and emphasizes park operating needs and resource management.

The budget proposes a program increase of \$24.0 million for specific park operational increases. The increase will be used to address specific program needs at 72 parks, three trails, two foundations that support park activities, and for the U.S. Park Police. The funds will be directed to parks experiencing severe threats to natural resources; parks with new responsibilities; parks with high priority facility operations and maintenance needs; and to provide for the visitor experience. Examples of specific park increases include improving the employee safety program at Yosemite National Park; operating a new information plaza at Grand Canyon National Park; and instituting cultural and natural resource management activities at the Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve in Kansas. The increase for operations includes a net increase of \$28.4 million to fund uncontrollable costs throughout the Park system.

Natural Resource Management - The national park system is a microcosm of the diversity of the land encompassing great deserts; grand mountain ranges; Alaskan glaciers; subterranean caves; huge evergreen forests; unique seashores, grasslands, and plains; and rivers and trails that link these resources.

Funding in 2000 allowed NPS to implement the Natural Resource Challenge, a five-year action plan for improving management of the natural resources in parks. The action plan includes measures for protecting native species and their habitats; providing leadership for a healthy environment; connecting parks to protected areas; and sharing information about natural resources with the public. The initiative focuses on increasing scientific information for decision-making; building capability to develop and implement solutions to resource problems; and fostering creative uses of partnerships for developing information useful to parks and making parks useful for others.

The 2001 budget includes a program increase of \$18.0 million in the operations budget for the second year of the NPS Natural Resource Challenge. Part of the increase will be dedicated to accelerating efforts to acquire basic data on natural resources and monitoring the condition of these resources. Additionally, water quality monitoring will be initiated in 12 networks of parks.

With the increase, NPS will enhance the control of invasive species in 13 parks to restore healthy functioning ecosystems; help protect the diverse populations of plants and animals of the California Desert parks; help restore the critical habitat of threatened and endangered species in eight parks; and make progress toward the restoration of damaged resources. For example, the increase will help the Great Smoky Mountains National Park control alien species of plants and fish that are destroying native ecosystems. Other examples of on-the-ground improvements are improving the protection of two endangered nesting birds at Haleakala National Park and restoring two acres of wetlands to natural condition at Saugus Iron Works National Historic Site in Massachusetts.

Park Related Programs - Within operations, an additional \$13.6 million will support programs that directly benefit parks, such as: funding additional costs associated with GSA leases at park units; enhancing information management and technical assistance capabilities at the seven regional offices; and boosting the parks' volunteer work force and challenge cost share programs.

In 2001 NPS will continue its efforts in reducing the backlog of health and safety deficiencies in existing facilities through the use of Recreational Demonstration Pro-

gram fees, as well as the \$449.7 million Facility Operations and Maintenance program. In order to continue improvements in management and accountability for park infrastructure, the budget includes \$3.0 million for conducting facility condition assessments and implementing the NPS maintenance management system.

The request also includes \$2.3 million in additional funds for cultural resource program enhancements such as accelerating cataloging of items in the park museum collections and essential preservation work on ancient ruins in southwestern parks.

Construction - The Construction and Major Maintenance account is funded at \$180.0 million and emphasizes the Department's Safe Visits to Public Lands Initiative. Funding is provided for projects addressing the most critical health and safety and high priority natural and cultural resource needs of the parks.

The Construction budget includes \$2.6 million for Congressionally authorized resource studies to evaluate potential park units. If authorized by Congress, NPS will evaluate areas such as the Vicksburg Civil War Campaign Trail and World War II Relocation Centers.

National Recreation and Preservation - This appropriation funds programs connected with local community efforts to preserve natural and cultural resources. For 2001, these programs are proposed at \$68.6 million, an increase of \$15.2 million.

The budget proposes \$20.0 million, an increase of \$18.0 million for the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery program, part of the Lands Legacy Initiative. The program will help local communities meet recreation needs by awarding matching grants for the rehabilitation of critically needed recreation areas and facilities, and for development of improved recreation programs.

Meeting these urban needs for recreation is important as illustrated by the Recreation Roundtable's sixth annual nationwide survey. The survey found that the majority of Americans believe that outdoor recreation teaches children an appreciation of nature; helps develop physical and interpersonal skills; and builds communities.

Historic Preservation - For 2001, the Historic Preservation Fund is proposed at \$72.1 million. In 2001, a total of \$7.2 million is needed to reach the full authorized level of \$29.0 million for the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Program as authorized in the 1996 Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Act.

The 2001 budget funds the Save America's Treasures program at \$30.0 million, providing matching grants to preserve projects of national scope and significance.

Recreational Fee Demonstration Program - In 2001, the parks will continue to enjoy the benefits resulting from the Recreational Fee Demonstration Program, authorized by Congress in 1996. The 2001 estimate for NPS Demonstration Program receipts is \$148.4 million. Available to the Park Service without further appropriation, 80 percent of these funds support projects at the collecting park and 20 percent is distributed Nation-wide on the basis of need. Parks are using the fees to remedy maintenance backlogs, enhance resource management, and improve visitor services. For the five-year period of the Program, 1997 through 2001, over \$600 million in additional funds will have been available to NPS to protect resources and infrastructure and to better serve visitors.

Government Performance and Results Act - The NPS continues to improve its implementation of GPRA. All programs at the park level are covered by strategic plans and annual performance plans. Individual performance standards for all park superintendents and senior management staff are now tied to NPS performance goals.

SUMMARY OF BUREAU APPROPRIATIONS
(all dollar amounts in thousands)

Comparison of 2001 Request with 2000 Enacted:

	2000 Enacted		2001 Request		Change From 2000	
	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Appropriations						
Operation of the National Park System	17,043	1,363,764	17,525	1,454,098	+482	+90,334
National Recreation and Preservation.....	310	53,399	331	68,648	+21	+15,249
Historic Preservation Fund	0	74,793	0	72,071	0	-2,722
Construction and Major Maintenance.....	433	226,165	433	180,000	0	-46,165
Land Acquisition and State Assistance	133	120,700	212	297,468	+79	+176,768
LWCF Contract Authority (Rescission).....	0	-30,000	0	-30,000	0	0
Subtotal, Appropriations.....	<u>17,919</u>	<u>1,808,821</u>	<u>18,501</u>	<u>2,042,285</u>	<u>+582</u>	<u>+233,464</u>
Permanents and Other						
Recreation Fee Permanent Appropriations	753	156,471	446	164,470	-307	+7,999
Other Permanent Appropriations*	158	51,626	178	55,929	+20	+4,303
Proposed Legislation - Filming	0	0	0	2,500	0	+2,500
Miscellaneous Trust Funds	70	14,608	70	14,608	0	0
LWCF Contract Authority.....	0	30,000	0	30,000	0	0
Construction (Trust Fund)	2	0	2	0	0	0
Subtotal, Permanents and Trusts	<u>983</u>	<u>252,705</u>	<u>696</u>	<u>267,507</u>	<u>-287</u>	<u>+14,802</u>
Transfers, Reimbursables and Allocations						
Transfers	730	0	730	0	0	0
Reimbursables.....	523	0	523	0	0	0
Allocations to Other Agencies	[32]	[0]	[24]	[0]	[0]	[0]
Subtotal, Other	<u>1,253</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,253</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL, NATIONAL PARK SERVICE.....	<u>20,155</u>	<u>2,061,526</u>	<u>20,450</u>	<u>2,309,792</u>	<u>+295</u>	<u>+248,266</u>

* Includes Concessions Improvement Accounts of \$20 million in FY 2000 and \$22 million in FY 2001 (not an appropriation). Some National Park Service agreements with private concessioners providing visitor services within national parks required the concessioners to deposit a portion of gross receipts or a fixed sum of money in a separate bank account. With park approval, a concessioner expends funds from such an account for improvements to facilities that directly support concession visitor services, but would not otherwise be funded through the appropriations process.

HIGHLIGHTS OF BUDGET CHANGES
By Appropriation Activity/Subactivity

APPROPRIATION: Operation of the National Park System

	<u>1999 Actual</u>	<u>2000 Enacted</u>	<u>2001 Request</u>	<u>Change from 2000 Enacted</u>
Park Management				
Resource Stewardship.....	228,394	254,003	287,820	+33,817
Visitor Services.....	302,994	318,636	280,593	-38,043
US Park Police	[67,168]	[72,105]	76,441	+76,441
Facility Operations and Maintenance.	411,163	432,556	449,746	+17,190
Park Support	238,485	247,499	261,855	+14,356
Subtotal, Park Management.....	1,181,036	1,252,694	1,356,455	+103,761
External Administrative Costs.....	104,688	111,070	97,643	-13,427
Transfer from High Intensity				
Drug Trafficking Area.....	104	0	0	0
FY99 Transfer - USPP Helicopter	[8,500]	0	0	0
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	1,285,828	1,363,764	1,454,098	+90,334

Highlights of Budget Changes

	<u>Amount</u>
Uncontrollable Cost Increases (non-add)	[+28,410]
Park Management	
Resource Stewardship	+33,817
The NPS is requesting increases for the Natural Resources Challenge which includes the following programs: Invasive Species Mitigation and Threatened and Endangered Species Recovery at parks (+\$3,400), Inventory & Monitoring - Vegetation Monitoring (+\$1,750) and Vital Signs Monitoring (+\$4,200), Water Quality Issues (+\$2,100), Air Quality (+\$200), Natural Resource Data Management (+\$1,250), Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Units (+\$1,600), Learning Centers (+\$900), Resource Protection Act Implementation (+\$500), California Desert Restoration (+\$1,500), and Alaska Natural Resource Projects (+\$550). Increases are also requested for the following Cultural Resource Programs: Vanishing Treasures (+\$310), Museum Management Program Cataloging and Protection (+\$1,000), and Treasures of the Nation museum object digitization (+\$1,000). Increases are proposed for the South Florida Task Force (+\$500) and for Alaska Subsistence Fisheries Management (+\$1,034). The proposed increase for selected parks is to address specific high priority operational requirements (+\$7,466) and additional funds are also requested for Regional Office Park Support (+\$295). Uncontrollable costs (+\$4,262) are included.	
Visitor Services	-38,043
Increases are proposed for Regional Office Park Support (+\$532), enhanced support of National Council for Traditional Arts (+\$75), one-time costs associated with the 2001 Presidential Inauguration (+\$1,000), and Harpers Ferry Center to implement a new signage program (+\$350). Additional funds are requested for selected parks to address specific high priority operational requirements (+\$7,661). Uncontrollable costs (-\$47,661) are included. The uncontrollable costs include a transfer of funds from Visitor Services to a new budget subactivity, United States Park Police.	
United States Park Police	+76,441
An increase is proposed for one time costs associated with the 2001 Presidential Inauguration (+\$800). Additional funds are requested to allow a simplified pay structure to be put into effect for sworn officers (+\$1,139) and for upgrades in training and equipment replacement (+\$335). Uncontrollable costs (+\$74,167) are included. Uncontrollable costs include a transfer of funds from Visitor Services and External Administrative Costs to this subactivity.	

	<u>Amount</u>
Facility Operations and Maintenance	+17,190
<p>An increase is requested for a Maintenance Management Software Upgrade (+\$2,000) and the Comprehensive Facility Condition Assessment Program (+\$1,000). Additional funds are requested for Regional Office Park Support (+\$85). The proposed increase for selected parks is to address specific high priority operational requirements (+\$5,198). Uncontrollable costs (+\$8,907) are included.</p>	
Park Support	+14,356
<p>Increases would allow for Regional Office Park Support (+\$1,195), the implementation of a Mid-Level Intake Program (+\$1,000), enhanced Mid-Level Manager Training (+\$500), establishment of base funding for the Indian Liaison Office (+\$290), enhancement of the Volunteers-in-Parks Program (+\$1,000), improvement in the management of Park Partnerships and Business Practices (+\$400), continued development of ParkNet Resource Inventory and Management Systems (+\$500), and more than a doubling of funds for the Challenge Cost Share Program (+\$2,342). Additional funds are requested for selected parks to address specific high priority operational requirements (+\$2,251). Uncontrollable costs (+\$4,878) are included.</p>	
External Administrative Costs	-13,427
<p>Funds are requested for new space requirements (+\$2,716). Uncontrollable costs (-\$16,143) are included. Uncontrollable costs include a transfer of funds for United States Park Police pension costs from this subactivity to the new United States Park Police budget subactivity.</p>	

APPROPRIATION: National Recreation and Preservation

	<u>1999 Actual</u>	<u>2000 Enacted</u>	<u>2001 Request</u>	<u>Change from 2000 Enacted</u>
Recreation Programs	515	528	542	+14
Natural Programs	9,045	9,993	11,205	+1,212
Cultural Programs.....	19,056	19,425	19,853	+428
Environmental Compliance and Review	358	369	393	+24
Grants Administration.....	1,751	1,801	1,557	-244
International Park Affairs.....	1,671	1,683	1,706	+23
Heritage Partnership Programs				
Commissions and Grants	5,000	5,942	8,025	+2,083
Technical Support.....	859	878	895	+17
Subtotal, Heritage Partnership	5,859	6,820	8,920	+2,100
Statutory or Contractual Aid				
Alaska Native Cultural Center	750	742	0	-742
Aleutian World War II Historic Area .	100	792	0	-792
Automobile Heritage Area.....	0	297	0	-297
Brown Foundation.....	102	101	101	0
Chesapeake Bay Gateways.....	0	594	1,250	+656
Dayton Aviation Heritage Comm.....	48	47	47	0
Delaware & Lehigh Nav. Canal.....	329	445	0	-445
Ice Age National Scientific Reserve	806	798	798	0
IL & MI Canal Nat'l Heritage Comm .	239	240	0	-240
John H. Chafee Blackstone				
River Valley NHC Comm	324	445	0	-445
Johnston Area Heritage Assn	50	49	49	0
Lackawana Heritage	450	445	0	-445
Lamprey River	0	0	200	+200
Mandan On-a-Slant Village.....	250	396	0	-396
Martin Luther King Jr. Center	534	529	529	0
National Constituion Center.....	500	495	0	-495
National First Ladies Library.....	300	297	0	-297
National Underground RR to Freedom	500	0	0	0
Native Hawaiian Culture & Arts	750	742	742	0

	<u>1999 Actual</u>	<u>2000 Enacted</u>	<u>2001 Request</u>	<u>Change from 2000 Enacted</u>
New Orleans Jazz Commission	67	66	66	0
Oklahoma City Memorial.....	0	857	0	-857
Quinebaug-Shetucket National Heritage Pres. Comm	200	248	0	-248
Roosevelt Campobello Internat'l Park Commission	670	670	690	+20
Sewell-Belmont House.....	0	495	0	-495
SW PA Heritage Preservation Comm.	158	0	0	0
Vancouver Nat'l Historic Reserve.....	400	396	0	-396
Wheeling National Heritage Area	400	594	0	-594
Subtotal, Stat'y / Contractual Aid ..	7,927	10,780	4,472	-6,308
UPARR Program.....	0	2,000	20,000	+18,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	46,182	53,399	68,648	+15,249

Highlights of Budget Changes

	<u>Amount</u>
Uncontrollable Cost Increases (non-add)	[+978]
Natural Programs	+1,212
Increased funds are requested for the Rivers and Trails Conservation Program (+\$500) and the Hydropower Recreation Assistance Program (+\$500). Uncontrollable costs (+\$212) are included.	
Cultural Programs	+428
Increased funds are requested to allow a fuller implementation of Native America Grave Protection and Repatriation Act responsibilities (+\$400). A decrease is proposed for funds provided in 2000 for a Revolutionary War Study (-\$250). Uncontrollable costs (+\$278) are included.	
Grants Administration	-244
Funds used for UPARR grant administration (-\$304) are requested for elimination. This function will be carried out under the UPARR budget activity . Grants beginning in 2001. Uncontrollable costs (+\$60) are included.	
Heritage Partnership Programs	+2,100
Additional funding is requested to support Heritage Partnership Commissions and Grants (+\$258). Uncontrollable costs (+\$1,842) are included, which would allow the transfer of seven heritage areas to this budget activity that were previously funded elsewhere. Heritage areas proposed for increases are Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area (+\$208) and John H. Chafee Blackstone River National Heritage Corridor (+\$50).	
Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Program	+18,000
Increased funds are requested for UPARR program(+\$16,900) and grants administration (+\$1,100). This program is part of the Administration's Land Legacy Initiative.	
Statutory or Contractual Aid	
Alaska Native Cultural Center	-742
Funds added to the budget in 2000 are not requested in 2001.	
Aleutian World War II Historic Area	-792
Funds added to the budget in 2000 are not requested in 2001.	
Chesapeake Bay Gateways	+656
Increase funds are requested for grant programs.	

	<u>Amount</u>
Lackawana Heritage Funds added to the budget in 2000 are not requested in 2001.	-445
Mandan On-a-Slant Village Funds added to the budget in 2000 are not requested in 2001.	-396
National Constitution Center Funds added to the budget in 2000 are not requested in 2001.	-495
National First Ladies Library Funds added to the budget in 2000 are not requested in 2001.	-297
Oklahoma City Memorial Funds added to the budget in 2000 are not requested in 2001.	-857
Roosevelt Campobello International Park Commission An increase is requested to allow the United States to match the Canadian Contribution, as required by law.	+20
Sewell-Belmont House Funds added to the budget in 2000 are not requested in 2001.	-495
Vancouver National Historic Reserve Funds added to the budget in 2000 are not requested in 2001.	-396
Wheeling National Heritage Area Funds added to the budget in 2000 are not requested in 2001.	-594

APPROPRIATION: Historic Preservation Fund

	<u>1999 Actual</u>	<u>2000 Enacted</u>	<u>2001 Request</u>	<u>Change from 2000 Enacted</u>
Grants-in-Aid	42,412	44,793	42,071	-2,722
Save America's Treasures.....	30,000	30,000	30,000	0
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	72,412	74,793	72,071	-2,722

Highlights of Budget Changes

	<u>Amount</u>
Grants-in-Aid A decrease is requested for Grants to Historically Black Colleges and Universities. The requested level will allow the National Park Service to finish all rehabilitation for specified colleges and universities in accordance with Public Law 104-333 and still provide \$724,000 to assist in repair work at institutions identified under the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Initiative.	-2,722

APPROPRIATION: Construction and Major Maintenance

	<u>1999 Actual</u>	<u>2000 Enacted</u>	<u>2001 Request</u>	<u>Change from 2000 Enacted</u>
Line Item Construction & Maintenance .	185,241	151,486	108,395	-43,091
Special Programs				
Emergency,Unscheduled.....	3,000	3,500	3,500	0
Housing.....	11,681	0	5,000	+5,000
Dam Safety	0	1,440	1,440	0
Equipment Replacement	15,402	18,000	16,250	-1,750
Construction Planning	16,370	15,940	10,840	-5,100
Pre-Design and Supplementary Services	0	4,500	4,500	0
Construction Program Management and Operations.....	0	17,100	17,100	0
General Management Planning.....	7,725	9,225	12,975	+3,750
Transfer to Oklahoma City Mem Trust..	[-5,000]	0	0	0
Transfer from Ft Baker, GOGA	0	4,974	0	-4,974
Proposed Supp. Storm Damage	0	[4,000]	0	0
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	239,419	226,165	180,000	-46,165

Highlights of Budget Changes

	<u>Amount</u>
Line Item Construction and Maintenance	-43,091
The proposed construction program for 2001 consists of 34 projects in 32 park areas. These projects are comprised of currently unmet high priority health, safety, and resources protection needs, and other projects of an important and urgent nature. Public use sanitation system improvements are included for 9 parks including Yellowstone National Park. The Service continues its efforts to restore important ecological areas at Everglades and Olympic National Parks. (See Appendix D for a complete list and description of projects).	
Special Programs	+3,250
This activity includes Emergency and Unscheduled Projects, the Seismic Safety of National Park System Buildings Program, Employee Housing, Dam Safety, and Equipment Replacement. These functions are described below:	
Housing	+5,000
Funding in this program is primarily used to remove temporary, unsafe, and trailer housing units throughout the National Park System and replace them with safe and permanent quarters for park employees. This program was not funded for 2000 due to unobligated balances from prior years. Funding requested for 2001 will focus on exploring and implementing acceptable alternatives to Government-owned housing for NPS and concessioner employees and families.	
Equipment Replacement	-1,750
Funds are requested for the timely, scheduled replacement of park equipment. Included in the requested amount are funds to improve park management and data processing and to implement the modernization of its radio communications inventory in compliance with National Telecommunications and Information Administration regulations. In 2001, a reduction is proposed for Information Management Equipment.	
Construction Planning	-5,100
Funding in this activity is used to prepare project planning documents, drawings, and specifications necessary to complete approved Line Item Construction Program projects. Construction project planning for 2001 is conducted under the National Academy of Professional Administrators guidelines and funding is 10% of the Line Construction Program in compliance with the guidelines.	

	<u>Amount</u> +3,750
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General Management Planning
 The proposed General Management Plans program will continue the preparation and revision of plans to guide the Service in the protection, use, development, and management of each area and evaluate the potential for adding new units to the National Park system. A renewed emphasis on incorporating resource assessments into the general management planning process (+\$500), environmental compliance (+\$2,000), and new area studies mandated by Congress (+\$1,250) will be the highlight of this activity in 2001.

APPROPRIATION: Land Acquisition and State Assistance

	<u>1999 Actual</u>	<u>2000 Enacted</u>	<u>2001 Request</u>	<u>Change from 2000 Enacted</u>
Assistance to States				
State Conservation Grants.....	0	20,000	145,000	+125,000
Administrative Expenses.....	500	1,000	5,000	+4,000
National Park Service				
Acquisitions.....	134,425	84,700*	127,560	+42,860
Emergencies and Hardships	3,000	3,000	4,000	+1,000
Acquisition Management	8,490	10,000	11,908	+1,908
Inholdings.....	1,500	2,000	4,000	+2,000
Rescissions	0	0	0	0
Net Transfers	0	0	0	0
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	147,915	120,700	297,468	+176,768

* Does not include \$35 million appropriated in Title VI of the 2000 Interior Appropriations Act for Everglades grants to the State of Florida.

Highlights of Budget Changes

	<u>Amount</u> +125,000
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State Conservation Grants
 The NPS is requesting funds totaling \$145,000 for State Conservation grants in 2001. This program expands and protects open space, park and recreation opportunities in metropolitan areas and other areas of need identified by State and local partners. The program in 2001 would provide for the acquisition of open space and the development of outdoor recreation area and facilities on a 1:1 matching basis. This program is part of the Administration's Land Legacy Initiative.

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State Grants Administration
 Funds totaling \$5,000 are requested to administer previously-awarded and new grants. This program is part of the Administration's Land Legacy Initiative.

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Federal Land Acquisition
 Funding requested totaling \$135,560 includes funds for projects in the South Florida ecosystem (\$50,000) and other park areas (\$85,560). This program is part of the Administration's Land Legacy Initiative.

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Acquisition Management
 Funds totaling \$11,908 are requested to administer the acquisition of authorized National Park Service lands. Of the total request, \$2.0 million supports efforts associated with the restoration of the South Florida ecosystem. This program is part of the Administration's Land Legacy Initiative.

APPROPRIATION: Land and Water Conservation Fund Contract Authority

	<u>1999 Actual</u>	<u>2000 Enacted</u>	<u>2001 Request</u>	<u>Change from 2000 Enacted</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	-30,000	-30,000	-30,000	0