

broader interpretive mandate than in Alternative B to include a wider range of themes and historic periods as well as natural resource themes. The three alternatives are described in detail in chapter 2 of the draft plan. The key impacts of implementing the three alternatives are detailed in chapter 4 and summarized in chapter 2.

Authority: The authority for publishing this notice is contained in 40 CFR 1506.6.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent Randy Wester, P.O. Box 30757, Highway 80 East, Savannah, GA 31410-0757 or telephone at (912) 786-5787.

The responsible official for this Draft EIS is the Regional Director, NPS Southeast Region, 100 Alabama Street SW., 1924 Building, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

Dated: May 16, 2012.

Gordon Wissinger,

Acting Regional Director, Southeast Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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General Management Plan/ Environmental Impact Statement, Ross Lake National Recreation Area, North Cascades National Park Service Complex, Skagit and Whatcom Counties, WA

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of approval of Record of Decision for General Management Plan.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to § 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (Pub. L. 91-190, as amended) and the regulations promulgated by the Council on Environmental Quality (40 CFR part 1505.2), the Department of the Interior, National Park Service (NPS) has prepared and approved a Record of Decision for the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the new General Management Plan (GMP) for Ross Lake National Recreation Area, part of the North Cascades National Park Service Complex (Complex). The requisite no-action "wait period" was initiated December 16, 2011, with the Environmental Protection Agency's **Federal Register** notification of the filing of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (Final EIS).

Decision: As soon as practical the NPS will begin to implement the stewardship strategies, park operations, and visitor

service projects identified and analyzed as the Preferred Alternative (Alternative B) described in the Final EIS. The NPS will recommend legislation to change the name of this unit to North Cascades National Recreation Area (NRA). Other plan elements include: (1) Management focus on the NRA as a gateway to millions of acres of wilderness, (2) provision for continued seaplane access with noise abatement procedures, (3) limited expansion of overnight facilities and concessions, and (4) conversion of 3,559 acres of Thunder Creek Potential Wilderness Area to designated wilderness, pursuant to the Washington Park Wilderness Act of 1988. The full range of foreseeable environmental consequences from implementing the proposed actions were assessed, and appropriate mitigation measures identified. In addition, a No Action alternative and two other alternatives were identified and analyzed. Alternative B was determined to be the "environmentally preferred" course of action.

Copies: Interested parties desiring to review the Record of Decision may obtain a copy by contacting the Superintendent, North Cascades National Park Service Complex, 810 State Route 20, Sedro-Woolley, WA 98284; or via telephone request at (360) 854-7200.

Dated: May 4, 2012.

Patricia L. Neubacher,

Acting Regional Director, Pacific West Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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National Park Service Alaska Region's Subsistence Resource Commission

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of open public meeting and teleconference for the National Park Service (NPS) Alaska Region's Subsistence Resource Commission (SRC) program.

SUMMARY: The Gates of the Arctic National Park SRC will meet to develop and continue work on NPS subsistence program recommendations and other related subsistence management issues. The NPS SRC program is authorized under Title VIII, Section 808 of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, Public Law 96-487, to operate in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory

Committee Act. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

Public Availability of Comments: This teleconference meeting is open to the public and will have time allocated for public testimony. The public is welcome to present written or oral comments to the SRC. This meeting will be recorded and meeting minutes will be available upon request from the park superintendent for public inspection approximately six weeks after the meeting. Before including your address, telephone number, email 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 us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Gates of the Arctic National Park SRC Meeting Date and Location: The Gates of the Arctic National Park SRC teleconference meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 19, 2012, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. or until business is completed at the Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve office, 4175 Geist Road, Fairbanks, AK 99709, telephone (907) 457-5752. Should a quorum not be available on June 19, 2012, alternate teleconference meeting dates have been scheduled for Thursday, June 21, 2012, and Tuesday, June 26, 2012, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. If the meeting dates and location are changed, a notice will be published in local newspapers and announced on local radio stations prior to the meeting date. SRC meeting locations and dates may need to be changed based on inclement weather or exceptional circumstances.

Teleconference Meeting Registration: Space for the teleconference meeting is limited, and you are encouraged to register early if you plan to participate via telephone. Teleconference meeting participants should contact Marcy Okada, Subsistence Manager, via email (Marcy_Okada@nps.gov) or by telephone at (907) 455-0639 between June 11-18, 2012, to receive a toll-free call-in telephone number and code.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Greg Dudgeon, Superintendent or Marcy Okada, Subsistence Manager at (907) 457-5752 or Clarence Summers, Subsistence Manager, NPS Alaska Regional Office, at (907) 644-3603. If you are interested in applying for Gates of the Arctic National Park SRC