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Multiple Park Pass Proposed for Lava Beds, Crater Lake, Lassen Volcanic and Whiskeytown

TULELAKE, CA – Lava Beds National Monument, in conjunction with Crater Lake National Park, Lassen Volcanic National Park, and Whiskeytown National Recreation Area, invites the public to comment on a proposal to implement a multi-park annual pass. The multi-park pass will allow visitors to access all four parks through the purchase of a single pass. This new pass will align the price of each parks' annual park pass to an equivalent amount, which would allow visitors unlimited entry with a valid park pass to these four National Park Service sites with the added convenience of only having to purchase one annual pass. The multi-park pass will cost the same as the current Crater Lake, Lassen Volcanic, and Whiskeytown annual park pass (\$55), which will result in a \$10 increase to the current \$45 Lava Beds pass. The annual multi-park pass is expected to be implemented on January 1, 2023.

The comment period begins July 22, 2022 and ends on August 21, 2022. The public can submit comments online by visiting https://parkplanning.nps.gov/fourparkpass and selecting "Open For Comment." The comment link is only valid during the comment period.

For those who wish to comment by mail, please send comments to: Superintendent Lava Beds National Monument P.O. Box 1240 Tulelake, CA 96134

Please be aware that entire comments, including personal identifying information such as address, phone number, or email address may be made publicly available at any time. Although commenters can ask us to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

The current National Park Service fee program began in 1997 and allows parks to retain 80 percent of monies collected. The remaining 20 percent goes into a fund to support park units where fees are not charged.

Entrance fees are not charged to persons under 16 years of age or holders of the Interagency Annual, Senior, Access, or Military Passes. These passes may be obtained at the park. Interagency Passes, which are honored at most federal managed land units, are not affected by the proposed fee increase and will remain at \$80 for the Interagency Annual Pass, \$20 for the Senior Interagency Annual Pass, \$80 for the Senior Interagency Lifetime Pass, and free for Access, Military, and 4th Grade Student Passes.

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Lava Beds National Monument, established in 1925, is a land of turmoil, both geologic and historic. Over the last half-million years, volcanic eruptions have created a rugged landscape dotted with diverse volcanic features. Lava tube caves, Native American sites, historic battlefields and a high desert wilderness experience await you!

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