

Summary of Management Zones for Park Planning

	Diverse Opportunities	Scenic Corridor	Evolved Cultural Landscape
Zone Concept	A park area that provides a range of natural, historic or developed settings, and is able to accommodate a large variety of visitor opportunities. Significant park resources are preserved while accommodating different levels of visitor uses. People are provided with a wide range of educational, interpretive and outdoor recreation opportunities to enjoy and appreciate the park's resources.	A scenic trail, road, or marine corridor that provides for sightseeing and related recreational opportunities. Resources could be modified to highlight and enhance the natural, cultural, and scenic values, as well as provide for a safe tour route.	The area reflects its significant historic, archeological, agricultural, architectural, and related landscape features while being adaptively reused for contemporary park and partner uses. Contributing exterior or interior historic elements are preserved and interpreted, while providing for adaptive reuse of the sites, structures and buildings that compose the landscape. The historic scene can contribute to visitor interpretation and exploration of the historic values and events while providing for other types of visitor opportunities. Working landscapes could be an aspect of this zone.
Natural Resources	Natural resources provide distinct visitor opportunities and experiences through a range of park settings. The natural elements of these park settings would help define and locate visitor opportunities and would be the backdrop for interpretation, visitor use/activities, and services.	Visitor opportunities and park operations would be managed to maintain and restore natural resource integrity. Natural resources would be managed to provide viewing opportunities that allow visitors to see high quality natural resources and their inherent scenic qualities.	Visitor opportunities and park operations would be managed to maintain and restore natural resource integrity. Natural resources are often an integral component of cultural landscapes and would be managed to highlight the cultural resources and their associated values and characteristics. Natural resource objectives would be pursued in collaboration with, and where they complement, cultural resource objectives.
Cultural Resources	Cultural resources would provide distinct visitor opportunities and experiences through a range of park settings. The cultural elements of these park settings would be the backdrop for interpretation, visitor use/activities, and services.	The scenic qualities of cultural resources or designated cultural landscapes are managed to preserve their visual and historic characteristics.	Cultural resources would be preserved by managing for adaptive reuse. Historic values and characteristics are preserved for interpretation and enjoyment.
Visitor Experience	People would have the opportunity to participate in a range of recreational, interpretive and educational opportunities supported by a variety of visitor services.	Visitors would have the opportunity to take a scenic tour through the corridor with multiple opportunities to stop along the route for sightseeing, wildlife viewing, picnicking or interpretive opportunities.	Visitors would have the opportunity to explore designated portions of historic landscapes and structures while participating in contemporary activities.
Use Levels/ Group Activity	High use levels in centralized activity nodes are expected, leading to the likelihood of high rates of encounters among visitors. Groups of many sizes are accommodated.	Moderate to high use levels are expected along scenic corridors, leading to the likelihood of moderate to high rates of encounters between visitors, particularly at activity nodes such as overlooks, day-use areas and waysides. Groups are accommodated, but group sizes could be limited based on facility capacities and/or experiential objectives.	Moderate use levels are expected around focused activity nodes, leading to the likelihood of moderate encounters between visitors and park/partner staff. Group sizes could be limited based on facility capacities and/or experiential objectives.
Recreational Activities*	Activities could include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hiking • Bicycling • Horseback riding • Picnicking • Fishing • Motorized and non-motorized boating • Developed camping • Overnight lodging • Education • Stewardship • Special events 	Activities could include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hiking • Bicycling • Horseback riding • Picnicking • Fishing • Motorized and non-motorized boating • Developed camping • Overnight lodging • Education • Stewardship • Special events 	Activities could include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hiking • Bicycling • Horseback riding • Picnicking • Fishing • Motorized and non-motorized boating • Overnight lodging • Education • Stewardship • Special events
Levels of Development & Management	Development patterns could include a diversity of facilities to support visitor use, mixed with open space and natural settings.	Development patterns may include road and trail corridors and associated day-use facilities that support and direct visitor use, mixed with open space, cultural landscapes, or natural settings.	Development patterns may include a blend of historic and modern buildings to support visitor use and services.
Types of Facilities & Services	Facilities/services could include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitor contact • Restrooms • Trails • Picnic facilities • Boating facilities • Horse stables • Developed campsites • Overnight lodging • Roads and parking • Multi-modal hubs • Event areas • Equipment rentals • Retail stores • Food and beverage services 	Facilities/services could include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitor contact • Restrooms • Trails • Picnic facilities • Boating facilities • Horse stables • Developed campsites • Overnight lodging • Roads and parking • Multi-modal hubs • Event areas • Equipment rentals • Food and beverage services 	Facilities/services could include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitor contact • Restrooms • Trails • Picnic facilities • Boating facilities • Horse stables • Developed campsites • Overnight lodging • Roads and parking • Multi-modal hubs • Event areas • Equipment rentals • Retail stores • Food and beverage services

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Historic Immersion	Natural	Sensitive Resources	Park Operations	Zone Concept
These areas include sites, structures, and cultural landscapes that are evocative of their period of significance. Selected exteriors and designated portions of interior spaces are managed to protect their historic values and attributes. Visitors are provided opportunities to explore history first hand by experiencing cultural resources and exploring past stories and events.	These areas retain their natural, wild characteristics and would be managed to preserve natural resources and maintain resource integrity while accommodating low to moderate levels of visitor use. Visitors would have opportunities to directly experience and understand the natural resources in these areas. Visitor use would be managed to preserve important resource values and could include controlled and managed access. External threats to resource values would be aggressively addressed.	These areas consist of fundamental natural resources that are very sensitive to a variety of impacts, and are provided the highest level of protection. The natural resources are managed to preserve their fundamental values while being monitored and possibly studied for scientific investigation. Access to these areas would be highly controlled, including possible closures and restricted access. External threats to resource values would be aggressively addressed.	These areas primarily support developed and secured facilities for operations and maintenance functions of the park and its partners. This zone is managed to provide operation facilities that are safe, secured, and appropriate for uses required for park management. Access to these areas for visitors would be limited and controlled for purposes of orientation, organized meetings and access to park administration.	Zone Concept
Visitor opportunities and park operations would be managed to maintain and restore natural resource integrity. The natural elements of cultural resources and designated cultural landscapes would be managed to highlight the cultural resources and their associated values and characteristics. Natural resource objectives would be pursued in collaboration with, and where they complement, cultural resource objectives.	Natural resource integrity would be maintained by preserving and restoring natural resources and their processes, systems, and values. Rare and exceptional natural resources, processes, systems, and values would be preserved and enhanced. Natural functions and processes would be re-established in human-disturbed areas of the park to improve and maintain the resource integrity of the park.	Natural resource integrity would be maintained by preserving and restoring natural resources and their processes, systems, and values. Rare and exceptional natural resources, processes, systems, and values would be preserved and enhanced. Natural functions and processes would be re-established in human-disturbed areas of the park to improve and maintain the resource integrity of the park.	Natural resources would be managed to accommodate operational uses/activities and to facilitate sustainable park maintenance operations. The intrusion of park maintenance and operations activities on the surrounding park setting would be minimized through planning, design, screening, and noise reduction efforts. No park development actions would be taken that would preclude future natural resource protection or restoration.	Natural Resources
Cultural sites, structures, and landscapes are preserved to reflect their period of significance, allowing people to experience these resources first-hand to learn about their associated stories and events.	Cultural resource objectives would be pursued in collaboration with, and where they complement, natural resource objectives. These cultural resources are stabilized and preserved to maintain their integrity.	Cultural resource objectives would be pursued in collaboration with, and where they complement, natural resource objectives. These cultural resources are stabilized and preserved to maintain their integrity.	Cultural resources could be preserved by adaptive reuse for the purposes of park operations and administration.	Cultural Resources
Visitors would have the opportunity to be immersed in an historic setting. Visitors could experience the sights, sounds, and activities that are evocative of the site's period of significance.	Visitors would have the opportunity to be immersed in a natural environment and could seek out areas where they could experience natural sounds, tranquility, closeness to nature and a sense of remoteness and self-reliance. Visitor use would be controlled to ensure that activities and their intensities are compatible with protecting resource integrity.	Visitors would have the opportunity to experience and understand the fundamental resources in the zone. In particular, visitors would be able to understand and value the sensitive nature of these resources. Visitor use would be highly controlled and managed to ensure that activities and their intensities are compatible with protecting resource integrity.	Visitors would have the opportunity for limited and controlled access to these areas for purposes of orientation, organized meetings and access to park administration.	Visitor Experience
Moderate use levels are expected around focused activity nodes, leading to the likelihood of moderate encounters between visitors and park/partner staff. Group sizes could be limited based on facility capacities and/or experiential objectives.	Low to moderate use levels would be expected in this zone, with moderate use levels often found at entry points or points of interest. A moderate rate of encounters with other visitors and park staff would be expected, but opportunities for solitude might be found in certain areas if a visitor seeks it. Group sizes could be limited to protect experiential and resource protection objectives.	Low to moderate use levels are expected in these areas. At entry points or points of interest, moderate encounters between visitors would be expected. As visitors travel away from these areas, there would be increased opportunities for a low number of encounters with other visitors and park staff. Group sizes could be limited to promote resource protection objectives.	Low use levels would be expected since this area is intended for staff and visitors on official business. Encounters with other visitors would be low, but encounters with park staff would be high.	Use Levels/ Group Activity
Activities could include: • Guided or self-guided tours, including walking, horseback riding or boating • Picnicking • Education • Stewardship • Special events	Activities could include: • Hiking • Bicycling • Horseback riding • Picnicking • Fishing • Non-motorized boating • Primitive camping • Education • Stewardship • Special events (limited)	Activities would be controlled and restricted and could include: • Hiking • Guided tours • Non-motorized boating • Education • Stewardship • Research	Activities could include: • Education • Stewardship	Recreational Activities*
Development patterns would include historic resources and may include non-historic visitor facilities if they can be blended into the historic fabric of the site.	Development would be minimal and would be aimed at facilities that provide access, public safety and resource protection (e.g., trails, sanitation facilities, and fencing)	There would be minimal, if any, development except for some visitor facilities such as trails to allow for the concentration and direction of visitor use while protecting resources.	Development patterns would include a diversity of facilities to support visitor services and park administration mixed with open space and maintained natural settings.	Levels of Development & Management
Facilities/services could include: • Restrooms • Trails • Picnic facilities • Boating facilities • Roads and parking • Multi-modal hubs • Event areas • Food and beverage services • Retail stores	Facilities/services could include: • Restrooms • Trails • Picnic facilities • Boating facilities (non-motorized) • Primitive campsites • Limited parking (located on the periphery of the zone) • Limited access roads (located on the periphery of the zone)	Facilities/services could include: • Restrooms • Trails • Limited parking (located on the periphery of the zone) • Limited access roads (located on the periphery of the zone)	Facilities/services could include: • Administrative offices • Maintenance • Storage • Roads and parking • Pedestrian walkways • Wastewater and utility management	Types of Facilities & Services

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