



EFFECTIVE COMMENTS

Suggestions for Submitting Effective Comments

The National Park Service is accepting comments on the General Management Plan / Environmental Assessment / Interpretation Plan throughout the 30-day comment period, which ends March 13, 2012. We appreciate substantive comments, meaning comments that raise, question, or debate a point of fact or policy. All comments will be recorded and evaluated, but substantive comments will receive a response in the decision document to be published after the comment period ends.

Suggestions for making comments more effective include...

Address specific areas of the General Management Plan (e.g., the alternatives, analysis in the environmental consequences chapter, or the affected environment), and provide rationale or the “why” behind the comment.

Examples of substantive comments:

_____ is a good/bad idea because _____.

_____ should be changed because _____.

Including rationale in the comment will greatly help the project team evaluate issues mentioned in your comment as well as respond to your comment.

Personal Information Disclaimer

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be aware your entire comment, including personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask that personal identifying information be withheld from public review, we cannot guarantee we will be able to do so.