Guide to Using PEPC

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What is PEPC?

The Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) system is a web-based system that is used by the National Park Service (NPS) nationwide to allow people to gain access to current plans and related documents that are available for review and/or open for comment. The public can also access schedules for particular projects as well as information about public meetings.

The PEPC system is used by Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks to provide information to the public on park plans, projects, and proposals. It is the primary vehicle to submit and review comments; however, the parks will continue to accept comments from the public as it always has - by mail, fax, and e-mail.

How do people access PEPC and what will they see?

Anyone with an internet connection can access the site to find out what projects are available for public review and to submit comments. The website for Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks' project is http://parkplanning.nps.gov/sekiwild where you will find a listing of the projects that are either proposed or that have been approved within the parks.

From the main PEPC navigational menu, you will find the following:

Home: Provides access to all projects and parks.

Parks: Find projects by park.

Plans/Documents: Select listed plans/documents on this page to get more information. To limit the list to only those that are currently available for public comment, select "Only Plans/Documents Open for Public Comment." To further narrow the list, select a project type, park, or state. After making your selection, click "Show Plans/Documents."

Policy: Provides information on policies and reference materials related to the NPS.

Links: Provides links to additional information about NPS planning and environmental policies.

Search: Search publicly available plans and environmental documents for the entire NPS.

How do people submit comments?

To submit comments through PEPC, go through the following steps:

- Click on the name of the particular project or plan that you are interested in
- Click on "Documents and Links"
- At this point, you will find general information about the plan or project
- To comment, click on "Comment on Document" in the far left column or top right

Each person has an important perspective on the management of Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks and can make a unique contribution to the planning process that will help the NPS produce better planning documents. The PEPC system is a web-based tool for informing the public about projects and plans that are being considered or developed.

If you wish to be included on the parks' mailing list for projects or park planning, please submit your name and email/mailing address to: seki_planning@nps.gov, or by writing Superintendent, Project Mailing List, Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, 47050 Generals Highway, Three Rivers, CA 93271.

Thank you for your interest in Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks.