## Glacier National Park Proposes Revised Fee Structure

## Public Comments Encouraged

WEST GLACIER, MT. – Glacier National Park is soliciting public comment for a proposal to change the price of the Glacier National Park Annual Pass from \$50 to \$60. No other entrance fees are proposed for change.

Entrance fees are not charged to persons under 16 years of age or holders of the America the Beautiful-The National Parks and Federal Recreational Annual, Senior, Access, Military, or Volunteer Passes. These passes may be obtained at the park.

"The funds raised through entrance fees including passes are critical to improve facilities and infrastructure, and to provide an enhanced level of visitor service," said park superintendent Jeff Mow.

Park entrance and campground fees have supported a number of important projects in the park including a portion of the Many Glacier Hotel restoration, new interpretive exhibits at visitor centers, trail repairs, and winter snowshoe walks.

Glacier National Park is a strong economic engine for the surrounding area. In 2016, more than 2.9 million park visitors spent \$250 million in the local economy and supported over 4,000 jobs related to tourism.

The public can submit comments at https://parkplanning.nps.gov/. The comment period will be open until September 30. Comments may be also be submitted through the mail to Glacier National Park, Attention: Glacier National Park Annual Pass Fee Increase, PO Box 128, West Glacier, MT 59936.

This fee structure review and civic engagement process is part of a 2017 review of Federal Land Recreation Enhancement Act fees at parks nationwide. Following the public comment period, feedback will determine how, or if, a fee increase would be implemented.