



## Planning Process

### Public Review and Comment

The public is encouraged to review and comment on the Backcountry Management Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Plan/EIS). In particular, the NPS seeks input regarding the accuracy and adequacy of the information and analysis presented in the Plan/EIS. We are listening. Comments will be used to inform any needed refinements in preparation of the Final Plan/EIS.

### 2015 Open House Dates and Locations

- December 2, Grand Canyon Village, South Rim
- December 7, Flagstaff, Arizona



### Planning Schedule



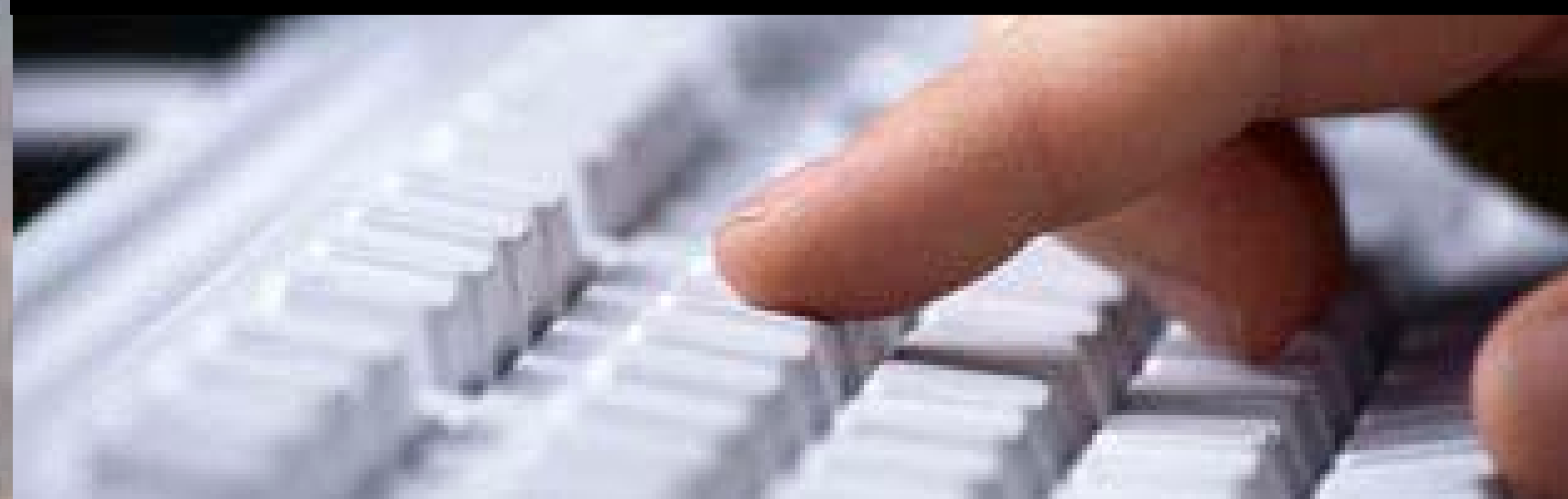
### Next Steps in the Planning Process

Comments on the Draft Plan/EIS will be accepted for 90 days from publication of the notice of availability in the Environmental Protection Agency Federal Register. The planning team will then evaluate comments and incorporate changes. A Final Plan/EIS will then be prepared, which will include substantive comments regarding the accuracy or adequacy of information in the draft document or that result in changes to the preferred alternatives and NPS responses to those comments.

After release of the Final Plan/EIS and a 30-day no-action period, a record of decision approving the final plan will be prepared for signature by the NPS regional director. The Record of Decision will document the NPS selection of an alternative for implementation. The plan will then be implemented.

### How to Submit Comments

- ✓ On the Internet at [parkplanning.nps.gov/grcabmp](http://parkplanning.nps.gov/grcabmp)
- ✓ At an open house
- ✓ Mail to Superintendent, Attn: Office of Planning and Compliance, Grand Canyon National Park, P.O. Box 129, Grand Canyon, AZ 86023



#### For more information visit

- [parkplanning.nps.gov/grcabmp](http://parkplanning.nps.gov/grcabmp)
- [www.nps.gov/grca/learn/management/bmp.htm](http://www.nps.gov/grca/learn/management/bmp.htm)