Grand Canyon

Fire Management Plan **National Environmental Policy Act**

What is NEPA?

The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is the mandate of any federal agency or department for the protection of the environment. It sets as a goal for federal decision making a balance between use and preservation of natural and cultural resources. NEPA ensures that federal agencies act in good faith during federal undertakings.

Details of NEPA are found in

40 CFR 1500-1508.

NEPA and You

When a federal action is planned, interested public and affected agencies are provided the opportunity to provide input, identify issues, and offer solutions prior to the preparation of the final NEPA document.

This is accomplished through:

- Public Scoping
- Formal Public Review and Comment



How Does NEPA Relate to the FMP?

• The Fire Management Plan (FMP) is a planning document that will address the management of fire within Grand Canyon National Park.

• The Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is a detailed environmental document that analyzes the impacts of various management alternatives associated with the planning document.

• The EIS will help the National Park Service determine the preferred management alternative and this alternative will provide the basis for updating/revising the FMP.



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How to Comment on the **FMP/DEIS**

•Submit Comments on-line at PEPC: (Planning Environment and Public Comment)

http://parkplanning.nps.gov/grca

Select Fire Management Plan and submit comments

 Mail Comments to: Superintendent **Grand Canyon National Park** Attention: Office of Planning and Compliance **PO Box 129** Grand Canyon, AZ 86023

•Comments may be Hand Delivered to: Grand Canyon National Park Headquarters 1 Village Loop

 During Public Meetings: Fill Out Comment Form



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