

Updates to the National Park Service 2019 Congressional Justification  
Resulting From the 2019 Budget Policy Addendum

SUMMARY OF NATIONAL PARK SERVICE DISCRETIONARY APPROPRIATIONS

(Dollars in Thousands)

Account	2018 CR Baseline		2019 Request Addendum <sup>1</sup>		Change from 2018 CR Baseline	
	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount
Operation of the National Park System	15,000	2,420,818	14,918	2,425,117	-82	+4,299
Centennial Challenge	12	19,864	0	0	-12	-19,864
National Recreation and Preservation	218	62,213	197	32,199	-21	-30,014
Historic Preservation Fund	0	80,361	0	32,672	0	-47,689
Construction (and Major Maintenance)	306	207,931	308	241,333	+2	+33,402
Land Acquisition and State Assistance <sup>2</sup>	83	160,929	56	-1,212	-27	-162,141
LWCF Contract Authority ( <i>cancellation</i> )	0	-28,020	0	0	0	+28,020
Subtotal, Discretionary	15,619	2,924,096	15,479	2,730,109	-140	-193,987

1. Amounts presented in this table reflect an additional \$299.020 million provided in the the Budget Policy Addendum for 2019, which includes an increase for the National Park Service, Operation of the National Park System (ONPS) account of \$270.880 million and an adjustment to the LWCF Contract Authority Cancellation of \$28.140 million. It also reflects an FTE increase of 1,639 FTE to the ONPS account and discretionary total. These changes are not reflected in the 2019 President's Budget documents.

2. The 2019 discretionary request for the Land Acquisition and State Assistance account is a total of -\$1.2 million, comprised of \$8.8 million in new budget authority offset by a \$10.0 million cancellation of prior year balances.

**Summary of Requirements for the Operations of the National Park System (ONPS)**

(Dollars in Thousands)

**Summary of FY 2019 Budget Requirements: ONPS**

Budget Activity/Subactivity	2017 Actual		2018 CR Baseline		Fixed Costs & Related (+/-)	Internal Transfers (+/-)	Program Changes (+/-)		2019 Request - Addendum <sup>1</sup>		Change from 2018 CR Baseline	
	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount			FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount
<b>Park Management</b>												
Resource Stewardship	2,317	328,575	2,295	328,575	+1,858	0	-11	-3,210	2,284	327,223	-11	-1,352
Visitor Services	2,630	260,061	2,609	260,061	+1,671	0	-45	-3,617	2,564	258,115	-45	-1,946
Park Protection	2,566	367,112	2,537	362,912	+2,233	0	-9	621	2,528	365,766	-9	2,854
Facility Operations and Maintenance	4,485	780,782	4,449	780,782	+2,860	0	-4	-1,679	4,445	781,963	-4	1,181
Park Support	3,147	507,756	3,110	507,756	+2,897	0	-13	-4,036	3,097	506,617	-13	-1,139
<b>Subtotal, Park Management</b>	<b>15,145</b>	<b>2,244,286</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>2,240,086</b>	<b>+11,519</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-82</b>	<b>-11,921</b>	<b>14,918</b>	<b>2,239,684</b>	<b>-82</b>	<b>-402</b>
External Administrative Costs	0	180,732	0	180,732	+5,861	0	0	-1,160	0	185,433	0	4,701
<b>SUBTOTAL, ONPS</b>	<b>15,145</b>	<b>2,425,018</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>2,420,818</b>	<b>+17,380</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-82</b>	<b>-13,081</b>	<b>14,918</b>	<b>2,425,117</b>	<b>-82</b>	<b>4,299</b>
High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Transfer	0	102	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>SUBTOTAL, ONPS - Budget Account Listing (BAL)</b>	<b>15,145</b>	<b>2,425,120</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>2,420,818</b>	<b>+17,380</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-82</b>	<b>-13,081</b>	<b>14,918</b>	<b>2,425,117</b>	<b>-82</b>	<b>4,299</b>
High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Transfer - Unobligated Balances	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL, ONPS - With Unobligated Balance Transfer</b>	<b>15,145</b>	<b>2,425,126</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>2,420,818</b>	<b>+17,380</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-82</b>	<b>-13,081</b>	<b>14,918</b>	<b>2,425,117</b>	<b>-82</b>	<b>4,299</b>

1. Amounts presented reflect an additional \$270.880 million provided in the *Budget Policy Addendum* for FY 2019.

## OPERATION OF THE NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM

### Appropriation Language

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*For expenses necessary for the management, operation, and maintenance of areas and facilities administered by the National Park Service and for the general administration of the National Park Service, \$2,425,117,000, of which \$9,949,000 for planning and interagency coordination in support of Everglades restoration and \$124,461,000 for maintenance, repair, or rehabilitation projects for constructed assets and \$126,575,000 for cyclic maintenance projects for constructed assets and cultural resources shall remain available until September 30, 2020.*

#### Note:

A full-year 2018 appropriation for this account was not enacted at the time the budget was prepared; therefore, the budget assumes this account is operating under the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2018 (Division D of P.L. 115-56, as amended). The amounts included for 2018 reflect the annualized level provided by the continuing resolution.

### Justification of Major Proposed Language Changes

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The phrase *for cyclic maintenance projects for constructed assets and cultural resources* was inserted to request specific cyclic maintenance project funding amounts in appropriations language, and make the funding available for two years.

The FY 2019 President's budget request also differs from the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (P.L. 115-31) in that it deletes the phrase “: *Provided*, That funds appropriated under this heading in this Act are available for the purposes of section 5 of Public Law 95-348.” This language provided for payments in FY 2017 to American Memorial Park, an affiliated area of the National Park Service. A General Provision accomplishing the same is included in the FY 2019 President's budget, and therefore is no longer needed in the ONPS appropriations language.

### Appropriations Language Citations

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**1. For expenses necessary for the management, operation, and maintenance of areas and facilities administered by the National Park Service**

Division A of subtitle I of title 54, United States Code, creates the National Park Service, defines the National Park System, and provides various authorities related thereto, including authority for management, operation, and maintenance of areas and facilities administered by the National Park Service.

Other parts of the United States Code provide authorities related to certain subjects, as follows:

5 U.S.C. 5901(a), Uniform allowance for employees of the National Park Service.

54 U.S.C. 1019, Concessions and Commercial Use authorizations.

16 U.S.C. 21 – 450ss-3, 459 to 460a-11, and 460m –460-kkk, Specific national park areas or categories of National Park areas.

16 U.S.C. 6801 note, Recreation fees and fee collection and use.

54 U.S.C. 102303-102304, 320101-320104, 320106: Acquisition, operation and management of historic and archeological sites, buildings, and properties.

16 U.S.C. 1131-1136, National Wilderness Preservation System.

16 U.S.C. 1241-1249, National Scenic and National Historic Trails.

16 U.S.C. 1281(c), National Wild and Scenic Rivers System components.

54 U.S.C. 102701, Authorizes the law enforcement activities of the US Park Police.

**2. and for the general administration of the National Park Service**

54 U.S.C. 100101, 100301-100302, which creates the National Park Service, authorizes this provision, which is included because of the desire of Congress to collect the agency's general administrative expenses in one appropriation.

**3. of which \$9,949,000 for planning and interagency coordination in support of Everglades restoration**

16 U.S.C. 410r-5 to 410r-8, the Everglades National Park Protection and Expansion Act of 1989, as amended, authorizes activities to restore Everglades National Park, and appropriations for this purpose. The following citation includes the length of availability for Everglades restoration funding; the NPS proposes the availability of funding for these funds to remain available for two years, consistent with past appropriations.

**4. and \$124,461,000 for maintenance, repair, or rehabilitation projects for constructed assets and \$126,575,000 for cyclic maintenance projects for constructed assets and cultural resources shall remain available until September 30, 2020.**

54 U.S.C. 100101, 100301-100302, which creates the National Park Service, authorizes this provision. The NPS proposes the availability of funding for these funds to remain available for two years, consistent with past appropriations.

## **Land and Water Conservation Fund (CANCELLATION)**

### **Appropriation Language**

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*The contract authority provided for fiscal year 2019 by section 200308 of title 54, United States Code, is hereby permanently cancelled.*

Note: The 2019 Budget Policy Addendum would prevent scoring this cancellation as an offset.

A full-year 2018 appropriation for this account was not enacted at the time the budget was prepared; therefore, the budget assumes this account is operating under the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2018 (Division D of P.L. 115-56, as amended). The amounts included for 2018 reflect the annualized level provided by the continuing resolution.

### **Justification of Major Proposed Language Changes**

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No major substantive changes are requested when compared to the FY 2018 President's budget request.

However, the FY 2019 President's budget request differs from the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017, in that it substitutes the phrase "hereby permanently cancelled" for "rescinded." This language would cancel the contract authority authorized in the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

### **Appropriations Language Citations**

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- 1. The contract authority provided for fiscal year 2019 by section 200308 of title 54, United States Code is hereby permanently cancelled.**

54 U.S.C. SEC. 200308 the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, gives contract authority for the acquisition of lands and water, not to exceed \$30,000,000 of the money authorized to be appropriated each fiscal year.