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National Park Service Increase Hourly Rates for Parking Meters at Thompson Boat Center Effective March 1, 2014

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- The National Park Service (NPS) will increase the hourly rates for the parking meters located in the parking lot of Thompson's Boat Center (TBC), to \$2.00 per hour, effective March 1, 2014. This NPS parking lot is located at the intersection of Virginia Avenue, NW and the Rock Creek and Potomac Parkway.

In October 2011, the NPS proposed to increase the parking meter rates to \$2.00 per hour based on a comparability review of the rates charged for similar services in the area. Parking meters on adjacent streets, Virginia Avenue and K Street, are currently \$2.00 per hour.

The NPS has phased in the rate increase in two phases. Phase 1 was implemented on March 1, 2012 when the rate was increased from \$.75 to \$1.25/hour. Phase 2 will take effect March 1, 2014 to increase the rate to \$2.00/hour.

As is the current practice, the revenue generated will contribute to reducing the maintenance backlog and enhancing visitor services throughout Rock Creek Park.

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