



NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

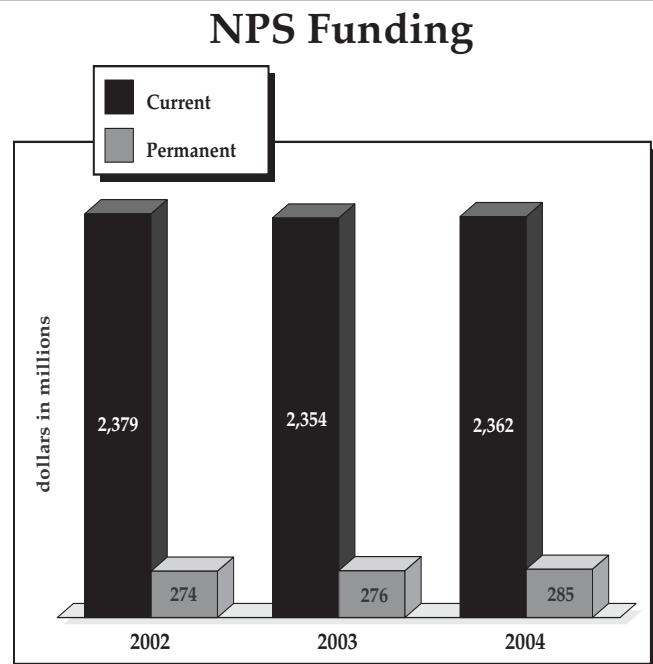
Mission – In 1872, the Congress designated Yellowstone National Park as the Nation’s first “public park or pleasuring ground for the benefit and enjoyment of the people.” The subsequent establishment of the NPS on August 25, 1916, reflected a national consensus that natural and cultural resources must be set aside for public enjoyment and preserved for future generations. As stated in the original authorizing legislation, the NPS mission is to “preserve unimpaired the natural and cultural resources and values of the national park system for the enjoyment, education, and inspiration of this and future generations.”

Program Overview – The stewardship responsibilities of NPS include 387 park units covering over 84 million acres in 49 States, the District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Virgin Islands. Recent additions to the national park system include Flight 93 National Memorial and Cedar Creek and Belle Grove National Historical Park.

In its entirety, the park system represents and interprets the collective struggles and cultural identity of the American people by preserving both the natural and cultural sites that are ingrained in the Nation’s history. Representative of this rich diversity of our national culture are the various designations used for park sites. There are 20 different types of designations, ranging from the traditional national park designation to the more specific national scenic trail, national memorial, national battlefield, national seashore, national historic site, national historical park, and national monument. The NPS also provides funding support and technical assistance to several national heritage areas. Park visits total nearly 280 million annually.

Central to carrying out the NPS mission are the employees. Approximately eighty percent are employed in parks, with the remainder in headquarters, regional offices, and service-wide programs. The NPS estimates that staffing will total 20,369 full time equivalents in 2004.

Park employees serve a diverse clientele of visitors and function in multiple roles including stewards of the pub-



lic trust, interpreters of natural and cultural sites, and guarantors of visitor safety. In the area of cultural resource preservation, park employees serve as historians, curators, archeologists, and conservators. In the natural resource programs, park employees serve as biologists, hydrologists, geologists, and general resource management specialists.

Management Excellence – The National Park Service continues to follow the President’s management agenda for improving management and performance of the Federal government, practicing the Secretary’s vision for citizen-centered management excellence. The Service’s programs have worked extensively to step down from the goals in the Department’s new unified strategic plan. In 2004, NPS will continue specific reforms to improve management of the deferred maintenance backlog and the effectiveness of its programs. In addition, NPS will conduct competitive sourcing reviews in compliance with the Federal Activities Inventory Reform Act of 1998. The budget requests an additional \$1.0 million to create the

capacity for periodically checking to ensure that NPS programs are running properly and following established Departmental and bureau policies.

The Department is undertaking significant information technology reforms to improve the management of information technology investments, to improve the security of systems and information, and to realize short- and long-term efficiencies and savings. The Department's corporate approach includes consolidated purchases of hardware and software; consolidation of support functions including help desks, e-mail support, and web services; and coordination of training.

Budget Overview – The 2004 NPS budget supports the Administration's goals to: fully fund the Land and Water Conservation Fund; protect park resources through the Natural Resource Challenge and the Cooperative Conservation Initiative; and manage the NPS deferred maintenance backlog. The NPS budget request is \$2.362 billion in current appropriations, a net increase of \$8.3 million above the President's 2003 request.

Park Operations – Funding for the Operation of the National Park System appropriation that includes funds for visitor services, resource protection, and other park programs is \$1.632 billion in current appropriations. The request is a net increase of \$47.3 million above the amount provided in the President's 2003 request. The total amount included for ONPS provides substantial funding for selected park activities, supports the President's initiatives, and is consistent with a reasonable rate of growth based on historical levels.

The budget includes a program increase of \$14.2 million for park base operations, of which \$2.5 million will provide for additional visitor and resource protection at seven border parks. With dramatic increases in the smuggling of drugs and illegal aliens in recent years, this increase in funding will augment law enforcement staffing in these remote areas. The increases will enhance law enforcement operations to support security efforts as well as to protect park resources, employees, and visitors at park units located on or near international borders with Canada and Mexico. Another \$7.8 million of the park base increase will go towards meeting the Presidential commitment to reduce the maintenance backlog.

Cooperative Conservation Initiative – A total of \$22.0 million is requested for the NPS portion of the Department of the Interior's Cooperative Conservation Initiative. Of this total, \$21.0 million will be funded in the NPS Challenge Cost Share program. The base program traditionally has reflected a mixture of cultural, natural, and recreational activities. This year's program, a \$14.0 mil-

lion increase over 2002, moves beyond the traditional Challenge Cost Share program as part of a larger Department of the Interior initiative to provide incentives for partnerships by funding clearly identified resource restoration needs. To be eligible for Cooperative Conservation Initiative funds, project applicants must provide a one-to-one or better match. Another \$1.0 million is requested for the Take Pride in America initiative which is designed to increase public awareness of and appreciation for natural and cultural resources.

Repair and Rehabilitation of Park Facilities – In order to support the President's commitment to manage the maintenance backlog, an increase of \$8.2 million is requested in the Operations account for the repair and rehabilitation program, resulting in a total of \$98.5 million. This amount, together with facility maintenance and construction, provides \$705.8 million for construction and annual and deferred maintenance projects in 2004.

The NPS places emphasis on efficient management of its facilities by building on current management controls and emphasizing the highest standards of responsibility and accountability. The NPS will also continue work on two key projects critical to managing the backlog: expansion of its facility management software system for facilities inventory, work management, and reporting; and comprehensive condition assessments to collect detailed information on constructed assets and facilities.

The \$8.2 million repair and rehabilitation increase includes an \$6.3 million increase to the base repair and rehabilitation program for additional projects, \$2.6 million for conducting facility condition assessments, offset by a \$721,000 decrease for FMSS, as it moves from the development stage to a steady state of operations. In 2003 NPS will develop an estimated baseline facility condition index. In 2004, these performance measures will be used to ensure that NPS can measure the progress on reducing the backlog. The OMB Program Assessment Rating Tool review found areas where NPS maintenance management can better preserve and protect the natural and cultural park resources and ensure that the parks are safe and accessible for public use.

An increase of \$9.0 million is requested for cyclic maintenance. The NPS will allocate a portion of cyclic maintenance and repair and rehabilitation funding for parks that have fully implemented FMSS and established FCI baselines. This gives parks an incentive to act promptly, and focuses resources on those parks that can demonstrate improvements in facility conditions. Preventative care ensures that the maintenance backlog does not continue to increase. Routine maintenance performed before problems arise is less expensive.

The Administration will seek additional funds to address park road maintenance needs through Highway Trust Fund reauthorization. The current authorization, the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, expires at the end of 2003.

Natural Resource Challenge – The budget request includes a \$8.5 million increase for the Natural Resource Challenge program, a presidential priority, to strengthen natural resource management throughout the park system and develop performance measures for natural resource stewardship. This initiative includes measures for protecting native species and habitats; providing leadership for a healthy environment; and sharing information about natural resources with the public. The initiative increases scientific information for decisionmaking; builds capability to develop and implement solutions to resource problems; and fosters creative uses of partnerships for developing information useful to parks and making parks useful for others. The 2004 request focuses on strengthening the NPS Inventory and Monitoring programs including vital signs monitoring and water quality monitoring. This funding increase is consistent with a favorable PART review.

Land Acquisition and State Assistance – The budget proposes funding this program at \$238.6 million in current appropriations. The request is a net decrease of \$47.4 million below the President's 2003 request. This amount includes \$78.6 million for the NPS portion of the Federal land acquisition program. The Federal land acquisition program provides funding to acquire lands, or interests in lands, for inclusion in the national park system in order to preserve nationally important natural and historic resources. The 2004 land acquisition program includes the Presidential commitment to provide \$40.0 million to protect the Big Cypress National Preserve by acquiring the Collier oil and gas holdings.

The 2004 request for the LWCF state assistance program is \$160.0 million, a \$40.0 million decrease from 2003. Basic formula grants to States will increase by \$10.0 million; the \$50.0 million discretionary conservation grants program proposed last year is not proposed.

Construction – The Construction and Major Maintenance account is funded at \$327.3 million, an increase of \$6.9 million above the 2003 request. The 2004 request emphasizes the Administration's commitment to manage the deferred maintenance backlog. Line item construction projects total \$207.2 million, including \$17.4 million to improve security at the Washington Monu-

ment and \$3.5 million to upgrade a wastewater treatment facility at Lake Meade in Arizona.

The Construction total includes \$38.5 million for equipment replacement, including \$23.6 million for radio narrowbanding, and an \$8.0 million increase over the President's 2003 request for radios. Funds in this program are used to purchase various types of vehicles, vessels, and equipment, including modern safety and prevention equipment, and information and communication technology equipment.

U.S. Park Police – The USPP budget is \$78.9 million in current appropriations. The request is a net increase of \$428,000 above the President's 2003 request.

National Recreation and Preservation – This appropriation funds programs connected with local community efforts to preserve natural and cultural resources. For 2003, these programs are proposed at \$47.9 million. The request is \$1.1 million above the President's 2003 request.

Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Program – The budget does not contain funding for new UPARR grants. However, the 2004 budget does include \$305,000 for the administration of grants previously awarded.

Historic Preservation – The budget includes a request of \$67.0 million for the Historic Preservation Fund to fund matching grants to States, Territories, and Tribes to preserve historically and culturally significant sites. This is the same level as the President's 2003 request. The Save America's Treasures initiative to protect nationally significant cultural artifacts is fully funded at \$30.0 million.

Recreational Fee Program – Both parks and visitors have enjoyed the benefits of the Recreational Fee program since Congress authorized it in 1996. Fee receipts are available without further appropriation to support projects at the collecting park, with a portion distributed to other parks on the basis of need. In 2002, Congress extended the authorization through September 30, 2004. The Administration will work with Congress to make the program permanent. The 2004 estimate for total NPS program receipts is \$141.9 million, including \$17.2 million in revenue estimated for the National Park Passport program.

Uncontrollable Costs – The 2004 budget provides \$15.5 million to cover a portion of uncontrollable cost increases; \$11.6 million in these cost increases will be absorbed through improved processes, administrative efficiencies, and the reprioritization of administrative activities.

SUMMARY OF BUREAU APPROPRIATIONS
(all dollar amounts in thousands)

Comparison of 2004 Request with 2003 President's Budget:

	2003 Budget		2004 Request		Change from 2003	
	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount
Appropriations						
Operation of the National Park System	15,575	1,584,565	15,567	1,631,882	-8	+47,317
United States Park Police	794	78,431	794	78,859	0	+428
National Recreation and Preservation	277	46,824	290	47,936	+13	+1,112
Urban Park and Recreation Fund	4	300	4	305	0	+5
Historic Preservation Fund	0	67,000	0	67,000	0	0
Construction and Major Maintenance	396	320,384	396	327,257	0	+6,873
Land Acquisition and State Assistance	168	286,057	163	238,634	-5	-47,423
LWCF Contract Authority (Rescission)	0	-30,000	0	-30,000	0	0
Subtotal, Appropriations	17,214	2,353,561	17,214	2,361,873	0	+8,312
Mandatory Appropriations						
Recreation Fee Permanent Appropriations	1,261	148,651	1,261	149,651	0	+1,000
Other Permanent Appropriations	193	82,203	193	90,289	0	+8,086
Miscellaneous Trust Funds	113	15,316	113	15,308	0	-8
LWCF Contract Authority	0	30,000	0	30,000	0	0
Subtotal, Mandatory Appropriations	1,567	276,170	1,567	285,248	0	+9,078
Transfers, Reimbursables and Allocations						
Transfers	1,041	0	1,041	0	0	0
Reimbursables	547	0	547	0	0	0
Allocations to Other Agencies	[42]	[0]	[42]	[0]	[0]	[0]
Subtotal, Other	1,588	0	1,588	0	0	0
TOTAL, NATIONAL PARK SERVICE	20,369	2,629,731	20,369	2,647,121	0	+17,390

HIGHLIGHTS OF BUDGET CHANGES
By Appropriation Activity/Subactivity

APPROPRIATION: Operation of the National Park System

	<u>2002 Actual</u>	<u>2003 Budget</u>	<u>2004 Request</u>	<u>Change from 2003 Budget</u>
Park Management				
Resource Stewardship	318,027	334,923	334,646	-277
Visitor Services	302,978	309,681	318,028	+8,347
Facility Operations and Maintenance	480,972	531,428	569,695	+38,267
Park Support	278,873	300,297	294,590	-5,707
Subtotal, Park Management	1,380,850	1,476,329	1,516,959	+40,630
External Administrative Costs	105,348	108,236	114,923	+6,687
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	1,486,198	1,584,565	1,631,882	+47,317

Highlights of Budget Changes

	<u>Amount</u>
Uncontrollable Cost Increases (non-add)	[+25,069]
Park Management	
Resource Stewardship	-277
<p>The NPS is requesting two increases for the Natural Resources Challenge, including the inventory and monitoring program for park vital signs (+\$7,924) and monitoring water quality in parks (+\$600). Increases are also proposed for high priority park base operations (+\$300) and for a study on chronic wasting disease (+\$750). A programming decrease is proposed for the Greenspace for Living program, a two-year program which has been completed (-\$200). The budget also includes a reduction of -\$431 for information technology, reflecting cost savings realized in information technology due to consolidated licensing, purchasing and enterprise actions. Uncontrollable costs total +\$3,755 of which +\$1,945 is budgeted and +\$1,810 is absorbed. This subactivity includes transfers of funds from the Cultural Resources Applied Research component (-\$10,415) to the Facility Maintenance component in the Maintenance budget subactivity, and from the Everglades Restoration and Research component (-\$750) to the GSA Space Rental component within the External Administrative Costs budget activity.</p>	
Visitor Services	+8,347
<p>Increases are requested for high priority park base operations, including law enforcement at border parks (+\$5,623), implementation of a field officer training program (+\$1,400), and for the Lewis and Clark traveling exhibit (+\$600). The budget also includes a reduction of -\$688 for information technology, reflecting cost savings realized in information technology due to consolidated licensing, purchasing and enterprise actions. Uncontrollable costs total +\$6,477 of which +\$3,350 is budgeted and +\$3,127 is absorbed. This subactivity includes a transfer of funds from the Health and Safety component (-\$1,938) to Departmental Program Charges within the External Administrative Costs budget activity.</p>	
Facility Operations and Maintenance	+38,267
<p>Increases are requested for high priority park base operations (+\$7,775), continued enhancement of the comprehensive facility condition assessment program (+\$2,606), additional repair and rehabilitation projects (+\$6,315), and expansion of the cyclic maintenance program (+\$9,000). The budget also includes a reduction of -\$1,489 for information technology, reflecting cost savings realized in information technology due to consolidated licensing, purchasing and enterprise actions. Uncontrollable costs total +\$7,049 of which +\$3,645 is budgeted and +\$3,404 is absorbed. This subactivity includes a transfer of funds from the Cultural Resources Applied Research component in the Resource Stewardship activity to the Facility Maintenance component of this budget subactivity (+\$10,415).</p>	
Park Support	-5,707
<p>Increases are requested for high priority park base operations (+\$478), to establish regional coordinators for the Volunteers-in-Parks and partnership programs (+\$500), and to enhance volunteers activities in parks (+\$1,000). Other increases are proposed to initiate a management accountability review program (+\$1,000), to support the Take Pride in America program (+\$1,000), and for enhanced information technology security (+\$505). Decreases are included for incidental personnel costs (-\$3,000), a reduction in international travel (-\$200), and for the Cooperative Conservation Initiative Challenge Cost Share proposed in FY 2003 (-\$8,000). The budget also includes a reduction of -\$513 for information technology, reflecting cost savings realized in information technology due to consolidated licensing, purchasing and enterprise actions. Uncontrollable costs total +\$4,695 of which +\$2,429 is budgeted and +\$2,266 is absorbed. This subactivity includes a transfer of funds from the Management and Administration component (-\$906) to the Departmental Program Charges within the External Administrative Costs budget activity.</p>	

	<u>Amount</u>
External Administrative Costs	+6,687
<p>Uncontrollable costs total +\$3,093. This activity includes transfers of funds from the Park Management budget activity to the Departmental Program Charges within this budget activity (+\$2,844), and from the Everglades Restoration and Research component in the Resource Stewardship budget subactivity to GSA Space Rental within this budget activity (+\$750).</p>	

APPROPRIATION: United States Park Police

	<u>2002 Actual</u>	<u>2003 Budget</u>	<u>2004 Request</u>	Change from <u>2003 Budget</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	90,480	78,431	78,859	+428

Highlights of Budget Changes

Uncontrollable Cost Increases (non-add)	<u>Amount</u> [+1,041]
United States Park Police	+428
<p>The budget includes a reduction of -\$112 for information technology, reflecting cost savings realized in information technology due to consolidated licensing, purchasing and enterprise actions. Uncontrollable costs total +\$1,041 of which +\$540 is budgeted and +\$501 is absorbed.</p>	

APPROPRIATION: National Recreation and Preservation

	<u>2002 Actual</u>	<u>2003 Budget</u>	<u>2004 Request</u>	Change from <u>2003 Budget</u>
Recreation Programs	548	552	855	+303
Natural Programs	10,894	10,948	12,511	+1,563
Cultural Programs	20,720	19,748	19,071	-677
Environmental Compliance & Review ..	396	400	401	+1
Grants Administration	1,576	1,585	1,595	+10
International Park Affairs	1,714	1,719	1,626	-93
Heritage Partnership Programs	13,206	7,735	7,740	+5
Statutory or Contractual Aid				
Anchorage Museum	2,500	0	0	0
Barnanoff Museum/ Erskin House	250	0	0	0
Bishop Museum Falls of Clyde	300	0	0	0
Brown Foundation	101	101	101	0
Chesapeake Bay Gateways				
& Water Trails	1,200	798	798	0
Dayton Aviation Heritage Comm	299	47	47	0
Denver National History Museum	750	0	0	0
Ice Age National Scientific Reserve ...	806	806	806	0
Independence Mine	1,500	0	0	0
Jamestown 2007 Commission	200	0	0	0
Johnstown Area Heritage				
Association Museum	49	49	49	0
Lake Roosevelt Forum	50	0	0	0
Lamprey Wild & Scenic River	500	200	155	-45
Mandan On-a-Slant Village	750	0	0	0
Martin Luther King Jr. Center	528	528	528	0
Morris Thompson Center	750	0	0	0
National Constitution Center	500	0	0	0

	<u>2002 Actual</u>	<u>2003 Budget</u>	<u>2004 Request</u>	<u>Change from 2003 Budget</u>
Native Hawaiian Culture/ Arts Prog.	740	740	740	0
New Orleans Jazz Commission	66	66	66	0
Penn Center	1,000	0	0	0
Roosevelt Campobello International Park Commission	766	802	847	+45
Saint Charles Interpretive Center	500	0	0	0
Sewell-Belmont House National Historic Site	500	0	0	0
Vancouver Nat'l. Historic Reserve	400	0	0	0
Vulcan Monument	2,000	0	0	0
Subtotal, Statutory/Contractual Aid .	17,005	4,137	4,137	0
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	66,059	46,824	47,936	+1,112

Highlights of Budget Changes

	<u>Amount</u>
Uncontrollable Cost Increases (non-add)	[+415]
Recreation Programs	+303
<p>An increase is requested for the Federal Lands to Parks program (+\$300). The budget includes a reduction of -\$1 for information technology, reflecting cost savings realized in information technology due to consolidated licensing, purchasing and enterprise actions. Uncontrollable costs total +\$7 of which +\$4 is budgeted and +\$3 is absorbed.</p>	
Natural Programs	+1,563
<p>An increase is requested for the Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance program (+\$1,500). The budget includes a reduction of -\$14 for information technology, reflecting cost savings realized in information technology due to consolidated licensing, purchasing and enterprise actions. Uncontrollable costs total +\$148 of which +\$77 is budgeted and +\$71 is absorbed.</p>	
Cultural Programs	-677
<p>A programmatic decrease is proposed for the National Register program (-\$765). The budget includes a reduction of -\$18 for information technology, reflecting cost savings realized in information technology due to consolidated licensing, purchasing and enterprise actions. Uncontrollable costs total +\$206 of which +\$106 is budgeted and +\$100 is absorbed.</p>	
Environmental Compliance and Review	+1
<p>The budget includes a reduction of -\$1 for information technology, reflecting cost savings realized in information technology due to consolidated licensing, purchasing and enterprise actions. Uncontrollable costs total +\$3 of which +\$2 is budgeted and +\$1 is absorbed.</p>	
Grants Administration	+10
<p>The budget includes a reduction of -\$2 for information technology, reflecting cost savings realized in information technology due to consolidated licensing, purchasing and enterprise actions. Uncontrollable costs total +\$25 of which +\$12 is budgeted and +\$13 is absorbed.</p>	
International Park Affairs	-93
<p>A programmatic decrease is proposed for the International Park Affairs program (-\$100). The budget includes a reduction of -\$1 for information technology, reflecting cost savings realized in information technology due to consolidated licensing, purchasing and enterprise actions. Uncontrollable costs total +\$15 of which +\$8 is budgeted and +\$7 is absorbed.</p>	
Heritage Partnership Programs	+5
<p>The budget includes a reduction of -\$1 for information technology, reflecting cost savings realized in information technology due to consolidated licensing, purchasing and enterprise actions. Uncontrollable costs total +\$11 of which +\$6 is budgeted and +\$5 is absorbed.</p>	

	<u>Amount</u>
Statutory or Contractual Aid	
Lamprey Wild and Scenic River	-45
A programmatic decrease is requested (-\$45).	
Roosevelt Campobello International Park Commission	+45
An increase is requested to allow the United States to match the Canadian contribution, as required by law (+\$45).	

APPROPRIATION: Urban Parks and Recreation Fund

	<u>2002 Actual</u>	<u>2003 Budget</u>	<u>2004 Request</u>	Change from <u>2003 Budget</u>
UPAR Grants	28,900	0	0	0
UPAR Grants Administration	1,050	300	305	+5
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	29,950	300	305	+5

Highlights of Budget Changes

	<u>Amount</u>
Uncontrollable Cost Increases (non-add)	[+9]
Uncontrollable costs total +\$9 of which +\$5 is budgeted and +\$4 is absorbed.	

APPROPRIATION: Historic Preservation Fund

	<u>2002 Actual</u>	<u>2003 Budget</u>	<u>2004 Request</u>	Change from <u>2003 Budget</u>
Grants-in-Aid	42,000	37,000	37,000	0
Save America's Treasures	30,000	30,000	30,000	0
National Trust	2,500	0	0	0
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	74,500	67,000	67,000	0

APPROPRIATION: Construction and Major Maintenance

	<u>2002 Actual</u>	<u>2003 Budget</u>	<u>2004 Request</u>	Change from <u>2003 Budget</u>
Line Item Construction & Maintenance	296,963	205,136	207,231	+2,095
Special Programs				
Emergency, Unscheduled	3,500	3,500	5,500	+2,000
Housing	12,500	10,500	8,000	-2,500
Dam Safety	2,700	2,700	2,700	0
Equipment Replacement	17,960	31,960	38,460	+6,500
Construction Planning	25,400	25,400	24,480	-920
Construction Program Mgmt & Ops	17,155	27,292	27,466	+174
General Management Planning	11,240	13,896	13,420	-476
Transfer from Ft. Baker, GOGA	1,000	[2,500]	0	[-2,500]
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	388,418	320,384	327,257	+6,873

Highlights of Budget Changes

	<u>Amount</u>
Uncontrollable Cost Increases (non-add)	[+430]
Line Item Construction	+2,095
<p>The proposed construction projects for 2004 comprise some of the highest priority health and safety and resource protection needs within the national park system, including continuation of security enhancement measures at the Washington Monument and the restoration of the Elwha River and Everglades ecosystems.</p>	
Special Programs	+6,000
<p>This activity includes emergency and unscheduled projects, employee housing, dam safety, and equipment replacement. Increases consist of +\$8.0 million for radio narrowbanding and +\$2.0 million to fund minor unscheduled and emergency projects. The budget also includes decreases of -\$2.5 million for employee housing based on high unobligated balances, and -\$1.5 million to reflect the NPS plan to more efficiently fund its efforts to modernize information management equipment.</p>	
Construction Planning	-920
<p>Funding in this activity is used to prepare project planning documents, drawings, and specifications necessary to complete approved Line Item Construction program projects. This program also provides for the completion of tasks before project design and specifications work begins, including programming, special studies, and resource analysis. A -\$920 decrease is requested based on the number of projects that have reached the planning stage.</p>	
Construction Program Management and Operations	+174
<p>This activity represents costs associated with base funding Denver Service Center salaries and administrative/infrastructure costs. These include managing the 5-year Line Item Construction program projects and coordinating review, ranking, and approval of projects for completion, and overall program oversight. Uncontrollable costs total +377 of which +174 is budgeted and +203 is absorbed.</p>	
General Management Planning	-476
<p>The General Management Planning program will continue the preparation and revision of plans to guide the Service in the protection, use, development, and management of each area and evaluate the potential for adding new units to the national park system. For 2004, the budget request includes a decrease of -\$500 in the Special Resources Studies component of the program, reflecting a reduction in the number of areas studied for national park system inclusion. Uncontrollable costs total +53 of which +24 is budgeted and +29 is absorbed.</p>	

APPROPRIATION: Land Acquisition and State Assistance

	<u>2002 Actual</u>	<u>2003 Budget</u>	<u>2004 Request</u>	<u>Change from 2003 Budget</u>
Assistance to States				
State Conservation Grants	140,000	194,600	156,000	-38,600
Administrative Expenses	3,900	5,400	4,011	-1,389
National Park Service				
Acquisitions	110,117	65,469	58,969	-6,500
Emergencies and Hardships	4,000	4,000	4,000	0
Inholdings	4,000	4,000	4,000	0
Acquisition Management	11,850	12,588	11,654	-934
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	273,867	286,057	238,634	-47,423

Highlights of Budget Changes

	<u>Amount</u>
Uncontrollable Cost Increases (non-add)	[+166]
Federal Land Acquisition A decrease in funding is requested (-\$6,500). The 2004 program consists of acquisitions at six parks.	-6,500
Acquisition Management A decrease in funding is requested (-\$1,000). Uncontrollable costs total +\$142 of which +\$66 is budgeted and +\$76 is absorbed.	-934
State Conservation Grants A decrease in funding is requested (-\$38,600).	-38,600
State Grants Administration A decrease in administrative funding is requested (-\$1,400). Uncontrollable costs total +\$24 of which +\$11 is budgeted and +\$13 is absorbed.	-1,389

APPROPRIATION: Land and Water Conservation Fund Contract Authority

	<u>2002 Actual</u>	<u>2003 Budget</u>	<u>2004 Request</u>	Change from <u>2003 Budget</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	-30,000	-30,000	-30,000	0