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All

Here is some historical data for the National Monuments and National Conservation Areas visitation 2005 -2013. In addition there is a separate spreadsheet with last years totals gathered from RMIS.

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On Tue, May 23, 2017 at 5:09 PM, Crandall, Megan <mcrandal@blm.gov> wrote:

Hi, Jeff. We have been asked for visitation data for "all 27 NMs", but I would think we don't have data for all of the new ones. They want data for the ones in the review and all of the others, too.

TPs would certainly be helpful. This is all coming about because there is a sense in some corners that we shouldn't be disseminating "unverifiable, estimated" data and I need to be able to clearly explain why we do and why the data is still reliable. I have told them that I routinely pivot it into a positive ... i.e. we don't have exact head counts like the NPS because our lands are open and nearly all free for people to explore and enjoy, etc. However, anything more I can do to offer an explanation of why this data is solid and why it's okay to release it would be helpful.

M

On Tue, May 23, 2017 at 3:05 PM, McCusker, Jeffrey <jmccusker@blm.gov> wrote:

Megan,

Are you in the office now? I'm here on the 6th floor for awhile if you want to talk. Would it be helpful to have some talking points on our visitor estimations?

Also, could you give us a list of the NLCS units you are looking for the data for? Is it all

those in the executive order?
Jeff

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On Tue, May 23, 2017 at 4:40 PM, Carl (Andy) Tenney <atenney@blm.gov> wrote:

Megan - We need to know if this is for NM's only or for NM's and NCA's? We will need the State and name of the unit. From our experience with Bears Ears we may need to follow up with the State/Field office too. This may take some time beyond this week.

Andy
Sent from my iPhone

On May 23, 2017, at 4:29 PM, Ridenhour, Larry <lriddenhour@blm.gov> wrote:

Not so far. It would be a matter of setting up a query in RMIS to select for the NMs and NCAs.

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On Tue, May 23, 2017 at 4:24 PM, McCusker, Jeffrey <jmccusker@blm.gov> wrote:

Larry See below. Have you and Tim Fisher in WO-400 been working on other sites besides Bears Ears?

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On Tue, May 23, 2017 at 4:18 PM, Crandall, Megan <mcrandal@blm.gov> wrote:

I would like to do it Friday if possible, but since it's right before a holiday

weekend, we might not be able to make it work.
Jeff, how much time do you need to pull the data for the monuments?

M

On Tue, May 23, 2017 at 2:15 PM, Carl (Andy) Tenney <atenney@blm.gov> wrote:

Including Jeff this time. Jeff is the Deputy Division Chief for WO250. Thx -
Andy
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On May 23, 2017, at 4:14 PM, Carl (Andy) Tenney <atenney@blm.gov> wrote:

Megan- if the call is tomorrow or Thursday, I can do it. If it's
Friday, Jeff will have to cover. Thx- Andy
Sent from my iPhone

On May 23, 2017, at 3:48 PM, Crandall, Megan <mcrandal@blm.gov> wrote:

Thanks, Andy. For a little more explanation, I am trying to get some approval from 100 to begin releasing visitation data for our NMs due to the ongoing requests for it. I know you have gotten a call or two for it, as well. Before I pull together a call with 100 to explain how we create the data and why we should be allowed to release it, I wanted to ask who you want to attend a call with 100 on this topic. I wasn't sure if you would want me to drag your staff into that morass or if you would rather do it. Up to you.
Megan

On Tue, May 23, 2017 at 1:45 PM, Carl (Andy) Tenney <atenney@blm.gov> wrote:

Jeff - please coordinate with Megan on RMIS visitation #'s on NM's. I looped in Larry and Dave too. Larry was working on a RMIS visitor use estimation methodology statement that explains on how we conduct/report visitor use that should be shared with Megan for this exercise. Thx-
Andy

Thx- Andy

Sent from my iPhone

On May 23, 2017, at 3:30 PM, Karen Kelleher <kkelleh@blm.gov> wrote:

Hi Megan
Please coordinate with Andy. RMIS is our best source of visitation data and except for the very new units, should have a breakout for the NM/NCAs. As you note our visitation is estimated - we don't count every person - but as I recall the estimation/multiplication factor for each unit is identified in RMIS so we have documented the calculation we are doing.

Sent from my iPhone

On May 23, 2017, at 12:17 PM, Crandall, Megan <mcrandal@blm.gov> wrote:

Hi, Karen and Steve. I need to coordinate with both 200 and 400 regarding visitation data for our national monuments. Ultimately, we are getting a lot of press and advocacy inquiries and I am working to see what is involved in developing this data (where we can -- I know some NMs just won't have it). We have to also put together an explanation/statement of why our data is estimated and I can tackle that (there is angst in some corners because our data

is estimated not
verifiable and I believe
that is a very easy pivot
to a positive because our
lands are open to explore
so hard head counts aren't
possible).

I'm bugging you to see
who you would like to
have me speak with or
should it be one of you
because I need to put
together a call with 100
hopefully late this week
to discuss this issue.
Patrick asked that I
coordinate with you so
your rep at that meeting
is prepared and knows
what the issue is.

Megan

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RMIS Visits for FY2005 - FY2013 for NM, NCA, Forest Reserves										
State	Office Name	Visits 2005	Visits 2006	Visits 2007	Visits 2008	Visits 2009	Visits 2010	Visits 2011	Visits 2012	Visits 2013
AZ	Aqua Fria NM	83,390	88,473	34,830	61,207	63,435	58,639	88,005	86,324	78,431
AZ	Grand Canyon-Parash	44,048	48,772	41,863	46,538	51,440	61,351	72,655	86,745	90,631
AZ	Ironwood Forest NM	22,500	16,200	17,100	17,900	19,300	23,026	26,000	30,373	43,640
AZ	Sonoran Desert NM	18,083	36,852	31,328	34,349	14,304	17,287	26,069	26,835	26,560
AZ	Vermillion Cliffs NM	48,016	29,568	77,458	48,038	60,428	39,886	77,853	119,555	168,917
CA	California Coastal NM	3,050	3,050	3,355	3,700	33,700	33,700	36,500	37,100	36,500
CA	Carrizo Plain NM	72,974	85,381	87,040	73,128	62,616	85,563	62,185	22,596	61,148
CA	Fort Ord NM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	167,091	189,735
CA	Santa Rosa & San Jac	397,582	236,105	201,778	214,564	212,500	268,743	295,615	259,285	236,898
CO	Canyons of the Ancients	71,000	79,020	0	69,555	61,807	61,328	65,114	67,000	76,252
ID	Craters of the Moon	0	135,432	132,306	3,326	3,326	3,326	3,366	3,276	3,715
MT	Pomeys Pillar	40,866	113,000	65,000	79,080	78,289	43,500	40,170	32,000	44,000
MT	Upper Missouri River Break	8,520	256,334	190,808	198,075	167,929	30,055	24,658	17,746	56,106
NM	Kaska-Katuwe Tent Rocks	53,018	70,690	121,916	43,695	43,690	67,470	128,749	222,946	0
NM	Rio Grande del Norte NM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	453,840
NM	Prehistoric Tracksways NM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,728
OR	Cascade-Siskiyou NM	25,232	307,903	321,348	329,173	389,166	241,815	225,908	162,354	130,332
UT	Grand Staircase NM	594,907	695,866	708,362	711,310	731,440	728,878	739,221	761,465	759,587
WA	San Juan Islands NM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7,900
		1,483,186	2,202,646	2,034,492	1,933,638	1,993,370	1,764,567	1,912,068	2,102,691	2,465,920
State	Office Name	Visits 2005	Visits 2006	Visits 2007	Visits 2008	Visits 2009	Visits 2010	Visits 2011	Visits 2012	Visits 2013
AK	Steese NCA	7,629	13,622	13,198	9,672	8,967	8,533	133,534	30,769	9,204
AZ	Gila Box Riparian NCA	35,220	23,334	27,134	36,105	38,529	52,052	33,911	39,220	39,979
AZ	Las Cienegas NCA	12,327	20,119	16,111	21,035	25,991	25,601	25,986	23,117	25,240
AZ	San Pedro Riparian NCA	58,813	94,333	113,324	127,848	116,504	107,097	94,450	137,859	140,001
CA	Calif Desert NCA	4,591,590	4,653,796	4,876,919	4,551,295	4,660,844	5,387,337	4,469,421	4,554,869	3,958,126
CA	King Range NCA	165,489	184,783	164,481	191,259	196,766	190,267	101,603	101,961	95,286
CO	Gunnison Gorge NCA	49,064	222,315	118,289	135,696	166,336	182,647	193,968	198,202	172,688
CO	Dominguez-Escalante NCA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	72,411
CO	McInnis Canyons NCA	225,371	303,191	306,387	284,136	288,219	290,287	5,507	261,133	295,491
ID	Snake River Birds of Prey NCA	140,148	138,843	128,857	116,304	125,700	123,406	195,714	195,247	196,270
NM	El Malpais NCA	133,185	122,154	125,825	167,035	174,326	175,914	0	115,642	171,411
NM	Fort Stanton-Snowy River Cave	0	0	0	0	0	30,104	32,639	32,647	5,082
NV	Black Rock/High Rock	214,114	258,435	234,464	259,394	99,334	107,311	110,772	154,977	116,857
NV	Red Rock Canyon/Sloan Canyon	828,311	911,715	870,644	902,952	926,597	1,092,825	1,140,469	1,074,893	2,971,069
OR	Steens Mountain CMPA	93,546	214,157	237,084	226,078	353,622	204,829	239,740	190,784	221,939
UT	Beaver Dam Wash NCA	0	0	0	0	0	0	12,154	10,544	12,009
UT	Red Cliffs NCA	0	0	0	0	0	146,929	129,262	139,391	130,276
		6,554,807	7,160,797	7,232,717	7,028,809	7,181,735	8,125,139	6,919,130	7,261,255	8,633,339
State	Office Name	Visits 2005	Visits 2006	Visits 2007	Visits 2008	Visits 2009	Visits 2010	Visits 2011	Visits 2012	Visits 2013
CA	Headwaters Forest Reserve	7,800	8,800	9,000	10,300	12,985	13,450	33,420	35,400	33,245

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Comment: McDonald, Christine A:
NM established in 2012, visits reported in the Hollister FO, SRMA NM

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Comment: tmcdonal:
This office didn't enter any data for 2007.

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Comment: tmcdonal:
This office didn't report

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Comment: McDonald, Christine A:
Didn't enter data for 2013

Cell: K17

Comment: McDonald, Christine A:
NM established in 2013

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Comment: McDonald, Christine A:
NM established in 2009, didn't report visits until 2013

Cell: K29

Comment: tmcdonal:
This area is covered in 5 field offices. They all collect fees. Ridgecrest, Palm Springs, El Centro, Barstow

Cell: H32

Comment: McDonald, Christine A:
NCA established in 2009, didn't report visits for NCA until 2013

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Comment: McDonald, Christine A:
NCA established in 2009, visits may reflect more than just the NCA cave system. Visits are reported in the Roswell FO, SRMA NCA

Cell: H40

Comment: McDonald, Christine A:
NCA established in 2009, no visits reported for 2010. Visits are reported in the St George FO, SRMA NCA

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Comment: McDonald, Christine A:
NCA established in 2009. Visits are reported in the St George FO, SRMA NCA

State	Unit Name	Public Law/E.O.	Date of Designation	2016 Q4 units	2017 Q1 units	2016 Q4 BLM Acres	2017 Q1 BLM Acres	2016 Q4 Other Fed Acres	2017 Q1 Other Fed Acres	2016 Q4 Non-Fed Acres	2017 Q1 Non-Fed Acres	2016 Q4 Total Acres	2017 Q1 Total Acres	Comments
AZ	Agua Fria	Proclamation 7265	1/11/2000	1	1	70,960	70,960			1,364	1,364	70,960	70,960	
AZ	Grand Canyon Parashant	Proclamation 7265	1/11/2000	1	1	812,581	812,581	208,449	208,449	27,291	27,291	1,021,030	1,021,030	
AZ	Ironwood Forest	Proclamation 7320	6/9/2000	1	1	128,756	128,756	299	299	59,573	59,573	129,055	129,055	
AZ	Sonoran Desert	Proclamation 7397	1/17/2001	1	1	486,400	486,400			10,000	10,000	486,400	486,400	
AZ	Vermilion Cliffs	Proclamation 7374	11/9/2000	1	1	279,566	279,566			14,121	14,121	279,566	279,566	
CA	Bryessa Snow Mountain	Proclamation 9298	7/10/2015	1	1	110,000	110,000	220,780	220,780			330,780	330,780	
CA	California Coastal	Proclamation 7264	1/11/2000	1	1	2,628	8,858					2,628	8,858	On 1/12/2017, President Obama expanded the CCNMA
CA	Carrión Plain	Proclamation 7393	1/17/2001	1	1	211,045	211,045			35,772	35,772	211,045	211,045	
CA	Fort Ord	Proclamation 8003	4/20/2012	1	1	7,212	7,212	7,446	7,446			14,658	14,658	
CA	Majora Tree Is	Proclamation 9395	2/12/2016	1	1	1,600,000	1,600,000					1,600,000	1,600,000	
CA	Sand to Snow	Proclamation 9396	2/12/2016	1	1	83,000	83,000	71,000	71,000			154,000	154,000	
CA	Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains	PL 106-351, PL 111-11	10/24/2000, 3/30/2009	1	1	98,981	98,981	70,115	70,115	110,926	110,926	169,096	169,096	
CO	Browns Canyon	Proclamation 9232	2/18/2015	1	1	9,793	9,793	11,811	11,811			21,604	21,604	
CO	Canyons of the Ancients	Proclamation 7317	6/9/2000	1	1	176,000	176,000	370	370	8,630	8,630	176,370	176,370	
ID	Craters of the Moon	Proclamation 7373	11/9/2000	1	1	275,076	275,076	463,344	463,344	14,824	14,824	738,420	738,420	
MT	Pompeys Pillar	Proclamation 7396	1/17/2001	1	1	51	51					51	51	
MT	Upper Missouri River Breaks	Proclamation 7398	1/17/2001	1	1	377,346	377,346			120,475	120,475	377,346	377,346	
NM	Kasha-Katuwe Tent Rocks	Proclamation 7384	1/17/2001	1	1	4,647	4,647			757	757	4,647	4,647	
NM	Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks	Proclamation 9131	5/21/2014	1	1	419,532	419,532			77,008	77,008	419,532	419,532	
NM	Prañatoro Trailways	PL 111-11	3/30/2009	1	1	5,280	5,280					5,280	5,280	
NM	Red Grande del Norte	Proclamation 9846	3/25/2013	1	1	242,710	242,710			68,020	68,020	242,710	242,710	
NV	Basin and Range	Proclamation 9297	7/10/2015	1	1	703,585	703,585			4,438	4,438	703,585	703,585	
NV	Gold Butte	Proclamation 9559	12/28/2016	1	1	296,937	296,937					296,937	296,937	On 12/28/2016, President Obama designated the GRNM
OR	Cascade-Siskiyou	PL 7318, PL 9564	6/9/2000, 1/12/2017	1	1	65,341	113,341			19,752	19,752	65,341	113,341	On 1/12/2017, President Obama expanded the CCNMA
UT	Bears Ears	Proclamation 9558	12/28/2016	1	1	1,063,000	1,063,000	290,000	290,000			1,353,000	1,353,000	On 12/28/2016, President Obama designated the BERNM
UT	Grand Staircase-Escalante	Proclamation 6920	9/19/1996	1	1	1,866,331	1,866,331			14,130	14,130	1,866,331	1,866,331	
WA	San Juan Islands	Proclamation 8947	3/25/2013	1	1	970	970					970	970	
Totals				25	27	8,037,811	9,451,978	1,053,614	1,343,614	587,081	587,081	9,091,425	10,795,592	

NOTE: Please only make changes to cells highlighted in green. Other cells contain formulas and will self update, or do not need to be updated.

National Landscape Conservation System: National Monuments

State	National Monument	Public Law/E.O.	Date of Designation	BLM Acres	Other Federal Acres	State and Private Inholdings*	Total Monument Acres	Visitation Totals**
AZ	Agua Fria	Proclamation 7263	1/11/2000	70,980	0	1,364	70,980	78,775
AZ	Grand Canyon Parashant	Proclamation 7265	1/11/2000	812,581	208,449	27,291	1,021,030	30,350
AZ	Ironwood Forest	Proclamation 7320	6/9/2000	128,756	299	59,573	129,055	23,600
AZ	Sonoran Desert	Proclamation 7397	1/17/2001	486,400	0	10,000	486,400	51,278
AZ	Vermilion Cliffs	Proclamation 7374	11/9/2000	279,566	0	14,121	279,566	275,845
State Total				1,778,283	208,748	112,349	1,987,031	459,848
CA	Berryessa Snow Mountain	Proclamation 9298	7/10/2015	110,000	220,780	0	330,780	107,260
CA	California Coastal	Pr 7264, Pr 9089, Pr 9563	10, 3/11/2014, 1/12/2017	8,858	0	0	8,858	43,420
CA	Carrizo Plain	Proclamation 7393	1/17/2001	211,045	0	35,772	211,045	53,630
CA	Fort Ord	Proclamation 8803	4/20/2012	7,212	7,446	0	14,658	467,848
CA	Mojave Trails	Proclamation 9395	2/12/2016	1,600,000	0	0	1,600,000	163,283
CA	Sand to Snow	Proclamation 9396	2/12/2016	83,000	71,000	0	154,000	Not Reported
CA	Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains	PL 106 351, PL 111 11	10/24/2000, 3/30/2009	98,981	70,115	110,926	169,096	136,090
State Total				2,119,096	369,341	146,698	2,488,437	971,531
CO	Browns Canyon	Proclamation 9232	2/19/2015	9,793	11,811	0	21,604	115,059
CO	Canyons of the Ancients	Proclamation 7317	6/9/2000	176,000	370	8,630	176,370	89,579
State Total				185,793	12,181	8,630	197,974	204,638
ID	Craters of the Moon	Proclamation 7373	11/9/2000	275,076	463,344	14,824	738,420	3,654
State Total				275,076	463,344	14,824	738,420	3,654
MT	Pompeys Pillar	Proclamation 7396	1/17/2001	51	0	0	51	28,672
MT	Upper Missouri River Breaks	Proclamation 7398	1/17/2001	377,346	0	120,475	377,346	46,342
State Total				377,397	0	120,475	377,397	75,014
NM	Kasha Katuwe Tent Rocks	Proclamation 7394	1/17/2001	4,647	0	757	4,647	527,746
NM	Organ Mountains Desert Peaks	Proclamation 9131	5/21/2014	419,532	0	77,008	419,532	394,551
NM	Prehistoric Trackways	PL 111 11	3/30/2009	5,280	0	0	5,280	25,000
NM	Rio Grande del Norte	Proclamation 8946	3/25/2013	242,710	0	68,020	242,710	176,954
State Total				672,169	0	145,785	672,169	1,124,251
NV	Basin and Range	Proclamation 9297	7/10/2015	703,585	0	4,438	703,585	120
NV	Gold Butte	Proclamation 9559	12/28/2016	296,937	0	0	296,937	Not Reported
State Total				1,000,522	0	4,438	1,000,522	120
OR	Cascade Siskiyou	Pr 7318, Pr 9564	6/9/2000, 1/12/2017	113,341	0	19,752	113,341	198,213
State Total				113,341	0	19,752	113,341	198,213
UT	Bears Ears	Proclamation 9558	12/28/2016	1,063,000	290,000	0	1,353,000	Not Reported
UT	Grand Staircase Escalante	Proclamation 6920	9/19/1996	1,866,331	0	14,130	1,866,331	926,236
State Total				2,929,331	0	14,130	3,219,331	926,236
WA	San Juan Islands	Proclamation 8947	3/25/2013	970	0	0	970	105,372
State Total				970	0	0	970	105,372
Total Acres				9,451,978	1,343,614	587,081	10,795,592	

Table updated January 2017

*State and Private inholdings are not part of the National Monument

**Visitation numbers are from RIMS and the information may not count all visitors to National Monuments. Some information was not reported in newly designated National Monuments