

PERFORMANCE NOTE: AGENCY FORM

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SHORT TITLE: National Park Funding

Joint Rule 4-2-404 requires a Performance Review Note anytime the legislature significantly increases funding for: New agency New services or benefits Serving a new or larger population

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HOW WILL THE PUBLIC BENEFIT?

1 What is the purpose and the duties of the new program, agency, services, or population served? JR4-2-404(4)(c)(i)

The purpose of this new program is to provide funding for state government entities to transfer to the Federal Government for the operation of national parks, national monuments, and national recreational areas in the state. Funding is to be contributed in one week increments. After October 28, 2013 the Executive Appropriations Committee will recommend to continue or discontinue funding the operation of these federal operations.

2 What services are provided by the funding increase? JR4-2-404(4)(c)(ii)

The State of Utah will be contracting with the Federal Government to reopen national parks, monuments and recreational areas in the state. State funds will supplant Federal funding for these operations.

3 What are the expected outcomes of the new or expanded program and how will the public benefit? JR4-2-404(4)(c)(iii)

We anticipate the following impacts:

- 1- Recreationalists with preplanned vacations will be able to visit the sites they scheduled to visit.
- 2- Local communities economically impacted by the Federal Government shutdown will receive state stimulus through the reopening of the parks.
- 3- Since the Federal Government shutdown, recreational consumers have shifted attendance from National Parks to State Parks. This has benefited State Parks and may have a long term positive impact on future attendance as new attendees discover State Park operations. Reopening the National Parks will have some negative impact on revenues at State Parks.

4 How will the bill be implemented and what resources are available to achieve the expected outcomes? JR4-2-404(4)(c)(iv)

The bill will be implemented by transferring cash from state funds (the sovereign lands management account) to the federal government.

5 How will the proposed agency activities cause the expected outcomes and public benefit in 3?

Those desiring access to the National Parks will have access. The local economies located near these national park systems will be favorably impacted. On an incremental basis, State parks will be negatively impacted during this period as recreation consumers have been substituting the state park experience for opportunities to visit the National Parks. We anticipate the negative economic impact on local rural communities near the National Parks to be mitigated by this action.

2. PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

What measures will managers and policymakers use to know if the new or expanded program is providing the expected outcomes and public benefits? Provide one, two, and three year goals or targets, actual results and measures if available to serve as a baseline, and outcomes.

Goal (public benefit):

Measure Title:

Description:

One performance measure for this program is binary in nature. Either the national facilities are open or they are not.

Fiscal Year:	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Target or Benchmark:	Open	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Baseline:	Open	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

How will program managers collect this performance information and ensure its reliability?

This information will be a matter of public record.

Goal (public benefit):

Measure Title:

Description:

State and National Parks are the economic development arm of rural Utah. The shutdown brings clarity to this fact. One measurement might be to determine how many rural businesses were prevented from business failure by keeping the National Parks open.

Fiscal Year:	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Target or Benchmark:	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Baseline:	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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We don't have a current baseline or target at this time because there isn't enough data. Program managers may be able to collect this information through econometric modeling. It is impossible to know for certain what the outcome of a prolonged shutdown of the park system would have on these local economies.

Goal (public benefit):

Measure Title:

Description:

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