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It was shut in 1995:

Lincoln image from 1995 shutdown

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Sent: Monday, September 30, 2013 4:43 PM
To: Maureen Foster; Peggy O'Dell
Subject: Fwd: Problem with Call w WASO on "Mall Shutdown"

Barry has questions.

Elisa

Elisa Kunz
Bevinetto Fellow*1849 C Street NW* Room 3123*Washington, DC*20240
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From: **Barry Roth** <barry.roth@sol.doi.gov>
Date: Mon, Sep 30, 2013 at 4:34 PM
Subject: Fwd: Problem with Call w WASO on "Mall Shutdown"
To: Elisa Kunz <elisa_kunz@nps.gov>
Cc: Randolph Myers <randolph.myers@sol.doi.gov>, Rob Eaton <robert.eaton@sol.doi.gov>

Help?

Barry N Roth
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Subject: Re: Call w WASO on Mall Shutdown
To: Lisa Mendelson <lisa_mendelson-ielmini@nps.gov>
Cc: Randolph Myers <randolph.myers@sol.doi.gov>, Bob Vogel <bob_vogel@nps.gov>, Jennifer Mummart <jennifer_mummart@nps.gov>, John Stanwich <john_stanwich@nps.gov>

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Please see expectations. Pls let me know how you are going to proceed. Thx.

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Lisa

The call was pretty routine. Just making sure everyone was OK with Mall plans for shutdown. In short, NAMA will place bike barricades and signage at key memorials discouraging access and noting areas are closed. Honor Flights will not have access to WWII parking, but could theoretically access edge of site. USPP is to discourage stopping of buses and autos at all locations- keeping people moving. Nothing will stop foot traffic access other than barricaded areas. Mall turf will be signed and roped to discourage picnicking and sports.

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Bob, Jennifer if I missed something, chime in.

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> **To:** Sarah Neimeyer <sarah_neimeyer@ios.doi.gov>, "carol_b_johnson@nps.gov" <carol_b_johnson@nps.gov>, "elaine_hackett@nps.gov" <elaine_hackett@nps.gov>, "Samuels, Jonathan D." (b) (6) [redacted] >
> **Subject: RE: Letter from Congressman Palazzo to President Obama**
>
> All – Congressman Palazzo has a flight full of WWII veterans arriving in less than an hour, and we have not received an adequate response to this issue. Is the Park Service planning to prevent these vets from visiting the memorial by barricading and enforcing with Park Police?
>
> The Congressman is planning to meet the veterans and ensure they are not turned away, along with a number of other members. I know this is not a picture the Administration wants – WWII vets being pushed back onto buses by Park Police. It's not the right thing to do, and an exception must be made. And so far, the response has been a shrug of the shoulders.
>
> Let's solve this ASAP.
>
> -Casey

From: Street, Casey
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2013 2:03 PM
To: 'Sarah Neimeyer'; 'carol_b_johnson@nps.gov'; 'elaine_hackett@nps.gov'
Cc: Large, Patrick; Chambers, Laura
Subject: Letter from Congressman Palazzo to President Obama

Sarah –

Please see attached a letter from Congressman Steven Palazzo to the President. Our office was informed by the Park Service today that the open-air monuments on the national mall will be barricaded and the public will be unable to access them. As I mentioned to each of you, we have a group of 90 WWII vets scheduled to visit their monument tomorrow as part of an Honor Flight. Barricading the monuments and preventing access is not the right solution.

The Congressman requests a phone call today with Secretary Jewell, or at minimum Director Jarvis to discuss this very urgent issue.

-Casey

Casey C. Street

Chief of Staff

Congressman Steven Palazzo (MS-04)

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From: Mummart, Jennifer <jennifer_mummart@nps.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, October 02, 2013 12:46 PM
To: Margaret O'Dell
Cc: Waldron, Suzanne; Kelly, Katherine; Carol Johnson; mike litterst; jon jarvis; maureen foster; Stephen Lorenzetti; Bob Vogel; Cam Sholly; Charles Cuvelier; Androff, Blake J; Nicole Buffa; Lisa Mendelson
Subject: Re: final statement - this is good for NPS to use

Is everyone ok with adding (b) (5) [redacted] to this sentence? We need it for context - it's not only the memorials in DC that are closed - it is all national park lands (in DC and elsewhere).

(b) (5) [redacted]

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On Wed, Oct 2, 2013 at 12:36 PM, Margaret O'Dell <peggy_o'dell@nps.gov> wrote:
Thanks. Obviously urgent.

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 2, 2013, at 12:35 PM, "Mummart, Jennifer" <jennifer_mummart@nps.gov> wrote:

> Yes, let me see what I can do.

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On Wed, Oct 2, 2013 at 12:33 PM, Margaret O'Dell <peggy_o'dell@nps.gov> wrote:
Jennifer Mummart can you get this statement printed so it can be handed out. No one at NAMA or WASO to print it and get it to WWII. Can you help?

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 2, 2013, at 11:59 AM, "Waldron, Suzanne" <sue_waldron@nps.gov> wrote:

> adding carol and jenifer as well
>
> On Wed, Oct 2, 2013 at 11:58 AM, Kelly, Katherine <kate_kelly@ios.doi.gov> wrote:
>
> **NPS Statement on Closure of World War II and other national memorials in DC**
>
> The National Park Service depends on Congressional appropriations to stay open. With the lapse in appropriations, we had to close all 401 national parks and furlough more than 20,000 employees.
>
> Without staff or funding to ensure the safety of visitors, the security of the memorials, and the continued operation and maintenance of park facilities, the memorials on the National Mall – just like Yellowstone and the Grand Canyon – are closed.
>
> The Honor Flights are being granted access to the WWII memorial to conduct First Amendment activities in accordance with National Park Service regulations applicable to the National Mall and Memorial Parks. This is consistent with the DOI Closure Determination and Notice issued on October 1, 2013.
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> --
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From: Suzanne Waldron <sue_waldron@nps.gov>
Sent: Monday, October 14, 2013 1:04 PM
To: Kelly, Katherine; O'Dell Peggy; Foster Maureen; KEABLE Ed; Boling Edward; Roth Barry; Vogel Bob; Mendelson-ielmini Lisa; Jarvis Jon
Cc: Michael Litterst; Androff, Blake J
Subject: Re: WWII memorial

Will require through vetting by many including sol, so looping others for a heads up on this approach

4 pm deadline may be tough

Do think it gives nps an opportunity to explain

Sue Waldron
Assistant Director, Communications
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Sent from my iPad

On Oct 14, 2013, at 12:29 PM, "Kelly, Katherine" <kate_kelly@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

> Great - he's checking w his editors. In the meantime, if you can start cobbling together responses, that'd be great.
>
> On Monday, October 14, 2013, Michael Litterst wrote:
> IF we do it today (and i agree that's a unreasonable turnaround given the holiday), i would prefer we take him up on his offer of doing it via written questions and answers. (b) (5) [redacted]
>
> Mike Litterst
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> On Oct 14, 2013, at 12:08 PM, "Kelly, Katherine" <kate_kelly@ios.doi.gov> wrote:
>
>> See below from wapo.
>
> (b) (5) [redacted]

The other option is having mike provide previous approve stmts and some background.

Thoughts?

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: **Fears, Darryl**
Date: Monday, October 14, 2013
Subject: WWII memorial
To: "doi_shutdown@ios.doi.gov" <doi_shutdown@ios.doi.gov>

Hi,

We're trying to NPS Director Jonathan Jarvis or DOI Secretary Sally Jewell for a Q & A about the closure of the World War II Memorial during the shutdown. Given the recent unrest, including the removal of barricades at the facility by veterans this weekend, we wanted to offer our readers clarity about why this particular memorial is shuttered with all the rest, given its significance to the nation's war veterans.

Questions will include these:

1) Given the importance of this memorial to men and women who risked their lives to serve the country, was any special consideration given to the impact of its temporary closure?

2) How much staff is required to maintain this facility on a daily basis? How does it work?

3) NPS produces yearly reports that reflect the number of visitors to its parks, monuments and memorials, so the popularity of the WWII memorial was clear. Did veterans groups lobby NPS to keep the memorial open during the shutdown?

I have more questions. Please call me at 202.334.7511 or respond to this address if you prefer more questions via email. My deadline is 4 p.m. today, Monday, October 14, 2013. Thank you for your help.

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From: Pam Haze <pam_haze@ios.doi.gov>
Sent: Monday, October 07, 2013 3:17 PM
To: LesStrang, Dave
Cc: Bruce Sheaffer
Subject: Re: Tusayan council and local businesses pledge $325,000 in hopes to reopen Grand Canyon National Park

My understanding is that it is not different. In 1995 we did not accept donations. In 1996 we accepted donations for a couple sites but did not execute them. We are holding firm that we cannot piecemeal operations of a park.

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 7, 2013, at 3:11 PM, "LesStrang, Dave" <Dave.LesStrang@mail.house.gov> wrote:

> Can you help me explain how this is different than 1995 when parks were able to remain partially open? I'm getting a lot of angry calls from Member offices! Even scenic turnoffs and parking lots along the Potomac River on the George Washington Parkway (between Alexandria and Mt. Vernon) have barricades preventing access.
>
> Sadly, my family has reservations to stay two nights at Big Meadows in Shenandoah National Park this weekend.
>
> **From:** Haze, Pam [mailto:pam_haze@ios.doi.gov]
> **Sent:** Monday, October 07, 2013 3:07 PM
> **To:** LesStrang, Dave
> **Cc:** Bruce Sheaffer
> **Subject:** Re: FW: Tusayan council and local businesses pledge $325,000 in hopes to reopen Grand Canyon National Park
>
> NPS is sending out a statement that basically says we cannot do that see below.
>
> **Statement of Mike Litterst, National Park Service Acting Chief Spokesperson:**
>
> America's 401 national parks are a source of pride for all Americans and serve as important economic engines for local communities across the nation and we appreciate the generous offers of support and temporary assistance to reopen various individual parks around the country.
>
> There are 401 national parks that comprise the National Park System, which is managed for the common benefit of all the people of the United States, and requires federal appropriations to fulfill its mission and responsibilities. As a result of the lapse in that funding, the entire National Park System is closed and cannot be reopened until funding is restored. Beyond the legal constraints involved, it would not be appropriate or feasible to open some parks or some parts of parks while other parts of the National Park System remain closed to the public.
>
> The National Park Service shares in the frustration of the more than 700,000 people who are being turned away from our parks each day. We continue to hope for a speedy resolution to the

lapse in federal appropriation so that we may reopen America's 401 national parks for the enjoyment of millions of visitors.

On Mon, Oct 7, 2013 at 1:57 PM, LesStrang, Dave <Dave.LesStrang@mail.house.gov> wrote:
Pam & Bruce-

I'm getting a lot of questions about whether national parks can be re-opened using non-federal sources of funding. The article below and attachments explains on such effort. Would appreciate any guidance you can provide. Thanks.

Dave

Tusayan council and local businesses pledge $325,000 in hopes to reopen Grand Canyon National Park

AZ News | *October 3 2013*

By Clara Beard

TUSAYAN, Ariz. – The town of Tusayan, which sits just outside the gates of Grand Canyon National Park, generated more than $290,000 in sales tax in October of last year. But the money won't be coming in this year, thanks to the federal government shutdown.

"Everyday, it impacts us," Tusayan mayor Greg Bryan said about the shutdown. 'This national park has no interest or willingness to allow us to provide them funding."

A few days ago, Tusayan's Red Feather Properties pledged $25,000 to help keep the park open, and encouraged other businesses to follow suite. As of yesterday, local businesses generated around $125,000 to help reopen the park. Coupled with the town's commitment, that sum totals $325,000.

But, even with those financial promises, park officials say they aren't accepting third-party donations.

At Tusayan's council meeting last night, Grand Canyon National Park Superintendent Dave Uberuaga said that the park wasn't allowed to accept any third-party donations to re-open the park. Currently, the council is trying to find out who made that call.

"If it is a policy, we need to ask, when did it take place? When was it put into place? It was obviously not in place in 1995 when the funds were provided," Bryan said.

During the 1995 federal shutdown, then Governor Fife Symington gathered state resources and private donations to keep the park partially open for 21 days.

"Some have reflected back on the 1995 event, and say 'well, we did it then, why can't we do it now,'" Uberuaga told council members. "Bottom line, any third-party funding of the national park opening will not occur. This is a fundamental core operation of the federal government provided for by government appropriations by the U.S. Congress."

The town has calls out to Flagstaff Mayor Jerry Nabours, Williams Mayor John Moore and Sedona Mayor Rob Adams to see if they can help Tusayan's cause.

The Grand Canyon Trust's Roger Clark has offered his support. Arizona Department of Transportation and Coconino County Supervisor Art Babbot said they will help however they can.

Speaker of the House Andy Tobin also gave Tusayan his full support. Bryan said that Tobin believes the state has up to half a million dollars to give in this sort of situation.

"Speaker Andy Tobin told us tonight that our governor is in favor, the governor wants to do something, she just keeps being told, 'no there's nothing, no there's nothing,' we just need to get this thing moving sooner than later," Bryan said.

Council member Bill Fitzgerald asked how the town would estimate how much it would cost per day to keep the park running.

Bryan said a rough estimate is $19,000 a day.

"We're not going to get an estimate from the superintendent because he's not going to want to provide any sense of support for the action, so we'll have to guess," Bryan said. "We figure $25,000 a day. Bare in mind we're not talking just our monies; we're talking hopefully several hundred thousand from the state. I don't think we would enter into anything without that backing."

Council member John Rueter said the town must pursue a partial opening to the fullest.

"I think Tusayan needs to lead, in this case, the effort to get the park open," Rueter said. "We have a contingency plan in our budget for economic disasters, and this is very quickly becoming an economic disaster."

While legislators continue to squabble in Washington, Bryan said the town will work to find a way to reopen the park.

"It's our intent to push it," Bryan said.

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From: Nicole Buffa <nicole_buffa@ios.doi.gov>
Sent: Monday, October 07, 2013 2:01 PM
To: Jonathan Jarvis; Margaret O'Dell; Laura Davis; Blake Androff; Kate P Kelly
Subject: 1995 Clips

I thought these might be helpful context.

(2nd shutdown, began one minute after midnight on Saturday, December 16th)

Saturday 12/16/95

- President says he will cover cost to light national Christmas tree. http://news.google.com/newspapers?id=ZSxEAAAAIBAJ&sjid=PbEMAAAAIBAJ&pg=2819,3239187&dq=parks+shutdown&hl=en

Sunday 12/17/95

- "The National Park Service closed some sites in **Washington state** on Saturday morning, part of the federal government shutdown. At **Olympic National Park**, all visitor centers, ranger stations and administrative offices were **closed** along with Hurricane Ridge Road. Some campgrounds and the Kalaloch Lodge remained open, the Park Service said. The Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park in Seattle's Pioneer Square was shut down. "Just like last time, we're closed," park ranger Todd Haskell told KIRO-TV. The partial shutdown came about because President Clinton and Republicans in Congress have reached another impasse in federal budget talks. While some essential services and employees remain on the job, many have been told to stay home. "At this time I think the only nonessential personnel right now are probably the politicians," Haskell said. "National Park units which are easily closed by shutting a door or a gate are closed as of 9:30 a.m.," the Park Service said. No one answered the telephone at any of the nine National Park sites in the state on Saturday, but only at Olympic National Park did a recorded message mention the shutdown."

- "Annoyed tourists were **turned away from the White House** and **locked out of the Washington Monument's parking lot** Saturday after parts of the government shut down for the second time in five weeks. President Clinton was on the minds of some visitors as they rushed around **Smithsonian Institution** exhibits shortly before **museums closed prematurely** about noon. Tourists were **free to wander the halls of the Capitol, touch the walls of the Vietnam Memorial and climb the steps of the Lincoln Memorial to read the Gettysburg Address – those and other similar sites don't require supervision by federal employees.** But the **White House was closed** . . . **Some large parks remained accessibly, but without the usual visitor's services. The Grand Canyon National Park in Arizona remained open,** thanks to $211,500 authorized by the state parks board. In Baltimore, the **historic fort** that inspired Francis Scot Key… **closed** early Saturday afternoon. . . **The Fort McHenry National Monument opened** two hours late Saturday morning while park rangers awaited word on whether they would be able to operate for the weekend . .. That word came shortly before 2 pm. All but two of the park's six workers were sent home." http://news.google.com/newspapers?id=BUIlAAAAIBAJ&sjid=M64FAAAAIBAJ&pg=2588,3500944&dq=lincoln-memorial&hl=en

- "'We arrived when they **shut it down,**' she said at the **Lincoln Memorial.**" http://news.google.com/newspapers?id=ZixEAAAAIBAJ&sjid=PbEMAAAAIBAJ&pg=907,3417221&dq=memorial+shutdown&hl=en

- State and private aid will keep the grand canyon open. http://news.google.com/newspapers?id=IhsOAAAAIBAJ&sjid=kn0DAAAAIBAJ&pg=6467,2357179&dq=parks+shutdown&hl=en

- Crater Lake Center shut down. **Crater Lake National Park closed** its visitor information center Saturday as Oregon felt the impact of a second federal shutdown… **National parks with doors or gates or access points were closed** Saturday morning, the Interior Department's Holly Bunduck said. Other facilities had reduced services. **Campgrounds and concession businesses, however, remained open.** http://news.google.com/newspapers?id=vEVWAAAAIBAJ&sjid=c-sDAAAAIBAJ&pg=6704,4419940&dq=parks+shutdown&hl=en

- Shutdown won't ground Wright flight celebration. "The anniversary of the first powered flight will go as scheduled at the **Wright Brothers National Memorial** despite the federal government shutdown, a park official said Saturday. . . . The budget impasse on Capitol Hill **will not close** the **outer banks monument** or halt today's celebration. Washington's **Smithsonian Institution** and **Lincoln Memorial** had locked their doors by midday Saturday. In **North Carolina, the Blue Ridge Parkway** and **Great Smoky Mountains** remained quiet as employees were sent home. A contingency plan had today's celebration – expected to include more than 1,000 people – scheduled for a nearby middle school… **The majority of National Service Park [*sic*] employees are working the last few hours of their regular shifts today before beginning their furloughs**, said Russel Berry, park superintendent. Any other costs associated with the anniversary will be picked up by several organizations. All **433 miles of the Blue Ridge Parkway remained open** to traffic Saturday, but the attraction was in a partial-shutdown phase. The **park's Asheville headquarters** sent two of their four employees home for the weekend." http://news.google.com/newspapers?id=b6osAAAAIBAJ&sjid=EhUEAAAAIBAJ&pg=6552,556601&dq=wright+shutdown&hl=en

Monday, 12/18/95

- "There was a steady parade of disappointed tourists at Battery Park yesterday afternoon as the latest **Federal Government shutdown closed access to the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island** here and to hundreds of national parks around the country. Despite the partial shutdown, hundreds of camera-carrying visitors trooped along Battery Place to the Ellis Island ferry. . . . The spending authority lapsed after the White House and Congress failed to agree on an overall budget. Because the shutdown began on a weekend, tourists were the first affected. http://www.nytimes.com/1995/12/18/us/brunt-of-federal-shutdown-falls-on-the-tourists-again.html

Sunday, 12/24/1995

- Shutdown Cancels **Yosemite Yule Fest**. "The government shutdown **canceled** dinner plans Friday for 1,650 people who had paid $185 each to dress in medieval attire and dine on prawns and peacock pies. Five Christmas feasts at the **Ahwahnee Hotel in Yosemite National Park** were scrapped because of stalled budget talks in Washington that have closed more than 360 national parks and monuments. . . . The **National Museum of American History** will **reopen** Tuesday despite the partial shutdown, after officials shifted private trust fund money to pay some workers. An agreement sealed Friday with the Interior Department will allow **part of Carlsbad Caverns National Park** in New Mexico to **reopen** during the federal Shutdown…." http://news.google.com/newspapers?id=n55dAAAAIBAJ&sjid=4lwNAAAAIBAJ&pg=5314,4730275&dq=parks+shutdown&hl=en

Friday, 12/29/95

- "Thomas holds the **federal contract to operate the horse-drawn sleigh ride at the National Elk Refuge** near Jackson Hole, Wyo. Instead of hauling 1,000 visitors a day across the snow to see the wintering herds, he is home calling lenders to tell them he cannot pay his debts. The government's decision to close national refuges and parks has cost him about $ 60,000, forced him to lay off 12 employees and park his seven sleighs. "If they don't get the

refuge open by the first of the year, I don't know what I can do," Thomas said yesterday. The shutdown, shrugged off at the start by many Americans as Washington political theater, now seems more serious. It is reaching far beyond the 760,000 federal workers who likely will get half-full paychecks next week. And beyond the tourists who have been grumbling about locked museum doors on the Mall. ... In Mariposa County, Calif., near Yosemite National Park, the county board of supervisors has asked the governor to declare the county an economic disaster area. With the park closed and tourists departing, the county is losing from $8,000 to $ 10,000 a day in tax revenue, the Interior Department said." http://articles.washingtonpost.com/2011-03-03/politics/35207194_1_federal-employees-federal-contract-nih

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