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Subject: Re: ORV Plan costing information question

Lori,

I spoke to our Chief of Interp and she mentioned that she did spend time and money on ORV issues last year, but did not reflect that in her cost estimates. I have an updated cost for interpretation for Alt B, which are as follows:

Alt. B - Actual Cost (.3 FTE at \$19,300) (This is what Interpretation spent in FY08 on work associated with ORV management)

.3 FTE for a GS-025-09, Park Ranger that helped develop the ORV brochure, ORV night driving permit, produced an article for the park newspaper, updated the website with daily Google Earth maps and ORV information, developed a interpretative display at the visitor center, and provided ORV information to the public.

Alt B - Requested Cost (1.5 FTE at \$93,500) (This is what Interpretation needs to implement Alt B as it is proposed)

.5 FTE for a GS-1084-09, Visual Information Specialist that will maintain website, design and develop ORV and protected species management interpretive exhibits, uses state-of-the-art methodology's such as podcasts and Guide-By-Cell to present ORV information.

1 FTE for a GS-025-07, Park Ranger that will serve as the Volunteer coordinator to recruit, hire, train, and manage volunteers from all divisions that are associated with ORV management.

I am sure that Facility Management spent some time and energy on ORV related issues such as ramp and parking lot maintenance last year, but these were also not included in their figures. I have requested an updated cost from them to reflect this work and will send that to you as soon as I get it.

In reviewing the costs provided for Alt C-E, it appears that some of these costs were not included by the divisions. I am updating these costs and have generated baseline costs for each alternative as well so that the costs can reflect what we have vs. what is needed.

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Hi Darrell,

I am getting into the analysis of alternative A for park management and operations and I noticed that you do not have any interpretation costs in there. We did include nominal costs with this action in the EA so I was looking to touch base with you to resolve the difference here. If you can let me know a good time for you this week, I will give you a ring.

Take care,
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