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Sent: Wednesday, November 1, 2017 10:43 AM
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Subject: 18-74 Ruch uniform requirements FOIA Response

Mr. Ruch,

A search of the files for the National Park Service's (NPS) uniform program coordinator returned no responsive records. Regarding item 1 of your request, the specifications were updated to request these technologies after an "Industry Day" in July 2015 during which vendors brought new technologies to our attention that could benefit our employees. Regarding items 2 - 4 of your request, because the contract was only recently awarded the NPS has not seen or approved any garments including the anti-microbial and/or insect resistant garments, we therefore have no records responsive to these items.

Should you consider this NO RECORDS response to be a denial of your request, you have the right to appeal. You may file an appeal by writing to:

Freedom of Information Act Appeals Officer
Office of the Solicitor
U.S. Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, NW
MS-6556-MIB,
Washington, D.C. 20240
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Your appeal must be received no later than 90 workdays after the date of this final response. The appeal should be marked, both on the envelope and the face of the appeal letter, with the legend "FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL." Your appeal should be accompanied by a copy of your original request and copies of all correspondence between yourself and the National Park Service related to this request, along with any information you have which leads you to believe the records are available, including where they might be found, if the location is known to you. Please note, appeals received after 5 p.m. EST will be considered to have been received as of the following day.

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You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways:

Office of Government Information Services (OGIS)
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Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

Additionally, because the National Park Service creates and maintains law enforcement records, we are required by the Department of Justice to provide the following information, even though it may or may not apply to your specific request. Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV 2010). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that we are required to give all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

Please do not hesitate to contact me, both as the NPS FOIA Liaison and the person who processed your request, with any further questions or concerns. I can be reached at the address above or by phone at 303-969-2959. I can also be reached via e-mail at charis_wilson@nps.gov.

Sincerely,

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