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12/14/2010 08:24 AM

To John Wessels/DENVER/NPS@NPS

cc Kate_Stevenson@nps.gov

Subject Water Bottles - Outcomes from Meeting with Director Jarvis

John,

Good Morning. Director Jarvis asked that I touch base with you regarding the next steps in regards to discontinuing the sale of bottled water at the Grand Canyon and other parks. We held a meeting yesterday with the Natural Resources, Park Facilities, Communications, Partnership and Commercial Services folks to discuss the pros and cons of banning bottled water in general, and found we still need to gather more facts and engage the concessioners and distributors for input.

John reiterated his decision to have the Grand Canyon hold off on implementation (and other parks as well) until we have hosted a meeting with the major producers of bottled water (e.g., Coke, Pepsi, Nestle) and heard their position.

He indicated you were going to touch base with the NPF / Coke, and he asked that I get in touch with you to see where you are with making that contact and to let you know I'll be setting up the general meeting.


Do you have time to discuss this with me this week?

Jo

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Kurt Rausch/WASO/NPS
01/24/2011 09:30 AM EST

To Steve Whitesell/WASO/NPS@NPS, Tim
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cc
bcc
Subject Water Bottler Mtg - January 25, 2:00 PM, Director's
Conference Rm 3121

History:  This message has been replied to.

Steve and Tim:

We wanted to make sure you had the call in information for the Water Bottler Mtg tomorrow afternoon in the event that you will not be able to attend in person. Representatives from Nestle, Coke, Pepsi, the International Water Bottlers Association and American Beverage Association have indicated that they will be coming.

Phone No: 866-773-2892
Pass code: 1542875

If you have any questions concerning the meeting please contact me via email or at either of the numbers below.

Kurt

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01/06/2011 01:58 PM

To neil@natlparks.org, Laura Joss

cc Kurt Rausch/WASO/NPS@NPS

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Subject Water Bottle Meeting - Draft Agenda - Goals for Tomorrow's Discussion

Neil and Laura,

Thanks for both agreeing to participate in tomorrow's planning session for our future meeting with the water bottlers. At tomorrow's meeting, we would like to:

- Discuss the goals and objectives for the meeting with the water bottlers (draft agenda attached for your review and to facilitate discussion)
- Identify the participants at the meeting
- Select possible dates for the meeting
- Other topics

→ 2 IMR
→ Nestle, Coke, Pepsi, INBA, Am Bev Assoc
→ Cheryl Dicker did all the work
→ now second meeting w/ concessioners/partners/cooperators

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Feb. 3-5 Lake Head NPF Board

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- Draft Water Bottle Company Agenda - KURA - 01..5.10.docx

2 IMR follow-up:
- raise awareness of the issue + Dir's interest
- Send Margaret's plastic water bottle summary to all parks to update
- remind them to hold off implementing bans until Servicewide approach is developed
- correct Julie's draft → Margaret will follow up

Jo Pendry: will email all conc chiefs re. this



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01/11/2011 11:57 AM

To Gordon Wissinger/Atlanta/NPS@NPS, Mike
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Subject INVITATION: Discussion with Bottled Water Industry

The purpose of this e-mail is to invite your Region to participate in a meeting to be hosted by Commercial Services to discuss NPS initiatives to prohibit bottled water sales in parks with bottled water suppliers and association representatives.

Hi Everyone, Hope you have gotten the new year off to a great start.

As you may know, several parks have implemented programs to prohibit the sale of disposable water bottles in parks and more are considering this practice. This has also been incorporated as a draft Service-wide goal in the NPS Green Parks Plan developed by the Park Facility Management Division. A number of concessioners and bottled water suppliers have expressed concern over the initiative. This came to the Director's attention due to a proposed action at Grand Canyon. The Director has asked that we host a meeting with the water bottlers to discuss NPS initiatives to prohibit bottled water sales in parks with bottled water suppliers and association representatives. A copy of the draft agenda is attached.

The Director also asked that no NEW initiatives be implemented until a Service-wide position is developed on this issue (e.g., no new water bottle bans!)

You or an alternate regional representative are invited to attend a meeting to be hosted by Commercial Services to discuss NPS initiatives to prohibit bottled water sales in parks with bottled water suppliers and association representatives. The up-to half day meeting is being scheduled for some time during the week of January 24. The WASO Program representatives will be in attendance, and the Director may attend, schedule permitting. We have also invited the National Park Foundation to attend.

We are hosting this meeting to discuss the initiative with the water bottlers and get their input on ways they could assist us in achieving our sustainability goals in this area. Once we have the input from the bottlers, we plan to hold a second meeting with concessioners and cooperators.

Additional information on the specific time and location of the meeting are to be announced. Please note that travel for this trip would have to be covered by your region. If you are unavailable to attend in person, teleconference capability will be available. If you have any ideas or questions please contact Kurt Rausch at 202-513-7202.



Draft Water Bottle Company Agenda - KURA - 01..5.10.docx

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AGENDA
DISPOSABLE WATER BOTTLE REDUCTION INITIATIVE

DESIRED OUTCOME – Bottled water suppliers have an understanding and appreciation of the NPS the Disposable Water Bottle Initiative and are engaged in helping the NPS to find solutions to meet the Service objectives for this effort.

PROPOSED AGENDA

I. NPS Interest

Attendees may not be aware of why the NPS is considering this initiative. Motivations and drivers to implement the program will be briefly outlined by the NPS including Executive Order requirements (e.g., EOs 13423 and 13514), Departmental sustainability goals (e.g., Strategic Sustainability Plan) and NPS "greening the parks" objectives. The discussion will address:

- A. Litter and Waste Management
- B. Sustainability and Carbon-Footprint Reduction
- C. Visitor Education

II. NPS Activities to Date

Attendees may not be aware of what has been done so far in this area. What and how programs have been implemented and the impacts and results that have been seen so far will be highlighted by the NPS. This discussion will include procedures such as the provision of refill stations, water bottle sales data, and waste reduction and global warming gas reduction numbers. The discussion will cover:

- A. Parks where programs have been implemented or planned
- B. Practices that have been developed
- C. Outcomes including environmental, economic and visitor satisfaction

III. Open Discussion

With this enhanced basis of understanding on NPS motivations, history and possible plans, The NPS will facilitate a dialog with the attendees to identify how they might help meet NPS objectives with this program. Anticipated topics are:

- A. Bottled Water Supplier Concerns
- B. Ideas for Moving Forward

AGENDA
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
DISPOSABLE WATER BOTTLE REDUCTION INITIATIVE
JANUARY 25, 2011
2:00 PM – 4:30 PM
MAIN INTERIOR BUILDING, ROOM 3121

DESIRED OUTCOME –Water Bottlers are informed and engaged in helping the NPS to find solutions to meet the Service sustainability objectives associated with this initiative.

PROPOSED AGENDA

I. NPS Goals

Drivers to implement the program will be briefly outlined by the NPS including Executive Order requirements (e.g., EOs 13423 and 13514), Departmental and Service sustainability goals. The discussion will address:

- A. Litter and Waste Management
- B. Sustainability and Carbon-Footprint Reduction
- C. Visitor Education

II. NPS Activities to Date

Programs that have been implemented and associated results that have been seen will be briefly highlighted. The discussion will cover:

- A. Parks where water bottle prohibitions are in place
- B. Practices that have been developed such as the provision of refill stations and refillable water bottle sales
- C. Outcomes including environmental, economic and visitor satisfaction

III. Open Discussion

The majority of the meeting will be devoted to conversation with the attendees to identify how they might help meet NPS objectives with this program. Anticipated topics are:

- A. Bottled Water Supplier Efforts
- B. Bottled Water Supplier Concerns
- C. Ideas for Moving Forward

Kate Stevenson, Dan Wunk, Jo P
Wendy Berman, IMR - Concessions,
Sandy Poole, MWR, J

Disposable Water Bottle mtg

1/25/11

Quinton Martin Coke

Brian Nestle

N

Dan IBWA

Kelly Smith

Omar - Pepsi

Kurt - Solid waste + emerging global warming gas
emissions. Sustainability drivers re: H₂O bottles.

Dan - GRCA

- Our opp to be kinder + gentler stewards of our env.

IBWA - Bev industry trying to impr. recycling, sustainability;
Cradle to Cradle. Educate consumers.

Deposits - Makes a diff in ^{reclaiming C.A. or 1 in NE for plastic} bottle bill → doesn't increase recycl-
ing

Water bottlers would help reach our goals → e.g. recycling bins;
bringing H₂O to filling stations

Coke intends to recycle all products by 2020. They want bottles
back to reuse. Looking @ a 30% plant products bottle.

Broader issue than just H₂O or just the package. GMA Study
^{water} % of product line - ? ~ 10% or less but pushing for 50/50
^{60/40 → carbonated still}

Don't compete against tap water