

Help Maintain Parks as Wildlife Sanctuaries

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Parks and monuments are regarded as sanctuaries for wildlife. National parks have served as wildlife sanctuaries since Congress first banned the taking of animals from Yellowstone in 1894. Recently, the Department of the Interior proposed a special regulation that would require the National Park Service to allow members of the Hopi Tribe to take eagles for ceremonial and religious purposes from Wupatki National Monument, Arizona. This rule proposes to alter the very wildlife protection mission of the entire National Park Service.

The special rule is an open invitation to adopt similar special rules at other parks. The rule is based on an inappropriate application of legal authorities that could broadly open the national park system to hunting by many Tribes or non-Indian religious practitioners. (See [comments](#) filed by PEER with NPS.) In a recent [survey](#) conducted by PEER, more than a third of national parks reported requests from affiliated tribes to hunt, trap or otherwise collect animals from the park.

Please help ensure protection for park wildlife! Write or email the National Park Service today to urge them to withdraw the proposed rule. Just copy the text of the [sample letter](#) we have provided or write your own letter and send it:

Via Mail:

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