

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I have a tremendous respect for our park rangers - they are highly-trained, first responders who work long hours, often alone and in remote and dangerous situations. We should have armed them long ago. In the present environment, rangers deserve firearms not just to keep our parks safe, but themselves. I understand that some people find weapons scary or offensive, but criminals and charging bears have no such compunctions. Criminal use of illegally-obtained firearms is a growing, widespread trend. Insisting that our rangers remain disarmed and helpless would be irresponsible and sends the wrong message to the criminal element.