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White Sands News Release

Join White Sands National Monument For a Conversation about Priorities on February 5

Alamogordo, N.M. – White Sands National Monument will host a public meeting on February 5, 2009, to gain input and ideas for the park’s future management. The meeting is part of continued public conversation that will lead to the publication of a Foundation Planning Document later this summer. The document will:

- articulate the purpose and significance of White Sands National Monument;
- identify priorities;
- guide decision making; and,
- determine future planning needs for the next three to five years.

“This is a great opportunity for the community to share with the National Park Service their ideas about how they would like to see White Sands National Monument grow into the future,” said Superintendent Kevin Schneider. “White Sands is a significant part of Alamogordo and we would like to have the community’s input to make the park a place that they feel more connected to and visit more often.”

The public meeting will be held at the U.S. Forest Service’s office on 3463 Las Palomas Road in Alamogordo. It will begin at 4:00 pm with a presentation about the foundation planning process so far, and is expected to conclude by 6:00 pm. Participants will be invited to brainstorm ideas and vision for White Sands. Light refreshments will be served. Individuals are welcome to come for the full two hours if interested and able, or may drop by for a shorter time and staff will include them in the conversation.

Those individuals who cannot attend February 5 but would like their perspectives or ideas to be considered may email: WWSA_Superintendent@nps.gov or write:

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Written thoughts should be received by March 1, so that staff can incorporate the themes into the Foundation Planning Document. Individuals with questions may contact White Sands National Monument at 575-679-2599.

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