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## Dry Tortugas National Park News Release

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### Accepting Applications from Businesses Interested in Providing Visitor Services in Dry Tortugas National Park

*Key West, Florida:* The National Park Service is now accepting applications for Commercial Use Authorizations (CUA) from individuals or businesses wishing to offer visitor services in Dry Tortugas National Park for the two year period starting February 1, 2014 and ending January 31, 2015.

The Commercial Use Authorization (CUA) application process is a competitive process to select entities to provide services to the Dry Tortugas in four categories: Guide Fishing, Sailing, Wildlife Viewing and Dive/Snorkel operations. A total of thirty (30) CUAs will be awarded to provide services within Dry Tortugas National Park. Each activity requires a separate permit.

A panel reviews all applications to ensure that the services are in keeping with National Park Service regulations and the mission of Dry Tortugas National Park.

All applications must be postmarked no later than November 30, 2013 and all applications and supporting materials received in the park by December 5, 2013. A non-refundable application fee of \$350 must accompany the application package.

All applicants will be notified by mail in January 2014 whether or not they have been selected as service provider with a CUA for Dry Tortugas National Park.

Additional information and the Application packet are available on the Dry Tortugas website, [www.nps.gov/drto](http://www.nps.gov/drto).

For additional information or concerns, you may contact Linda Roehrig, Special Park Uses Program Manager at 305-242-7744 or via email at [linda\\_roehrig@nps.gov](mailto:linda_roehrig@nps.gov). [www.nps.gov/drto](http://www.nps.gov/drto)

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