



National Park Service  
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## Commercial Use Authorization (CUA) Program Transit Services

### *Category Defined:*

A Transit Service is a logistics system for the picking-up and dropping-off of visitors to specifically authorized points along a regular route with a pre-announced schedule. Services and stops are continuous and specifically authorized. This service allows visitors to be transported to facilities and recreational opportunities who may otherwise be unable to get there by other means. A Transit Service allows visitors to utilize public transportation for convenience. Interpretive touring is not part of this service, although operators must relay specifically approved messages to visitors, consistent with the management objectives of Grand Teton National Park (GRTE), the John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Memorial Parkway (JODR), and the mission of the National Park Service. Transit services were authorized to be a part of the CUA program on a trial basis from 2011 through 2013. Beginning in 2014, they were introduced as a new CUA category on a permanent basis.

### *Specific Statement of Appropriate Use:*

Transit Services are an appropriate activity GRTE and JODR because they assist visitors and employees in accessing the park to participate in a variety of appropriate services and activities.

### *Management Objectives:*

Transit Services assist the park in helping to reduce vehicle traffic congestion in popular parking areas and trailheads. The park has conducted public transportation studies which encourage and support this use, although a shuttle was not found to be necessary.<sup>1</sup> Transit Services help GRTE and JODR extend visitor services which is a guiding principle of the NPS mission.<sup>2</sup>

## Operating Plan

### *Operating Plan:*

- A written Park Shuttle schedule shall be submitted to the Superintendent and approved in writing 30 days prior to the commencement of each season of operation: Spring dates by April 10, summer dates by May 10, fall dates by August 10, and winter dates by October 10.
- Changes to this itinerary are not authorized during each season of operation.
- The CUA holder will be allowed to use vans or buses ranging in size up to a maximum of 40 feet in length (Vehicles on the Moose Wilson Road vehicles are restricted to 8'4 feet wide and 23'4 inches long).

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<sup>1</sup> GRTE: Transportation Plan Final Environmental Impact Statement September 2006, Chapter one, Purpose of and need for the plan.

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.nps.gov/aboutus/mission.htm>



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- CUA holders are prohibited from conducting activities in or from entering areas that could be considered residential in nature to include administrative areas, service areas, employee housing areas, lodging/cabin areas, in campgrounds and along campground entrance road. In park pickups are allowed at concessions lodging areas with prior written permission by concessions operations. Replace with wording about stop locations.
- All Commercial Activity on the Laurence S. Rockefeller Preserve is prohibited.
- All representatives and employees of CUA holders must always conduct themselves in a professional manner.
- The name and employing company of all CUA representatives and employees, must be identifiable using uniforms, name tags and logos while conducting tours. Commercially owned, leased and rented vehicles must be identifiable on the outside of the vehicle with a company name.
- The name and employing company of all CUA representatives and employees must be identifiable through the use of uniforms and name tags.
- All tours must provide accurate and unbiased information, safety messaging, and bear food storage education.
- All business transactions must take place outside of Grand Teton National Park (GRTE) or the John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Memorial Parkway (JODR)