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Superintendent's Compendium
Designations, Closures, Permit Requirements and Other Restrictions Imposed Under Discretionary Authority.

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A. INTRODUCTION

1. Superintendent's Compendium Described

The Superintendent's Compendium is the summary of park specific rules implemented under 36 Code of Federal Regulations (36 CFR). It serves as public notice, identifies areas closed for public use, provides a list of activities requiring either a special use permit or reservation, and elaborates on public use and resource protection regulations pertaining specifically to the administration of the park. The Superintendent's Compendium does not repeat regulations found in 36 CFR and other United States Code and CFR Titles, which are enforced without further elaboration at the park level.

The regulations contained in 36 CFR, Parts 1-7, are the basic mechanism used by the National Park Service (NPS) to preserve and protect the natural and cultural resources of the park and to protect visitors and property within the park. Parts 1 through 6 are general regulations applicable to all areas of the National Park system, and Part 7 contains special regulations specific to individual parks. Each of these Parts has many sections and subsections articulating specific provisions. Within some of these Part 1-7 sections and subsections, the Superintendent is granted discretionary authority to develop local rules to be responsive to the needs of a specific park resource or activity, park plan, program, and/or special needs of the general public.

As an example, 36 CFR 1.5(a) *Closures and Public Use Limits* provides the Superintendent certain discretion in allowing or disallowing certain activities. The authority granted by the Section, however, requires the Superintendent to comply with the Administrative Procedures Act (6 USC Section 551), which requires public notice on actions with major impact on visitor use patterns, park resources or those that are highly controversial in nature.

Another example is 36 CFR 1.6 *Permits*, which allows the Superintendent to require a permit for certain uses and activities in the park. This Section, however, requires that a list of activities needing a permit (and a fee schedule for the various types of permits) be maintained by the park.

A final example is 36 CFR 2.1(c) (1) *Preservation of Natural, Cultural and Archeological Resources*, which provides the Superintendent the authority to designate certain fruits, nuts, berries or unoccupied seashells which may be gathered by hand for personal use or consumption. This activity can occur, however, only if a written determination shows that the allowed activity does not adversely affect park wildlife, the reproductive potential of a plant species, or otherwise adversely affect park resources.

This Compendium should be used in conjunction with Title 36 CFR, Parts 1-7, to more fully understand the regulations governing the use and enjoyment of all the areas of the National Park System.

A copy of Title 36, CFR, can be purchased from the U.S. Government Printing Office at:

Superintendent of Documents
P.O. Box 371954
Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954

The CFR is also available on the Internet at:

http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_05/36cfrv1_05.html

2. **Laws and Policies Allowing the Superintendent to Develop This Compendium**

The National Park Service (NPS) is granted broad statutory authority under 16 United States Code (U.S.C.) Section 1 *et.seq.* (Organic Act of 1916, as amended) to "...regulate the use of the Federal areas known as national parks, monuments, and reservations...by such means and measures as conform to the fundamental purposes of the said parks...which purpose is to conserve the scenery and the natural and historic objects and the wildlife therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment for future generations" (16 U.S.C. Section 1). In addition, the NPS Organic Act allows the NPS, through the Secretary of the Interior, to "make and publish such rules and regulations as he may deem necessary or proper for the use and management of the parks, monuments, and reservations under the jurisdiction of the National Park Service" (16 U.S.C. Section 3).

In 1970, Congress amended the NPS Organic Act to clarify its intentions as to the overall mission of the NPS. Through the General Authorities Act of 1970 (16 U.S.C. Sections 1a1-1a8), Congress brought all areas administered by the NPS into one National Park System and directed the NPS to manage all areas under its administration consistent with the Organic Act of 1916.

In 1978, Congress amended the General Authorities Act of 1970 and reasserted System-wide the high standard of protection defined in the original Organic Act by stating "Congress further reaffirms, declares, and directs that the promotion and regulation of the various areas of the National Park System, as defined by Section 1 of this Title, shall be consistent with and founded in the purpose established by Section 1 of this Title, to the common benefit of all people of the United States."

16 U.S.C. Section 1c defines the National Park System as"...any areas of land and water now or hereafter administered by the Secretary of the Interior through the National Park Service for park, monument, historic, parkway, recreational, or other purposes."

In addition to the above statutory authority, the Superintendent is guided by established NPS policy as found in the *NPS Management Policies* (2006). The Superintendent is also guided by more specific policies promulgated by the Director, National Park Service, in the form of Director's Orders. As stated in the Management Policies, the primary responsibility of the NPS is to protect and preserve our national natural and cultural resources while providing for the enjoyment of these resources by visitor and other users, as long as use does not impair specific park resources or overall visitor experience. The appropriateness of any particular visitor use or recreational experience is resource-based and will vary from park to park; therefore, a use or activity that is appropriate in one park area may not be appropriate in another. The Superintendent is directed to analyze overall park use and determine if any particular use is appropriate. Where conflict arises between use and resource protection, where the Superintendent has a reasonable basis to believe a resource is or would become impaired, than that Superintendent is obliged to place limitations on public use.

3. Consistency of This Compendium with Applicable Federal Law and Requirements

The Superintendent's Compendium is not considered a significant rule requiring review by the Office of Management and Budget under Executive Order 12866. In addition, this Compendium will not have a significant economic effect on a number of small entities nor impose a significant cost on any local, state or tribal government or private organization, and therefore does not fall under the requirements of either the Regulatory Flexibility Act or the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

The actions and requirements described in this Compendium are found to be categorically excluded from further compliance with the procedural requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) in Department of the Interior (DOI) Guidelines 516 DM 6 and as such, an Environmental Assessment will not be prepared.

4. Development of the Requirements of the Superintendent's Compendium

As outlined above, the NPS has broad authority and responsibility to determine what types of uses and activities are appropriate in any particular National Park System area. The requirements of the Superintendent's Compendium are developed through an analysis and determination process. The decision criteria used during this process are:

- Is there use or activity consistent with the NPS Organic Act and NPS policy?
- Is the use or activity consistent and compatible with the park's enabling legislation, management objectives, and corresponding management plans?
- Will the use or activity damage the park's protected natural and cultural resources and other protected values?
- Will the use or activity disturb or be in conflict with wildlife, vegetation, and environmental protection actions and values?
- Will the use or activity conflict with or be incompatible with traditional park uses and activities?
- Will the use or activity compromise employee or public safety?

5. Applicability of the Compendium

The rules contained in this Compendium apply to all persons entering, using, visiting or otherwise present on Federally owned lands, including submerged lands, and waters administered by the NPS within the legislative boundaries of the park. This includes all waters subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, including all navigable waters.

6. Enforcement of Compendium Requirements

NPS Law Enforcement Park Rangers enforce the requirements of the United State Code, 36 CFR, and this Superintendent's Compendium.

7. Penalties for Not Adhering to the Compendium Requirements

A person who violates any provision of the regulations found in 36 CFR, Parts 1-7, or provisions of this Compendium, is subject to a fine as provided by law (18 U.S.C. 3571) up to $5,000 for individuals and $10,000 for organizations, or by imprisonment not exceeding six months (18 U.S.C. 3559), or both, and shall be adjudged to pay all court costs associated with any court proceedings. A list of fines associated with any particular provision of the Compendium may be obtained by contacting the Chief Ranger at the park address found below.

8. Comments on the Compendium

The Compendium is reviewed annually and revised as necessary. The Park Service welcomes

comments about its program and activities at any time.

Written comments on the Compendium may be submitted to:

Superintendent
Hot Springs National Park
101 Reserve Street,
Hot Springs, AR 71901

9. Effective Date of the Superintendent Compendium

The Superintendent's Compendium is effective on the approval date listed on the first page of this document, and remains in effect until revised for a period up to one year.

10. Additional Information

Some of the terms used in this Compendium may have specific meaning defined in 36 CFR 1.4 *Definitions*.

11. Availability

Information signs regarding closures and public use restrictions are posted in conspicuous places throughout the park. Copies of this compendium and activity area maps are available on the park's website, www.nps.gov/hosp, or available upon request at:

Hot Springs National Park
101 Reserve Street
Hot Springs, Arkansas 71901
501-623-2824

B. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMPENDIUM

In accordance with regulations and the delegated authority provided in Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations ("36 CFR"), Chapter 1, Parts 1-7, authorized by Title 16 United States Code, Section 3, the following provisions apply to all lands and waters administered by the National Park Service, within the boundaries of Hot Springs National Park. Unless otherwise stated, these regulatory provisions apply in addition to the requirements contained in 36 CFR, Chapter 1, Parts 1-7.

Written determinations, which explain the reasoning behind the Superintendent's use of discretionary authority, as required by Section 1.5(c), appear in this document identified by italicized print.

I. 36 CFR §1.5 – VISITING HOURS, PUBLIC USE LIMITS, CLOSURES, AND AREA DESIGNATIONS FOR SPECIFIC USE OR ACTIVITIES

(a)(1) The following visiting hours and public use limits are established for all or for the listed portions of the park, and the following closures are established for all or a portion of the park to all public use or to a certain use or activity:

Visiting Hours:

- The Visitor Center and park offices are closed to public visitation during non-business hours.
- The following areas are closed to the public from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.:
    - Arlington Lawn
    - Grand Promenade
    - Bathhouse Row Porches and Lawns
    - Bathhouse Row, Reserve Street, and Fountain Street sidewalks, except for walk through traffic
- The following areas are closed to the public from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m.:
    - Hot Springs Mountain Road
    - North Mountain Road
    - West Mountain Summit Road
- The following areas are closed to the public from sunset to sunrise daily:
    - Gulpha Gorge Picnic Area
    - Gulpha Gorge Campground (registered camping groups and invited guests are exempt)
    - Gulpha Gorge Amphitheater (patrons attending park sanctioned activity at the Amphitheater are exempt)

Public Use Limits:

- Removal of objects or bathing in any of Hot Springs National Park's thermal water features, except as provided at the bathhouses, is prohibited.

Determining factors: The water temperature of the springs is of such high temperature that prolonged contact may result in injury. Prohibiting activities which are potentially harmful to the public is in the best interest of the public.

- Parking at the park's water jug filling fountains is limited to 15 minutes while actively filling water containers, to allow for the fair and equitable use of facilities by patrons.

Determining factors: To provide Hot Springs water to the greatest number of park visitors, with a limited number of parking spaces available, parking restrictions are necessary.

- Hiking or pedestrian use is restricted to the following trails or walkways:

    - Sunset Trail
    - Gulpha Gorge Trail
    - Goat Rock Trail
    - Dogwood Trail (upper and lower)
    - Hot Springs Mountain Trail
    - Floral Trail
    - Honeysuckle Trail
    - Dead Chief Trail
    - Grand Avenue Trail
    - Reserve Trail
    - Short Cut Trail
    - Peak Trail
    - Grand Promenade
    - Old Carriage Road
    - Tufa Terrace Trail
    - Mountain Top Trail
    - West Mountain Trail
    - Oak Trail
    - Canyon Trail
    - Park walkways adjacent to: Fountain Street, Central Avenue, Reserve Street, and Whittington Avenue.

Determining factors: Reasonable visitation limitations are set to balance the needs of public access, resource protection, visitor safety, property protection and community concerns. Limiting hiking or pedestrian use to the listed trails provides a necessary protection to the park's flora, fauna, cultural and archeological resources; as well as, provides a greater level of safety to park visitor.

- Camping in the Gulpha Gorge Campground is limited to a cumulative total of 14 days in any calendar year.

Determining factors: Reasonable visitation limitations are set to balance the needs of public access, resource protection, visitor safety, property protection and community concerns. Limiting camping to 14 days in a calendar year enables more park visitor to enjoy camping in our limited number of camp sites.

<u>Closures:</u>

- The entire length of Indian Mountain Trail is closed from it's junction on the west side of Gulpha Gorge Road to its western terminus at the power line corridor atop Indian Mountain.

Determining factors: Indian Mountain Trail was closed in 2000 to minimize damage to the park's resources.

- Picnicking is not allowed:

    - On the grounds of the bathhouses on bathhouse row
    - At the park's historic entrance, between the Maurice bathhouse and the Fordyce bathhouse
    - On the grounds around the Park Administration Building

Determining factors: Picnicking in this area is not compatible with the cultural landscape of the area.

(a)(2) The following areas have been designated for a specific use or activity, under the conditions and/or restrictions as noted:

Camping:

- Please refer to §2.10 for detailed camping area designations.

The following restrictions and/or conditions are in effect for the specific uses or activities noted:

- Recreational activities such as throwing flying disks, ball games or sports etc., are not permitted along bathhouse row.

Determining factors: Restrictions are necessary due to the incompatibility of these activities with the cultural landscape of the area.

Segways:

- This is an interim limitation on Segways, as well as motorized scooters, subject to change pending development of NPS Management Policy that addresses this emergent technology in the National Park System. Segways and motorized scooters, as defined under 36 C.F.R. § 1.4, are motor vehicles. Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 1.5(a) and 4.10(a), the Park has imposed an interim restriction on the use of Segways and motorized scooters from all areas within the park including all park roads, trails, and sidewalks. However, any park visitor with a disability is permitted to use Segways and motorized scooters throughout the park, including all structures, facilities, park roads, sidewalks, trails and other surfaces when such devices are used for the sole purpose of mobility assistance. Use of any mobility assistive device, as outlined herein, must also adhere to the following:

    - No person under 16 years of age may operate a Segway.
    - A person shall operate any mobility assistive device in a safe and responsible manner; maximum speed will not exceed 5 MPH, so as not to endanger one's self or any other park visitor.
    - A person riding any mobility assistive device upon and along a sidewalk, while crossing a roadway in a crosswalk, entering or exiting from an elevator, or on any other surface shall have all the rights and duties applicable to a pedestrian under the same circumstances, except that the mobility assistive device operator must always yield to pedestrians (park visitors). Elevator use will be the only exception, users on any mobility assistive device will enter first, be allowed time to park and secure such device and will be last to exit.

Determining factors: Segways provide a reasonable mobility alternative for those who would otherwise be unable to visit the park, or find it difficult to visit the park due to personal mobility limitations; however, the public at large is restricted from using Segway, as there additional use, combined with the park's high pedestrian and vehicle traffic would create an unacceptable safety hazard to the visiting public.

(a)(3) The following restrictions, limits, closures, designations, conditions, or visiting hour restrictions imposed under §§(a)(1) or (2) have been terminated:

- Section 2.35(a)(2) Consumption of alcoholic beverage and/or the possession of an open container of alcoholic beverage prohibitions rescinded.

Determining factors: Regulation is rescinded as incidents of aberrant behavior related to the consumption of alcohol are not of such magnitude that the fair, impartial and diligent application of §1.5 and §2.34 can alleviate the problem.

II. 36 CFR §1.6 – ACTIVITIES THAT REQUIRE A PERMIT

(f) The following is a compilation of those activities for which a permit from the superintendent is required:

- §2.4(d)Carry or possess a weapon, trap, or net
    - (1) When necessary to support a research activities conducted in accordance with 2.5.
    - For employees, agents or cooperating officials in the performance or their official duties.
    - Not required for firearms for individuals in compliance with state law.
- §2.5(a)Specimen collection (take plant, fish, wildlife, rocks or minerals).
- §2.10(a)The following camping activities:
    - Overnight camping at designated campsites
- §2.12 Audio Disturbances:
    - (a)(2) Operating a chain saw in developed areas
    - (a)(3) Operation of any type of portable motor or engine, or device powered by a portable motor or engine in non-developed areas
    - (a)(4) Operation of a public address system in connection with a public gathering or special event for which a permit has been issued pursuant to §2.50 or §2.51
- §2.17 Aircraft & Air Delivery:
    - (a)(3) Delivery or retrieval of a person or object by parachute, helicopter or other airborne means
    - (c)(1) Removal of a downed aircraft
- §2.23(b) The following special recreation activities (per 36 CFR Part 71)
    - Camping at Gulpha Gorge Campground.
- §2.37 Soliciting or demanding gifts, money goods or services (Pursuant to the terms and conditions of a permit issued under §2.50, §2.51 or §2.52)
- §2.38 Explosives:
    - (a) Use, possess, store, transport explosives, blasting agents
    - (b) Use or possess fireworks
- §2.50(a) Conduct a sports event, pageant, regatta, public spectator attraction, entertainment, ceremony, and similar events
- §2.51(a) Public assemblies, meetings, gatherings, demonstrations, parades and other public expressions of views for groups over 25 people in size.
- §2.51(a) Sale or distribution of printed materials for groups of more than 25 people, provided that the printed matter is not solely commercial advertising.
- §2.60(b) Livestock use

- §2.61(a) Residing on federal lands
- §2.62 Memorialization:
    - (a) Erection of monuments (Requires approval from Regional Director)
    - (b) Scattering ashes from human cremation
- §3.3 Use of a vessel
- §4.11(a) Exceeding of established vehicle load, weight and size limits
- §5.1 Advertisements - (Display, posting or distribution)
- §5.3 Engaging in or soliciting any business (Requires a permit, contract or other written agreement with the United States, or must be pursuant to special regulations).
- §5.5 Commercial Photography/Filming:
    - (a) Commercial filming of motion pictures or television involving the use of professional casts, settings or crews, other than bona fide newsreel or news television
    - (b) Still photography of vehicles, or other articles of commerce, or models for the purpose of commercial advertising.
- §5.6(c) Use of commercial vehicles on park area roads (The Superintendent shall issue a permit to access private lands within or adjacent to the park when access is otherwise not available)
- §5.7 Construction of buildings, facilities, trails, roads, boat docks, path, structure, etc.
- §6.9(a) Operation of a solid waste disposal site.

III. GENERAL REGULATIONS

36 CFR §2.1 – PRESERVATION OF NATURAL, CULTURAL AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES

(a)(4) Dead wood on the ground may be collected for use as fuel for campfires within the park in the following areas:

- Within 500 feet of Gulpha Gorge Campground.

Determining factors: Dead wood on the ground is an integral part of the ecosystem and beneficial to many plants and animals. To balance the needs of the visiting public with the protection of the parks resources the collection of dead wood is limited to the area specified.

(c)(1), (c)(2) The following fruits, nuts, berries or unoccupied seashells may be gathered by hand for personal use or consumption, in accordance with the noted size, quantity, collection sites and/or use or consumption restrictions:

- Plums, blackberries, hickory nuts, persimmons, grapes, muscadines, blueberries, and juneberries.

Determining factors: Quantities are currently abundant, as a result, gathering or consumption will not adversely affect park wildlife, the reproductive potential of the plant species, or park resources.

36 CFR §2.10 – CAMPING and FOOD STORAGE

(a) The sites and areas listed below have been designated for camping activities as noted. A permit system has been established for certain campgrounds or camping activities, and conditions for camping and camping activities are in effect as noted:

- Camping or staying overnight is permitted only in designated sites in Gulpha Gorge Campground.
- Camping is limited to a cumulative total of 14 days in any calendar year.
- Each camping group must register and pay a fee at the registration station covering all days that a campsite is occupied.
- Checkout time is 12 noon.
- The registration receipt must be displayed on the campsite post.
- Camping groups must register prior to site occupancy.
- Site registration renewal must be done by 10:00 a.m.
- Maximum occupancy is limited to eight people/two vehicles (one RV and one tent OR two tents) per site.
- Campsites may not be reserved.
- Trailers and other vehicles must remain on the pavement.
- Livestock are prohibited in the campground.

Determining Factors: With the ever increasing popularity of camping at Hot Springs National Park it has been necessary to establish limits on camping use, to ensure camping sites are available to as many people as possible. Policies related to registration times and camping limitations are established to avoid conflicts between visitors, to provide for protection of the resource and maintain compatible uses.

(b)(3) Camping within 25 feet of a fire hydrant or main road, or within 100 feet of a flowing stream, river or body of water is authorized only in the following areas, under the conditions noted:

- Camping within 100 feet of a flowing stream, river or body of water is authorized at designated campsites at Gulpha Gorge Campground.

36 CFR §2.11 – PICNICKING

Certain areas have been closed to picnicking and are listed in section 1.5(a)(1) "Closures".

36 CFR 2.13 – FIRES

(a)(1) The lighting or maintaining of fires is generally prohibited, except as provided for in the following designated areas and/or receptacles, and under the conditions noted:

- Designated Areas:
    - Gulpha Gorge Campground sites
    - Designated picnic sites
    - At the group fire ring at the Gulpha Gorge Campground Amphitheater.
- Receptacles Allowed:
    - Provided fire grills
    - Self-contained portable stoves or grills
- Established Conditions for Fires:
    - Self-contained portable stoves or grills may be used when off the ground and away from overhanging vegetation.
    - Ground fires are prohibited throughout the park, except in fire rings provided at camp sites in the campground and at the fire ring next to the amphitheater, with a valid permit.

36 CFR §2.14 – SANITATION and REFUSE

(a)(2) The use of government refuse receptacles or facilities for dumping household, commercial or industrial refuse, brought as such from private or municipal property is allowed under the following conditions:

- The dump station at the Gulpha Gorge Campground is for the exclusive use of registered campers only.

36 CFR §2.20 – SKATING, SKATEBOARDS and SIMILAR DEVICES

The use of roller skates, skateboards, roller skis, coasting vehicles, or similar devices are allowed only in the following areas:

- None

36 CFR §2.15 – PETS

(a)(1) The following structures and/or areas are closed to the possession of pets:

- All park buildings. This restriction does not apply to service animals.

(a)(5) Pet excrement must be disposed of in accordance with the following conditions:

- Immediate cleaning up of pet excrement is required.
- All pet owners must curb their animals. (The use of newspaper, or a plastic bag over your hand as a glove, is recommended to pick up excrement. The excrement and wrappings are to be placed in a sealed plastic bag and dispose of in a trash receptacle.)

36 CFR §2.16 – HORSES and PACK ANIMALS

(b) The use of horses or pack animals is allowed on the following trails, routes or areas:

- Sunset Trail
- Gulpha Gorge Trail
- Goat Rock Trail
- Dogwood Trail (upper and lower)
- Hot Springs Mountain Trail
- Floral Trail
- Honeysuckle Trail
- Dead Chief Trail
- Grand Avenue Trail
- Reserve Trail
- Short Cut Trail
- Peak Trail
- Old Carriage Road
- Mountain Top Trail
- West Mountain Trail
- Oak Trail
- Canyon Trail

36 CFR §2.21 – SMOKING

(a) The following portions of the park, or all or portions of buildings, structures or facilities are closed to smoking as noted:

- All government buildings are closed to smoking.

Determining factors: Smoking is prohibited in government buildings by Presidential order.

36 CFR §2.22 – PROPERTY

(a)(2) Property may be left unattended for periods longer than 24 hours in the following areas and under the following conditions:

- Gulpha Gorge Camp Site
    - With the permission of the Superintendent
    - With the payment of all campsite fees for the period the site will be occupied and/or left with unattended property.

36 CFR §2.23 – RECREATION FEES

(b) Recreation fees, and/or a permit, in accordance with 36 CFR part 71, are established for the following entrance fee areas, and/or for the use of the following specialized sites, facilities, equipment or services, or for participation in the following group activity, recreation events or specialized recreation uses:

- Gulpha Gorge Campground

36 CFR §2.51 – PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES AND MEETINGS

Public assembly and meetings are allowed, without a permit for groups ranging in size from1 to 25 people, or with a permit, in the following areas:

- The lawn area, southeast and level with Central Avenue/Fountain Street sidewalks, from the Superior Bathhouse to the hedge row on the northeast side of the Arlington Lawn (see attached map in Appendix 1. for exact location).
- The sidewalk fronting Bathhouse Row and the Park Administration Building (see attached map in Appendix 1. for exact location).
- The Grand Promenade (see attached map in Appendix 1. for exact location).
- Hot Springs Mountain Overlooks (see attached map in Appendix 2. for exact location).
- North Mountain Overlooks (see attached map in Appendix 2. for exact location).
- West Mountain Overlooks (see attached map in Appendix 2. for exact location).

36 CFR §2.52 – SALE OR DISTRIBUTION OF PRINTED MATTER

Distribution or sale of printed materials is allowed, without a permit for groups ranging in size from1 to 25 people, or with a permit, in the following areas:

- Arlington lawn, located in the grass lawn southeast of the intersection of Central Avenue and Fountain Street (see attached map in Appendix 3 for exact location).
- North end of Bathhouse Row, located on the corner sidewalk southeast of Central Avenue and Fountain Street, area can accommodate up to 40 people (see attached map in Appendix 3 for exact location).
- South end of Bathhouse Row, located on the corner sidewalk northeast of Central Avenue and Reserve Street, area can accommodate up to 40 people (see attached map in Appendix 3 for exact location).

36 CFR §2.62 – MEMORIALIZATION

(b) A permit is required for the scattering of ashes from cremated human remains, or in the following designated areas without a permit, in accordance with the following terms and conditions:

- A permit is required for the scattering of ashes from cremated human remains in the park. The following terms and conditions will be in effect:
    - The remains to be scattered must have been cremated and pulverized.
    - The scattering of remains by persons on the ground is to be performed at least 100 yards from any trail, road, developed facility, developed areas (designated picnic area, camping areas, Bathhouse Row, the Grand Promenade, parking lots, overlooks), or body of water.
    - The scattering of remains from the air is to be performed at a minimum altitude of 2000 feet above the ground.
    - No scattering of remains from the air is to be performed over developed areas, facilities, or bodies of water.

36 CFR §2.2 - WILDLIFE PROTECTION

(d) The transporting of lawfully taken wildlife through the park is permitted under the following conditions and procedures:

- On the following roads:

- Gulpha Gorge Road
- Park Avenue
- Sleepy Valley Road
- Blacksnake Road
- Cedar Glades Road

- In the following manor:
  - In a direct and continuous journey between any of the following locations:
    - Place of taking
    - Hunter's residence
    - Place of processing.
  - By a properly licensed hunter who took the wildlife.
  - With all state required tags and checks.

- Stopping with game, except for emergency, is prohibited.
- The wildlife and the hunter's license shall be subject to inspection.
- The transportation of lawfully taken wildlife from in holdings within Hot Spring National Park is permitted under the above conditions and procedures.

(e) The viewing of wildlife with artificial light is prohibited in all areas within the park boundaries.

36 CFR §4.11 – VEHICLE LOAD, WEIGHT AND SIZE LIMITS

(a) The following load, weight and size limits, which are more restrictive than State law, apply to the roads indicated under the terms and conditions, and/or under permit as noted:

- Motor vehicles, trucks, and truck/trailer combinations which are longer than 30 feet are prohibited on Hot Springs Mountain Road.

Determining factors: Motor vehicles, trucks, and truck/trailer combinations size limits have been established to provide for visitor safety due to the narrow windy nature of the road.

36 CFR §4.21 – SPEED LIMITS

(b) The following speed limits are established for the routes/roads indicated:

- The speed limit for the following park roads is 25 MPH, except at trail crossings were the speed limit is 15 MPH:
  - Hot Springs Mountain Road
  - North Mountain Road
  - West Mountain Drive
  - West Mountain Summit Drive

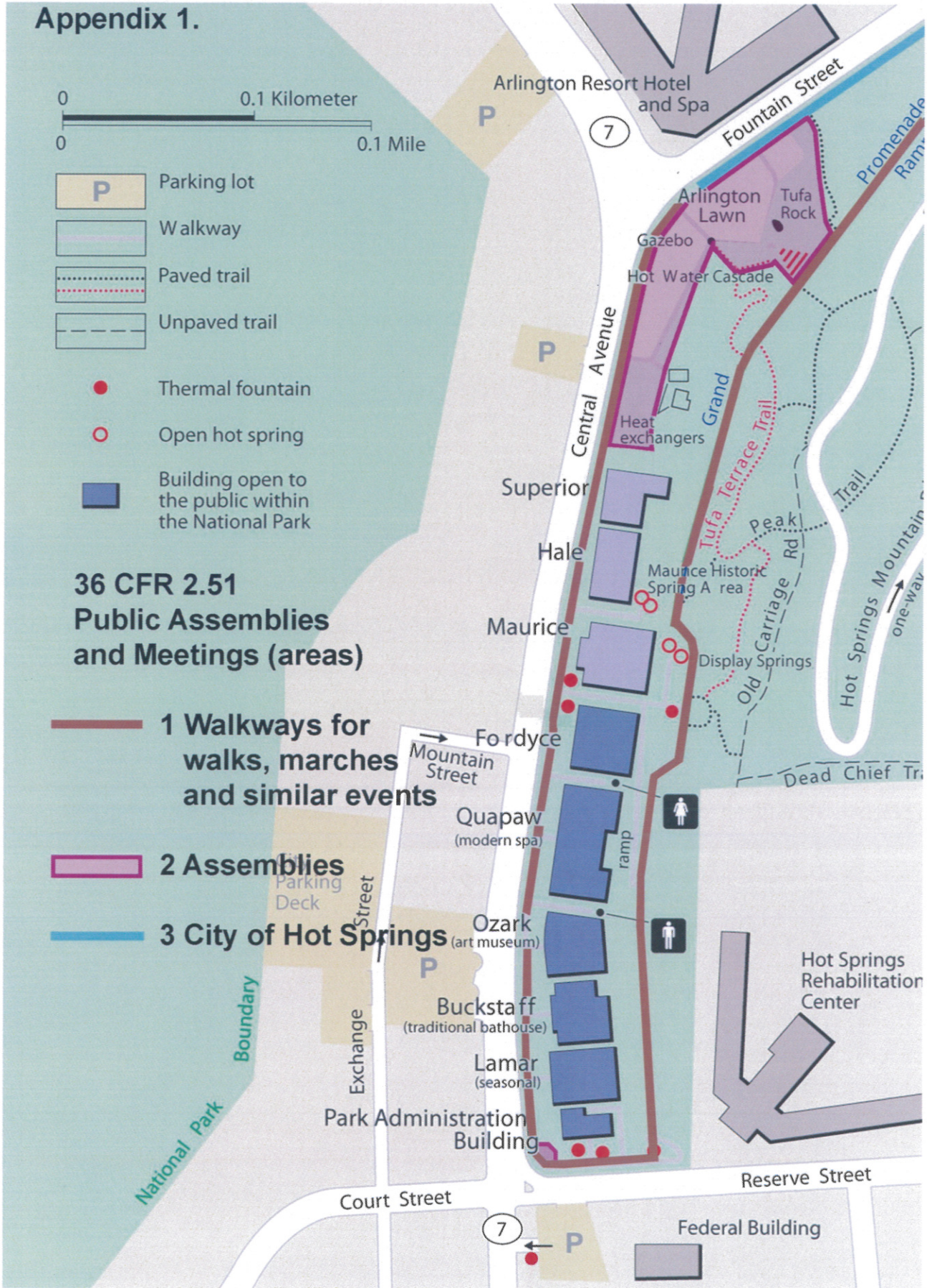
Determining factors: Park speed limits have been reduced due to the narrow windy nature of the roads. The speed limits established allow for reasonable speeds while providing for safety.

36 CFR §21.3 – USE OF THERMAL WATER.

(b) The use of thermal water of Hot Springs National Park, for purposes other than those authorized by the Superintendent, is prohibited:

- Attaching a hose to any thermal water feature is prohibited.

Determining factors: A hose attached to a thermal feature puts the water source at risk of contamination by substances drawn up the hose. Prohibiting activities which are potentially harmful to the public is in the best interest of the public.


Appendix 1.
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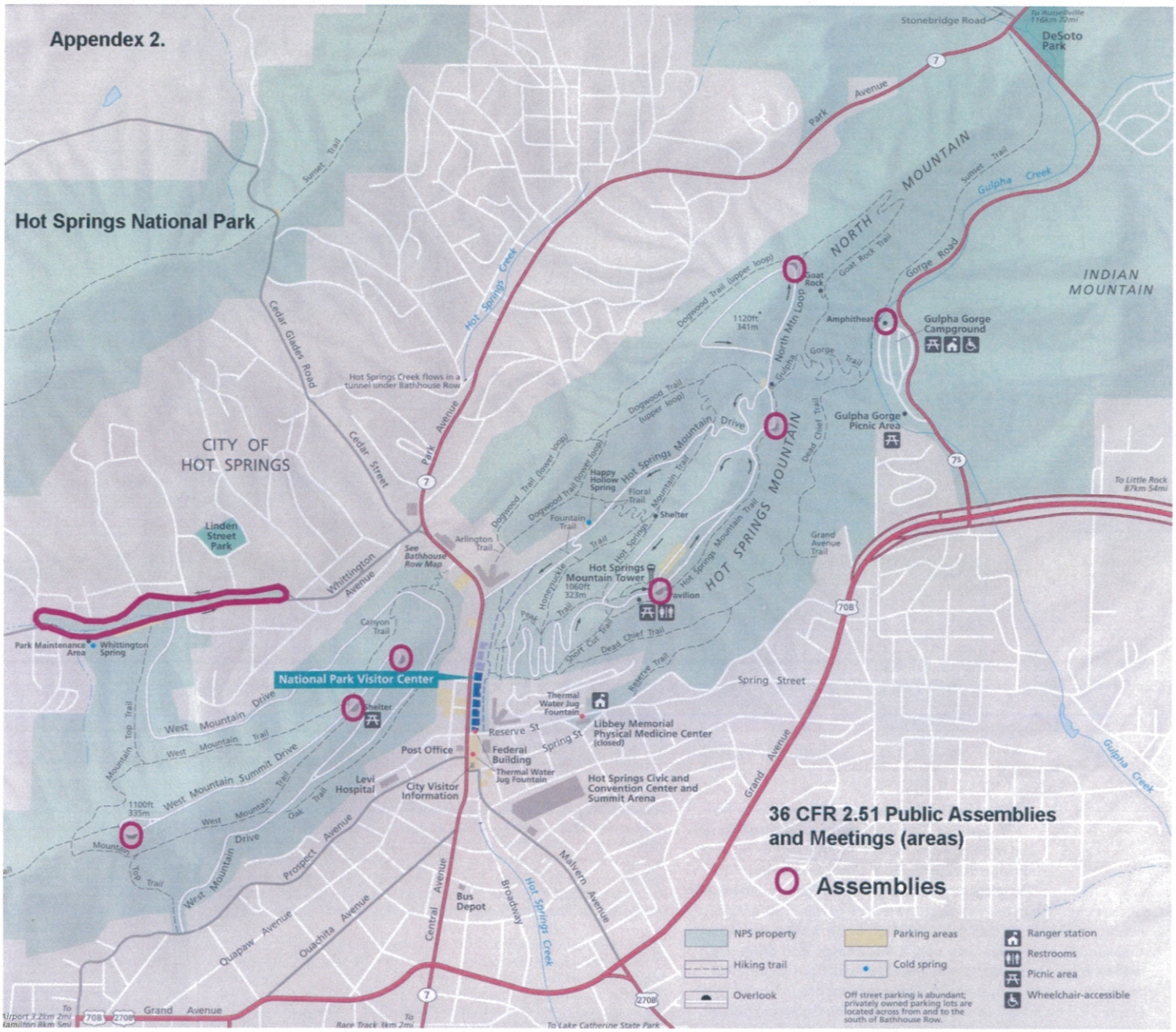
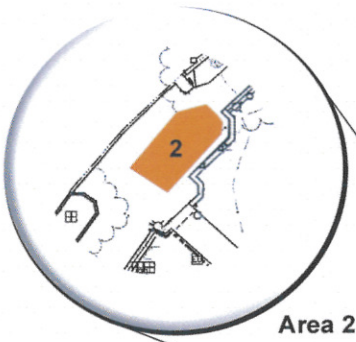
0.1 Mile
Parking lot
Walkway
Paved trail
Unpaved trail
Thermal fountain
Open hot spring
Building open to the public within the National Park
36 CFR 2.51
Public Assemblies and Meetings (areas)
1 Walkways for walks, marches and similar events
2 Assemblies
3 City of Hot Springs
Arlington Resort Hotel and Spa
Fountain Street
Promenade
Arlington Lawn
Tufa Rock
Gazebo
Hot Water Cascade
Central Avenue
Grand
Heat exchangers
Tufa Terrace Trail
Superior
Hale
Maurice
Maurice Historic Spring Area
Peak
Trail
Old Carriage Rd
Hot Springs Mountain
Display Springs
Fordyce
Mountain Street
Dead Chief Tr
Quapaw
(modern spa)
ramp
Parking Deck
Ozark
(art museum)
Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center
Buckstaff
(traditional bathouse)
Lamar
(seasonal)
Park Administration Building
Boundary
Exchange
National Park
Reserve Street
Court Street
Federal Building

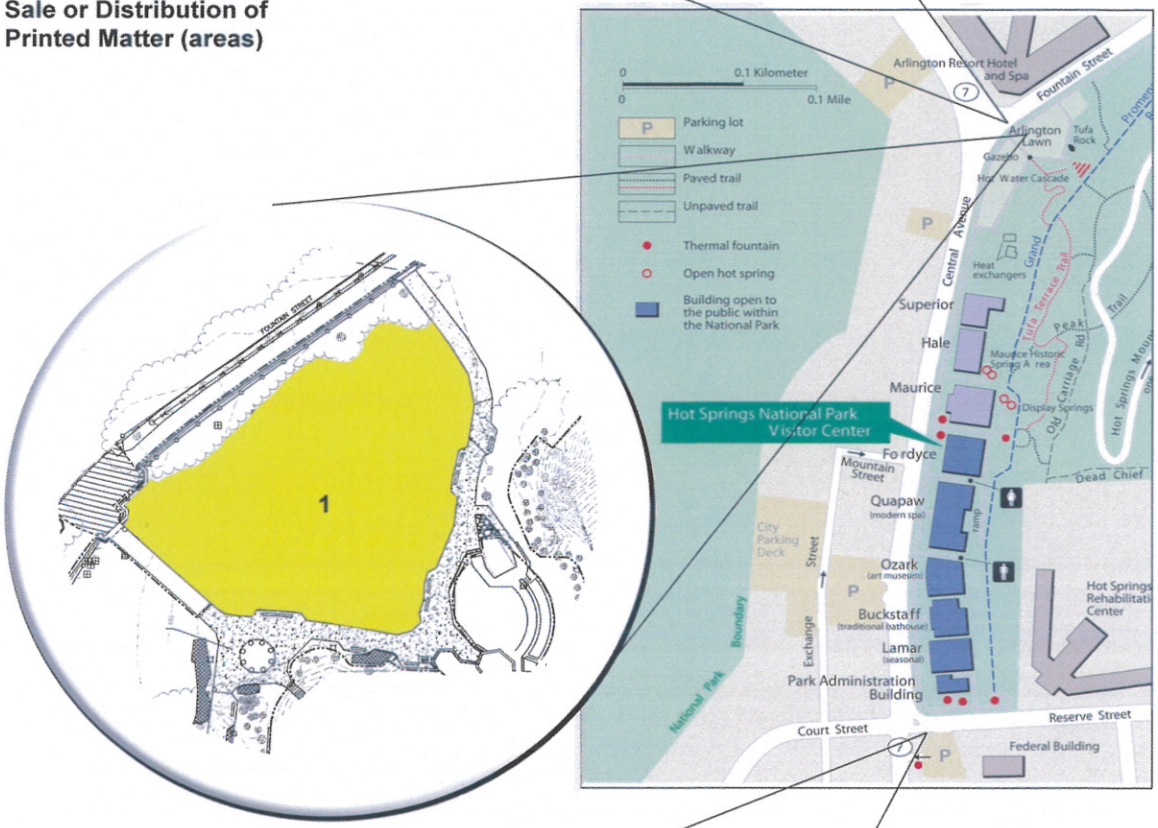

Appendix 2.
Hot Springs National Park
CITY OF HOT SPRINGS
NORTH MOUNTAIN
INDIAN MOUNTAIN
HOT SPRINGS MOUNTAIN
National Park Visitor Center
Hot Springs Mountain Tower
Gulpha Gorge Campground
Gulpha Gorge Picnic Area
Amphitheater
Goat Rock
Shelter
Post Office
Federal Building
City Visitor Information
Levi Hospital
Bus Depot
Hot Springs Civic and Convention Center and Summit Arena
Libbey Memorial Physical Medicine Center (closed)
Thermal Water Jug Fountain
Park Maintenance Area
Whittington Spring
Linden Street Park
Stonebridge Road
DeSoto Park
Park Avenue
Gulpha Creek
Hot Springs Creek
Cedar Glades Road
Cedar Street
Whittington Avenue
Spring Street
Grand Avenue
Central Avenue
Malvern Avenue
Broadway
Prospect Avenue
Quapaw Avenue
Ouachita Avenue
West Mountain Drive
West Mountain Summit Drive
Hot Springs Mountain Drive
Gorge Road
Sunset Trail
Dogwood Trail (upper loop)
Dogwood Trail (lower loop)
Happy Hollow Spring
Floral Trail
Fountain Trail
Arlington Trail
Canyon Trail
Grand Avenue Trail
Dead Chief Trail
Short Cut Trail
Reserve Trail
Reserve St
Hot Springs Creek flows in a tunnel under Bathhouse Row
See Bathhouse Row Map
1120ft 341m
1060ft 323m
1100ft 335m
To Little Rock 87km 54mi
To Lake Catherine State Park
36 CFR 2.51 Public Assemblies and Meetings (areas)
Assemblies
NPS property
Hiking trail
Overlook
Parking areas
Cold spring
Off street parking is abundant; privately owned parking lots are located across from and to the south of Bathhouse Row.
Ranger station
Restrooms
Picnic area
Wheelchair-accessible

Appendix 3.

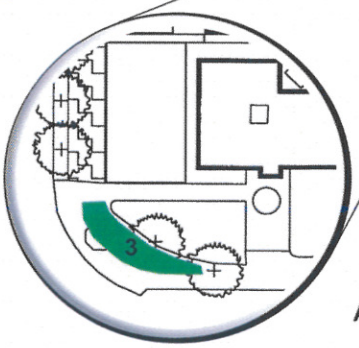


Area 2 North End of Bathhouses

36 CFR 2.52
Sale or Distribution of Printed Matter (areas)



Area 1 Arlington Lawn



Area 3 South End of Bathhouses