

## **Taskforce Recommended WSR Program Roles and Responsibilities**

### Steering Committee

- Guide the development of the NPS Wild and Scenic Rivers Program
  - Establish Servicewide policies and project review guidelines
  - Promote program consistency across directorates and regions
  - Integrate and coordinate with other programs
  - Develop a National WSR Action Plan
  - Create a sub-group to plan celebrations for the 2008 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the WSR Act.
- Secure commitment inside and outside NPS
  - Provide support for policy and funding initiatives
  - Work with partners to ensure effectiveness and visibility of the program and reduce the risk of litigation
- Provide leadership

### National Coordinator (Leader)

- Provide for program development and leadership
- Coordinate and facilitate the Steering Committee
- Promote Servicewide consistency and communication
- Coordinate policy development through the Steering Committee, including processes for effective production of required Comprehensive River Management Plans
- Coordinate legislative reviews
- Coordinate management activities
- Coordinate WSR training
- Coordinate GPRA reporting for WSRs – develop metrics to measure resource protection
- Coordinate with NGOs, local, state and federal agencies
- Represent the NPS on the Interagency Wild and Scenic Rivers Council

### Directorate Coordinators

- Serve as members of the Steering Committee
- Promote Servicewide consistency and communication
- Assist the WSR Coordinator with legislative reviews, GPRA reporting, and developing program funding
- Provide guidance to the WSR Coordinator and Steering Committee on policy development, planning, and resource management

### Regional Coordinators

- Serve as a member of the Steering Committee
- Provide guidance/technical assistance to parks/rivers
- Assure that park plans (GMPs, CRMPs, etc.) meet Act requirements
- Coordinate compliance and training needs
- Establish a regional system for Section 7 reviews/approvals
- Coordinate GPRA reporting for WSRs in the region
- Coordinate with NGOs, local, state and federal agencies

### Park Coordinators

The Steering Committee will evaluate the need to identify park river coordinators for other similar Park units (e.g., Buffalo National River) for issues such as Section 7 training and coordination. One or two WSR Park River Coordinators would serve on the Steering Committee.

- Point of contact for WSR issues
- Respond to Army Corps, Federal Highways, and other permit requests
- Prepare and coordinate project reviews and Section 7 documents
- Prepare and/or coordinate preparation of Comprehensive River Management Plans
- Coordinate GPRA reporting for WSR measures
- Respond to Regional/Washington Office program calls