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## Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks News Release

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### **Leave the Driving to Us at Sequoia National Park from April 16-May 1, 2011**

*Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, CA* – Enjoy a fun spring break adventure with your family and/or friends in Sequoia National Park, and leave the driving to us! From April 16-May 1, take a ride on a free shuttle inside the park. Follow the blue shuttle symbols on road signs to park-and-ride locations at the Lodgepole Visitor Center and Wuksachi Lodge. Shuttles will operate daily every 15-20 minutes from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and will stop at three popular destinations: Lodgepole Visitor Center, the General Sherman Tree, and Wuksachi Lodge. Due to the overwhelming popularity of winter shuttle operations on President's Day weekend, the hours of shuttle service in April have been extended by one hour to provide visitors with more opportunities to explore the park during daylight hours. In addition, an extra bus has been added to the route for shorter wait times for visitors. However, to make these improvements during this period of higher visitation, *shuttle service has been canceled during Mothers Day weekend (May 7-8)*. The in-park shuttle service is sponsored by the National Park Service, in partnership with the City of Visalia.

In addition, entrance to Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, as well as all national parks, will be free from April 16-24 in honor of National Park Week. The theme of National Park Week will focus on *Healthy Parks, Healthy People* to highlight the role of national parks and public lands in the growing international movement to address the connection between human and environmental health.

For more information about Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, please call us at 559-565-3341 or visit [www.nps.gov/seki](http://www.nps.gov/seki).

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