



# NACPRO News



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## **Best Practices Forum**

### **Requests from a member**

#### **Campground Concessionaire pay for services or transparent model**

The Forest Preserves of Cook County is interesting in soliciting proposals from qualified vendors who are experienced in managing campgrounds (pay for service agreement).

Is there anyone out there that has developed a pay for service agreement for campgrounds? Please forward any sample RFP's or RFQ's that your agency can share with us to Daniel Betts at [Daniel.betts@cookcountyil.gov](mailto:Daniel.betts@cookcountyil.gov).

#### **Bicycle Rental & Trail Related Concession Services**

The Forest Preserves of Cook county is interesting in soliciting proposals from qualified vendors who are experienced in creating, maintaining or operating a bicycle rental, Segway, pedal car and/or scooters infrastructure based on mobile units-manned or unmanned along with our existing facilities and related concession services in various locations throughout the Forest Preserves trails system. Please forward any sample RFP's or RFQ's that your agency can share with us to Daniel Betts at [Daniel.betts@cookcountyil.gov](mailto:Daniel.betts@cookcountyil.gov).

## Member News

### **Ban on Sex Offenders in Orange County Parks Struck Down: Where to Now?**

*Courtesy of the LosAlamitos.Patch.com*

By Liz Spear

Orange County (CA) prosecutors intend to ask the state Supreme Court to review appellate court rulings that struck down a ban on registered sex offenders from parks in the county and in more than a dozen cities, an official said this week.

"We're going to request that the Supreme Court review it," said Susan Kang Schroeder, chief of staff for Orange County District Attorney Tony Rackauckas.

Rackauckas does not need the Orange County Board of Supervisors permission, but a majority of the board members have said they would rather let the issue go.

**Read more:** <http://losalamitos.patch.com/groups/politics-and-elections/p/ban-on-sex-offenders-in-orange-county-parks-struck-down-where-to-now>

## County News

### **For some rural Pa. counties, gas drilling on parklands brings a windfall for public projects**

*Courtesy of the DailyJournal.net*

By Kevin Begos

PITTSBURGH — Even as some cities around the nation have voted to ban fracking for natural gas, other rural areas are quietly embracing the boom by allowing drilling under public parks and land and reaping millions in royalties.

In Washington County, just outside Pittsburgh, officials say the unexpected revenue stream is letting them make improvements that otherwise might not have been possible.

"Having that funding source has been a tremendous boom to us," said Lisa Cessna, the executive director of the local planning commission. The county has received about \$10 million directly from drilling companies since 2007, and royalty payments are still coming in. That's helped build fishing piers, playgrounds and walking trails.

Cessna said there have been complaints. Some of the drilling leases are for wells that start on adjacent private land and go under parks, but in other cases, the drilling sites have been on county land. That's led to questions about whether any kind of industrial activity should be allowed on recreational land.

**Read more:**

[http://www.dailyjournal.net/view/story/a7249b92b22a4c1b9b8293814040f5f3/PA--Gas-Drilling-County-Parks/#.Ut5uW\\_so7wc](http://www.dailyjournal.net/view/story/a7249b92b22a4c1b9b8293814040f5f3/PA--Gas-Drilling-County-Parks/#.Ut5uW_so7wc)

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## **Larry Staub to resign as Monroe County parks director**

*Courtesy of the DemocratAndChronicle.com*

By David Andreatta

The director of the Monroe County Parks Department (NY), Larry Staub, is stepping down at the end of the month and taking over a County Legislature seat serving Perinton and East Rochester.

Staub was one of three people nominated by the County Republican Committee on Monday to fill vacancies in the 29-seat legislature, where Republicans hold the majority. The others were Brian Marianetti, a lawyer from Greece, and Sean Delehanty, a Fairport village trustee, both of whom are former county employees.

The nominations coincide with the legislature's monthly meeting on Tuesday, at which the legislature's president is expected to formally appoint the new lawmakers to their seats. A Democrat representing northeast Rochester, Leslie Rivera, will be among them.

The change of jobs for Staub comes amid state scrutiny of the county's three golf courses, which fall under the Parks Department, and would result in a huge pay cut if he were to not work elsewhere. Last week, the county abruptly announced that it was

severing ties with Jack Tindale, the longtime private manager of the courses.

**Read more:** <http://www.democratandchronicle.com/story/news/local/2014/01/13/larry-staub-to-resign-as-monroe-county-parks-director/4462477/>

## **News from the National Association of Counties**

### **Congress Clears \$1.012 Trillion FY 2014 Omnibus Spending Bill**

NACo provides comprehensive analysis on how federal programs important to counties fared

On Thursday, January 16, Congress cleared a \$1.012 trillion FY 2014 omnibus spending bill (H.R. 3547) that will fund the federal government through the remainder of FY 2014. Congress will now send the measure to the White House for President Obama's signature, averting any threat of a government shutdown through Sept. 30.

The nearly 1,600-page spending plan, which combines all 12 FY 2014 appropriations bills, provides an overall 2.6 percent increase in discretionary spending from the FY 2013 levels. Although spending was scheduled to fall to \$967 billion under the Budget Control Act (P.L. 112-25) which included the sequester, the omnibus adopts the new caps on defense and domestic discretionary spending set by last month's budget deal (P.L. 113-67), of \$520.5 billion and \$491.8 billion, respectively.

The report provides highlights on programs including:

- Federal transportation and infrastructure programs
- FEMA state and local grant programs
- Department of Justice programs including Byrne JAG grants and the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP)
- Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)
- The HOME Investment Partnerships program
- DOL's workforce programs
- Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)
- The Prevention and Public Health Fund
- Administration on Aging programs
- The Census Bureau's American Community Survey

**For more information:**

<http://www.naco.org/legislation/Documents/OmnibusBriefUpload.pdf>

## **U.S. economic recovery remains uneven, fragile across counties**

NACo analysis of county economies show counties face challenges ahead

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. economic growth continued last year for the 3,069 county economies, but the recovery remained uneven and fragile, according to an analysis of four economic performance indicators by the National Association of Counties (NACo). As a result of the fragile and uneven recovery, many counties are continuing to struggle with their budgets, meet financial obligations and provide essential public services.

NACo's new study, *County Tracker 2013: On the Path to Recovery* assesses the performance of the nation's county economies by studying annual changes in four indicators – economic output (GDP), employment, the unemployment rate and home prices. The report also contains case studies to illustrate how specific county economies fared during the recession and recovery. The counties profiled include, Tarrant County, Texas (population 1.9 million), Los Angeles County, Calif. (10 million), Linn County, Iowa (215,000) and Mountrail County, N.D. (9,000).

The economic indicators analyzed by NACo suggest that 2013 was a year of growth, but the recovery remained fragile. By 2013, the economic output (GDP) in about half of all county economies recovered or had no declines over the last decade. Home prices were in the same situation. But this is only part of the story. Jobs recovered in one quarter of county economies and in only 54 county economies unemployment is back to pre-recession levels. The low unemployment recovery rates show the fragility of the recovery.

The recovery has been also uneven. All counties, large, mid-sized or small, have been affected by the recession but the patterns of recovery vary significantly.

**Read more:** <http://www.naco.org/newsroom/latest/Documents/county%20tracker.pdf>

## **NACo Joins Supreme Court Brief on Abandoned Railroad Rights-of-Way**

by Jacquelyn Alamia

NACo has signed onto the State and Local Legal Center's (SLLC) amicus curiae brief

NACo has signed onto the State and Local Legal Center's (SLLC) amicus curiae brief in the U.S. Supreme Court case *Marvin M. Brandt Revocable Trust v. United States*. This case involves the question of who owns abandoned federally granted railroad rights-of-way. The SLLC's brief argues that the Court should rule in favor of the United States instead of the land owner whose property the right-of-way runs through. Such a ruling would preserve the ability of state and local governments to establish "public highways" on abandoned railroad rights-of-way. Counties typically convert these abandoned rights-of-way into public trails, in a process typically referred to as "Rails-to-Trails."

A longer summary of the case is available on the SLLC's website:

<http://www.statelocalc.org/briefs/>

## **County services in jeopardy if Congress fails to fund PILT**

By Tom Goodman

America's counties will have no option but to severely reduce or eliminate critical county services to the public if Congress fails to deliver funding for the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) program in the FY2014 Omnibus spending bill.

Without annual PILT payments, many services including fire and EMS, search and rescue, public health, law enforcement and justice operations could be affected. In many cases, counties will face more severe consequences including insolvency, default, and bankruptcy.

"We are deeply concerned that Congress would turn its back on more than 1,850 counties impacted by the presence of the U.S. government's extensive holdings of public land," said Matt Chase, NACo's executive director. "Since October, counties have in good faith delivered vital county services to our citizens and visitors with the expectation that the federal government would honor its 37-year commitment to county governments who are unable to collect property taxes on more than 600 million acres of federal land."

Through the federal government shutdown and despite the uncertainty in the federal budget, counties have been open for business. In many cases, counties have had to front the costs of services typically supported with annual PILT payments, something that most rural counties cannot afford to do much longer.

**Read more:** <http://www.naco.org/newsroom/countynews/Current%20Issue/1-13-14/Pages/Letter-to-Congress-urges-FY14-PILT-funding.aspx>

## **News from the National Recreation and Park Association**

### **2014 Parks and Recreation National Database Report available**

The 2014 Parks and Recreation National Database Report is now available. Data compiled with the power of PRORAGIS has become the most comprehensive and largest collection of detailed data on municipal, county and state park systems in the U.S. The 2014 report provides an informative look at more than 500 complete profiles, focusing on the significant trends currently affecting park and recreation departments. Although these trends are national in nature and may not reflect your specific region or department, they can help you evaluate your agency and its offerings.

**Read more:** <http://www.nrpa.org/PRORAGIS/Reports/?NRPAHmCF>

### **RV and Campground Management School Open for Registration**

Camping may be the last thing you are thinking of doing right now, but now is the time of year to start getting ready for camping season.

The National School of RV Park and Campground Management is a 50-hour, intensive two-year program designed to equip prospective and current owners and managers with the tools needed to develop a thriving campground business. This year's school is February 18-22 at Oglebay Resort and Conference Center in Wheeling, West Virginia.

This school has a comprehensive curriculum that covers topics such as marketing, risk management, business planning, project management, regulations and emergency planning.

Whether you are new to RV park and campground management, a seasoned veteran, or just thinking about adding an RV park or campground to your agency, the National School of RV Park and Campground Management can help you succeed.

**For more information:** <http://www.nrpa.org/Professional-Development/Conferences-and-Schools/National-School-of-RV-Park-and-Campground-Management/>

## News Clippings

### **Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell Announces \$1 Million Private Funding Commitment to Advance Youth & Conservation Initiative**

*Courtesy of the US Department of the Interior*

January 8, 2014 - WASHINGTON, D.C. – As part of an ambitious initiative to engage and employ the next generation through America's great outdoors, Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell today announced a public-private partnership with American Eagle Outfitters, Inc. that will help reach Interior's goal of providing 100,000 work and training opportunities to young people and veterans on public lands.

American Eagle Outfitters, Inc. (AEO) announced an historic \$1 million commitment to develop the next generation of outdoor stewards. The funding commitment is the first in AEO's philanthropic history and is also the first pledge toward Jewell's target of raising \$20 million from private partners by 2017 to support the 21st Century Conservation Service Corps (21CSC).

The 21CSC, launched by the Obama Administration as part of the America's Great Outdoors program, is a national collaborative effort to put America's youth and veterans to work protecting, restoring, and enhancing America's natural and cultural resources.

**Read more:** <http://www.doi.gov/news/pressreleases/secretary-jewell-announces-1-million-private-funding-commitment-to-advance-youth-conservation-initiative.cfm>

### **'Tort reform' for recreational land goes way too far: PennLive letters**

*Courtesy of PennLive.com*

In 1965, Pennsylvania passed a law protecting landowners from lawsuits who make land and water areas available for public recreational uses. The Act was narrow and has accomplished its purpose by encouraging recreational use of properties that might not otherwise have been available. In fact, the landowner is protected unless the injury was the cause of "willful or malicious" negligence.

The Pennsylvania Legislature is now involved in an effort to expand that law far beyond

any necessary purpose. The proposal is to exempt from responsibility a landowner regardless of where the damaged person or property is located. It is so broad that it encourages the most reckless sort of behavior.

Suppose, for example, a landowner permits someone to launch fireworks from his property. Somebody off that land may be seriously injured or have their home burned down, but the landowner would be immune.

The amendments are so far-reaching that they would protect people from lawsuits "wherever located." "Land" is defined as encompassing unimproved features, but also swimming pools, playgrounds, fishing piers, launching ramps, and even parking areas. The law was never intended as an unconditional "get out of jail free card."

The bill would also broaden immunity to improved or unimproved areas regardless of whether located in a rural or urban area. This law would therefore protect wrongdoers in crowded urban environments.

Contrary to what Fred Brown said in his commentary, "[To keep Pa. recreation safe, lawmakers should support updates to old environmental law](#)," the proposed changes to the Recreational Use of Land and Water Act will encourage reckless and dangerous behavior without any corresponding good to be done for the public.

CLIFFORD A. RIEDERS, Esquire, Williamsport

## **TREAD LIGHTLY! Receives New Open Country Award from Outdoor Life**

LAS VEGAS, Nevada (January 14, 2014) – Outdoor Life recognized the national nonprofit Tread Lightly! as a winner of its prestigious new Open Country Award today in a ceremony in Las Vegas. The award honors individuals and groups working to help sportsmen address their number one challenge: a lack of access to places to hunt, fish and recreationally shoot.

Specifically, Tread Lightly! received the award for its development of a pilot program implementing the Respected Access is Open Access campaign on the Sonoran Desert National Monument in Arizona.

"This has the potential to preserve millions of acres for recreational shooters," said Andrew McKean, editor of Outdoor Life. "The program is a great example of shooters working with various groups to find areas of mutual respect and come up with access

solutions that work for everyone. We look forward to seeing the program implemented in more areas in the future.”

Tread Lightly! and Respected Access were highlighted in the December/January issue of Outdoor Life, on newsstands now.

**Read more:** <http://treadlightly.org/press-releases/tread-lightly-receives-new-open-country-award-from-outdoor-life/>

## **Planning Under Way For Great Outdoors Month 2014**

*Courtesy of the American Recreation Coalition*

Washington, D.C. – Recreation community leaders have begun intense planning for Great Outdoors Month 2014 beginning with Memorial Day weekend on May 24-26 and ending with Independence Day on July 4, 2014.

Pillars of Great Outdoors Month include events ranging from National Trails Day® to National Fishing and Boating Week, from National GO (Get Outdoors) Day to Welcome to the Water on National Marina Day and the Great American Backyard Campout. Great Outdoors Month is officially proclaimed through proclamations issued by the President of the United States and all 50 state governors. The proclamations highlight the value of recreation to conservation causes while fostering appreciation of our American values and raising awareness of the economic importance of the \$650+ billion in annual spending in countless communities across the United States, the role of recreation in boosting physical and mental health, and the value of the Great Outdoors to U.S. efforts to attract international tourists.

Great Outdoors Month Co-Chairs Gregory Miller of the American Hiking Society, Kevin Coyle of the National Wildlife Federation, and Derrick Crandall of the American Recreation Coalition convened the first coordination session on January 9, 2014.

Great Outdoors Month partners discussed exciting new partnership opportunities with The Coleman Company, SC Johnson's OFF® and national youth organizations. The agenda also covered plans for new activities at the state level – including Capital Camp-Outs, VIP tours of state and national recreation sites and initiatives to attract more families with young children and Americans living in urban areas to public lands and waters in cooperation with libraries, social service agencies and more.

“Today’s meeting was exceptional and exciting,” said Co-Chair Kevin Coyle. “Great

Outdoors Month is now a significant and growing component in efforts to connect all Americans – especially young Americans – to our Great Outdoors.” “The collective reach and resources of Great Outdoors Month partners are truly amazing,” added Co-Chair Gregory Miller, “and in 2014, we expect to see a tremendous step forward with more, bigger and better events and opportunities than ever before.” Co-Chair Derrick Crandall commented, “Great Outdoors Month partners will present a stronger and more unified voice for recreation all across America. Working together, we can really make a difference.”

Great Outdoors Month co-chairs will brief leaders of key federal agencies hosting more than a billion recreation visits annually and other key national leaders about plans for the month in the near future.

In addition to the three lead entities, organizations participating in the meeting included the American Sportfishing Association, Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, Association of Marina Industries, Children and Nature Network, The Corps Network, Federal Interagency Council on Outdoor Recreation, International Mountain Bicycling Association, National Recreation and Park Association, National Park Service, National Park Trust, National Parks Conservation Association, National Tour Association, NatureBridge, RVDA – The National RV Dealers Association, Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation, Student Conservation Association, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and U.S. Forest Service.

## **Training Opportunities**

### **Request for proposals for Washington State Trails Conference**

The Washington State Trails Coalition is now accepting presentation proposals for “On the Trails of Change”, the 2014 Washington State Trails Conference on October 16-18 in Bellingham. All submissions are due February 28, 2014. This year’s conference will pay special attention to how trail organizations and agencies are adjusting to changing conditions, with an emphasis on innovation and adaptation in trail planning, advocacy and management in both urban and rural trail settings.

**For more information:** <http://washingtonstatetrailscoalition.org/2014-conference-request-for-proposals/>

## **"This Land Is Your Land" Veterans and Military Family Symposium Early Bird Registration Is Live!**

We are happy to announce that registrations is open for the 1st National Symposium "This Land Is Your Land: Toward a Better Understanding of Nature's Resiliency-Building and Restorative Power for Armed Forces Personnel, Veterans, and their Families" to be held on the campus of the University of Utah next September 17th-20<sup>th</sup>.

Attendance is limited to 300 individuals, so please register early (\$250 before April 15th and \$350 thereafter). Make your lodging arrangements as well through the link.

We have planned an exciting program for you (see the keynoters and complete program schedule in the attachment), and we look forward to your participation. If you have any questions about the program's content, please feel free to contact Dan at 801-585-7560 or [daniel.dustin@health.utah.edu](mailto:daniel.dustin@health.utah.edu).

**For more information:** [https://www.regonline.com/thislandisyourland\\_2014](https://www.regonline.com/thislandisyourland_2014)

## **An Invitation to the 2014 GP RED Think Tank**

### ***"Innovations in Planning & Leadership"***

July 9-11, 2014 in Estes Park, Colorado

An opportunity to engage with 100 national thought leaders in the fields of parks, recreation, conservation, trails, land management, public health, tourism, alternative transportation, and the related associations and educators that support and serve them.

### **Purpose of the Think Tank**

Through GP RED's involvement with other non-profit trade associations, colleagues in the academic realm, and practitioners in a variety of fields, it has become apparent that there is a gap in the sharing of best practices and standardization of language for trans-disciplinary planning, management, and agency leadership specifically related to the integration of public parks and recreation, open space and trails, public health, transportation, universities, and professional planning practices. National topic experts will share research, innovations, and thought-provoking ideas in a series of eight dynamic RED TALKS followed by interactive discussion.

### **An Innovative Education Model**

The 2014 Think Tank is intended to provide both professional and personal development. Conversations that matter with experts from around the nation will provide an opportunity for investment in your own growth even if your agency will not fund attendance.

GP RED hosted similar successful Think Tanks in both 2008 and 2012 on different topics. This is an invitation-based event, and we are doubling participation in 2014 to engage 100 great minds.

The GP RED Think Tank is a dynamic facilitated forum designed to foster knowledge growth, networking, and improved professional competencies to engage agencies and professionals at the local, state, academic, and federal level to promote exchange through their related associations. Many of the current practices within these various disciplines are dealing with the same issues, but using different terminology and processes to address:

- Scarcity in capital and operational funding for assets management and programs.
- Changes in technology and research.
- Need to position agencies or universities beyond program and/or land management focuses areas to those related to tourism, health, social equity, active transportation, and environmental benefits.
- Encouragement to justify appropriate cost recovery, resource allocation, and self-sufficiency in budget hearings at any level.
- Strong needs to “speak the same language” across disciplines and professional sectors.

### **Think Tank Agenda & Format**

Wednesday, July 9th

5 pm - Opening Reception and Snacks

6 – 8:30 pm - Leadership and Collaboration Forum – We’re Together!

Thursday, July 10th

8 am - Coffee and Gathering

8:30 – 10 am – New Practices in Management from Around the Globe

10:30 – noon – Planning Methodologies that are Changing Your World

Noon – 1 pm – Lunch and Info Exchange

1 – 3 pm - Community Health and the Built and Natural Environment

3:30 – 5 – Balancing Sustainable Tourism with Local Needs

6 pm – 8:30 pm – Dinner and Keynote Activity

Friday, July 11th

8:30 am – Coffee and Gathering

9 – 10:30 am – Progress Not Perfection —Thriving During Stress

11 – 12:30 – Connecting the Dots – Complete Integration for Progress

12:30 – 1:30 pm – Lunch and Info Exchange

1:30 – 3 pm – Facilitated Forum for Joint Advancement

3:30 – 4 pm – Certificates and Blast-Off

### **Cost and Location**

\$199 per person registration fee, includes indicated meals and CEUs. Travel expenses are additional. We will be utilizing donated conference rooms in Estes Park, CO, with nearby hotels for participants (suggested hotel information will be sent to chosen attendees in March).

### **Think Tank Alliance Partners**

GP RED is the supporting sponsor of the Think Tank, providing administration, topic expert identification, alliance partner/sponsorship coordination, email marketing to over 5,600 relevant professionals and educators around the world, insurance, and overall financial risk. RED TALKS will be created and facilitated by invited Topic Experts (there will be no paid speakers).

Additional support is welcome. Benefits for Alliance Partners include exposure and logo visibility to over 5,600 relevant professionals, web, and a brief time to speak to 100 dedicated trans-disciplinary participants. To become an Alliance Partner or be a topic expert please contact: Teresa Penbooke, [TeresaP@gpred.org](mailto:TeresaP@gpred.org), 303-870-3884.

### **Application Process**

To apply to attend the 2014 GP RED Think Tank, please send the following information by January 30th, 2014, to:

Cindy Heath, CPRP, GP RED Executive Director, at [CindyH@gpred.org](mailto:CindyH@gpred.org)

- Contact info: Name, title, affiliations, address, email, phone, website
- One paragraph on: Why you would like to attend the GP RED Think Tank
- One paragraph on: The most important issues for discussion now

Invited Participants will be notified by March 1st, 2014.

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