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# Green Parks Plan: Third Edition

Advancing the National Park Service  
Mission Through Sustainable Operations

*Click the image above to download a PDF of the 2023 Green Parks Plan*

### **Green Parks Plan: Third Edition Released**

The third edition of the Green Parks Plan has been released! Following upon previous editions from 2012 and 2016, this third edition streamlines and consolidates goal areas from ten goals to five and ensures the goals are supported by outcome-based and strategic objectives. These goals include:

- **Be Climate Friendly and Climate Ready** – Combat the climate crisis by achieving net-zero greenhouse gas emissions
- **Be Energy Smart and Water Wise** – Achieve net-zero water use and net-zero energy for facilities and operations
- **Buy Green and Reduce, Reuse, Recycle** – Achieve net-zero waste and sustainable procurement
- **Green Our Rides** – Adopt and support zero-emissions transportation methods
- **Foster a Sustainability Ethic** – Engage the NPS workforce, partners, visitors, stakeholders, and communities to support and participate in sustainability, climate resilience, and environmental justice

[Download the full plan](#)

## Upcoming Training

### **Virtual Education Summit Registration Now Open**

Do you provide education programs for K-12 students at an NPS site or manage a program that does so on behalf of the NPS? Join your colleagues for networking and community building while learning more about NPS education practice, future direction, and exciting initiatives. Topics include climate change, equity, and much more!

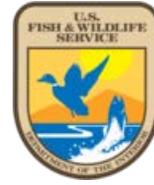


**March 28-31, 2:00p–4:45p EST**

[Register here](#)

# Climate Academy 2023 Registration Now Open

Beginning in April 2023, a webinar session with leading experts will be held every week for 8 weeks, for a total of 8 sessions. This course is designed to cover the fundamentals of climate science, provide an overview of tools and resources for climate adaptation, and increase climate literacy and communication skills. Pre-webinar assignments, class resources and discussion forums will be accessed through DOI Talent (no special software required). Course participants will then develop a final product addressing climate science in their management of natural resources. Registration is open for DOI employees.



[Register on DOI Talent](#)

## CCRP Resources from the Archive

### Climate Science For Your Park

The climate change subject site on NPS.gov contains a multitude of resources on climate change science, adaptation, mitigation, and communication in the National Park Service. The [Effects in Parks](#) section focuses on climate change impacts, including a number of studies with park-specific reports and analysis. You'll also find links to dozens of articles on climate change effects published by others around the National Park Service. The [Publications](#) page on the Climate Change Response Program (CCRP) site shares peer-reviewed articles and reports published by CCRP staff members.



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