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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**National Park Service****Public Notice; Notice of Request for Continuation of Visitor Services****AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.**ACTION:** Public notice; notice of request for continuation of visitor services.**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the terms of existing concession contracts, public

notice is hereby given that the National Park Service has requested a continuation of visitor services for the following expiring concession contract for a period of 1 year until December 31, 2008.

DATES: *Effective Date:* May 31, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jo A. Pendry, Concession Program Manager, National Park Service, Washington, DC 20240, Telephone 202/513-7156.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The listed concession authorization expires on December 31, 2007. Under the

provisions of the current concession contract and pending the Record of Decision for the National Mall and Memorial Parks Visitor Transportation Study, the National Park Service authorizes the continuation of visitor services for a period not-to-exceed 1 year, or until such time as the Record of Decision is implemented, whichever occurs first, under the terms and conditions of the current concession contract, as amended. The continuation of operations does not affect any rights with respect to selection for award of a new concession contract.

Conc ID Number	Concessioner name	Park
CC-NACC004-89	Landmark Services Tourmobile, Inc	National Mall and Memorial Parks.

Dated: April 21, 2006.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**National Park Service****Public Notice****AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.**ACTION:** Public notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 36 CFR 51.23, public notice is hereby given that the National Park Service proposes to extend the following expiring concession contract for a period of up to 1 year, or until such time as a new contract is executed, whichever occurs sooner.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The listed concession contract will expire by its terms on December 31, 2005. The

National Park Service has determined that the proposed short-term extension is necessary in order to avoid interruption of visitor services and has taken all reasonable and appropriate steps to consider alternatives to avoid such interruption. This extension will allow the National Park Service to complete and issue a prospectus leading to the competitive selection of a concessioner for a new long-term concession contract covering this operation.

Conc ID Number	Concessioner name	Park
LARO001-92	Roosevelt Recreational Enterprises	Lake Roosevelt National Recreation Area.

DATES: *Effective Date:* January 1, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jo A. Pendry, Concession Program Manager, National Park Service, Washington, DC 20240, Telephone 202/513-7156.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**National Park Service**

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for an Oil and Gas Management Plan (O&GMP) Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area (BISO), and Obed Wild and Science River (OBRI)

AGENCY: National Park Service.**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given in accordance with the National

Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. 4332 and Council on Environmental Quality regulation 40 CFR 1506.6, that the U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service (NPS), is preparing an EIS for an O&GMP for BISO and OBRI.

The BISO/OBRI O&GMP/EIS will:

- Identify resources impacted by oil and gas operations, and provide a comprehensive framework to remedy the resulting environmental problems.
- Allow for exploration and development of the private mineral estate.
- Facilitate operator planning by setting park-specific operating standards.
- Provide educational outreach to operators, including guidance on the regulatory process for bringing operations into compliance with applicable legal requirements.
- Enhance coordination with State natural resource agencies to better manage and enforce oil and gas operations according to State standards.

- Evaluate the potential for NEPA streamlining for plugging and reclaiming orphaned or exhausted oil and gas operations.

- Evaluate public use of oil and gas access roads.
- Address visitor safety issues related to oil and gas operations.
- Provide for a range of reasonable alternatives for managing oil and gas operations, and assess potential impacts on park resources such as threatened and endangered species, soils, wetlands, wildlife, cultural resources, and public safety, while allowing for the exercise of oil and gas rights.
- Provide the framework to achieve sound decision-making and resource protection at BISO and OBRI for the next 15 to 20 years.

A scoping brochure will be available summarizing the purpose, need and objectives of the O&GMP/EIS. Copies of that information may be obtained by visiting the NPS public comment and planning Web site at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/biso>, or from the Office of the Superintendent, Big South