

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Goal

Commenter #	Comment
022	Make sure you don't forget Arctic Valley and the Anchorage Ski Club DNR lease on 320 acres there.
042	I don't think that Partnerships warrants its own section. I think it is mostly a subset of "Outreach," although some action strategies seem to be Financial Management.
046	I think there is also room for improvement in coordinating with other state agencies - such as ADF&G in terms of fishing and boating, state museums in terms of natural and cultural resources, and the Alaska Travel Industry Association for marketing issues.
091	Mention South Denali: NPS & Borough, Princess at Denali State Parks and picture on page 26 is a Conoco Phillips Muni, etc partnership.
092	Add working with DMLW (in addition to DOTPF). More figures: amount federal \$; #/hours volunteers; ratio work done by volunteers.
093	I am pleased to see a focus on partnerships is one of the components w/in the plan and listening to the issues that face state parks. I could see partnerships potentially helping to address a lot of those in a lot of ways. Whether its maintenance or funding and how you work together with different user groups to come out and do things. I am pleased to see it in their highlighted as a goal.
094	Coordinate better with DOT.

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective I

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018	Explore partnerships with public TV and radio for programs and/or brief spots.
086	Strategy 2 is highest priority.

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective I - Strategy 1

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035	First priority.
043	I suggest that the park area manager and the director provide a list of needs and review the current year and upcoming year activities scheduled for their areas and seek their assistance to complete un or under funded projects, or to lobby for funds or support.
057	Twice a year seems unrealistic. Are we setting our expectations so high that it makes the document fluffy?

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective I - Strategy 2

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010	I fully support this strategy. I think it would be beneficial to have better communication between the Director and Advisory Boards.
035	Third priority
043	I suggest that the park area manager and the director provide a list of needs and review the current year and upcoming year activities scheduled for their areas and seek their assistance to complete un or under funded projects, or to lobby for funds or support.
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086	#1 importance!

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective I - Strategy 3

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035	Second priority.
057	Oh, gee-whiz, I doubt that this is realistic too.

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective II

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090	The use of volunteers and partnerships is an excellent strategy, both for increasing a sense of pride and involvement among the public, and for reducing costs. Indeed, NAEC would be eager to participate in such a partnership. We caution only that State Parks be certain to retain central authority over planning, rather than allowing undue lobbying power to devolve to any one particular user group.
091	Prioritize: 1, 6, 3, 2, 4, 5.

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective II - Strategy 1

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035	First priority
049	To help with the added cost of maintenance, user groups in the form of volunteers which you are already working with could help with the facilities. Currently the cleanups on the Knik River Public Use Area have been conducted by the Alaska ATV Club for the past 4 years. Volunteers from all user groups have supported and manned this effort. I realize this is not always a reliable solution, but a contract for volunteers could be drafted to ensure continued help.
086	Most include the cost of volunteer management. All costs. Volunteers are not free.

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective II - Strategy 3

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010	I fully support this strategy. I think a Volunteer Coordinator would provide needed organization, prioritization, and allocation for volunteer opportunities in parks.
038	A volunteer coordinator within each state park system is an excellent idea that more than pays for itself. Within the Forest Service in Washington State, I witnessed the power that one volunteer coordinator could generate within one district. She focused on volunteer newsletters keeping potential volunteers informed of much needed objectives, repairs and upcoming projects generating interest as well as excitement to execute these tasks needing to be done. At the beginning of each season, an invitational letter was sent out to former volunteers asking for their assistance in the coming year, making the volunteers feel welcome and needed. At the end of the season, a potluck party was held and ideas were generated for the following season.

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective II - Strategy 4

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035	Second priority.
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PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective II - Strategy 6

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035	Third priority.
038	Focus on High Schools "community service" program for manpower. At Homer High, community service hours are required to graduate. Contact local newspapers to "promote the volunteer opportunity". When I lived in Washington State, the Seattle Times published an article about volunteer opportunities on the North Bend District of the Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest as wilderness rangers as well as a need for people to "man" Granite Mountain Lookout. This generated a substantial amount of volunteers who had no idea they could play such an important role in helping to maintain the trails and health of our National forests.

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective III

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038	Collaborate with The Center for Alaskan Coastal Studies during "coastwalk" weeks to monitor the health and debris along Kachemak Bay State Park shoreline. Provide transportation to those areas if needed. Certain water taxi services have provided "for free" transportation needed in past years.
046	I would look to take advantage of the infrastructure already established in the Federal government for interpretation / education. In almost every region of the state, there are co-located national and state parks and staffs. What types of cooperating agreements can be made between state and federal park staffs for interpretation, education and marketing promotion. Most users view public lands as the same thing - whether state or federal property. It might be a great area for partnerships.
047	We would like to have an additional action strategy to read, "Cooperate with other agencies and organizations to provide expertise in documenting and protecting marine heritage sites."
066	New Action Strategy: Strengthen partnerships with statewide organizations such as Alaska Trails to work towards uniform goals for trail management and development.
085	Photo caption: Change "partners are" to "partner is" (singular).
086	Strategies 3 & 10 are highest priority.

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective III - Strategy 1

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057	Delete the bold formatting.
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PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective III - Strategy 2

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035	Please resist so marketing and corporate sponsorship don't tarnish our natural jewels.
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PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective III - Strategy 3

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035	Third priority.
057	Sounds petty, but in Northern Area, DOT insists on being written as DOT&PF (you're missing the "&" - not a slash). Change in the glossary too.

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective III - Strategy 4

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057	Good.

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective III - Strategy 5

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086	Similar for snomo?
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PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective III - Strategy 6

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034	Continue to use cost effective means to maintain trails such as the SAGA and Trail Mix groups and obtain professional trail design expertise to ensure trails are sustainable thus reducing maintenance costs.
057	Delete "(SAGA)." It's not used, so we don't need to add the acronym. Delete from glossary?
066	Include boroughs in list of agencies.
072	We would, of course, like to be included in the document under mentioned trail partners as an organization that has already provided significant trail-building education, technical, and planning support to the division in a number of capacities. We look forward to continuing our relationship to provide the state with resources to manage its trails.

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective III - Strategy 7

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066 Revise: "Work with other agencies and organizations to develop statewide standards for trail classifications, maintenance, signage, design and construction."

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective III - Strategy 8

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035	Second priority.

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective III - Strategy 9

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034	Continue to partner when necessary for park management, interpretation but do not let the costs to the public impede access.
085	Change "interpretative" to "interpretive".

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective III - Strategy 10

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035	First priority.
080	<p>This is where I would think some partnering or collaborating with universities may be helpful. UAF's SNRAS (School of Natural Resources and Agricultural Sciences) is a unit that should have students potentially interested in learning inventory methods and interpretations for management. You can't manage land well without knowing what's there. This is why I think the Natural and Cultural resource stewardship should have highest priority. This could include both the natural and cultural resource inventories as well as land usage surveys (types and frequency of users, or whatever). I recognize funding is limited / non-existent on both sides, but if some type of program is setup, it sometimes makes it easier to apply for grants. Perhaps a program from a State Parks Foundation or "Friends" or something separate. I believe NPS has setup something with SNRAS, but I'm not sure. You might check with the Dean. Other UA campuses and APU may also have biological or land management units that might be interested. Look at their potential plans for science learning centers.</p>

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective III - Strategy 11

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057	Delete "(NAI)." It's not used, so we don't need to add the acronym. Delete from glossary?
085	Change "National Association of Interpreters" to "...Interpretation".

PRD Comments - Partnerships - Objective V - Strategy 5

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034	Ensure that cultural resources has the funds to perform needed survey work or to contract for such work including pure research in undeveloped areas and those at risk for destruction of cultural resources.