

Water Resources Branch Organization Defined

A recent (Dec. 19, 1984) memorandum from the Associate Director for Natural Resources to NPS Regional Directors defines six principal issues around which the NPS Water Resources Branch program and funding support is developed:

- (1) Identification and mitigation of external and internal influences on park water quality and quantity;
- (2) Water resources management planning, as a component of the natural resource management process;
- (3) Location and testing of ground water sources;
- (4) Floodplain and flood hazard delineation;
- (5) Inventory and quantification of water resources and water rights, and
- (6) Acid deposition.

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