

**TITLE 16 - CONSERVATION**

**CHAPTER 1 - NATIONAL PARKS, MILITARY PARKS, MONUMENTS, AND SEASHORES**

**SUBCHAPTER I - NATIONAL PARK SERVICE**

**§ 1a–7a. National Park System crime prevention assistance**

**(a) Availability of funds**

There are authorized to be appropriated out of the Violent Crime Reduction Trust Fund, not to exceed \$10,000,000, for the Secretary of the Interior to take all necessary actions to seek to reduce the incidence of violent crime in the National Park System.

**(b) Recommendations for improvement**

The Secretary shall direct the chief official responsible for law enforcement within the National Park Service to—

- (1) compile a list of areas within the National Park System with the highest rates of violent crime;
- (2) make recommendations concerning capital improvements, and other measures, needed within the National Park System to reduce the rates of violent crime, including the rate of sexual assault; and
- (3) publish the information required by paragraphs (1) and (2) in the Federal Register.

**(c) Distribution of funds**

Based on the recommendations and list issued pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, the Secretary shall distribute the funds authorized by subsection (a) of this section throughout the National Park System. Priority shall be given to those areas with the highest rates of sexual assault.

**(d) Use of funds**

Funds provided under this section may be used—

- (1) to increase lighting within or adjacent to National Park System units;
- (2) to provide emergency phone lines to contact law enforcement or security personnel in areas within or adjacent to National Park System units;
- (3) to increase security or law enforcement personnel within or adjacent to National Park System units; or
- (4) for any other project intended to increase the security and safety of National Park System units.

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