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Withdrawal of the Proposed Rule to Revise General Provisions; Electronic Cigarettes

AGENCY: National Park Service; Interior.

ACTION: Proposed rule; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: The National Park Service withdraws the proposed rule that would revise the regulation that defines smoking to include the use of electronic cigarettes and other electronic nicotine delivery systems; and would allow a superintendent to close an area, building, structure, or facility to smoking when necessary to maintain public health and safety. The withdrawal is based upon a need to engage in additional interagency coordination and review of the proposal.

DATES: The January 6, 2017, proposed rule (82 FR 1647) is withdrawn as of [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: The withdrawal of the proposed rule, and comments, are available at www.regulations.gov by searching for Regulation Identifier Number (RIN) 1024-AE30.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This withdrawal does not affect Director's Order #50D (Smoking Policy), originally issued in 2003 and then revised and reissued in 2009, and Policy Memorandum 15-03 (Use of Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems), issued on September

10, 2015, which remain in effect and are available online on the NPS Office of Policy website at <http://www.nps.gov/applications/npspolicy/index.cfm> by clicking on the drop-down menu and selecting “Smoking” from the list of policy subjects.

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