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Grand Canyon National Park Seeks Input on North Rim Water System

GRAND CANYON, Ariz. – The National Park Service is seeking public comment on an environmental assessment and a programmatic agreement for water system improvements at Grand Canyon National Park. The improvements are part of a proposed Great American Outdoors Act Legacy Restoration Fund project called Rehabilitate the North Rim and Roaring Springs Utility Systems.

The work would create a more reliable water system to meet supply needs at the North Rim and within the inner canyon between Supai Tunnel and Cottonwood Campground for a projected lifespan of up to 75 years. The existing North Rim water system is past its design life.

Proposed improvements include:

- Rehabilitating or replacing the waterline from the North Rim to the Roaring Springs water source
- Installing two new boreholes to house the potable and raw water lines
- Constructing a new water treatment plant on the North Rim
- Constructing additional water tanks on the North Rim and at the Roaring Springs Pumphouse
- Rehabilitating the Roaring Springs Pumphouse

The National Park Service is accepting public comments from March 6, 2026, until midnight April 5, 2026. For more details or to submit comments on the environmental assessment and programmatic agreement, visit the NPS Planning, Environment and Public Comment website at <https://parkplanning.nps.gov/NorthRimWaterSystem> and click on "Open for Comment."

All comments are public records and may be made publicly available at any time, including personal information such as addresses, phone numbers, email addresses or other details included in comment submissions.

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The **Roaring Springs Pumphouse** supplies water from Roaring Springs to the North Rim and inner canyon facilities. The structure is part of the aging North Rim water system that the National Park Service is proposing to rehabilitate. (NPS Photo)

Grand Canyon National Park, in northern Arizona, encompasses 278 miles (447 km) of the Colorado River and adjacent uplands. Located on the ancestral homeland of [11 Associated Tribes](#), Grand Canyon is one of the most spectacular examples of erosion anywhere in the world—unmatched in the incomparable vistas it offers visitors on the rim. Grand Canyon National Park is a World Heritage Site. The National Park Service cares for the special places saved by the American people so that all may experience our heritage.

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