



# American Recreation Coalition

*Dedicated to the protection and enhancement of everyone's right  
to health and happiness through recreation.*

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### ARC submits ideas to AGO IdeaJam

In addition to participating on behalf of ARC members at several AGO listening sessions and submitting ideas to the AGO staff teams, ARC has submitted more than 60 ideas to the AGO website for consideration in the report to the President. Some highlight existing programs that are making the Great Outdoors better for Americans today: scenic byways, the Recreational Trails Program, the Aquatic Resources Trust Fund and more. We don't want those vital tools to be overlooked in the Administration's anticipated 2011 actions on the AGO report. We also raised some ideas that have been around for a while, but remain unfulfilled – such as the creation of a National Recreation Lakes System. And we have highlighted dozens of outreach and promotion efforts underway at national and state parks – like the free fishing in Texas and Minnesota state parks and the restaging of Paul Revere's ride – on bicycles – at the Minute Man National Historical Park near Boston. Here are some of the ideas we've submitted:

Current Federal Budgeting Fails the Outdoors --  
Multi-Year Budget Needed  
Look at Park Fees to Align Fees with Goals  
Focus on the Frontcountry  
Canada's "My Parks Pass" Program  
Help Interested Teachers Form Middle School and High  
School Outing Clubs  
Ramp Up Honoring the Good Guys Managing Public  
Lands  
Olympic Park and Nature Bridge Help Heal Veterans,  
Veterans Families  
Getting Kids to the Woods: Understanding Options  
with Buses, Public Transit  
New Technologies and Activities Need Management  
Kids Outdoor Bill of Rights  
Don't Abandon Challenge Cost Share Programs  
Prescription Trails New Mexico  
State Trail Advisory Boards  
City/Metro Area Youth Summit  
USACE can't retain campground and other fees to fund  
maintenance  
Re-engage HUD in Urban Parks  
Reservoirs of Opportunity  
Outdoors and Kids -- Political Lure is Clear  
National Get Outdoors Day (GO-Day) 2010  
Bay Area Transit to Trails Website  
New Boating and Fishing Research Shows End to  
Decline in Participation  
How about Frequent Walker Miles?  
Aquatic Resources Trust Fund -- Unrecognized  
Benefactor of Wetlands, Recreation  
Little Rock's Medical Mile  
Scenic Byways are a key to landscape management  
and protection

Mimic Transportation Enhancements of 1991 with  
Health Enhancements of 2011  
Recreational Trails Program: Federal Motorfuel Tax  
Funds Trails for All  
Innovative Strategy for Investing in Needed Public  
Recreation Infrastructure Provides Real Public  
Benefits  
Inner City Kids Given Transportation to Recreation  
The Jonas Brothers urge kids to "Get Outdoors, It's  
Yours!"  
Families Participate in Park Version of The Amazing  
Race (CT)  
Boys and Girls Club Kids Focus on Photography in  
Parks  
Families Win Big by Exploring State Parks (MD)  
Motorists Promote Yosemite Right On Their License  
Plates (CA)  
Libraries Offer More Than Books for Potential Park  
Visitors (CT)  
Festival Reminds Kids for Fun, Just Add Snow! (WY)  
Foster Families Receive Free Access to State Parks  
Urban Summer School Kids Trade Pencils for Paddles  
Weekend Workshop Teaches Families Camping Skills  
Families Relive Paul Revere's Ride Via Bicycle  
Texas State Parks Lure New Anglers with Free Fishing  
Tribal Demonstrations Draw Crowds to Crater Lake  
Kentucky Families Rewarded for Visiting State Parks  
First-time Camping Families Learn Outdoor Skills  
Together (WA)  
Park Rangers Seen as Educators About Health and  
Wellness  
USACE and University of Arkansas Team Up to Provide  
Cancer Patients Healthy Surroundings  
Working in Partnership with Schools -- ED OUT