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# **Mary Gibson Scott Named Acting Intermountain Regional Director**

**WASHINGTON** – National Park Service (NPS) Director Jonathan Jarvis announced today that Mary Gibson Scott will act as Regional Director for the agency’s Intermountain Region, which consists of 91 NPS units in eight states and employs more than 5,000 people. Scott temporarily replaces Mike Snyder, who recently retired. She will assume her duties in mid-March 2010, and the agency will conduct a competitive search for a permanent Regional Director in the near future.

“Mary is a veteran manager in this agency and has handled many complex issues. She steps into this acting position at a critical time, and she will lead the Intermountain Region effectively and professionally until we are able to find a permanent Regional Director,” said National Park Service Director Jon Jarvis.

Scott, currently the superintendent at Grand Teton National Park in Wyoming, is a 30-year career veteran of the National Park Service. Prior to her assignment at Grand Teton, she served as superintendent at Carlsbad Caverns National Park (NM), deputy superintendent at Golden Gate National Recreation Area (CA), acting general superintendent of Gateway National Recreation Area (NY, NJ), and superintendent of the Staten Island Unit of Gateway National Recreation Area (NY). Additionally, Scott has served in senior

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positions at the former regional office of the National Park Service in Santa Fe and at the NPS Planning and Design Center in Denver.

Scott has served at Grand Teton National Park since 2004. During that time, she has supported several complex projects that collectively provided new and improved services for the public. For example, Scott brought the long-anticipated Craig Thomas Discovery and Visitor Center from conceptual design to its grand opening in 2007.

Scott served a two-year term as the chair for the Greater Yellowstone Coordinating Committee—a consortium of federal land managers in the Greater Yellowstone Area. In 2008, she received the Intermountain Region’s Superintendent of the Year Award for Natural Resource Stewardship. She has consistently made a concerted effort to improve partnership relationships and agreements with 10 principal partner associations and organizations that support the mission of Grand Teton National Park.

Bob Vogel, Deputy Superintendent at Grand Teton National Park will initially serve as the acting Superintendent in Mary’s absence.

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