Coalition News

Here are a few of the actions we took in February:

- The book "The Last of the Wild: Taking up Japanese American Residency in a National Park," by Raymond Vela pays tribute to the late Dr. Raymond Vela, who worked at the National Park Service's Human Resources Center. The book includes family images, anecdotes from Raymond's career, and insight into what it takes to work in and protect a national park.

- The National Park Service was named one of the 2022 "100 Best Employers for Diversity" by Forbes magazine, recognizing the NPS as a leader in promoting diversity in the workforce.

- A new report by the Coalition to Protect America's National Parks discussed federal government funding, staffing, and operations for the National Park Service's (NPS) implementation of the 30 x 30 initiative. The report looked at NPS funding, staffing, and operations related to the 30 x 30 initiative and the NPS's efforts to protect national parks.

Advocacy Actions

The Subcommittee on National Parks held a hearing on the Great American Outdoors Act on February 9, 2022. The hearing focused on the bill's impact on the National Park System and other public lands.

On the Horizon

- The Coalition added 17 new members in February, bringing the total to 2,173. They can join anyone interested in becoming a member.

- The Coalition is working with the National Park Service to address employee morale, diversity in the workforce, and additional concerns that impact the ability of the NPS to efficiently hire a diverse workforce.

Visit our website to learn more and take a look at our advocacy efforts.