

# Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Planning



**Webinar Session**

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# Session Overview

- **What is the Land and Water Conservation Fund's SCORP requirement?**
- **What is the SCORP excellence award?**
- **Is there anything new on the horizon for the SCORP process?**

# **SCORP Requirements**

**LWCF Act of 1965, as amended, requires a SCORP from each state prior to receiving LWCF financial assistance for acquisition and development of outdoor recreation resources .**

# **The Act requires each SCORP to include:**

- **Name of state agency with authority to deal with the Secretary for LWCF state assistance purposes.**
- **An evaluation of demand for and supply of outdoor recreation resources and facilities in the state.**
- **A program of implementation for the plan.**
- **Governor certification of ample opportunity for public participation.**

- **Other information as deemed necessary by the state.**
- **Takes into account other federal resources and programs and correlates with other state, regional and local plans.**
- **A wetlands priority component per Section 303 of the Emergency Wetlands Resources Act of 1986.**

- **NPS provides SCORP guidance and tracks SCORP approval dates for LWCF eligibility purposes.**
- **SCORP process is state driven.**

**More information about SCORP requirements is found in the LWCF State Assistance Manual.**

**[www.nps.gov/lwcf](http://www.nps.gov/lwcf)**

# **What is an excellent SCORP?**

**In addition to meeting the basic requirements, the SCORP:**

- **Embraces spirit and intent of the LWCF Act rather than just meeting requirements for LWCF state grant assistance.**
- **Makes the case for importance of outdoor recreation opportunities for healthy lifestyles per the purpose of the LWCF Act.**



- **Considers the public's opinions, ideas and concerns about public outdoor recreation resources and opportunities.**
- **Considers opportunity links among various disciplines and programs, public and private.**
- **Presents a future-oriented strategic plan to provide and protect outdoor recreation resources and facilities.**

- **The planning process is inviting and inclusive.**
- **The product (hard and electronic) is appealing, user friendly, practical, and is intended for frequent reference and updating.**
- **Easy to access and widely available.**

# **SCORP Ideas**

- **Administration's Listening Sessions**
- **NARRP and NPS discussions on how to make SCORP process more efficient and effective**