

Jonathan Jarvis

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Jon Jarvis was sworn in as the 18th director of the National Park Service on October 2, 2009, by Interior Secretary Ken Salazar. He began his National Park Service career as a seasonal interpretive ranger on the National Mall in 1976 and most recently served as the regional director of the Pacific West Region, with responsibility for 58 units of the National Park System in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, California, Nevada, Hawaii and the Pacific Islands of Guam, Saipan and American Samoa. He oversaw 3,000 employees with a \$350 million annual budget.

He previously served as superintendent of Mount Rainier and Wrangell-St. Elias National Parks, and Craters of the Moon National Monument. Other career positions include protection ranger, resource management specialist, park biologist, and chief of natural and cultural resources.

Director Jarvis is a Virginia native and graduate of the College of William and Mary. He and his wife Paula have two children, Benjamin and Leah.

