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Creasey Named Superintendent for the National Parks of Boston

Northeast Regional Director Mike Caldwell announced today that the National Parks of Boston will receive new leadership and a progressive management structure that will have a strong partnership orientation.

Michael Creasey will oversee the national park collaborative that includes Boston National Historical Park, Boston African American National Historic Site and the Boston Harbor Islands National Recreation Area. Creasey is currently the superintendent of Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historical Park and the executive director of the National Park Service Stewardship Institute in Woodstock, Vermont and oversees the management of Saint Gaudens National Historic Site in New Hampshire. He will assume his new post in late May.

"Michael's portfolio brings a depth of experience in collaborative park management and working in partnerships. His background reflects the leadership qualities that are needed to work in dynamic urban environments," said Caldwell. "His recent work at the Stewardship Institute, a nationally recognized group that engages the National Park Service (NPS) and its partners on sharing leading edge practices to advance the NPS mission, was instrumental in developing the NPS Urban Agenda – a bold strategy that positions the NPS to become more relevant to all Americans. As the NPS enters its Centennial year in 2016, Michael's skill sets will be critical in making Boston one of the premier urban national parks centers in the nation and a testament to how the NPS can work in collaboration with stakeholders at all levels to enhance one of America's great cities."

Creasey stated, "It is an exceptional time to be in Boston and I am looking forward to meeting and working alongside the dedicated park staff and partners, and being a part of Boston's future."

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Over the span of three decades, Creasey has blended his background in planning, public lands management and academia to serve in a variety of positions for the NPS. He was the superintendent of Lowell National Historical Park in Massachusetts from 2005-2012, a national model for historic preservation and heritage development in an urban setting. During his tenure at Lowell, he attended Harvard University Graduate School of Design as a Loeb Fellow where he concentrated on leadership, urban planning and public policy.

Other positions that Creasey held include the acting commissioner for the National Parks of New York Harbor, overseeing ten national parks within the metro region of New York City and New Jersey; for a decade Creasey was the executive director of the John H. Chafee Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor in Rhode Island and Massachusetts where he served a 19-member commission that oversaw the management of an area spanning two-states and 24 cities and towns - a partnership aimed at environmental restoration, heritage preservation and economic development; served as project manager with the NPS Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance program developing a bi-national conservation plan along the lower Rio Grande River in Texas and Mexico; and as a park planner with the Mid-Atlantic Regional Office in Philadelphia.

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