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### Overview

- Over 220 Million People visited National Parks in 2020. [1]
  - o 15% individual parks had >1 Million unique visitors. [1]
- All parks collectively valued at \$92 Billion [2]
  - 95% of Americans support National Parks [2]



## Purpose of the Product

#### General goals:

- Allow Users to Search Up New Parks to explore
- Extremely useful in a pandemic
  - o people can avoid being in large groups
- Gives tourists and visitors new way to experience national parks.
- Create awareness about national parks.
- Allows users to not have to booking tours and going on the same tour all the time.

### **Current Situation**

- Visitors must hire tour guides or carry around physical maps to find different trails.
- The pandemic has made it difficult and dangerous to be in large groups
  - Tour groups not an option anymore
- With lone wolf, users now have an option to be their own tour guide.

## **Our Product**

- Finds Routes Through National Parks
- Acts as an Encyclopedia for Park Information
- Calls for Help At The Press of a Button
- Uploads User Photos of Parks for Other User's Viewing
  - With user permission

### **Our Users**

#### Key Users

- Experienced hikers interested in exploring new trails, without the help of physical maps and tour guides.
- Amateur hikers can also use this app to find trails that they like based on user uploaded pictures.
- Can be used by anyone trying to avoid public contact during the pandemic.
  - The emergency help functionality also decreases chances of accidents for both experienced and amateur hikers.

## Stakeholders

- Nature Enthusiasts/Climate Activists
  - Increased interest in national parks means increased interest in preserving nature
- National Parks Rangers
  - Easier to find lost/injured hikers with emergency function
- Park Going Public
  - o Identifying local flora and fauna through photo upload and encyclopedia functions

### **Mandated Constraints**

- Light on battery usage
- Compatible with Google Maps and Locational Services
- Compatible with most Android Devices
- Totally Accessible with Internet Connection

# **Competing Products**

- Trailforks by PinkBike, LLC
  - No photo uploading
    - Users can upload pictures from their trails and view pictures uploaded by other users.
  - No personalization/interaction with community.
  - No emergency help function.
    - Incase the user is in an emergency situation, they can contact help and share their location with the authorities.

# Implemented Features

- Almost all major features described in document implemented.
  - Weather functionality was not
    - All phones come with a built-in weather service app
    - Implementing would be redundant and time wasting
- The app is only available for android platform for now.
  - Has not been implemented for iOS.

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