TITP Issues to be resolved.

1. Events

There is an event calendar built into the system, and of course there is an event calendar on the NPS site. I built one into the system because I didn’t think I could get access to the NPS back end, but I did. So now both are possibilities, and so is a mixture of the two. The event display contains a location and a brief (one-line) note. (And all the required fields, of course.).

So the first issue is what events go into the NPS calendar (or not). Historically, we have left a lot of things out (Pop-ups), and then struggled to let people know about them. I don’t know if this is a practical operational problem, or a deliberate decision not to publicize some things except in closely held ways.

Whichever it is, having the calendar in this system makes it very simple for a ranger to add or cancel an item on a moment’s notice.

I recommend we establish a policy about what goes into the NPS calendar, and then use that for this system (resolving the data issue below.). We could use both, with the internal calendar supplementing the NPS calendar, so we could still add an event on short notice.

1. NPS Calendar Data

This issue here is the data we put in. I need to have a location and brief note about an event. We are not putting anything into the location field in NPS and we are putting in a large amount of information in the description field and I can’t find a simple brief note field. Easiest solution is if we start putting in a location and I ignore the brief note field. Everything else matches up fine. You can see my calendar with the NPS data by going to http://jotr.digitalmx.com/pages.php and clicking on the link the NPS Calendar.

1. Daily Updates

The site should get a daily checkup of:

1. Alerts = check weather alerts (visible on the admin page) an copy/paste/edit to make a local alert
2. Fire danger level
3. Notices/Closures
4. Visitor advice (probably doesn’t change)
5. Calendar updates if we decide to use the internal one

Al this data is accesssible in the Ranger Admin page.

1. Campground status

The admin page has campground updates. It rarely needs updating, EXCEPT for first-come, first-served availability. IF we decide to do anything about this, there is also a separate Campground update page/password. If we do nothing,, these sites show ?? in the availability field. Or could just not show the availability column there. Also, there is a ALL CAMPGROUNDS FULL message that comes up when availability is 0 or Unknown (??) everywhere. Could change this equation.