YCC, Ground Works USA, & Bear Management Staff Installed 112 Bear-proof Food Storage Boxes in 2016
Carcass Management
Moved 70 Ungulate Carcasses From Visitor Use Areas
Bear Spray/Camping in Bear Country Demonstrations
• 1,615 Demonstrations
• Attended By 31,887 park visitors
A bear doesn’t care if you climbed to the top of the world.

Carry bear spray.
Know how to use it.
Be alert. Make noise. Hike in groups. Do not run.
Bear Spray Surveys, 2016

Surveyed: 3,312 Recreationalists in 1,206 Groups

Percent Carrying Bear Spray

Boardwalks: 1% of people
   2% of groups

Day Hikers: 19% of people
   43% of groups

Backpackers: 52% of people
   79% of groups
Management Hazing: 29 incidents
7 Out of Developments
18 Off of Roads
4 Backcountry Trails
Property Damage & Anthropogenic Foods
1 Incident
2 Incidents of Tents Getting Crushed at Heart Lake
No Food Reward
Hair collected for DNA to Determine Species & Individual
Grizzly Bear Encounters in Backcountry Areas: 49
1 Encounter Where Grizzly Bear Charged But Did Not Make Contact
Grizzly Bear Attacks: 0 incidents
Grizzly Bears Entering Occupied Backcountry Campsites: 6
All ended without injury or property damage
672 Total Bear-jams (including black bears)
Grizzly Bear-jams: 216 Bear-jams
Management Removals: 0
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We Hope 2017 is Even Better