# Park Safety & Wildlife Tips

### **Leave No Trace Principles**

- Plan ahead and prepare.
- Travel and camp on durable surfaces.
- Dispose of waste properly.
- Leave what you find.
- Minimize campfire impacts.
- Respect wildlife.
- Be considerate of other visitors.

### **Bear Safety**

- Never feed bears feeding wildlife makes them dependent on human food and more aggressive.
- Store food securely in bear-proof containers or your vehicle.
- Keep a safe distance at least 50 yards from bears.
- If approached by a bear, stay calm, back away slowly, and never run.

## **General Hiking Safety**

- Always carry a map and compass or GPS.
- Stay on marked trails to protect the environment and yourself.
- Hike with a buddy when possible.
- Pack out all trash to keep the park clean.

#### **Emergency Contacts**

- Dial 911 in case of emergencies.
- Contact a Park Ranger at visitor centers or ranger stations.