

Goblin Valley State Park

2018 Annual Report

General

- Current contact: Nathan Martinez – nathanmartinez@utah.gov (435)275-4584.
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- We do not have provisional status
- We currently have gold-tier status and are not applying for an upgrade
- We get about 200,000 visitors per year. About 350 people attended one of our dark sky programs.

Lighting

- We added new bathrooms to our observation point parking lot. This bathroom currently has wiring for new lights, but no fixtures have been installed. We currently do not have any plans on installing new fixtures. If fixtures do get installed we will make them dark sky compliant and will inform the IDA.

Sky Quality

- We were sampling monthly but ended up losing our data in June due to our computer malfunctioning. We will be sure to back up our data from now on. We were able to collect, and save, our data for August:

Data Point	Aug-18
North Exit	21.78
East Exit	21.86
West Exit	21.96
Fremont Display	21.9
Visitor Center	21.94
OHV Area	21.81
Ranger Residence	21.82
Campground	21.88
Group Site	21.75
Three Sisters	21.98
Carmel Canyon	21.67
Curtis Bench	21.91
Observation Point	21.87

- These results are better than results from previous years, and we assume this is due to staff doing a better job of surveying.
- We do not have a permanently mounted sky monitor installed in the park.

Conservation and research

- We do not currently have any research or conservation programs in the park.

Funding

- We do not currently have any grants but would be interested in applying for future grants.

Arts and Culture

- Goblin Valley continues to be a premier location for night sky photography. This year we issued 7 special use permits for guided night sky photography workshops.
- We are also considering adding a night sky photography demonstration along with our new moon telescope programs. These demonstrations would be conducted by a professional photographer who is currently volunteering in the park. These demonstrations would be offered for free to visitors.

Outreach

- We did not begin any new programs this year.

Community and Media Relations

- We did not have any new media coverage or engagement with local governments, community organizations, or private landowners this year.