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GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN

As of right now the Democrats and Republicans have not reached an agreement on the 2011 federal budget. With the possibility of a federal government shutdown looming just hours away, WWII Valor in the Pacific National Monument is preparing for the worst and we are hopeful that an agreement can be reached by midnight tonight.

In the event an agreement cannot be reached and the government is shutdown, WWII Valor in the Pacific National Monument will be closed in its entirety. This pertains to all parking lots and activities inside the visitor center including the Bowfin. The USS *Missouri* and the Pacific Aviation Museum will remain open.

We understand this places a tremendous burden on you and your companies. If you have not already done so, I would highly encourage companies come up with a Plan "B" for your tour groups.

If a shutdown occurs, there is no way of knowing how long it will last. We, government employees, will be placed in a furlough status and will not be permitted to answer questions via phone or email. **Therefore, you will need to listen to public broadcasts, news media, and other means for further updates.**

I have provided phone numbers to our partner sites should you need to contact them for any reason:

USS <i>Bowfin</i> Submarine Museum and Park	423-1361
Battleship Missouri Memorial	455-1600
Pacific Aviation Museum	441-1000

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