



Creating the

APOSTLE ISLANDS NATIONAL PARK

WISCONSIN'S FIRST AND ONLY NATIONAL PARK.

Increased Tourism, Expanded Job Opportunities

In 2022, visitor spending in communities near national parks generated a record \$50.3 billion boost to the nation's economy and supported 378,400 jobs. By making the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore into the Apostle Islands National Park, our communities will see **enhanced economic growth, more visitation, and expanded job opportunities**. For example, in 2018, while still a National Lakeshore, Indiana Dunes had 1.75 million visitors. After the change in 2019, visitation immediately went up to 2.13 million visitors and increased jobs and economic development in the area.

Protects Landscapes

The region will see a significant increase in funding from both state and federal governments, aimed at **enhancing conservation efforts, educational programs, and community development** to support the national park.

Maintains Hunting Access

A designated portion of the area will be set aside as a hunting reserve. From 2015 through 2022, only 3 deer were harvested on the entire National Lakeshore while Madeline Island alone had 655 deer harvested in the same timeframe. The establishment of this reserve aims to **protect hunting access**.

