

Summary: Alleged Scientific Integrity Violations Related to National Park Service Report

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The OIG opened an investigation based on an allegation that National Park Service (NPS) officials inappropriately sought to remove references to human-caused climate change in an NPS report related to sea level rise and storm surge projections at NPS properties.

Shortly after we opened our investigation, the NPS published the report with all original references to human-caused climate change. Because the report was published without edits, we closed our investigation.

This is a summary of an investigative report that we provided to the NPS Deputy Director.

