



TICKETING:

To ensure a safe and successful event, attendance was limited through an online lottery system which closed on June 8. Lottery entrants received an email on June 12 whether they were successful or not. This is a free event, apart from a \$1 ticket lottery application fee paid to Recreation.gov for administering the lottery.

Public safety is of the utmost importance. The event will accommodate 7,500 attendees. Only ticket holders will be able to visit Mount Rushmore National Memorial on Friday, July 3. The Memorial will be closed to the public on Friday, July 3 and will reopen on Saturday, July 4 with regular hours of operation. The National Park Service is planning additional Independence Day programming on July 4.

If you want to enjoy the event but didn't get a ticket, there will be a livestream of the event available to the public. Check **www.TravelSouthDakota.com/RushmoreFireworks** for details.



PRESIDENTIAL VISIT:

President Donald J. Trump will be attending the event. The planning committee has prepared for his visit in conjunction with the White House. No photo opportunities or greetings are planned.



ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

Following an Environmental Assessment, the NPS issued a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) allowing the fireworks celebration based on the recommended alternative, which protects the Memorial, the environment and park visitors.



ROAD CLOSURES:

Beginning at Horsethief Lake, Highway 244 west of Mount Rushmore will be closed at 12:01 a.m. MST on Friday, July 3, and will remain closed until after the fireworks event and the fire and security sweep are completed. Highway 244 east of Mount Rushmore will be closed at the junction of Highway 16A at 12:01 a.m. MST on Friday, July 3, and reopen for ticket holders only the day of the event.

Closures to the highway will also be represented on SafeTravelUSA.com/SD.



TICKET HOLDERS:

The most updated information, including parking and shuttling, was sent to ticket holders by email. Information can also be found at www.TravelSouthDakota.com/RushmoreFireworks.

