

# Mendenhall Glacier Visitor Center Master Plan

## A Vision for the next 50 years







- 700,000 annual visits
- Retreating glacier
- Safety and resource protection
- Opportunities to see the glacier and enjoy public lands







- Hub and spoke concept
- Site entrance features expanded vehicle facilities, a new Welcome Center with site information, retail space, food service and restrooms





- Lake shore trail
- Expanded interpretive space and theater
- Three new trailheads





- Lake and Glacier access with boat transportation across the lake, new trails and visitor facilities that are expandable and moveable on the far side of the lake





- Steep Creek with new elevated walkways, wildlife viewing opportunities, safety improvements and creek restoration



- Public input from
  - Six public meetings
  - Public survey
  - Focus groups including locals, tour providers, environmental community, and out-of-town visitors
- Next steps:
  - National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis process, further public meetings
  - Design
  - Project website: <https://www.mgra-mgvc.us>
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