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Gents, see below, getting questions here.

Please advise.

From: Collins, Jeffrey S. [mailto:jscollins@ap.org]
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Apparently, the Obama administration is allowing national parks to reopen if states want to use their own money to pay for them during the shutdown. Just checking as part of the larger national story to see if this is something Gov. Haley is considering. I pasted the short version of the story below for additional context

The Obama administration says it will allow states to use their own money to reopen some national parks that have been closed because of the government shutdown.

Governors in at least four states have asked for authority to reopen national parks within their borders because of the economic impacts caused by the park closures.

Interior Secretary Sally Jewell said in a letter Thursday to governors in Utah and other states that the government will consider offers to pay for park operations, but will not surrender control of national parks to the states.

Utah Gov. Gary Herbert has said his state has resources that could be used to operate the parks if federal funding is not available. Governors of South Dakota, Arizona and Colorado have made similar requests.

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