Dear Mr. Lewis:

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated October 2, 2012, requesting air tour fee revenue and related air tour administration information.

It is the policy of the National Park Service (NPS) to: (1) make records of the NPS available to the public to the greatest extent possible in keeping with the spirit of the FOIA; (2) make documents requested under the FOIA available at the earliest possible date while, at the same time, protecting the rights of the individuals involved and the administrative processes surrounding such rights; and (3) withhold documents falling within one of the FOIA exemptions only if disclosure is prohibited by statute or Executive Order (EO).

Your request was processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (5 United States Code 552 as amended by Public Law 104-231, 110 Stat. 3048); United States Department of the Interior ("Department") implementing regulations found at 43 Code of Federal Regulations Part 2, Subparts A through E, PUBLIC LANDS: INTERIOR, beginning at 2.1; and the Privacy Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-579). Please be advised that additional FOIA and/or Privacy Act guidance/regulations may also be found at either the Department’s web site, www.doi.gov/foia, or the United States Department of Justice site, www.usdoj.gov. For your further information, Congress has excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. [See 5 U.S.C. § 552 (c) (2006 & Supp. IV 2010)]. This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all requestors and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

Enclosed you will find a summary of air tours fees from 1994 through 2012 responsive to your request. As we informed you earlier via email, Grand Canyon National Park does not have any Memorandums of Understanding with air tour operators.

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The following attorney was consulted during the preparation of this response: Carla Mattix, Office of the Solicitor, Division of Parks and Wildlife, U.S. Department of the Interior, 333 Bush Street, Suite 775, San Francisco, California, 94104. If you consider this response to be a denial of your request, under 43 CFR 2.28(a)(2), you also have the right to appeal. You may file an appeal in writing to:

Freedom of Information Act Appeals Officer
Office of the Solicitor
U.S. Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, NW
MS-6556-MIB,
Washington, D.C. 20240
foia.appeals@sol.doi.gov

Your appeal must be received no later than 30 workdays after the date of this final response. The appeal should be marked, both on the envelope and the face of the appeal letter, with the legend, “FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL.” Your appeal should be accompanied by a copy of your original request and copies of all correspondence between yourself and the National Park Service related to this request, along with any information you have which leads you to believe this response was in error.

Also as part of the 2007 OPEN Government Act FOIA amendments, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) was created to offer mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a nonexclusive alternative to litigation. Using OGIS services does not affect your right to pursue litigation.

You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways:

Office of Government Information Services (OGIS)
National Archives and Records Administration
Room 2510
8601 Adelphi Road
College Park, MD 20740-6001

E-mail: ogis@nara.gov
Phone: 301-837-1996
Fax: 301-837-0348
Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

If you have questions regarding this response, you may call me at 928-638-7903 or write to me at the address listed above. You may also contact Jack O’Brien, Freedom of Information Act Officer, Intermountain Region/NPS at 303-969-2062, or

Ms. Charis Wilson
NPS FOIA Officer
12795 W. Alameda Parkway
Sincerely,

[Signature]

Lea McGinnis
Freedom of Information Act Officer

Enclosure

cc: Jack O’Brian, Charis Wilson