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(S.D.)- Thune: Wind Cave Campground To Remain Open

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SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) - U.S. Sen. John Thune says the National Park Service has reversed a decision to close a campground at Wind Cave National Park in southwestern South Dakota.

Officials announced in March that they were closing the Elk Mountain Campground due to automatic federal spending cuts that took effect that month. The decision drew the ire of Thune and others.

The South Dakota Republican says the decision to open the campground for the summer season is "a victory for park visitors."

A park spokesman did not immediately return a telephone call seeking comment.