

meeting to allow for additional public input. Approximately 4 months prior to CoP14, we will post on our Web site an announcement of the species proposals, draft resolutions, draft decisions, and agenda items submitted by the United States to the CITES Secretariat for consideration at CoP14. The deadline for submission of the proposals, draft resolutions, draft decisions, and agenda items to the Secretariat will be 150 days prior to the start of the meeting (tentatively early January 2007).

Through a series of additional notices and Web site postings in advance of CoP14, we will inform you about preliminary negotiating positions on resolutions, decisions, and amendments to the Appendices proposed by other Parties for consideration at CoP14, and about how to obtain observer status from us. We will also publish announcements of public meetings tentatively to be held approximately 9 months prior to CoP14, and approximately 2 months prior to CoP14, to receive public input on our positions regarding CoP14 issues.

Author: The primary authors of this notice are Frank Kohn and Clifton Horton, Division of Management Authority; under the authority of the U.S. Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.).

Dated: December 21, 2005.

Marshall Jones,

Director, Fish and Wildlife Service.

(Notice: Request for information and recommendations on species proposals, resolutions, decisions, and agenda items for consideration at the fourteenth regular meeting of the Conference of the Parties to CITES; U.S. approach for the meeting of the Conference of the Parties.)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Commission Act and 36 CFR Part 65 that a telephonic conference call of the Landmarks Committee of the National Park System Advisory Board will be held beginning at 1 p.m. on March 20, 2006.

DATES: March 20, 2006.

To Participate in Conference Call: Call 866-772-1693, and use password 9667678.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Patricia Henry, National Historic Landmarks Program, National Park Service, 1849 C Street, NW., (2280), Washington, DC 20240; Telephone (202) 354-2216.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this conference call of the Landmarks Committee of the National Park System Advisory Board is to evaluate a draft Statement of Significance relating to the proposed Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Watertrail, and to render an opinion about the proposed watertrail's historical significance for consideration by the National Park System Advisory Board at their subsequent meeting, March 21-22, 2006, in Jacksonville, Florida. The members of the National Landmarks Committee are:

Mr. Larry E. Rivers, Ph.D., Chair

Mr. James M. Allan, Ph.D.

Mr. Cary Carson, Ph.D.

Ms. Mary Werner DeNadai, FAIA

Ms. Alferdteen Brown Harrison, Ph.D.

Mr. E.L. Roy Hunt, J.D., Professor Emeritus

Mr. Ronald James

Mr. William J. Murtagh, Ph.D.

Mr. William D. Seale, Ph.D.

Ms. Jo Anne Van Tilburg, Ph.D.

The meeting will be open to the public. Pursuant to 36 CFR Part 65, any member of the public may file for consideration by the National Park System Advisory Board and its Landmarks Committee written comments concerning National Historic Landmarks nominations, amendments to existing designations, proposals for withdrawal of designation, or National Historic Trail Statements of Significance.

Comments should be submitted to John W. Roberts, Acting Chief, National Historic Landmarks Program, National Park Service, 1849 C Street, NW., (2280); Washington, DC 20240.

Dated: January 17, 2006.

John W. Roberts,

Acting Chief, National Historic Landmarks Program; National Park Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Proposed National Natural Landmark Designation for Ashfall Fossil Beds, Antelope County, NE

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of proposed National Natural Landmark designation.

SUMMARY: The National Park Service Director has determined that Ashfall Fossil Beds, located near Orchard in Antelope County, Nebraska, appears to meet the criteria for national significance and proposes to recommend the site for designation as a National Natural Landmark. The public is invited to comment on this recommendation. This proposal will be considered by the National Park System Advisory Board at a meeting to be held on March 21 and 22, 2006, at Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve, in the Ribault Club, 11241 Fort George Rd., Jacksonville, Florida.

DATES: Written comments will be accepted by the National Park Service until March 21, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to Dr. Margaret Brooks, National Natural Landmarks Program Manager, National Park Service, 255 N. Commerce Park Loop, Tucson, Arizona 85745, or Internet address: Margi_Brooks@nps.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Margaret Brooks at 520-670-6501, extension 232.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Ashfall Fossil Beds is the only location on earth where large numbers of fossil mammals have been found as whole, three-dimensionally preserved skeletons. A thick bed of volcanic ash contains hundreds of complete skeletons of extinct rhinos, camels, three-toed horses and many other vertebrates lying in their death poses in an ancient waterhole. The animals were killed and buried by ash from an enormous volcanic eruption some 10 million years ago. This site is a Nebraska State Historical Park and is open to the public. Information on the National Natural Landmarks Program can be found in 36 CFR part 62 or on the Internet at <http://www.nature.nps.gov/nnl>.

Dated: January 17, 2006.

Fran P. Mainella,

Director, National Park Service.

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