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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Belle Haven Marina, Inc. has a contract with GWMP authorizing the concessioner to provide wet slip rental, dry storage, ramp service, sailboat rental, sailboat instructions, soft drink sales, and packaged goods within an assigned area of Belle Haven Park. The concessioner is currently operating under a contract extension which expires December 31, 2001. The National Park Service Concessions Management and Improvement Act (1998 Act) provides new legislative policies and procedures for the solicitation and award of concession contracts by the NPS.

Section 51.23 of the concession contracting regulation, found at 36 CFR part 51, states that extensions in excess of an aggregate of three years are not permissible. Belle Haven Marina, Inc. will reach the three-year time limit on contract extensions December 31, 2001 and by regulation cannot continue concession operations within GWMP. "In addition Section 402(b) of the 1998 Act states that, It is the policy of Congress that the development of public accommodations, facilities, and services in units of the National Park System be limited to those accommodations, facilities, and services that are necessary and appropriate for public use and enjoyment * * * and are consistent to the highest practicable degree with the preservation and conservation of the resources and values of the unit." A feasibility analysis as well as annual reports on the status of the marina identified problems that pose threats to visitor safety as well as environmental impacts to the sensitive resources in the adjacent Dyke Marsh area.

The purpose of the Open House is to initiate public involvement in planning for what is necessary and appropriate for the public use and enjoyment of the Belle Haven area. Information obtained through the public scoping Open House will be incorporated into a forthcoming Environmental Assessment that will also go through a public review and comment period.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jacqueline Lavelle at (703) 289-2536.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

General Management Plan, Environmental Impact Statement, Big Bend National Park, TX; River Management Plan, Environmental Impact Statement, Rio Grande Wild and Scenic River, TX, and Wilderness Study, Environmental Impact Statement, Harte Ranch, Big Bend National Park, TX

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Amend Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement for the general management plan, Big Bend National Park (NP), Texas, river management plan, Rio Grande Wild and Scenic River (WSR), Texas, and wilderness study, Harte Ranch, Big Bend National Park.

SUMMARY: On May 3, 2000, the National Park Service published a notice of intent for the action described above. The following amends that notice. Rather than preparing a wilderness study and environmental impact statement for the Harte Ranch, a wilderness suitability assessment will be prepared. The General Management Plan, Environmental Impact Statement, Big Bend National Park, Texas; River Management Plan, Environmental Impact Statement, Rio Grande Wild and Scenic River, Texas; and wilderness suitability assessment, Harte Ranch, Big Bend National Park are underway.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent Frank Deckert, P. O. Box 129, Big Bend National Park, Texas 79834; Tel: (915) 477-1101; Fax: (915) 477-2357; E-mail: deckert_frank@nps.gov.

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Park Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Joseph Tree National Park; Advisory Commission Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act that a meeting of the Joshua Tree National Park Advisory Committee (Commission) will be held from 10:00 a.m. (PDT) until 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 12, 2001, at the Black Rock Nature Center at 9800 Black Rock Canyon Road,

Black Rock Campground, in the city of Yucca Valley, California. The Commission will hear reports on the Climbing Sub-Committee, the Auto-camp Sub-Committee, Fire Ecology, and Overflight Issues.

The Commission was established by Public Law 103-433, section 107 to advise the Secretary concerning the development and implementation of a new or revised comprehensive management plan Joshua Tree National Park.

Members of the Commission include:

Mr. Chuck Bell Planner
Ms. Marie Brascheer Mining Interest
Mr. Gary Daigneault Property Owner/
Business Interest
Hon. Bill Postmus County of San Bernardino
Mr. John Freter Property Owner Interest
Mr. Julian McIntyre Conservation
Mr. Roger Melanson Equestrian Interest
Mr. Ramon Mendoza Native American Interest
Ms. Leslie Mouriquand Planner
Mr. Richard Russell All Wheel Drive Vehicle Interest
Ms. Lynn Shmakoff Property Owner Interest
Hon. Roy Wilson County of Riverside
Mr. Gilbert Zimmerman Tourism

The meeting is open to the public and will be recorded for documentation and transcribed from dissemination. Minutes of the meeting will be available to the public after approval of the full Advisory Commission. For copies, please contact Superintendent, Joshua Tree National Park, 74485 National Park Drive, Twentynine Palms, California 92277 at (760) 367-5502.

Dated: March 21, 2001.

Mary Risser,
Acting Superintendent.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

National Capital Memorial Commission Notice of Public Meeting

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act that a meeting of the National Capital Memorial Commission (the Commission) will be held at 1 p.m. on Thursday, April 26, 2001, at the National Building Museum, Room 312, 5th and F Streets, NW., Washington, DC.

The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss currently authorized and proposed memorials in the District of Columbia and environs.