scheduled in each of the planning areas. Early participation by all those interested is encouraged and will help determine the future management of lands within the Ring of Fire planning area. At least 15 days public notice will be given for activities where the public is invited to attend. The minutes and list of attendees for each meeting will be available to the public and open for 30 days to any participant who wishes to clarify the views they expressed. Written comments will be accepted throughout the planning process at the address shown below. In addition to the ongoing public participation process, formal opportunities for public participation will be provided through comment on the alternatives and upon publication of the BLM draft RMP/EIS. ADDRESSES: Written comments should

be sent to the Bureau of Land Management, Anchorage Field Office, 6881 Abbott Loop Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99507; Fax 907-267-1267. Documents pertinent to this proposal may be examined at the Anchorage Field Office located in Anchorage, Alaska. Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the Anchorage Field Office located in Anchorage, Alaska during regular business hours 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays, and may be published as part of the EIS. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name or street address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations and businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be available for public inspection in their entirety. After gathering public comments on what issues the plan should address, the suggested issues will be placed in one of three categories:

- 1. Issues to be resolved in the plan;
- 2. Issues resolved through policy or administrative action; or
- 3. Issues beyond the scope of this plan.

Rationale will be provided in the plan for each issue placed in category two or three. In addition to these major issues, a number of management questions and concerns will be addressed in the plan. The public is encouraged to help identify these questions and concerns during the scoping process.

An interdisciplinary approach will be used to develop the plan in order to

consider the variety of resource issues and concerns identified. Disciplines involved in the planning process will include specialists with expertise in fire management, geology, forestry, outdoor recreation, archaeology, paleontology, subsistence, wildlife and fisheries, lands and realty, hydrology, soils, sociology and economics.

Peter J. Ditton,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park Advisory Commission; Notice of Public Meeting

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act that a meeting of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park Advisory Commission will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, April 4, 2003, at park headquarters, 1850 Dual Highway, Suite 100, Hagerstown, Maryland.

The Commission was established by Public Law 91–664 to meet and consult with the Secretary of the Interior on general policies and specific matters related to the administration and development of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park.

The members of the Commission are as follows: Mrs. Sheila Rabb Weidenfeld, Chairman, Mr. Charles J. Weir, Mr. Barry A. Passett, Mr. Terry W. Hepburn, Ms. Elise B. Heinz, Ms. JoAnn M. Spevacek, Mrs. Mary E. Woodward, Mrs. Donna Printz, Mr. Rockwood H. Foster, Mrs. Ferial S. Bishop, Ms. Nancy C. Long, Mrs. Jo Reynolds, Dr. James H. Gilford, Mrs. Sue Ann Sullivan, Brother James Kirkpatrick.

Topics that will be presented during the meeting include:

- 1. Status of the draft Land Protection Plan.
- 2. Major construction/development projects.
 - 3. Historic Leasing Program.
- 4. Duke Power Company right-of-way easement application.
- 5. Mecklenburg Warehouse planning project.
- 6. Western Maryland Railroad rightof-way planning study.

7. Business Plan.

The meeting will be open to the public. Any member of the public may file with the Commission a written statement concerning the matters to be discussed. Persons wishing further information concerning this meeting, or

who wish to submit written statements, may contact Douglas D. Faris, Superintendent, C&O Canal National Historical Park, 1850 Dual Highway, Suite 100, Hagerstown, Maryland 21740.

Minutes of the meeting will be available for public inspection six (6) weeks after the meeting at park headquarters, Hagerstown, Maryland.

Dated: February 28, 2003.

Kevin Brandt,

Acting Superintendent, C&O Canal National Historical Park.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail Advisory Commission; Notice of Meeting

SUMMARY: Notice is given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act that the first meeting of the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail Advisory Commission will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the following location and dates.

DATES: Monday, March 31 and Tuesday April 1, 2003.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the offices of the Pima County Parks and Recreation Department, 3500 West River Road, Tucson, Arizona 85741. A field trip to trail sites along the Santa Cruz River in Tucson, Tubac Presidio State Historic Park, and Tumacacori National Historical Park will occur on the afternoon of March 31. The public is welcome, but transportation will only be provided to commission members.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND COPIES OF MEETING MINUTES CONTACT: Meredith Kaplan, Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail, 1111 Jackson Street, Suite 700, Oakland, California 94607, at 510–817–1438, or meredith_kaplan@nps.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Advisory Commission was established in accordance with the National Trails System Act 915 U.S.C. 1241 *et seq.*), as amended by Public Law 191–365 to consult with the Secretary of the Interior on planning and other matters relating to the trail.

Agenda

- 1. Welcome and introductions
- 2. Review of Commission purpose and responsibilities
- 3. Background of accomplishments since 1990 trail authorization
- 4. Overview, discussion, and recommendations for the Long Range Interpretive Plan