

we have accepted or dismissed all protests and they have become final, including decisions on appeals.

Dated: August 22, 2003.

Stephen D. Douglas,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Joshua Tree National Park, CA: Boundary Revision To Include Certain Adjacent Real Property

Pursuant to the authority contained in the Act of September 3, 1964 (Pub. L. 88-578, 78 Stat. 27), "The Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965," as amended (16 U.S.C. 460/-9(c)(1)(ii)), notice is hereby given that the boundary of Joshua Tree National Park is modified to include approximately 70 acres of real property adjacent to the park's prior boundary. This adjustment is accomplished to include two pieces of private property which the owners have desired to donate to the United States for the use of Joshua Tree National Park, as well as contiguous acreage which the Bureau of Land Management has identified as excess to its needs. The properties are described below:

Tract 1

Parcel 1: The Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 34, Township 1 North Range 8 East, San Bernardino Meridian, in the County of San Bernardino, State of California, according to the Official Plat thereof.

Parcel 2: The South $\frac{1}{2}$ of the Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 34, Township 1 North Range 8 East, San Bernardino Meridian, in the County of San Bernardino, State of California, according to the Official Plat thereof.

Parcel 3: The West $\frac{1}{2}$ of the North $\frac{1}{2}$ of the Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 34, Township 1 North, Range 8 East, San Bernardino Meridian, in the County of San Bernardino, State of California, according to the Official Plat thereof.

Parcel 4: The Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 34, Township 1 North, Range 8 East, San Bernardino Meridian, in the County of San Bernardino, State of California, according to the Official Plat thereof.

Tract 2

Lots 26, 27, 28, 33 and 34 in Section 34, Township 1 North, Range 8 East, San Bernardino Meridian, according to the Official Plat thereof.

Tract 3

Parcel 1: The North Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 14, Township 1 South, Range 6 East, San Bernardino Meridian, in the County of San Bernardino, State of California, according to the Official Plat thereof.

Parcel 2: The South Half of the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 14, Township 1 South, Range 6 East, San Bernardino Meridian, in the County of San Bernardino, State of California, according to the Official Plat thereof.

These revisions in the park boundary are depicted on Drawing No. 156/80,049, Sheet 1 of 1, dated April 1, 2003. This map is on file and available for inspection, and further information regarding this boundary change is available, at the following addresses:

Director, National Park Service,
Department of the Interior,
Washington, DC 20240;
Regional Director, Pacific West Region,
National Park Service, 1111 Jackson St., Ste. 700, Oakland, CA 94607;
Superintendent, Joshua Tree National Park, 74485 National Park Drive, Twentynine Palms, CA 92277.

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Jonathan B. Jarvis,

Regional Director, Pacific West Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Environmental Assessment for the Arlington County Virginia Potomac Interceptor Sewer System Improvements Project

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Potomac Interceptor Sewer System Improvements Project, Arlington County, Virginia.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Council on Environmental Quality regulations and National Park Service (NPS) policy, the NPS announces the availability of an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the construction of a replacement sewer for the existing Potomac Interceptor sewer.

The Potomac Interceptor sewer system is a major regional sanitary sewer which serves the east-central portions of Arlington County, including the Ballston-Courthouse-Rosslyn Metro Corridor area. The existing sewer system was constructed in the mid-1930s and is nearing the end of its useful life. The existing sewer system is also undersized and does not have the capacity to convey the peak flows produced by severe past and projected storm events. Additionally, the existing sewer system will experience surcharging on a daily basis under future build-out land use conditions. The EA examines several alternatives for construction of a replacement sewer system for the portion of the Potomac Interceptor sanitary sewer extending from the River Place Co-Op south to Columbia Pike. The subject project is designed to maintain continuous sewer service to existing local users, increase the carrying capacity of the sewer in order to eliminate surcharging and overflows which have occurred in this portion of the system, provide capacity for anticipated build-out conditions, and allow for future maintenance. The NPS is soliciting comments on this EA. These comments will be considered in evaluating it and making decisions pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act.

DATES: The EA will remain available for public comment 30 days from the date of publication in the **Federal Register**. Written comments should be received no later than this date.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this EA should be submitted in writing to: Ms. Audrey F. Calhoun, Superintendent, George Washington Memorial Parkway, Turkey Run Park, McLean, Virginia 22101. The EA will be available for public inspection Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. through 4 p.m. at the GWMP Headquarters, Turkey Run Park, McLean, Virginia; and at the following libraries: Columbia Pike Library, Arlington, Virginia; and Arlington County Central Library, Arlington, Virginia.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Arlington County proposes to construct a replacement sanitary sewer for the Potomac Interceptor sewer extending from the River Place Co-Op to Columbia Pike. The goals and objectives of the proposed action include the following:

1. Provide additional sewer capacity to eliminate sewer overflows, backups, and surcharging (overflows have occurred at River Place),
2. Minimize environmental and community impacts,

3. Comply with pending Environmental Protection Agency Sanitary Sewer Overflow Regulations,
4. Address aging elements of the sewer system (the subject sewer is nearing the end of its useful life) and maintain system operating conditions at an adequate level of functionality,
5. Maintain continuous sewer service to existing local users,
6. Provide service availability to potential future users (Arlington Ridge Park, Arlington National Cemetery, etc.),
7. Consolidate utilities in Eisenhower Drive in accordance with the 1998 Master Plan for Arlington National Cemetery,
8. Maximize acreage for additional grave sites at Arlington National Cemetery,
9. Implement a cost-effective project for the ratepayers, and
10. Minimize capital and operating costs and operation and maintenance requirements.

All interested individuals, agencies, and organizations are urged to provide comments on the EA. The NPS, in making a final decision regarding this matter, will consider all comments received by the closing date.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Heather Germaine (703) 289-2540.

Audrey F. Calhoun,
Superintendent, George Washington Memorial Parkway.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Record of Decision, General Management Plan, Final Environmental Impact Statement, Tonto National Monument, Arizona

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of a Record of Decision on the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the General Management Plan, Tonto National Monument.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, Public Law 91-190, 83 Stat. 852, 853, codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C), the National Park Service announces the availability of the Record of Decision for the General Management Plan, Tonto National Monument, Arizona. On July 28, 2003, the Acting Director, Intermountain Region approved the Record of Decision for the project. As soon as practicable, the National Park Service will begin to

implement the Preferred Alternative contained in the FEIS issued on March 14, 2003. The following course of action will occur under the preferred alternative:

The selected alternative integrates a combination of actions that will preserve cultural and natural resources and provide opportunities for high quality visitor experiences based on resource values. This alternative provides the balance and flexibility necessary to accomplish both of these objectives in a realistic manner. A new administrative facility constructed inside the monument will improve staff needs. The existing visitor center will be remodeled to increase visitor orientation and education opportunities. A 10-to 50-vehicle transportation staging area will be built and an alternative transportation system to access park resources will be developed and implemented to transport visitors from the new staging area near the entrance station to the visitor center during the busiest times of the year. A seasonal employee/volunteer residence will be constructed increasing the park's ability to obtain needed help for resource stewardship and visitor services. The management of cultural and natural resources will improve with more staff and the information needed to conduct preservation programs.

This course of action plus three other alternatives were analyzed in the Draft and Final Environmental Impact Statements. The full range of foreseeable environmental consequences was assessed, and appropriate mitigating measures were identified.

The Record of Decision includes a statement of the decision made, synopses of other alternatives considered, the basis for the decision, a description of the environmentally preferable alternative, a finding on impairment of park resources and values, a listing of measures to minimize environmental harm, and an overview of public involvement in the decision-making process.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shirley Hoh, HC02 Box 4602, Roosevelt, Arizona 85545, (928) 467-2241, TONTSSuperintendent@nps.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Copies of the Record of Decision may be obtained from the contact listed above or online at www.nps.gov/tont/index.html.

Dated: July 26, 2003.

Michael D. Snyder,
Acting Director, Intermountain Region, National Park Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

General Management Plan/ Environmental Impact Statement, Harpers Ferry National Historical Park, West Virginia, Virginia, and Maryland

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to prepare an environmental impact statement for the general management plan, Harpers Ferry National Historical Park.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act, the National Park Service is preparing an environmental impact statement for the general management plan for Harpers Ferry National Historical Park. The Regional Director, National Capital Region, will approve the environmental impact statement.

Harpers Ferry National Historical Park is in Jefferson County, West Virginia; Loudoun County, Virginia; and Washington County, Maryland. The park was authorized by Congress in June 1944. Congress charged the National Park Service with managing the site as "a public national memorial commemorating historical events at or near Harpers Ferry." The enabling legislation also states that the Director of the National Park Service "shall maintain and preserve it for the benefit and enjoyment of the people of the United States, subject to the provisions of the [NPS Organic Act]."

The general management plan will prescribe the resource conditions and visitor experiences that are to be achieved and maintained in the park over the next 15 to 20 years. The clarification of what must be achieved according to law and policy will be based on review of the park's purpose, significance, special mandates, and the body of law and policies directing park management. Management decisions to be made where law, policy, or regulations do not provide clear guidance or limits will be based on the purposes of the park; the range of public expectations and concerns; resource analysis; an evaluation of the natural, cultural, and social impacts of alternative courses of action; and consideration of long-term economic costs. Based on determinations of desired conditions, the general management plan will outline the kinds of resource management activities, visitor activities, land acquisition and development that would be appropriate in the park in the future. Alternatives will be developed through this planning