

existing visitor experiences and would construct a new headquarters/visitor orientation/administrative area just outside park boundaries. Alternative B provides for a traditional park experience with increased personal services and a small number of facility enhancements. The No-Action Alternative would maintain visitor services and resource protection at current limited levels throughout the life of the plan.

The FEIS/GMP in particular evaluates the environmental consequences of the proposed action and the other alternatives on visitor experience, cultural resources, long-term health of natural ecosystems, economic contribution to gateway communities, adjacent landowners, and operational efficiency.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent, Chiricahua National Monument, at the above address and telephone number.

Dated: March 2, 2001.

Michael D. Snyder,

Director, Intermountain Region, National Park Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

General Management Plan, Final Environmental Impact Statement, Fort Bowie National Historic Site, AZ

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Availability of Final Environmental Impact Statement and General Management Plan for Fort Bowie National Historic Site.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the National Park Service announces the availability of a Final Environmental Impact Statement and General Management Plan (FEIS/GMP) for Fort Bowie National Historic Site, Arizona.

DATES: The DEIS/GMP was on public review from November 29, 1999 through January 15, 2000. Responses to public comment are addressed in the FEIS/GMP.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the FEIS/GMP are available from the Superintendent Fort Bowie National Historic Site, Dos Cabezas Route, Box 6500, Willcox, Arizona 85643-9737. Public reading copies of the FEIS/GMP will be

available for review at the following locations:

Office of the Superintendent, Fort Bowie National Historic Site, Dos Cabezas Route, Box 6500, Willcox, Arizona 85643-9737, Telephone: 520-824-3560

Planning and Environmental Quality, Intermountain Support Office—Denver, National Park Service, P.O. Box 25287, Denver, CO 80225-0287, Telephone: (303) 969-2851

Office of Public Affairs, National Park Service, Department of Interior, 18th and C Streets NW, Washington, D.C. 20240, Telephone: (202) 208-6843

Reading copies are also available online at the park's planning website at <http://www.nps.gov/planning/fobo/>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FEIS/GMP analyzes two alternatives to identify and assess the various management alternatives and related environmental impacts relative to park operations, visitor use and access, natural and cultural management, and general development at the monument. The general management plan would guide the management of the Fort Bowie National Historic Site for the next 12 to 15 years. The National Park Service proposal continues the concept established—the principle of a very low level of development, intended to allow the visitor a “discovery” experience in a place of “historic abandonment.” The No-Action Alternative would maintain visitor services and resource protection at current limited levels throughout the life of the plan.

The FEIS/GMP in particular evaluates the environmental consequences of the proposed action and the other alternatives on visitor experience, cultural resources, long-term health of natural ecosystems, economic contribution to gateway communities, adjacent landowners, and operational efficiency.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent, Fort Bowie National Historic Site, at the above address and telephone number.

Dated: March 2, 2001.

Michael D. Snyder,

Director, Intermountain Region, National Park Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement on the Special Resource Study for Fort King, Ocala, FL

SUMMARY: The National Park Service (NPS) will prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) to accompany its Special Resource Study (SRS) for Fort King. The NPS will conduct public scoping meetings in the local area to receive input from interested parties on issues, concerns and suggestions believed to be relevant to the management of Fort King and its potential inclusion as a unit of the National Park System. Of particular interest to the NPS are suggestions and ideas for managing cultural and natural resources and the visitor experience at Fort King. The DEIS will formulate and evaluate environmental impacts associated with various types and levels of visitor use and resources management at the site.

DATES: The dates and times of the public scoping meetings will be published in local newspapers and on the Special Resource Study web site for Fort King. These dates and times may also be obtained by contacting the NPS Southeast Regional Office, Division of Planning. Scoping suggestions will be accepted throughout the planning process but are urged to be submitted prior to July 1, 2001. The NPS anticipates that the DEIS will be available for public review by December 1, 2001.

ADDRESSES: The locations of the public scoping meetings will be published in local newspapers and on the Special Resource Study web site for Fort King which is http://www.nps.gov/sero/fortking/srs_info.htm. These locations may also be obtained by contacting the NPS Southeast Regional Office, Division of Planning.

Written scoping suggestions should be submitted to the following address: Planning Team Leader, Fort King Special Resource Study, NPS Southeast Regional Office, Division of Planning and Compliance, 100 Alabama Street, SW, 6th Floor, 1924 Building, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Planning Team Leader, Fort King Special Resource Study, 404-562-3124, extension 693.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NPS has announced that an EIS on SRSs will be prepared for all proposed park units; consistent with this policy this EIS is being prepared. Issues currently being

considered for the EIS include a determination of Fort King's national significance and an assessment of the site's suitability and feasibility as a potential addition to the National Park System as a National Historic Site. The EIS will identify cultural and natural resources of Fort King and evaluate a range of potential management options that might adequately protect these resources.

Our practice is to make comments, including names and addresses of respondents, available for public review during regular business hours. If you wish for us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. However, we will not consider anonymous comments. We will make all submission from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or business, available for public inspection in their entirety.

Dated: March 2, 2001.

Patricia A. Hooks,

Regional Director, Southeast Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Minuteman Missile National Historic Site

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a draft general management plan and draft environmental impact statement for Minuteman Missile National Historic Site, South Dakota.

SUMMARY: The National Park Service (NPS) will prepare a general management plan (GMP) and an associated environmental impact statement (EIS) for Minuteman Missile National Historic Site, South Dakota, in accordance with section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). This notice is being furnished as required by NEPA Regulations 40 CFR 1501.7.

To facilitate sound planning and environmental assessment, the NPS intends to gather information necessary for the preparation of the EIS, and to obtain suggestions and information from other agencies and the public on the scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Comments and participation in this scoping process are invited.

Participation in the planning process will be encouraged and facilitated by

various means, including newsletters and open houses or meetings. The NPS will conduct public scoping meetings to explain the planning process and to solicit opinions about issues to address in the GMP/EIS. Notification of all such meetings will be announced in the local press and in NPS newsletters.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and information concerning the scope of the EIS, requests to be added to the project mailing list, and other matters should be directed to: Mr. William Supernaugh, Superintendent, Minuteman Missile National Historic Site, c/o Badlands National Park, P.O. Box 6, Interior, South Dakota 57750. Telephone: 605-433-5361. E-mail: mimi_information@nps.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

William Supernaugh, Superintendent, Minuteman Missile National Historic Site, at the address and telephone number listed above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Minuteman Missile National Historic Site is located in Jackson and Pennington counties, South Dakota. Established on December 2, 1999, this is a new unit of the National Park System. Congress has required that process for preparing a general management plan for the historic site commence within three years of the date of establishment.

The Act creating Minuteman Missile National Historic Site described the site's purpose as: (1) To preserve, protect, and interpret for the benefit and enjoyment of present and future generations the structures associated with the Minuteman II missile defense system; (2) to interpret the historical role of the Minuteman II missile defense system as a key component of America's strategic commitment to preserve world peace and the broader context of the events of the Cold War; and (3) to complement the interpretive programs relating to the Minuteman II missile defense system offered by the South Dakota Air and Space Museum at Ellsworth Air Force Base.

In accordance with NPS Park Planning policy, the GMP will ensure the Historic Site has a clearly defined direction for resource preservation and visitor use. The GMP will help define what types of resource conditions, visitor uses, and management actions will best achieve the mission of the National Park Service and Minuteman Missile National Historic Site. Additionally the GMP process will address facility needs, staffing, park interpretation and activities, and maintenance. It will be developed in consultation with servicewide program managers, interested parties, and the

general public. It will be based on an adequate analysis of existing and potential resource conditions and visitor experiences, environmental impacts, and costs of alternative courses of action.

The environmental review of the GMP/EIS for the Monument will be conducted in accordance with requirements of the NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4371 *et seq.*), NEPA regulations (40 CFR 1500-1508), other appropriate Federal regulations, and National Park Service procedures and policies for compliance with those regulations.

Dated: March 9, 2001.

Catherine A. Damon,

Acting Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Review Committee: Meeting

AGENCY: National Park Service.

ACTION: Notice.

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. Appendix (1988), that a meeting of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Review Committee will be held on May 31, and June 1 and 2, 2001, in Kelseyville, CA.

The review committee will meet at the Konocti Harbor Resort & Spa, 8727 Soda Bay Road, Kelseyville, CA 95451, telephone (707) 279-4281, fax (707) 279-8575.

The agenda for the meeting will include 1999/2000 and 2001 Reports to Congress, discussion of Federal agency compliance, consideration of a dispute proposed by the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone tribe, contamination of cultural items, reburial on Federal lands, and implementation of the statute in the West.

A block of lodging rooms has been set aside at the Konocti Harbor Resort & Spa. Reservations must be made by May 1, 2001, to guarantee the reduced rate available for persons attending this meeting. Please reference the National Park Service and the NAGPRA Review Committee meeting when making reservations.

Meeting sessions will begin at 8:30 a.m. and will end no later than 5:00 p.m. each day. The meeting is open to the public. Meeting space is limited.