ACTION: Availability of final environmental impact statement for the proposed Beaver Basin Rim Road at Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, Alger County, Michigan.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, the National Park Service (NPS) announces the availability of a final environmental impact statement (FEIS) for the proposed Beaver Basin Rim Road in Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore. The draft environmental impact statement for the proposal was on 60-day public review from January 20 to March 20, 1995.

The NPS proposes to construct a paved road in Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore along the Beaver Basin Rim. The action is being proposed in response to a mandate by Congress in section 6 of the Act of October 15, 1966, 16 U.S.C. 460s-5(b)(1), establishing Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, directing the development of a scenic shoreline drive. The proposed action is also consistent with and would implement the management directions of the 1981 general management plan for the national lakeshore. The FEIS was prepared by the NPS.

The NPS’s preferred alternative for the Beaver Basin Rim Road is identified in the FEIS as Alternative B: Shoreline Zone Alignment. Under the preferred alternative, a 13-mile long paved road would be constructed in the shoreline zone of Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore. The proposed road would connect on both ends with Alger County Road H–58. Two spur roads would be constructed off the main road to two overlooks. These overlooks would provide views of Beaver Basin, Beaver Lake, Grand Portal Point, the Sevenmile Creek area, and Lake Superior. Two other alternatives are also considered: The no action alternative, and an alternative under which a new paved road would be constructed within the inland buffer zone of the national lakeshore.

DATES: The 30-day no action period for review of the FEIS will end on March 2, 1996. A record of decision will follow the no action period.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent, Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, Grant Petersen, P.O. Box 471, Calumet, Michigan 49913-0471.

AGENDA TOPICS INCLUDE: The Chairman’s welcome; minutes of the previous meeting; update on park activities; old business; new business; public input; next meeting date; adjournment. The meeting is open to the public.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Advisory Commission was established by the law that established the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore, P.L. 91-479. The purpose of the commission, according to its charter, is to advise the Secretary of the Interior with respect to matters relating to the administration, protection, and development of the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore, including the establishment of zoning by-laws, construction, and administration of scenic roads, procurement of land, condemnation of commercial property, and the preparation and implementation of the land and water use management plan.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent, Sleeping Bear Dunes, Ivan Miller, 9922 Front Street, Empire, Michigan 49630; or telephone 616-326-5134.

DATED: January 16, 1996.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Keweenaw National Historical Park Advisory Commission Meeting was established by Public Law 102-543 on October 27, 1992.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent, Keweenaw National Historical Park, William O. Fink, P.O. Box 471, Calumet, Michigan 49913-0471.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Mississippi River Corridor Study Commission; Meeting was established by Public Law 102-543 on October 27, 1992.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent, Mississippi River Corridor Study Commission, Notice of this meeting is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463).

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