

National Park Service**Draft Lake Crescent Management Plan/
Environmental Impact Statement,
Olympic National Park, WA**

ACTION: Notice of availability of draft environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: This Notice announces the availability of a draft management plan and environmental impact statement for the Lake Crescent watershed in Olympic National Park. This Notice also announces public meetings for the purpose of receiving comments on the draft document. All comments received will become part of the public record and copies of comments, including any names, addresses and telephone numbers provided by respondents, may be released for public inspection.

DATES: Comments on the draft Plan/EIS should be received no later than December 18, 1996. Public meetings will be held as follows:

Wednesday, November 20, 1996, from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. at the Mountaineers Building, 300 3rd Ave. West, Seattle, WA.

Thursday, November 21, 1996, from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. at the Port Angeles Senior Center, 328 E. 7th St., Port Angeles, WA.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the draft Management Plan/EIS should be sent to Superintendent, Olympic National Park, 600 East Park Avenue, Port Angeles, WA 98362. Public reading copies of the draft Management Plan/EIS will be available for review at the following locations, as well as other local libraries around the Olympic Peninsula and Puget Sound area: Office of Public Affairs, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, 18th and C Streets, NW, Washington, DC 20240. Telephone: (202) 208-6843; Columbia/Cascades System Support Office, National Park Service, Rm. 650, 909 First Avenue, Seattle, WA, 98104-1060. Telephone: (206) 220-4154; Olympic National Park, National Park Service, 600 East Park Avenue, Port Angeles, WA 98362. Telephone: (360) 452-4501, extension 207; North Olympic Library System, Port Angeles Branch, 207 S. Lincoln Street, Port Angeles, WA 98362. Telephone: (360) 452-9253; Seattle Public Library, 1000 4th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104-1193. Telephone: (206) 386-4686.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Olympic National Park, 600 East Park Avenue, Port Angeles, WA 98362, Telephone (360) 452-4501 ext. 207. A limited number of copies of the document are available upon request.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This draft management plan/EIS describes and analyzes the environmental consequences of a proposed action and three alternatives for the management and use of the Lake Crescent watershed in Olympic National Park. Alternative A (the proposed action and preferred alternative) is based on the need to protect the watershed's natural environment while supporting recreational pursuits that complement and capitalize on the lake's history. As part of the overall goal of protecting Lake Crescent's peaceful ambience, extensive consideration was given to motorized recreation, including the use of personal watercraft (PWCs). This alternative calls for zoning the use of PWCs. Four possible zoning options are presented for public review and comment. Alternative B (No Action) continues the Park's existing management activities, including those for water recreation. Existing roads, trails, and visitor facilities would be maintained to support current levels of activity, with limited improvements made only on an as-needed basis and as funding becomes available. Alternative C emphasizes increased recreational opportunities for visitors, while continuing to protect natural and cultural resources. Visitors would have a broader range of options for recreation. Alternative D emphasizes the protection of the watershed's natural resources while continuing to support the recreational use of the area. This alternative establishes a greater limitation for motorized water recreation. Development of new facilities would be somewhat limited compared to other alternatives, and some existing uses would be eliminated. The restoration of natural areas that have been degraded through overuse is emphasized.

Impacts are analyzed according to the following topics: air quality, water resources, geology/soils, vegetation, wildlife, threatened and endangered species and rare plants, archeological resources, historic structures, cultural landscapes, administration and visitor use/experience.

Issuance of a Record of Decision on the final Management Plan/EIS would constitute an amendment to the 1976 Olympic National Park Master Plan.

Dated: October 10, 1996.

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**Gettysburg National Military Park
Advisory Commission**

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.
ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the date of the twentieth meeting of the Gettysburg National Military Park Advisory Commission.

DATES: The Public meeting will be held on October 24, 1996, from 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

LOCATION: The meeting will be held at Gettysburg Cyclorama Auditorium, 125 Taneytown Road, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania 17325.

AGENDA: Sub-Committee Reports, Facilities Development Planning Process, Deer Management, Operational Update on Park Activities, and Citizens Open Forum.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John A. Latschar, Superintendent, Gettysburg National Military Park, 97 Taneytown Road, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania 17325.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be open to the public. Any member of the public may file with the Commission a written statement concerning agenda items. The statement should be addressed to the Advisory Commission, Gettysburg National Military Park, 97 Taneytown Road, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania 17325. Minutes of the meeting will be available for inspection four weeks after the meeting at the permanent headquarters of the Gettysburg National Military Park located at 97 Taneytown Road, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania 17325.

Dated: September 18, 1996.

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**Jean Lafitte National Historical Park
and Preserve; Notice of Advisory
Commission Meeting**

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act that a meeting of the Delta Region Preservation Commission will be held at 7 p.m., at the following location and date.

DATES: November 13, 1996.

LOCATION: Chalmette Unit Visitor Center, 8606 West Saint Bernard Highway, Chalmette, Louisiana 70043.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Geraldine Smith, Superintendent, Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve, 365 Canal Street, Suite 3080, New Orleans, Louisiana 70130-1142, (504) 589-3882 extension 108.