

Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona

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N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.

Aggregating 315.00 acres, more or less.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The December 20, 1996, Notice segregated the subject public land from appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws, pending disposition of the action or 270 days from the date of publication of the notice in the **Federal Register**. Upon publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, that segregation will be extended pending completion of the sale or for another 270-day period, whichever occurs first

EFFECTIVE DATE OF TERMINATION OF R&PP CLASSIFICATION: September 23, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Debbie DeBock, Realty Specialist, Yuma Field Office, 2555 East Gila Ridge Road, Yuma, AZ 85365, (520) 317-3208.

Dated: September 11, 1997.

Maureen A. Merrell,

Program Manager, Business and Fiscal Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**National Park Service****Public Notice****AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.**ACTION:** Public notice.

SUMMARY: Public notice is hereby given that the National Park Service proposes to award a concession contract authorizing ferry services for the public between Sayville, New York and Sailors Haven, New York within Fire Island National Seashore for a period of ten (10) years from date of contract execution.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 24, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties should contact National Park Service, Fire Island National Seashore, 120 Laurel Street, Patchogue, New York 11772 to obtain a copy of the prospectus describing the requirements of the proposed contract.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This contract has been determined to be categorically excluded from the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act and no environmental document will be prepared.

The existing concessioner has performed its obligations to the satisfaction of the Secretary under an existing contract which expired by limitation of time on December 31, 1996, and therefore pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of the Act of October 9, 1965 (79 Stat. 969; 16 U.S.C. § 20), is entitled to be given preference in the renewal of the contract and in the negotiation of a new contract, providing that the existing concessioner submits a responsive offer (a timely offer which meets the terms and conditions of the Prospectus). This means that the contract will be awarded to the party submitting the best offer, provided that if the best offer was not submitted by the existing concessioner, then the existing concessioner will be afforded the opportunity to match the best offer. If the existing concessioner agrees to match the best offer, then the contract will be awarded to the existing concessioner.

If the existing concessioner does not submit a responsive offer, the right of preference in renewal shall be considered to have been waived, and the contract will then be awarded to the party that has submitted the best responsive offer.

The Secretary will consider and evaluate all proposals received as a result of this notice. Any proposal, including that of the existing concessioner, must be received by the Senior Concessions Program Manager, Concession Management Division, not later than the sixtieth (60th) day following publication of this notice to be considered and evaluated.

Dated: August 25, 1997.

Chrysandra L. Walter,

Field Director, Northeast Field Area.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Boston Harbor Islands National Recreation Area, (Boston, Massachusetts) General Management Plan; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement and Notice of Public Scoping

In accordance with section 102(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the National Park Service (NPS) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the General Management Plan (GMP) for Boston Harbor Islands National Recreation Area, Boston, Massachusetts (referred to in the law as an Integrated Resource Management Plan). The GMP/EIS will provide general management direction

for the park's natural and cultural resources as well as alternatives addressing visitor use and services, treatment of the cultural landscape, interpretation, and any appropriate boundary adjustments.

The NPS and the Boston Harbor Islands Partnership will hold public meetings, which will be announced, between now and the end of January, 1998, in various locations in the Boston area. The purpose of these meetings is to solicit from the public both written and oral comments concerning possible environmental impact topics for consideration in preparation of the EIS. A summary of public scoping will be prepared and made available before the Draft Environmental Impact Statement is prepared.

A draft EIS is expected to be available for public review in Spring 1999 with the final EIS scheduled for Fall 1999.

The responsible official for the EIS is Marie Rust, Regional Director, Northeast Field Area, National Park Service. Written comments and requests for information should be directed to George Price, Project Manager, NPS, 15 State Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02109, Telephone 617-223-5060.

Lawrence P. Gall,

Acting Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**National Park Service**

Mojave National Preserve Advisory Commission; Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act that a meeting of the Mojave National Preserve Advisory Commission will be held October 9 and 10, 1997; assemble at 9:00 AM at the Hotel Nipton, Nipton, California.

The agenda: Desert Tortoise: Its History, Biology, and Legalities.

The Advisory Commission was established by PL #03-433 to provide for the advice on development and implementation of the General Management Plan.

Members of the Commission are: Michael Attaway, Irene Ausmus, Rob Blair, Peter Burk, Dennis Casebier, Donna Davis, Kathy Davis, Nathan "Levi" Esquerra, Gerald Freeman, Willis Herron, Eldon Hughes, Claudia Luke, Clay Overson, Norbert Riedy, Mal Wessel.