

300.600 and 300.610, and Executive Order 12580.

The trustees are following the guidance of the Natural Resource Damage Assessment Regulations found at 43 CFR Part 11. The public review of the Plan announced by this Notice is provided for in 43 CFR 11.32(c).

Interested members of the public are invited to review and comment on the Plan. Copies of the Plan can be requested from the address listed below. All written comments will be considered by the trustees and included in the Report of Assessment, at the conclusion of the assessment process.

DATES: Written comments on the Plan must be submitted by November 13, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the Plan may be made to:

Supervisor, Ecological Services Office,
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 620 S.
Walker Street, Bloomington, Indiana
47403.

or:

Ms. Elizabeth Admire, Indiana
Department of Environmental
Management, 100 N. Senate Avenue,
P.O. Box 6015, Indianapolis, Indiana
46206-6015.

Comments on the Plan should be sent to the the Indiana Department of Environmental Management at the address listed above. The trustees will coordinate comment review.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The trustees are undertaking an assessment of damages resulting from the suspected injury to natural resources of the Grand Calumet River, Indiana Harbor Ship Canal, Indiana Harbor and Associated Lake Michigan Environments which have been exposed to hazardous substances released by area steel mills, refineries and other potential sources. It is suspected that this exposure has caused injury and resultant damages to trustee resources. The injury and resultant damages will be assessed under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended, and the Clean Water Act, as amended. The Plan addresses the trustees' overall assessment approach and utilizes existing data. Plan addenda may be prepared by the trustees to provide public notice of additional data collection activities.

William F. Hartwig,

Regional Director, Region 3, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

General Management Plan; Point Reyes National Seashore, California; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement

SUMMARY: The National Park Service will prepare a General Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (GMP/EIS) for Point Reyes National Seashore and initiate the scoping process for this document. This notice is in accordance with 40 CFR 1501.7 and 40 CFR 1508.22, of the regulations of the President's Council on Environmental Quality for the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, Public Law 91-190.

Background

The purpose of the GMP/EIS will be to state the management philosophy for the Seashore and provide strategies for addressing major issues. Two types of strategies will be presented in the GMP: (1) Those required to manage and preserve cultural and natural resources; and (2) those required to provide for safe, accessible and appropriate use of those resources by visitors. Based on these strategies, the GMP will identify the programs, actions and support facilities needed for their implementation.

Persons wishing to comment or express concerns on the management issues and future management direction of Point Reyes National Seashore should address these to the Superintendent, Point Reyes National Seashore, Point Reyes, California 94956. Questions regarding the plan should be addressed to the superintendent either by mail to the above address, or by telephone at (415) 663-8522. Comments on the scoping of the proposed GMP/EIS should be received no later than January 31, 1998.

Public scoping sessions to receive comments and suggestions will be conducted during the scoping period at the park and in the vicinity. The times and locations of these sessions will be announced in the local media.

The responsible official is John J. Reynolds, Regional Director, Pacific West Region, National Park Service. The draft GMP/EIS is expected to be available for public review in the spring of 1999, and the final GMP/EIS and Record of Decision completed early in 2000.

Dated: September 30, 1997.

John Reynolds,

Regional Director, Pacific West Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Comprehensive Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement for the Vancouver National Historic Reserve, Washington

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The National Park Service, in cooperation with the City of Vancouver, Washington, U.S. Army, and the State of Washington, will prepare a comprehensive management plan and environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Vancouver National Historic Reserve in Vancouver, Washington.

The 366-acre Reserve, which includes Fort Vancouver National Historic Site, Vancouver Barracks, Officers Row, Pearson Field, the Water Resources Education Center, and portions of the Columbia River Waterfront, was established with the signing of Public Law 104-333 on November 12, 1996. The Reserve is to be administered in accordance with a comprehensive management plan to be developed by a partnership consisting of the U.S. Army, the National Park Service, the City of Vancouver, and the State of Washington Office of Historic Preservation.

The comprehensive management plan will take a long-range look at ways to protect the Reserve resources and opportunities for management and use, and will help determine management direction for the next 10 to 15 years. One of the primary components of the plan is interpretive planning. Interpretive planning identifies the primary interpretive themes, recommends appropriate interpretive services, facilities, and programs that will best communicate the Historic Reserve's purpose, significance, compelling stories, themes, and values. The plan will also define roles and responsibilities of the Reserve partners and provide estimates of management, development, and operating costs and staffing needs.

The legislation establishing the Reserve also directed that the Plan include an economic study for Pearson Field. The Partners will work to determine the scope of the study and to look at funding options in preparing the study as an attachment to the final plan.