

withdrawal may present their views in writing, by the date specified above, to the Bureau of Reclamation, Provo Area Office.

Notice is hereby given that an opportunity for a public meeting is afforded in connection with the proposed withdrawal. All interested persons who desire a public meeting for the purpose of being heard on the proposed withdrawal must submit a written request to the Bureau of Reclamation, Provo Area Office, within 90 days from the date of publication of this notice. Upon determination by the authorized officer that a public meeting will be held, a notice of the time and place will be published in the **Federal Register** at least 30 days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The application will be processed in accordance with the regulations set forth in 43 CFR 2300.

For a period of 2 years from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the lands will be segregated as specified above unless the application is denied or canceled or the withdrawal is approved prior to that date.

Dated: January 21, 2000.

**Roger Zortman,**

*Deputy State Director, Division of Operations.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### Notice of Boundary Revision, Mount Rainier National Park

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, DOI.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the revision of the boundary of Mount Rainier National Park to include one additional tract of land, effective upon this publication.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** National Park Service, Chief, Land Resources Program Center, Columbia Cascades Support Office, 909 First Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104-1060, (206) 220-4065.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Public Law 104-333, authorizes minor boundary revisions of areas within the National Park System. Such boundary revisions may be made after advising the appropriate congressional committees and upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Approximately 12.5 acres of unimproved land and underlying separate mineral interests in Pierce County, Washington are being acquired by donation.

This boundary revision accommodates and includes the property donations, which are now a part of Mount Rainier National Park, identified as Tract 01-108.

The official map depicting the boundary adjustment and the property donation(s) is "Mount Rainier National Park, Drawing No. 105-92,002, Segment 01, dated March 1990". The map is available for inspection at the aforementioned Land Resources Program Center—Columbia Cascades Support Office.

Dated: December 21, 1999.

**William C. Walters,**

*Deputy Regional Director, Pacific West Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### Final Environmental Impact Statement, General Management Plan Amendment, Wilderness and Backcountry Management Plan, Joshua Tree National Park, Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, California; Notice of Approval of Record of Decision

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to § 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190, as amended) and the regulations promulgated by the Council on Environmental Quality (40 CFR Part 1505.2), the Department of the Interior, National Park Service has prepared and approved a Record of Decision for the Final Environmental Impact Statement Wilderness and Backcountry Management Plan for Joshua Tree National Park. The no action period was initiated November 5, 1999, with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's **Federal Register** notification of the filing of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS).

**Decision:** The National Park Service will implement wilderness stewardship actions, monitoring, research, and other elements of a comprehensive program described as the New Proposed Action (Alternative E), as soon as practical. This course of action and four alternatives were identified and analyzed in the Final and Supplemental Environmental Impacts Statements (latter issued November 2, 1998). The Draft Environmental Impact Statement was distributed on November 21, 1997.

**COPIES:** Interested parties desiring to review the Record of Decision may obtain a copy by contacting the Superintendent, Joshua Tree National

Park, 74485 National Park Dr., Twentynine Palms, California 92277-3597; or via telephone request at (760) 367-5502.

Dated: January 14, 2000.

**William C. Walters,**

*Deputy Regional Director, Pacific West Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the General Management Plan for Cane River Creole National Historical Park, Louisiana.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act, the National Park Service will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement to assess the potential impacts of future development and management options in conjunction with the General Management Plan (GMP) for Cane River Creole National Historical Park, Louisiana.

Preparation of a draft GMP began in 1996 and included preparation of a draft Environmental Assessment. Scoping for the plan has included interdisciplinary team meetings with the Cane River National Heritage Area Commission, interested agencies, organizations, and individuals. Meetings with the general public were conducted in January and February, 1996, March and April 1997, and March and April 1998. The scoping process has indicated that the proposals being considered may constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. Therefore, the preparation of an EIS in conjunction with the plan is appropriate.

The General Management Plan and EIS will investigate alternatives ranging from no action to a variety of development and management proposals designed to guide visitor use, resource protection, and partnership relationships. Federal, state, and local agencies, and other individuals and organizations who may be interested in, or affected by, the future development of Cane River Creole National Historical Park are further invited to participate in refining or identifying issues.

Preparation of the plan and EIS is expected to take about 11 months. The draft plan and EIS should be available for public review by early spring, 2000 with the final plan and EIS and Record of Decision expected to be completed by