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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Boundary Revision and Land Exchange: Catoctin Mountain Park

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of boundary revision and land exchange.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the National Park Service (NPS) is revising the boundary of Catoctin Mountain Park by including three additional tracts of land and deleting one tract of land. The addition of one tract and the deletion of one tract will be effected by means of a land exchange.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Chief, Land Resources Program Center, National Park Service, National Capitol Region, 1100 Ohio Drive, SW., Washington DC 20242, (202) 619-7034; or Superintendent, Catoctin Mountain Park, 6602 Foxville Road, Thurmont, Maryland 21788-1598, (301) 663-6751.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Executive Order 7496, dated November 14, 1936, authorizes the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) through NPS to acquire real property or any interest therein to complete and administer Catoctin Mountain Park, formerly known as Catoctin Recreational Demonstration Area. Public Law 83-654, enacted August 24, 1954, authorizes the Secretary to obtain for the United States lands and interests in land held in private ownership within the established watersheds and boundaries of Catoctin Mountain Park in exchange for Federally owned land of approximately equal value. Section 7c(ii) of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act, as amended by Section 814(b) of Public Law 104-333, authorizes minor boundary revisions of areas within the National Park System. Such boundary revisions may be made when necessary, after advising the appropriate Congressional Committees, and following publication of a revised boundary map, drawing or other boundary description in the **Federal Register**. In order to preserve and protect existing natural resources within the boundaries of Catoctin Mountain Park and to effect a technical adjustment to the boundary to rectify a previous

survey error, it is necessary to revise the existing boundary of Catoctin Mountain Park to include three additional tracts of land comprising 39.64 acres of land and to delete one tract of land containing 1.65 acres. Tract Numbers 01-110 and 01-111 will be acquired by purchase. Tract Number 01-113 will be acquired in exchange for Tract Number 01-112 which is to be excluded from the boundary. The exclusion of Tract Number 01-112 will rectify a previous survey error.

Notice is hereby given that the boundary of Catoctin Mountain Park is hereby revised to include three additional tracts of land and to delete one tract of land as more particularly described as follows:

Tract Number 01-110, contains 18.3 acres of unimproved land and is more particularly identified as part of Parcel 49 on Frederick County, Maryland, Tax Map 12. Tract Number 01-111 contains 20.21 acres of unimproved land and is more particularly identified as Parcel 6 on Frederick County, Maryland, Tax Map 18. Tract Number 01-112 contains 1.65 acres of land improved with a wood-framed picnic pavilion and is more particularly identified as part of Parcel 105 on Frederick County, Maryland, Tax Map 18. Tract Number 01-113 contains 1.13 acres of unimproved land and is more particularly identified as part of Catoctin Mountain Park.

Detailed information concerning the above referenced properties in the form of maps, drawings and descriptions are available for inspection in the office of the Land Resources Program Center, National Capitol Region, National Park Service, 1100 Ohio Drive, SW., Washington, DC 20242.

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Terry R. Carlstrom,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Apostle Islands National Lakeshore

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a draft wilderness suitability study and draft environmental impact statement for Apostle Islands National Lakeshore, Wisconsin.

SUMMARY: The National Park Service (NPS) will prepare a wilderness suitability study to evaluate portions of

Apostle Islands National Lakeshore for possible designation as wilderness, in accordance with the provisions of the Wilderness Act of 1964 and NPS Management Policies (2001). To facilitate sound analysis of environmental impacts, the NPS is gathering information necessary for the preparation of the wilderness suitability study and the associated environmental impact statement (EIS). Suggestions and information are being sought from other agencies, tribes, organizations, and the public on the scope of issues and range of alternatives to be addressed. Comments and participation in this scoping process are invited and encouraged. This notice is being furnished as required by National Environmental Policy Act regulations 40 CFR 1501.7.

A series of scoping sessions with local, county, state, and tribal governments, neighboring agencies, and the public is scheduled to be held in late July 2001. The purpose of these meetings will be to explain the wilderness suitability study process, and to provide an opportunity for governments, tribes, agencies, communities, and interested citizens to express the issues and concerns they believe the study should address. At least one public session will be held in Bayfield, Wisconsin. Notice of the dates, times, and locations of public scoping sessions will be advertised in local media outlets prior to the events. Persons wishing to receive direct mail notification of the public scoping sessions should contact the park's Management Assistant at the address or telephone number below. Up-to-date schedules, draft documents, current information regarding the wilderness suitability study and EIS, and an address for electronically transmitted comments can be found on the park's Web site at <http://www.nps.gov/apis/wstudy.htm>. Written comments may also be mailed to the park's Management Assistant at the address below.

ADDRESSES: General park information requests, or requests to be added to the project mailing list should be directed to: Superintendent, Apostle Islands National Lakeshore, Route 1, Box 4, Bayfield, Wisconsin 54814. Telephone: 715-779-3397. E-mail: apis_superintendent@nps.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Written comments, and information concerning the scope of the EIS and other matters should be directed to: Management Assistant, Apostle Islands National Lakeshore, at the address above. Telephone: 715-779-3398

extension 102. e-mail:
apis_management_assistant@nps.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NPS Management Policies (2001) section 6.2.1 requires a wilderness suitability assessment as a prelude to a wilderness suitability study. This requirement was met by the 1989 General Management Plan (GMP) for Apostle Islands National Lakeshore. During the GMP planning process, it was determined that about 97% of the park's land base was potentially suitable for wilderness, and required further study. Since that time, in accordance with the GMP, these lands have been managed as though they were wilderness, so the conclusions of the assessment remain accurate and valid. Copies of the GMP are available at the address above.

The environmental review of the wilderness suitability study and EIS for the Lakeshore will be conducted in accordance with requirements of the NEPA (42 U.S.C. § 4371 *et seq.*), NEPA regulations (40 CFR 1500–1508), other appropriate Federal regulations, and National Park Service procedures and policies for compliance with those regulations.

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William W. Schenk,
Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Special Resource Study for the Battle of Homestead and Carrier Furnaces Sites in Western Pennsylvania

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Special Resource Study for the Battle of Homestead and Carrier Furnaces in Western Pennsylvania.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the National Park Service is preparing an environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Special Resource Study for the Battle of Homestead and Carrier Furnaces Sites in Western Pennsylvania. The purpose of a Special Resource Study (SRS) is to determine the degree and kind of federal actions for the management and protection of an area considered to have potential for addition to the National Park System.

This is a SRS of the former U.S. Steel Homestead Works including the Battle of Homestead site and adjacent town of Homestead and the related Carrie Furnace area. The study area includes the National Register Historic District in the town of Homestead, the landing site and pump house, the site of Carrier Furnaces number 6 and 7, and the Hot Metal Bridge. Additional sites in the Monongahela Valley will be considered as necessary during the study process. The study will address the significance of the site in the contexts of the history of steel making and labor history in the United States. All of the sites are located within the County of Allegheny in Pennsylvania adjacent to the Monongahela River.

The area is located within the boundaries of the Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area, which was designated by Congress in 1996. The National Park Service (NPS) does not own land or assume a management role in the region. Instead, conservation, interpretation and other activities are managed by partnerships among federal, state, and local governments and private nonprofit organizations. The national heritage area is managed by the Steel Industry Heritage Corporation (SIHC). The National Park Service has been authorized by Congress to provide technical and financial assistance for a limited period (up to 10 years from the time of their designation in 1996) to the SIHC.

The SRS/EIS will address a range of alternatives including potential roles for the NPS in preservation and interpretation of the labor history story associated with the study area. Alternatives to be considered include: no action. (continuation of existing partnerships among the SIHC, NPS and others) the establishment of a National Historic Site, or the establishment of a National Historic Trail, and other acts as may arise during the study process.

In summary, the SRS will present findings on five topics:

- Determination of the national significance of the sites and their resource values;
- Determination of the suitability for the sites to be included within the National Park System in relation to other sites of the same theme;
- Determination of feasibility for the NPS to own, manage or participate in conservation and interpretation in the study area;
- Determination of the need for NPS management of the sites,
- Identification of alternatives for any potential role for the NPS in the future.

The EIS will assess the impacts of the alternatives for NPS participation.

A scoping meeting will be scheduled and notice will be made of the meeting through a broad public mailing and publication in the local newspaper.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peter Samuel, Project Leader, Philadelphia Support Office, National Park Service, US Custom House, 200 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106, *peter_samuel@nps.gov*, 215–597–1848.

If you correspond using the internet, please include you rename and return address in your e-mail message. Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from the record, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There also may be circumstances in which we would withhold from the record a respondent's identity, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. However, we will not consider anonymous comments. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety.

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Marie Rust,

Regional Director, Northeast Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

Notice of Proposed Information Collection

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) is announcing that the information collection request for its Technical Evaluation customer surveys has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The information collection request describes the nature of the information collection and the expected burden and cost. The OMB control number for this collection