

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement for the general management plan, Lincoln Home National Historic Site.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4332(C), the National Park Service is preparing an environmental impact statement for a general management plan for Lincoln Home National Historic Site (LIHO). The environmental impact statement will be approved by the Director, Midwest Region.

The general management plan will prescribe the resource conditions and visitor experiences that are to be achieved and maintained at LIHO over the next 15 to 20 years. The clarification of what must be achieved according to law and policy will be based on review of the site's purpose, significance, special mandates, and the body of laws and policies directing park management. Based on determinations of desired conditions, the general management plan will outline the kinds of resource management activities, visitor activities, and development that would be appropriate in the future. A range of reasonable management alternatives will be developed through this planning process and will include, at a minimum, no action and the preferred alternative.

Major issues to be addressed in the plan include: Issues surrounding preserving park resources (such as developing management strategies to preserve and maintain historic structures and cultural landscapes and protect archaeological sites in the face of a predicted increase in visitation); issues surrounding visitor understanding, education and appreciation of park resources (such as enhancing and expanding meaningful visitor experiences as alternatives to the LIHO tour); and, issues surrounding organizational effectiveness (such as identifying potential partnerships with the city of Springfield, the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum and others).

Dates: Any comments on the scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS should be received no later than November 15. Public meetings regarding the general management plan will be held during the scoping period. Specific dates, times, and locations will be made available in the local media, on the LIHO Web site (<http://www.nps.gov/liho>), on the National Park Service Planning, Environment and Public Comment (PEPC) Web site (parkplanning.nps.gov/

publicHome.cfm), or by contacting the Superintendent.

ADDRESSES: Information on the planning process and copies of newsletters will be available from the office of the Superintendent, 413 South Eighth Street, Springfield, IL 62701-1905.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Acting Superintendent, Lincoln Home National Historic Site, 413 South Eighth Street, Springfield, IL 62701-1905. 217-492-4241.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: If you wish to comment on any issues associated with the plan, you may submit your comments by any one of several methods. You may mail comments to Lincoln Home National Historic Site, 413 South Eighth Street, Springfield, IL 62701-1905. You may also comment via e-mail to liho_superintendent@nps.gov. Please submit e-mail comments as a text file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Be sure to include your name and return street address in your Internet message. You may provide comments electronically by entering them into the PEPC Web site at the address above. Finally, you may hand-deliver comments to 413 South Eighth Street in Springfield, IL.

Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review during regular business hours. 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 address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. 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.

Dated: June 8, 2005.

Ernest Quintana,

Regional Director, Midwest Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the General Management Plan for Little River Canyon National Preserve, AL

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

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, National Park Service (NPS) policy in Director's Order Number 2 (Park Planning) and Director's Order Number 12 (Conservation Planning, Environmental Impact Analysis, and Decisionmaking), the NPS will prepare an EIS for the General Management Plan (GMP) for Little River Canyon National Preserve. The authority for publishing this notice is contained in 40 CFR 1506.6.

The NPS will conduct public scoping meetings in the local area to receive input from interested parties on issues, concerns, and suggestions pertinent to the management of Little River Canyon National Preserve. Suggestions and ideas for managing cultural and natural resource conditions and visitor experiences at the national preserve are encouraged. The comment period for each of these meetings will be announced at the meetings and will be published on the GMP web site for Little River Canyon National Preserve at http://www.nps.gov/sero/planning/liri_gmp/liri_info.htm.

DATES: Locations, dates, and times of public scoping meetings will be published in local newspapers and may also be obtained by calling Little River Canyon National Preserve. This information will also be published on the GMP Web site for Little River Canyon National Preserve.

ADDRESSES: Scoping suggestions should be submitted to the following address to ensure adequate consideration by the NPS: Superintendent, Little River Canyon National Preserve, 2141 Gault Avenue North, Fort Payne, Alabama 35967.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent, Little River Canyon National Preserve, (256) 845-9605.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NPS has announced that an EIS on GMPs will be prepared for all park units. To comply with this policy, a formal scoping period is announced.

Comments are invited on any issue believed to be relevant to the management of Little River Canyon

National Preserve and should be submitted to the Superintendent whose address is given above. Public scoping meetings will be held in the local area and the dates and times may be obtained from local newspapers or by calling Little River Canyon National Preserve. We urge that comments and suggestions be made in writing.

The plan will identify desired future conditions for cultural and natural resources and visitor experiences for various management zones within Little River Canyon National Preserve. Central to these desired future conditions is the determination of the national preserve's mission, purpose, and significance. A draft GMP/EIS will be prepared and presented to the public for review and comment, followed by preparation and availability of the final GMP/EIS.

Our practice is to make comments, including names and addresses of respondents, available for public review during regular business hours. If you wish for 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.

The responsible official for this EIS is Patricia A. Hooks, Regional Director, Southeast Region, National Park Service, 100 Alabama Street SW., 1924 Building, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

Dated: May 11, 2005.

Patricia A. Hooks,

Regional Director, Southeast Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Acadia National Park, Bar Harbor, ME, Acadia National Park Advisory Commission; Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770, 5 U.S.C. App. 1, Sec. 10), that the Acadia National Park Advisory Commission will hold a meeting on Monday, September 12, 2005.

The Commission was established pursuant to Public Law 99-420, Sec. 103. The purpose of the commission is to consult with the Secretary of the Interior, or his designee, on matters relating to the management and

development of the park, including but not limited to the acquisition of lands and interests in lands (including conservation easements on islands) and termination of rights of use and occupancy.

The meeting will convene at the Schooner Club, Schoodic Education and Research Center, Acadia National Park, Winter Harbor, Maine, at 1 p.m. to consider the following agenda:

1. Review and approval of minutes from the meeting held June 6, 2005.

2. Committee reports:

—Land Conservation.

—Park Use.

—Science and Education.

—Historic.

3. Old business.

4. Superintendent's report.

5. Public comments.

6. Proposed agenda for next Commission meeting, February 5, 2005.

The meeting is open to the public.

Interested persons may make oral/written presentations to the Commission or file written statements. Such requests should be made to the Superintendent at least seven days prior to the meeting.

Further information concerning this meeting may be obtained from the Superintendent, Acadia National Park, P.O. Box 177, Bar Harbor, Maine 04609, tel: (207) 288-3338.

Dated: June 24, 2005.

Sheridan Steele,

Superintendent.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

California Bay-Delta Public Advisory Committee Charter Renewal

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of renewal.

SUMMARY: This notice is published in accordance with Section 9(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (Pub. L. 92-463). Following consultation with the General Services Administration, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) is renewing the charter for the California Bay-Delta Public Advisory Committee (Committee). The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary on implementation of the CALFED Bay-Delta Program (Program) as described in the Programmatic Record of Decision which outlines the long-term comprehensive solution for

addressing the problems affecting the San Francisco Bay-Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary, Public Law 108-361, and other applicable law. Specific responsibilities of the Committee include: (1) Making recommendations on annual priorities and coordination of Program actions to achieve balanced implementation of the Program elements; (2) providing recommendations on effective integration of Program elements to provide continuous, balanced improvement of each of the Program objectives (ecosystem restoration, water quality, levee system integrity, and water supply reliability); (3) evaluating implementation of Program actions, including assessment of Program area performance; (4) reviewing and making recommendations on Program Plans and Annual Reports describing implementation of Program elements as set forth in the ROD to the Secretary; (5) recommending Program actions taking into account recommendations from the Committee's subcommittees; and (6) liaison between the Committee's subcommittees, the State and Federal agencies, the Secretary, and the Governor.

The Committee consists of 20 to 30 members who are appointed by the Secretary, in consultation with the Governor.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Diane Buzzard, CALFED Program Manager, Bureau of Reclamation, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, California 95821-1898, telephone 916-978-5525.

The certification of Charter renewal is published below:

Certification

I hereby certify that Charter renewal of the California Bay-Delta Public Advisory Committee is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department of the Interior.

Gale A. Norton,

Secretary of the Interior.

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