DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

DATES: The NPS will execute a Record of Decision (ROD) no sooner than 30 days after the date of publication by the Environmental Protection Agency of a Notice of Availability of the Abbreviated Final GMP/EIS in the Federal Register.

DATES: October 11, 2011, is the deadline for submitting appointment and clearance information in advance of the October 18, 2011, meeting.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Consistent with Federal laws, regulations, and National Park Service policies, the Draft GMP/EIS was available for public and agency review from January 13, 2010, through April 16, 2010. Copies of the Draft GMP/EIS were available at the park office, by request, and on the NPS Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) Web site (http://parkplanning.nps.gov/neri). Public open

houses were held on March 9, 10, and 11, 2010 in Hinton, Beckley, and Fayetteville, WV, respectively. The Draft GMEI described and analyzed the environmental impact of five

alternatives to guide the development and future management of the National River. Alternative 1 would continue current management and trends. Alternative 2 would emphasize the substantial differences among subareas of the gorge and would build upon the opportunities of the north and south ends of the park, while retaining a primitive and remote feeling in the middle of the park. Alternative 3 would unify the park by providing a north-south through-park hike-and-bike trail, enhancing existing scenic roads, and building new access and facilities in the middle of the park. Alternative 4 would enhance the river gateways and the rim to river experiences at these primary access points and orientation venues. Alternative 5 would preserve areas for primitive recreational experiences from end to end of the park and would intersperse cultural and interpretive resource focal areas, establish a north-south through-park connector of scenic roads and trails, develop partnerships with gateway communities, and improve rim to river experiences. The Abbreviated Final GMP/EIS responds to, and incorporates, agency and public comments received on the Draft GMP/EIS. An abbreviated format was used because comments received during the public review period required only minor responses and editorial changes to the Draft GMP/EIS. The abbreviated format also allows the NPS to produce a simple brief document and avoid costly reprinting of the entire 900-page document. No changes have been made to the alternatives or to the impact analyses presented in the Draft GMP/EIS. Therefore, Action Alternative Five remains as the NPS Preferred Alternative and the environmentally preferred alternative.

The public release of the Abbreviated Final GMP/EIS will be followed by a no-action period that will end no sooner than 30 days from the date of publication by the Environmental Protection Agency of a Notice of Availability of the Abbreviated Final GMP/EIS in the Federal Register. After the 30-day no action period, a Record of Decision will be prepared to document the selected alternative and set forth any stipulations for implementation of the GMP. The Abbreviated Final GMP/EIS and the Draft GMP/EIS constitute the complete and final documentation upon which the Record of Decision will be based.

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Correction of Notice of Meeting, Committee for the Preservation of the White House

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Correction to a notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice contains a correction to the Notice of Meeting which was published by the National Park Service (NPS) in the Federal Register on Wednesday, September 21, 2011 (76 FR 58535). That notice publishes an incorrect deadline date by which the NPS must receive clearance information in advance of a meeting of the Committee for the Preservation of the White House which will occur October 18, 2011. The purpose, date, time and place of the meeting are correct as published in the September 21, 2011, notice.

DATES: October 11, 2011, is the deadline for submitting appointment and clearance information in advance of the October 18, 2011, meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ann Bowman Smith, Executive Secretary, Committee for the Preservation of the White House, (202) 619–6344.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Need for Correction

On September 21, 2011, the NPS announced that a meeting of the Committee for the Preservation of the White House would take place on October 18, 2011. The NPS regrets that there is a typographical error in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of that meeting announcement (“Notice of Meeting, Committee for the Preservation of the White House” (76 FR 58535)).

As published, the September 21, 2011, notice provides an incorrect submission deadline date for security clearance information. That notice states: “The meeting will be open, but subject to appointment and security clearance requirements. Clearance information, which includes full name, Social Security number, city and state of residence, and country