

Qualifications and Procedures Required for Nomination

All membership will consist of individuals having a minimum of 5 years of work experience in the Arctic in their field of expertise. Individuals will be selected from among, but not limited to, those disciplines and entities described above. Any individual or organization may nominate one or more persons, including themselves, to serve on the Science Technical Advisory Panel. Six new members will be appointed for 3-year terms. Current Science Technical Advisory Panel appointees may be reappointed for additional terms at the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior. Under current Administration policy, federally registered lobbyists may not serve on the panel.

How To Nominate

Nomination forms may be obtained from the North Slope Science Initiative Web site (<http://www.northslope.org>), or from the Executive Director, North Slope Science Initiative (see For Further Information Contact, above). To make a nomination, or self-nominate, submit a completed nomination form with a minimum of one letter of reference that describes the nominee's qualifications to serve on the Science Technical Advisory Panel. The professional discipline the nominee would represent should be identified in the reference letter of nomination and in the nomination form. Nominees may be scientists and technical experts from diverse professions and interests, including, but not limited to, the oil and gas industry, subsistence users, Alaska Native entities, conservation organizations, or academia. Nominees appointed to serve on the Science Technical Advisory Panel will serve only in their professional capacity and will not serve to represent any group, agency or entity with whom they may be affiliated. The Executive Director, North Slope Science Initiative, will collect the nomination forms and letters of reference and distribute them to the Oversight Group for consideration. The collective recommendations of the Oversight Group will be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior who has the responsibility for making appointments. Members of the Science Technical Advisory Panel will serve without monetary compensation, but will be reimbursed for travel, lodging and per diem expenses to participate in announced meetings.

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Bud C. Cribley,
State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Notice of Availability of a Record of Decision on the Final General Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement, Effigy Mounds National Monument, Iowa

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The National Park Service (NPS) announces the availability of the Record of Decision (ROD) for the Final General Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (GMP/EIS), Effigy Mounds National Monument (Monument), Iowa.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the ROD are available by request by writing to Superintendent, Effigy Mounds National Monument, 151 Highway 76, Harpers Ferry, Iowa 52146-7519. The document is also available on the internet at the NPS Planning, Environment, and Public Comment Web site at: <http://www.parkplanning.nps.gov/efmo>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent James Nepstad at the address above, by telephone at 563-873-3491 or email at jim_nepstad@nps.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NPS has issued a ROD for the Final GMP/EIS; on May 29, 2013, the Regional Director for the Midwest Region approved the ROD. As soon as practicable, the NPS will begin to implement the selected alternative, which was identified as the preferred alternative (Alternative B) in the EIS.

In the preferred alternative, a large portion of the Monument would be zoned as backcountry, a virtual research center would be created to collect and share information on mound research and preservation, and access to the South Unit of the Monument would be improved by connecting the Yellow River bridge and trail to the trails in the South Unit. This alternative was also determined to be the environmentally preferable alternative. The preferred alternative and two others were analyzed in the GMP/EIS.

In reaching its decision to select the preferred alternative, the NPS

considered the purposes for which the Monument was established, and other laws and policies that apply to lands within the Monument. The NPS also carefully considered public comments received during the planning process.

To determine the preferred alternative, the planning team evaluated three draft alternatives that had been reviewed by the public. To minimize the influence of individual biases and opinions, the team used an objective analysis process called "Choosing by Advantages." Alternative B best preserves the outstanding representative examples of significant phases of prehistoric Indian moundbuilding cultures in the American Midwest and the wildlife and natural values within the Monument, two of the three purposes for which the Monument was established. Alternative B also achieves this higher level of protection through the management zoning and more limited trail development. Finally, Alternative B provides broader access to mound research and digitized portions of the collections through the development of the virtual research center, thereby better fulfilling the third purpose (scientific study and appreciation) for which the Monument was established.

Dated: May 24, 2013.

Michael T. Reynolds,
Regional Director, Midwest Region.

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National Park Service

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Approval of Record of Decision for Relocation of Cattle Point Road, San Juan Island National Historical Park, San Juan County, Washington

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Record of Decision.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to § 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (Pub. L. 91-190, as amended) and the regulations promulgated by the Council on Environmental Quality (40 CFR 1505.2), the Department of the Interior, National Park Service has prepared and approved a Record of Decision for the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the relocation of the Cattle Point Road at San Juan Island National Historical Park. The requisite no-action "wait period" was initiated on October 5, 2012, with the Environmental Protection Agency's