

No water rights would be needed to fulfill the purpose of the requested withdrawal.

The preliminary mineral potential evaluation found the above described land to have a low potential for locatable minerals.

Records relating to the proposed withdrawal can be examined by interested parties by contacting Mike Nelson at the above address and or phone number.

For a period of 90 days from the date of publication of this notice, all persons who wish to submit comments, suggestions, or objections in connection with the proposed withdrawal may present their views in writing to the BLM Salt Lake Field Manager at the address noted above.

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the BLM Salt Lake Field Office at the address noted above during regular business hours, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comments to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

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 BLM Salt Lake Field Manager at the address noted above within 90 days from the date of publication of this notice. If the authorized officer determines a public meeting will be held, a notice of the time and place will be published in the **Federal Register** and a local newspaper at least 30 days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

This withdrawal proposal will be processed in accordance with the regulations set forth in 43 CFR part 2300.

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

may be permitted during this segregative period include licenses, permits, rights-of-way, and disposal of vegetative resources other than under the mining laws.

(Authority: 43 CFR part 2310.3-1)

Dated: July 16, 2007.

**Kent Hoffman,**

*Deputy State Director, Lands and Minerals.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### Notice of Boundary Amendment—Harpers Ferry National Historical Park

**AGENCY:** Department of the Interior, National Park Service.

**ACTION:** Notice of boundary amendment—Harpers Ferry National Historical Park.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the National Park Service (NPS) is amending the boundary of Harpers Ferry National Historical Park to include one additional tract of land containing 0.749 of an acre.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Chief, Land Resources Program Center, National Capital Region, National Park Service, 1100 Ohio Drive, SW., Washington, DC 20242.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Act of June 30, 1944, c. 328, 58 Stat. 645 (codified as amended and supplemented, 16 U.S.C. 450bb-450bb-6), which established Harpers Ferry National Historical Park (the Park), provides the Secretary of the Interior with authority to make minor amendments in the boundary of the Park. Such boundary amendments 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 properly interpret the historic events that occurred at Harpers Ferry, West Virginia, during the Civil War, and preserve the scenic character of Harpers Ferry National Historical Park, it is necessary to revise the existing boundary to include one additional tract of land comprising approximately 0.749 of an acre. The inclusion of this tract within the boundary will increase the acreage of the Park to approximately 3,646.57 acres. The existing acreage ceiling for the Park is 3,745 acres, as set forth by Public Law 108-307, approved

September 24, 2004. It is the intent of the National Park Service to purchase certain conservation easement interests in the property.

Notice is hereby given that the exterior boundary of Harpers Ferry National Historical Park is amended to include the following tract of land described as follows:

#### Tract Number P102-35

- “Those certain lots or parcel of real estate, situated on what is known as Bolivar Heights, and described on a plat of the subdivision made by S. Howell Brown, Surveyor of Jefferson County, with a deed from Brackett and wife and Lightner and wife to Mary G. Moore of date August 22, 1895, as follows:

Lots numbered 42, 44 and 46, in Block C and containing 0.749 acres, as shown on the plat of said lots prepared by Appalachian Surveys, Inc., dated November 14, 1988.

Being part of the same property conveyed to Scot M. Faulkner by Laurel de Aguilar, formerly known as Laurel B. Faulkner, by a deed dated June 16, 1994, and recorded among the Land Records of Jefferson County, West Virginia in Deed Book 790, Page 295.”

The above described parcel of land is subject to all restrictive covenants, conditions, easements, rights-of-way, and limitations of record.

The above described parcel of land is depicted on Harpers Ferry National Historical Park Land Status Map numbered 385/92002, Segment 102, dated January 6, 2005.

All maps and drawings referenced are on file and available for inspection in the offices of the Land Resources Program Center, National Capital Region, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, 1100 Ohio Drive, SW., Washington, DC 20242.

Dated: May 31, 2007.

**Joseph M. Lawler,**

*Regional Director, National Capital Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### Cape Cod National Seashore Hunting Program, Final Environmental Impact Statement, Cape Cod National Seashore, MA

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Department of Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Cape Cod National Seashore

Hunting Program, Cape Cod National Seashore.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C), the National Park Service (NPS) announces the availability of a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Cape Cod National Seashore Hunting Program, Cape Cod National Seashore (CCNS), Massachusetts. The purpose of the FEIS is to finalize the documentation of the environmental consequences of alternative strategies for managing hunting at CCNS.

The FEIS evaluates three (3) alternatives for managing hunting:

Alternative A—No Action describes the effects of continuing the hunting program as it was prior to a court decision to enjoin the pheasant stocking and hunting program. Hunting would continue in accordance with the seasons and regulations established by the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (MDFW), and in accordance with the existing rules established by Cape Cod National Seashore pertaining to the time of year hunting is allowed, the species that can be hunted, and no-hunting zones. Under this alternative, the pheasant hunting and stocking program would be re-established.

Alternative B—Develop a Modified Hunting Program (the preferred alternative) describes the effects of modifying the hunting program in a manner that would retain hunting as part of CCNS's cultural heritage while addressing concerns raised by non-hunting visitors. The modifications were derived from input received during public scoping, and subsequently refined based on comments on the Draft EIS.

Element 1: This element would increase traditional hunting opportunities for native upland game bird species. Specifically, the park's rules would be revised to allow the State's spring eastern turkey hunt to occur within the park. Additionally, this element would include developing and implementing cultural landscape restoration activities that are expected to improve habitat quality for upland game birds, particularly northern bobwhite quail.

Element 2: An adaptive management approach would be used to phase out the pheasant stocking and hunting program as opportunities to hunt native upland game birds increase. The success of heathland and grassland management, called for by the cultural restoration plan, will be used as an indicator of native species hunting opportunity. This element would result

in the end of pheasant stocking and hunting at CCNS within 14 to 17 years. In no case will pheasant stocking continue beyond 17 years.

Element 3: This element would simplify the scope of hunting areas, and would designate hunting-permitted areas versus the current policy which allows hunting in all areas except where specifically prohibited. The hunting-permitted areas would be delineated based on the existing 500-foot no-hunting buffers around paved roads and buildings, expanding the no-hunting buffers around bicycle paths from 150 feet to 500 feet, and eliminating the small patches and thin slivers of area that cannot practicably be hunted. This element would provide an added safety precaution protective of visitors using the bike paths; should result in more predictable areas where hunting is likely to be encountered and where it will not; would provide consistent buffers for hunting set-backs from roads, buildings, and bike paths; would facilitate more efficient monitoring by law enforcement staff; and would result in little reduction in hunting opportunities.

Element 4: Hunting-related outreach to hunting and non-hunting users would be expanded. Outreach to non-hunting visitors would focus on where and when hunting occurs in the park, where visitors can go to avoid hunting, safety precautions when in or adjacent to hunting areas, how to report any unlawful behavior or safety concerns, and the importance of courteous and respectful behavior to all users. Outreach to hunters would also focus on where and when hunting is permitted in the park, hunting regulations, how to report any unlawful behavior or safety concerns, and the importance of courteous and respectful behavior to all users.

Element 5: This element provides for cooperative and expanded game species monitoring by Cape Cod National Seashore and the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife. The Seashore and the Division of Fisheries and Wildlife would integrate monitoring efforts, and seek additional resources as needed, to expand monitoring of the abundance and harvest of deer, eastern cottontail rabbits, eastern wild turkeys, and northern bobwhite quail. These agencies would also coordinate with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to review emerging information on the status and distribution of New England cottontail rabbits on outer Cape Cod, and determine if action is necessary to protect this sensitive species within the Seashore.

Alternative C—Eliminate Hunting describes the effects of eliminating hunting at Cape Cod National Seashore. A sub-element of Alternative C would eliminate only the pheasant program while retaining the other aspects of the hunting program.

In April of 2006, the NPS issued a Draft EIS for agency and public review and comment. The comment period opened on April 21, 2006 with the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) publication of a Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**, and closed on June 19, 2006, 60 days later. During that review period the NPS held two public meetings to provide agencies and the public the opportunity to provide oral comment on the draft document. Comments were received in the form of letters and e-mails, and at the two public meetings. All substantive comments have been addressed in the "Consultation and Coordination" chapter of the FEIS.

**DATES:** The National Park Service will execute a Record of Decision (ROD) no sooner than 30 days following publication in the **Federal Register** by EPA of availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement. Availability of the ROD will be noticed in the **Federal Register** by the NPS and implementation of the selected alternative will subsequently move forward.

**ADDRESSES:** The FEIS may be viewed online at <http://www.nps.gov/caco/parkmgmt/planning.htm> through the "Planning" link under "Management". The FEIS will be available in hard copy at outer cape libraries, the Salt Pond and Province Lands Visitors Centers, and Cape Cod National Seashore's Marconi headquarters building for onsite review.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Superintendent, Cape Cod National Seashore, 99 Marconi Site Road, Wellfleet, Massachusetts 02667. Telephone: (508) 349-3785, Fax: (508) 349-9052.

Dated: July 18, 2007.

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