

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**National Park Service****Final General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement, Governors Island National Monument, New York, NY.**

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, the National Park Service announces the availability of the Final General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement (GMP/EIS) for Governors Island National Monument, New York.

Consistent with National Park Service (NPS) laws, regulations, and policies, and the purpose of the National Monument, the Final GMP/EIS describes the NPS preferred alternative—Alternative D: Harbor Partnership—to guide the management of the National Monument over the next 15 to 20 years. The preferred alternative incorporates various management prescriptions to ensure protection, access and enjoyment of the park's resources.

The Final GMP/EIS describes the NPS preferred alternative and the potential environmental consequences of implementing the preferred alternative. Impact topics include the cultural, natural, and socioeconomic environments. The Final GMP/EIS contains NPS responses to public comments on the Draft GMP/EIS, and copies of agency correspondence and substantive comment letters.

DATES: The document will be available for public review on or about February 20, 2009. The National Park Service will execute a Record of Decision (ROD) no sooner than 30 days following publication by the Environmental Protection Agency of their Notice of Availability of the Final GMP/EIS.

ADDRESSES: The document will be available to the public in a variety of ways:

- An electronic version of the document can be viewed on the National Park Service Planning, Environment and Public Comment (PEPC) Web site at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov>.
- A downloadable PDF will be available on the park's Web site at <http://www.nps.gov/gois>.
- Printed copies (these are limited in quantity) and CD's can be requested by contacting the park at 212-825-3041.
- The document can be viewed in hardcopy form at the following locations:

Mid-Manhattan Library, 455 5th Avenue, New York, NY 10016.
 Science, Industry and Business Library, 188 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10016.
 New Amsterdam Branch Library, 9 Murray Street, New York, NY 10007.
 Bronx Library Center, 310 East Kingsbridge Road, New York, NY 10458.
 St. George Library Center, 5 Central Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10301.
 Business Library, 280 Cadman Plaza West at Tillary St., Brooklyn, NY 11201.
 Carroll Gardens Library, 396 Clinton St. @ Union St., Brooklyn, NY 11231.
 Central Library, Grand Army Plaza, Brooklyn, NY 11238.
 Red Hook Library, 7 Wolcott St. at Dwight St., Brooklyn, NY 11231.
 Central Library, 89-11 Merrick Boulevard, Jamaica, NY 11432.
 Flushing Library, 41-17 Main Street, Flushing, NY 11355.
 Jersey City Public Library, Documents Department, 472 Jersey Ave., Jersey City, NJ 07302.
 Newark Public Library, 5 Washington St., P.O. Box 0630, Newark, NJ 07101-0630.
 New Jersey State Library, U.S. Documents, 185 W. State St., P.O. Box 520, Trenton, NJ 08625-0520.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Draft GMP/TIS evaluated alternatives to guide the development and future management of the park over the next 20 years. Alternative A (No Action) provides a baseline evaluation of existing resource conditions, visitor use, facilities, and management at the park. The Action Alternatives (B and C) would enhance the preservation of the park's cultural and natural resources, while providing new opportunities for visitors. Alternative D, the agency's preferred alternative, would create a Harbor Center with partners as a hub of activities and a jumping-off point for visitors to explore New York Harbor.

The Draft GMP/EIS was available for public and agency review from January 16, 2008, through March 18, 2008. Copies of the document were sent to individuals, agencies, organizations, and local libraries. The document was also made available for review at the park and on the NPS Planning, Environment, and Public Comment Web site (<http://parkplanning.nps.gov>). A public open house was held on February 27, 2008, and a public hearing was held on March 10, 2008. During the review period, the NPS accepted written and oral comments on the document; over six thousand comments were received. The NPS carefully reviewed

all comments and prepared a Comment Response Report (Appendix I).

The Final General Management Plan (GMP) sets forth a vision for the development and operation of Governors Island National Monument.

Dated: February 2, 2009.

Dennis R. Reidenbach,
Regional Director, Northeast Region, National Park Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Reclamation****Nimbus Hatchery Fish Passage Project, Lower American River, California**

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) and notice of public scoping meetings.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation), the lead Federal agency, and the California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG), acting as the lead State agency, will prepare a joint EIS/EIR for the proposed Nimbus Fish Hatchery Weir Replacement Project (Project). The purpose of the Project is to create and maintain a reliable system of collecting adult fish for use in the Nimbus Fish Hatchery (Hatchery).

DATES: Two scoping meetings will be held to solicit public input on the scope of the environmental document, alternatives, concerns, and issues to be addressed in the EIS/EIR. The scoping meeting dates are:

- Thursday, April 30, 2009. 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Gold River, CA.
- Thursday, April 30, 2009. 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Gold River, CA.

Written comments on the scope of the EIS/EIR will be accepted until May 28, 2009.

ADDRESSES: The public scoping meetings will be held at the California State University Sacramento Aquatic Center, 1901 Hazel Avenue, Gold River, CA 95670.

Written comments on the scope of the EIS/EIR document should be sent to Mr. David Robinson, Central California Area Office, Bureau of Reclamation, 7794 Folsom Dam Road, Folsom, CA 95630-1799; or e-mailed to HatchPass@mp.usbr.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. David Robinson, Central California Area Office, Bureau of Reclamation, at the CCAO general telephone number 916–988–1707, e-mail: HatchPass@mp.usbr.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Nimbus Hatchery is located along the lower American River approximately ¼ mile downstream from Nimbus Dam in Rancho Cordova, CA. The Hatchery is a mitigation facility that was constructed by Reclamation in 1955 to compensate for the loss of spawning habitat for Chinook salmon and steelhead trout inundated by the construction of Nimbus Dam. The Hatchery annually produces 4 million fall-run Chinook salmon smolts and 430,000 winter-run American River steelhead yearlings. The fish weir is needed to prevent adult salmon from continuing upstream and allows them to locate and enter the fish ladder and hatchery.

CDFG has continuously operated and maintained the Hatchery under contract with Reclamation since it was originally constructed in 1955. CDFG operates and maintains all salmon and steelhead hatcheries within the State of California and is responsible for the management of statewide fisheries resources. As manager of the State fisheries resources, CDFG is also responsible for recommending and implementing fishing regulations. One alternative under consideration would result in changes to the fishing opportunities immediately downstream from Nimbus Dam pursuant to CDFG Regulation Section 2.35, "Taking Fish near Dams, Screens, and Egg-taking Stations." CDFG will also consider the potential modification to the seasonal fishing regulations between the Hatchery and Nimbus Dam as part of the evaluation of this alternative.

Background: The Project is needed because the existing fish diversion structure is aging, susceptible to periodic significant damage from high flows, and its operation requires annual flow reductions for maintenance which effect protected steelhead populations in the river. Annual short-term flow reductions are required to install the weir at a time when steelhead are rearing in the lower American River. Flow reductions of longer duration are periodically required to repair significant flood damage to the existing structure and scouring around its foundation. This scouring destabilizes the weir and creates large holes that upstream migrant fish can pass through avoiding the entrance into the hatchery ladder.

Objectives: The primary objective of the Project is to maintain a fully functional system of collecting adult fish sufficient to meet mitigation goals. Secondary objectives are to minimize operations and maintenance costs, do away with the need to reduce river flows, and improve public and worker safety.

Alternatives: Reclamation has evaluated a broad set of potential solutions in a series of planning evaluations beginning in the mid-1990s. Two basic approaches to solving the problems that were advanced through the planning process include: (1) Constructing a new fish diversion weir with concrete foundation and air bladder control gates and pickets; and (2) the extension of the fish ladder upstream to Nimbus Dam and removal of the existing fish diversion weir. The EIS/EIR will evaluate each of these alternative approaches and a no action alternative.

Special Assistance for Public Scoping Meetings

If special assistance is required to participate in the public meetings, please contact Ms. Janet Sierzputowski at 916–978–5112, TDD 916–978–5608, or e-mail jsierzputowski@mp.usbr.gov. Please notify Ms. Sierzputowski as far in advance as possible to enable Reclamation to secure the needed services. If a request cannot be honored, the requestor will be notified.

Public Disclosure

Before including your name, 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 comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Dated: March 16, 2009.

Mike Chotkowski,

Acting Regional Environmental Officer, Mid-Pacific Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ES–956–1420–BJ]

Florida; Eastern States: Filing of Supplemental Plat of Survey

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Filing of Supplemental Plat; Florida.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will file the supplemental plat of survey of the lands described below in the BLM–Eastern States, Springfield, Virginia, 30 calendar days from the date of publication in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bureau of Land Management, 7450 Boston Boulevard, Springfield, Virginia 22153.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This survey was requested by the Bureau of Land Management–Eastern States, Branch of Lands and Realty.

The lands shown on the plat are:

Tallahassee Meridian, Florida

T. 6 S., R. 15 E.

The supplemental plat identifies an unlotted parcel of land in the NW 1/4 of Section 26 of Township 6 South, Range 15 East, of the Tallahassee Meridian, in the State of Florida, as shown on the original plat dated February 1827, and was accepted March 18, 2009. We will place a copy of the plat we described in the open files. It will be available to the public as a matter of information.

If BLM receives a protest against this survey, as shown on the plat, prior to the date of the official filing, we will stay the filing pending our consideration of the protest.

We will not officially file the plat until the day after we have accepted or dismissed all protests and they have become final, including decisions on appeals.

Dated: April 1, 2009.

Dominica Van Koten,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor.

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