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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Public Notice

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the terms of existing concession contracts, public notice is hereby given that the National Park Service intends to request a continuation of visitor services for a period not-to-exceed 1 year from the date of contract expiration.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The contracts listed below have been

extended to maximum allowable under 36 CFR 51.23. Under the provisions of current concession contracts and pending the completion of the public solicitation of a prospectus for a new concession contract, the National Park Service authorizes continuation of visitor services for a period not-to-exceed 1 year under the terms and conditions of the current contract as amended. The continuation of operations does not affect any rights with respect to selection for award of a new concession contract.

Conc ID No.	Concessioner name	Park
AMIS002	Forever Resorts, LLC	Amistad National Recreation Area.
AMIS003	Rough Canyon Marina	Amistad National Recreation Area.
BAND001	Bandelier Trading, Inc	Bandelier National Monument.
BIBE001	Forever Resorts	Big Bend National Park.
BRCA002	Bryce-Zion Trail Rides	Bryce Canyon National Park.
CAVE001	Cavern Supply Company, Inc	Carlsbad Caverns National Park.
CURE001	Elk Creek Marina	Curecanti National Recreation Area.
GLAC001	Glacier Park Boat Company, Inc	Glacier National Park.
GLAC003	Mule Shoe Outfitters, LLC	Glacier National Park.
GLCA001	Wilderness River Adventures	Glen Canyon National Recreation Area.
GRCA004	Jerman-Mangum Enterprises, Inc	Grand Canyon National Park.
GRCA005	Verkamps, Inc	Grand Canyon National Park.
GRCA006	Arizona Raft Adventures, Inc	Grand Canyon National Park.
GRCA007	Arizona River Runners, Inc	Grand Canyon National Park.
GRCA010	Canyoneers, Inc	Grand Canyon National Park.
GRCA011	Colorado River & Trail Expeditions, Inc	Grand Canyon National Park.
GRCA015	Grand Canyon Expeditions, Inc	Grand Canyon National Park.
GRCA016	Canyon Expeditions, Inc	Grand Canyon National Park.
GRCA017	Diamond River Adventures, Inc	Grand Canyon National Park.
GRCA018	Ted C. Hatch River Expeditions, Inc	Grand Canyon National Park.
GRCA020	Moki Mac River Expeditions, Inc	Grand Canyon National Park.
GRCA021	O.A.R.S. Grand Canyon, Inc	Grand Canyon National Park.
GRCA022	John R. Vail	Grand Canyon National Park.
GRCA024	ARAMARK	Grand Canyon National Park.
GRCA026	Tour West, Inc	Grand Canyon National Park.
GRCA028	Western River Expeditions, Inc	Grand Canyon National Park.
GRCA029	Grand Canyon Discovery, Inc	Grand Canyon National Park.
GRTE001	Grand Teton Lodge Company	Grand Teton National Park.
GRTE003	Rex G. and Ruth G. Maughan	Grand Teton National Park.
LAMR002	Rex Maughan	Lake Meredith National Recreation Area.
MEVE001	ARAMARK	Mesa Verde National Park.
PEFO001	Xanterra Parks & Resorts, LLC	Petrified Forest National Park.
ROMO001	Rex G. and Ruth G. Maughan	Rocky Mountain National Park.
TICA001	Carl and Betsy Wagner	Timpanogos Cave National Monument.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Availability of the Draft General Management Plan Amendment/Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park, OH

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the National Park Service announces the availability of the draft general management plan amendment and environmental impact statement (GMPA/EIS) for Dayton Aviation

Heritage National Historical Park (DAAV).

DATES: The GMPA/EIS will remain available for public review for 60 days following the publishing of the notice of availability in the **Federal Register** by the Environmental Protection Agency. Public meetings will be announced through local media.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the GMPA/EIS are available by request by writing to Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park, 30 South Williams Street, Dayton, Ohio 45409, by telephoning 937-225-7705, or by e-mail to daav_superintendent@nps.gov. The

document can be found on the Internet on the NPS Planning Web site at: <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/publicHome.cfm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lawrence Blake, Superintendent, Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park, 30 South Williams Street, Dayton, OH 45409, telephone 937-225-7705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DAAV consists of four non-contiguous units, the Wright Cycle Company complex, the Paul Laurence Dunbar State Memorial, the John W. Berry, Sr. Wright Brothers Aviation Center at Carillon Historical Park, and the Huffman Prairie Flying Field and Interpretive Center at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. Together they preserve and interpret resources related to the lives of Wilbur and Orville Wright and Paul Laurence Dunbar, and the invention of flight.

The purpose of the general management plan amendment is to address the need for a maintenance and storage facility for the Wright Cycle Company complex, and the integration of interpretation and activities at Huffman Prairie Flying Field and the Huffman Prairie Flying Field Interpretive Center with security issues at the Wright Patterson Air Force Base. The GMPA/EIS describes and analyzes the environmental impacts of the proposed action and one additional action alternative for the future management direction related to these issues. A no-action alternative is also evaluated.

Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from the record, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There may also be circumstances where we would withhold from the record a respondent's identity, as allowable by law. If you wish 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 or organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety.

Dated: November 16, 2005.

David N. Given,

Acting Regional Director, Midwest Regional Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the North Shore Road in Great Smoky Mountains National Park

Summary: In accordance with § 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C)), and the President's Council on Environmental Quality (40 CFR 1500-1508), as implemented by Director's Order 12, the National Park Service (NPS) in coordination with the Federal Highway Administration has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) to analyze alternatives for resolving issues related to the North Shore Road in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park (GSMNP). With the approval of the Department of Interior, the NPS is presenting the alternatives in the DEIS without identifying a preferred alternative. The NPS is seeking public comment on the alternatives before selecting a preferred alternative. This notice announces the availability of the DEIS and the locations of public hearings for the purpose of receiving comments on the draft document.

The purpose of the proposed action is to discharge and satisfy any obligations on the part of the United States that presently exist as the result of the July 30, 1943, Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) among the U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI), Tennessee Valley Authority, Swain County, North Carolina, and the State of North Carolina. The need of the project is to determine whether or not it is feasible to complete the road and to evaluate other alternative that would satisfy the obligation.

The DEIS analyzes one no-action alternative and four action alternatives for meeting the purpose and need of the project. The no-action alternative would continue current management practices and policies into the future. One of the action alternatives would provide Swain County with a monetary settlement to satisfy and discharge the obligations of the MOA. Each of the other three action alternatives would allow various levels of development and/or road

construction within the project study area of GSMNP.

Under the Laurel Branch Picnic Area alternative a day-use area on the north side of existing Lake View Road would be constructed. Outdoor facilities would include a multi-use picnic shelter, picnic tables, several loop trails, drinking fountains, and restrooms. Under the Partial-Build Alternative to Bushnell, up to 8 miles (12.9 km) of new roadway from the existing tunnel west to the vicinity of the former Bushnell settlement would be constructed. The alternative would provide a boat-launching ramp and restricted boat dock. Located near the terminus of the new roadway would be a multi-use picnic shelter and picnic tables, a backcountry permit station, an information kiosk, restrooms, and a parking area. Exhibit/museum space would be designed to highlight local heritage of the area and may include concession opportunities. Under the Northern Shore Corridor Alternative, 29 to 34.3 miles of new roadway to the vicinity of Fontana Dam would be constructed. It would connect Lake View Road to NC 28. This alternative would include provisions for the development of an auto-tour guide describing the historic and natural points of interest along the route. Also, restrooms would be built at appropriate locations.

Dates: The DEIS will be available for public review and comments submitted until March 20, 2006. Public hearings will be held on February 2, 6, 7, 9, and 13, 2006. Hearings will be conducted from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. or later as needed to hear all comments. Representatives of the NPS will be available at the public hearings to receive comments, concerns, and other input from the public related to the DEIS.

Specific information about the public hearings is as follows: February 2, 2006, 4:30-8 p.m., Swain County High School, Center for the Arts, Auditorium, 1415 Fontana Road, Bryson City, NC; February 6, 2006, 4:30-8 p.m., Robbinsville High School Auditorium, 301 Sweetwater Road, Robbinsville, NC; February 7, 2006, 4:30-8 p.m., Asheville Renaissance Hotel, One Thomas Wolfe Plaza, Asheville, NC; February 9, 2006, 4:30-8 p.m., Knoxville Marriott, 500 Hill Avenue, SE., Knoxville, TN; February 13, 2006, 4:30-8 p.m., Gatlinburg-Pittman High School Auditorium, 150 Proffitt Road, Gatlinburg, TN.

Addresses: The complete DEIS and associated appendices are available for review or download on the Internet at <http://www.northshoreroad.info>.