

GMP/EA. You may submit comments on the NPS's Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) Web site at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/cawo>. Comments on this proposed action may also be mailed or hand-delivered to: Superintendent Gayle Hazelwood, c/o GMP for the Carter G. Woodson Home National Historic Site, National Capital Parks East, 1900 Anacostia Drive, SE., Washington, DC 20020-6722.

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. Although 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. We will make all submissions from organizations, businesses, or individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent Gayle Hazelwood, National Capital Parks East, at 1900 Anacostia Drive, SE., Washington, DC 20020-6722, by telephone at (202) 690-5127, or telefax at (202) 690-1425. Information will also be available online throughout the scoping and planning process at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/cawo>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Carter G. Woodson Home National Historic Site is in Washington, DC. Congress authorized the site on December 19, 2003, and charged NPS with the responsibility to acquire and manage the site in accordance with this Act and with laws generally applicable to units of the National Park System, including the Act of August 25, 1916 (16 U.S.C. 1, 2-4) and the Act of August 21, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 461 *et seq.*). The enabling legislation also states that the Secretary of the Interior may acquire any of the three properties immediately north of the Carter G. Woodson Home, may enter into an agreement with public or private entities to restore and rehabilitate the Woodson Home and other properties within the boundary, and may enter into cooperative agreements with public or private entities to provide public interpretation and education of African-American heritage in the Shaw area of the District of Columbia. Further, the legislation allows the Secretary of the Interior to “* * * enter into an agreement with The Association for the Study of African-American Life and

History that allows the association to use a portion of the historic site for its own administrative purposes.”

Alternatives will be developed through this planning process. Major issues considered during this process will include the protection and interpretation of the Carter G. Woodson Home, adaptive re-use of historic structures, quality of visitor experience, land acquisition, and potential relationships with The Association for the Study of African American Life and History and other potential agencies, organizations, and local interests.

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Margaret O'Dell,

Regional Director, National Capital Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Mona to Oquirrh Transmission Corridor Project and Draft Pony Express Resource Management Plan Amendment, Utah

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA, 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Mona to Oquirrh Transmission Corridor Project and Draft Pony Express Resource Management Plan (RMP) Amendment and by this Notice is announcing the opening of the comment period.

DATES: To ensure comments will be considered, the BLM must receive written comments on the Mona to Oquirrh Transmission Corridor Project DEIS within 90 days following the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes a Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**. The BLM will announce future meetings or hearings and any other public involvement activities at least 15 days in advance through the Utah BLM Web site (http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/salt_lake/planning/mona_to_oquirrh_transmission.html), public notices, media news releases, and/or mailings.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *E-mail:* UT_M2OTL_EIS@blm.gov.
- *Fax:* (801) 977-4397 or (435) 743-3135.

- *Mail:* Mike Nelson, Realty Specialist, BLM Salt Lake Field Office, 2370 South 2300 West, Salt Lake City, UT 84119, or Clara Stevens, Realty Specialist, BLM Fillmore Field Office, 35 East 500 North, Fillmore, UT 84631.

Copies of the Mona to Oquirrh Transmission Corridor Project DEIS are available in the Salt Lake Field Office and Fillmore Field Office at the above addresses.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

- Mike Nelson at the BLM Salt Lake Field Office, 2370 South 2300 West, Salt Lake City, UT 84119; by phone: (801) 977-4300; or

- Clara Stevens at the BLM Fillmore Field Office, 35 East 500 North, Fillmore, UT 84631; by phone: (435) 743-3100.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Rocky Mountain Power has submitted a right-of-way application for a double-circuit 500/345 kilovolt (kV) transmission line from the existing Mona Substation, located in Juab County, to the existing Oquirrh Substation and Terminal Substation located in Salt Lake County, Utah. The Mona to Oquirrh Transmission Corridor Project also includes the siting of two new future substations and a Salt Lake Field Office (SLFO) Pony Express RMP Amendment for utility corridors. The corridor to be established by this amendment would be wide enough to accommodate potential future utility rights-of-way, including a possible second future double-circuit 500kV line, if and when needed. The estimated length of the proposed transmission line route is approximately 140 miles. A right-of-way of up to 300 feet in width would be required to construct, operate, and maintain the transmission line and structures. The proposed project would take approximately 18 months to construct.

To simplify the analysis of alternatives, the project area has been divided into three major areas: (1) From the future Mona Annex Substation to the future Limber Substation, (2) from the future Limber Substation to the existing Oquirrh Substation, and (3) from the future Limber Substation to the existing Terminal Substation.

Mona Annex to Limber: There are six alternative transmission line routes that connect the future Mona Annex Substation to the future Limber Substation with a double-circuit 500kV transmission line, ranging from 65.3 to

67.7 miles in length. The routes cross portions of Juab, Utah and Tooele Counties.

Limber to Oquirrh: There are six alternative transmission line routes that connect the future Limber Substation to the existing Oquirrh Substation with a double-circuit 345kV transmission line, ranging from 28.9 to 49.0 miles in length. The routes cross portions of Tooele and Salt Lake Counties.

Limber to Terminal: There are two alternative transmission line routes that connect the future Limber Substation to the existing Terminal Substation with a double-circuit 345kV transmission line, ranging from 40.0 to 45.1 miles in length. The routes cross portions of Tooele and Salt Lake counties.

The proposed transmission line(s) right-of-way (ROW) alignment would fall outside of current utility corridors designated by the BLM in the SLFO Pony Express RMP. For the project to be in conformance with the Pony Express RMP, this RMP would be amended to designate a new utility corridor. The DEIS addresses the establishment of a new utility corridor that would accommodate the proposed transmission line ROW.

The planning issues for the RMP amendment include:

- Access to and transportation on the public lands.
- Existing and planned land uses, including recreation, transportation, agriculture, grazing, rights-of-way, and other authorized land uses.
- Wildlife habitat and management of summer and winter ranges and migration corridors for antelope, mule deer, and elk.
- Cumulative effects of land uses and human activities on threatened, endangered, candidate, and sensitive species and their habitats.
- Vegetation, including impacts of invasive non-native species.
- Cultural, historic and paleontological resources and tribal values.
- Management objectives in the North Oquirrh Management Area.
- Visual resource management.
- Air, soil, and water resources.
- Sociology and economics.
- Human health and safety.

An interdisciplinary approach was used to develop the DEIS, in order to consider the variety of resource issues and concerns identified. An amendment to the Pony Express RMP would be based upon the following planning criteria:

- The amendment will be completed in compliance with the Federal Land Policy Management Act, NEPA, and all other relevant Federal law, Executive

Orders, and management policies of the BLM;

- Where existing planning decisions are still valid, those decisions will remain unchanged and be incorporated into the new amendment; and
- The amendment will recognize valid existing rights.

Please note that public comments and information submitted including names, street addresses, and e-mail addresses of respondents will be available for public review and disclosure at the above address during regular business hours (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays. 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 comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Selma Sierra,
State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Availability of the Draft General Management Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Effigy Mounds National Monument, Iowa

AGENCY: National Park Service.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of the Draft General Management Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Effigy Mounds National Monument, Iowa.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C), the National Park Service announces the availability of a Draft General Management Plan (GMP)/Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Effigy Mounds National Monument (Monument), Iowa.

DATES: The GMP/EIS will remain available for public review for 60 days following the publishing of the notice of availability in the **Federal Register** by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Public meetings will be held during the 60-day review period on the GMP/EIS, and specific dates and locations will be announced in local

and regional media sources of record and on the NPS planning Web site at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/efmo>.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the GMP/EIS are available by request by writing to Superintendent Phyllis Ewing, Effigy Mounds National Monument, 151 Highway 76, Harpers Ferry, Iowa 52146, or by telephoning 563-873-3491. The document is also available to be picked-up in person at the address above. The document can be found on the Internet on the NPS Planning Web site at: <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/efmo>.

You may submit your comments by any of several methods. You may comment via the Internet through the NPS planning Web site <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/efmo>; simply click on the link to the Effigy Mounds National Monument. You may mail comments to Superintendent Ewing, Effigy Mounds National Monument, at the address above. Finally, you may hand-deliver comments to the park headquarters at the address above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent Phyllis Ewing, Effigy Mounds National Monument, 151 Highway 76, Harpers Ferry, Iowa 52146, telephone 563-873-3491.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Monument was established by presidential proclamation on October 25, 1949 to protect significant prehistoric earth mounds found in northeast Iowa. Subsequent legislation expanded the purpose and significance by specifying the wildlife, scenic, and other natural values of the area. The Monument's authorized boundary was expanded in 1961 and again in 2000 until it now encompasses a total of 2,256 acres.

The purpose of the GMP is to set forth the basic management philosophy for the Monument and to provide strategies for addressing issues and achieving identified management objectives. The GMP/EIS describes and analyzes the environmental impacts of the proposed action and one other action alternative for the future management direction of the Monument. A no action alternative is also evaluated.

The preferred alternative (Alternative B) in the draft General Management Plan would provide an enhanced visitor experience with increasing understanding of the monument while protecting and preserving natural and cultural resources. An overall goal for the park would be to serve as a catalyst for mound research and management in the region. A new multi-purpose facility in the visitor center area would accommodate research needs and a small visitor contact station on newly