

**Public Meetings**

*Dates and Times:* Friday, February 27, 1998 from 2–4 PM and Saturday February 28, 1998 from 10–2 noon

*Address:* Same as above.

The purpose of the tour and meetings is to describe the general management planning effort beginning for Green Spring, a unit of Colonial National Historical Park, and to solicit public input about its future management. The agenda for the meetings consists of an overview of the project, a review of possible conceptual approaches to site management, and an open discussion of citizen concerns.

We encourage all who have an interest in Green Spring's future to attend or to contact the park superintendent by letter, telephone or e-mail. Minutes of the meetings will be available for public review four weeks after the meeting at the Visitor Center.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Superintendent, Colonial National Historical Park, Post Office Box 210, Yorktown, Virginia 23690, (757) 898-3400.

Dated: January 30, 1998.

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****National Park Service**

**Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Parkwide Trail Plan Open House and Intent To Publish an Environmental Impact Statement**

**AGENCY:** National Park Service; Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of open house and notice of intent to publish Environmental Impact Statement.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces an upcoming open house for the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Parkwide Trail Plan and the intent to publish an environmental impact statement in association with the trail plan.

*Open House Date and Time:* Friday, February 27, 1998 from 3–7:30 p.m.

*Address:* Bushkill School, Church Lane, Bushkill, PA 18324.

The purpose of the open house is to describe the park trail planning effort at Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area and to gain public input relating to the future designation of a parkwide trail system. The agenda for the open house consists of an informal overview of the project.

Citizens are encouraged to arrive at any time between 3 and 7:30 pm to engage in an open discussion.

We encourage all who have an interest in the park's future trail system to attend or contact the park Superintendent by letter or telephone. Minutes of the meeting will be available for public review four weeks after the open house at Bushkill School.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Helen Mahan Forester, Community Planner, National Park Service, U.S. Custom House, 200 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, PA 19106, 215/597-6483.

Dated: January 26, 1998.

**Bob Kirby,**

*Acting Superintendent.*

**Congressional Listing for Delaware Water Gap NRA**

Honorable Frank Lautenberg, U.S. Senate, SH-506 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-3002

Honorable Robert G. Torricelli, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510-3001

Honorable Richard Santorum, U.S. Senate, SR 120 Senate Russell Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510

Honorable Arlen Specter, U.S. Senate, SH-530 Hart Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510-3802

Honorable Paul McHale, U.S. House of Representatives, 511 Cannon House Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20515-3815

Honorable Joseph McDade, U.S. House of Representatives, 2370 Rayburn House Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20515-3810

Honorable Margaret Roukema, U.S. House of Representatives, 2244 Rayburn House Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20515-3005

Honorable Tom Ridge, State Capitol, Harrisburg, PA 17120

Honorable Christine Whitman, State House, Trenton, NJ 08625

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Reclamation**

**Proposed Central Valley Project Improvement Act (CVPIA) Interim Land Retirement Program, Central Valley Project (CVP), California**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare a programmatic environmental assessment and notice of scoping meetings.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section 102(2) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and the Council of Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR 1506.6), the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) announces the intent to

prepare a Programmatic Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed CVPIA Interim Land Retirement Program. The proposed action supports implementation of section 3408(h) of the CVPIA, Pub. L. 102-575, which authorized the Land Retirement Program, based on recommendations contained in the final report of the San Joaquin Valley Drainage Program (SJVDP, September 1990).

The purpose of the proposed action is to identify potential impacts to the environment from the permanent retirement of land and the disposition of any water allocation that may be acquired under this program. Disposition of water may include out-of-district transfers, primarily for environmental purposes, or the water may stay within a district to be used to establish vegetation for the purposes of wildlife habitat enhancement and drainage reduction, or the water may be reallocated among the district's water users as supplemental water. Regardless of where the water is to be used or for what purpose, the water may not be applied to lands where it will contribute to drainage problems, as set forth in the interim program guidelines (revised 11/97). The need of the proposed action is to reduce subsurface drainage and restore wildlife habitat values in the San Joaquin Valley. The action complements the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Draft Recovery Plan for Upland Species of the San Joaquin Valley, California, 1997.

The chief area of concern is the western side of the San Joaquin Valley from the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta on the north to the Tehachapi Mountains south of Bakersfield, California. The Proposed Action will focus on the federal CVP service area within this region.

**DATES:** Public scoping meetings to receive oral and written comments will be held on the following dates:

- Tuesday, February 24, 1998, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., Delano, California.
- Wednesday, February 25, 1998, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Fresno, California.
- Thursday, February 26, 1998, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., Santa Nella, California.

Written comments on the project scope should be sent to Reclamation by March 18, 1998. Comments received after this date will be considered, but will not be included in the resulting scoping report.

**ADDRESSES:** Public scoping meetings will be held at the following locations:

- The Fruit Tree, 2343 Gerard Street, Delano, California 93215, telephone (805) 725-9532.