## PUBLIC NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND PUBLIC HEARING: ROCK CREEK PARK MULTI-USE TRAIL REHABILITATION

The National Park Service (NPS), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) would like to announce the availability of the Rock Creek Park Multi-Use Trail Environmental Assessment (EA). The EA analyzes a range of alternatives for the rehabilitation of this multi-use trail located within Rock Creek Park in Washington, DC. The rehabilitation would cover the section of the trail from Broad Branch Road, NW to P Street, NW, including an existing social trail from Broad Branch to Peirce Mill. The project also would include part of the Rose Park trail from M Street to P Street, NW, and the Piney Branch Parkway trail from Beach Drive to Arkansas Avenue, NW.

As provided for by regulations guiding the implementation of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (NHPA), the EA also provides documentation to comply with Section 106 of that act in support of a Finding of No Adverse Effect on cultural resources (36 CFR 800.8(c)). The District of Columbia State Historic Preservation Office (DCSHPO) concurred with this determination on October 19, 2011. Consulting parties wishing to comment on the finding of no adverse effect may do so by commenting on the EA.

## EA NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

**WHEN:** The EA will available for public review on December 2, 2011.

**WHERE:** The EA will be available to review in its entirety at the NPS's Planning, Environment,

and Public Comment (PEPC) website:

(http://parkplanning.nps.gov/RockCreekTrail Rehab) and the following District locations:

District Department of Transportation, Infrastructure Project Management Administration: 55 M Street SE, Suite 500, Washington, DC 20003

National Capital Planning Commission Library: 401 9th Street, NW – North Lobby, Suite 500, Washington, DC 20004

Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Library: 901 G Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001

Cleveland Park Branch Library: 3310 Connecticut Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20008

Mount Pleasant Interim Library: 3162 Mt. Pleasant Street, NW, Washington, DC 20010

Tenley-Friendship Library: 4450 Wisconsin Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20016

Rock Creek Park Headquarters: 3545 Williamsburg Lane, NW, Washington, DC 20008-1207

Rock Creek Park Nature Center: 5200 Glover Road NW, Washington, DC 20015

Rock Creek Park Peirce Barn: 2401 Tilden Street, NW, Washington, DC 20008

Only written comments can be accepted. You may submit comments electronically at NPS's PEPC website (http://parkplanning.nps.gov/RockCreekTrailRehab) or by mail at the following address:

Austina Casey, Project Manager District Department of Transportation Infrastructure Project Management Administration Attn: Rock Creek Trail EA 55 M Street SE, Suite 500 Washington, DC 20003

## Comments must be received no later than January 13, 2011.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In cooperation with the FHWA, DDOT and NPS will be hosting a public hearing to provide interested parties an opportunity to comment on the proposed action and the EA.

**WHEN:** Wednesday, December 14, 2011

Open House: 6:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Presentation and Comments: 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

WHERE: Columbia Heights Educational Campus, Auditorium

3101 16<sup>th</sup> Street, NW Washington, DC 20010

Registrations to provide comments will be accepted on a first come, first served basis starting at 6:00 p.m. The first twenty (20) individuals to register are guaranteed the opportunity to comment. Comments are limited to two (2) minutes.

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For more information visit http://parkplanning.nps.gov/RockCreekTrailRehab