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Dear Friends of Yosemite National Park:

The National Park Service at Yosemite National Park announces the availability of *The Curry Village Rockfall Hazard Zone Structures Project Finding of No Significant Impact.* This document records the decision of the National Park Service to address public safety concerns associated with the active rockfall hazard zone at Curry Village by removing the remaining 72 structures within the closed rockfall hazard zone. The Selected Action was described as Alternative 1 in the *Curry Village Rockfall Hazard Zone Structures Project Environmental Assessment.*

The finding of no significant impact, environmental assessment, memorandum of agreement with the State Historic Preservation Officer, and public comment and response report are available at http://parkplanning.nps.gov/CurryRockfall.

The National Park Service has determined that implementation of the Curry Village Rockfall Hazard Zone Structures Project will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment; therefore, an environmental impact statement will not be prepared.

Implementation of the project will begin immediately through the initiation of the property disposal process. Pending the outcome of the disposition process and salvage of materials, the removal of structures is anticipated to begin in fall 2012. Before removal occurs, the site and structures will be recorded through drawings and photographic and written documentation. In addition, other mitigations will be implemented to address the removal of these structures, the majority of which are historic.

It is anticipated that the federal property disposition process will determine that intact buildings are unsuitable for public auction and removal from the site due to their location and other environmental or hazardous conditions. If you are interested in receiving direct notification should any salvaged materials become available for public sale, please provide an email address at which you can be contacted to yose_planning@nps.gov.

We thank you for your interest and comments regarding the project. Public participation is a key element in the environmental review process at Yosemite National Park. Your participation helps to ensure that the National Park Service fully understands and considers your values and concerns.

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Sincerely,

Don L. Neubacher Superintendent