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National Park Service Proposes to Demolish Snee Farm Caretaker's Cottage at Charles Pinckney National Historic Site

At Charles Pinckney National Historic Site the National Park Service (NPS) proposes to demolish the Snee Farm caretaker's cottage. A recommendation is proposed to expand and correct the existing National Register of Historic Places nomination form approved in 1972 for Snee Farm by expanding on the site's significance as representative of 200 years of Lowcountry agricultural activity. Built in 1936, the caretaker's cottage contributes to this narrative.

The caretaker's cottage is severely deteriorated and partially collapsed due to pest infestation that occurred prior to NPS acquisition of the site in 1990, and the structure has since become overgrown with vegetation. The structure presents a safety hazard to both the public and those who manage the national historic site.

In accordance with the requirements of the National Historic Preservation Act, the NPS is consulting with the office of the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) to develop appropriate mitigation measures to be implemented prior to demolition of the caretaker's cottage (e.g. additional photographic documentation of the structure and development of interpretive material with a historical description made available to the public). The NPS also requests the public to comment on the proposed demolition and to propose potential mitigation measures.

The National Register of Historic Places Nomination Form for Snee Farm and a site assessment report prepared for the caretaker's cottage, which includes a physical description and photographs of the of the deteriorated structure, can be viewed at the NPS Planning, Environment and Public Comment (PEPC) web site (<http://parkplanning.nps.gov/demolishcaretakerscottage>). To comment on the proposed demolition prior to September 9, 2016, the public is directed to the PEPC site (the NPS preferred method of receiving comments) or written comments may be addressed to Caretaker's Cottage Demolition, Charles Pinckney National Historic Site, 1214 Middle Street, Sullivans Island, SC, 29482. 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.

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