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## CONSULTATION AND COORDINATION

NPS DO #12 requires the NPS to make diligent efforts to involve the interested and affected public in the NEPA process. This process, known as scoping, helps to determine the important issues and eliminate those that are not; allocate assignments among the interdisciplinary team members and/or other participating agencies; identify related projects and associated documents; identify other permits, surveys, consultations, etc. required by other agencies; and create a schedule that allows adequate time to prepare and distribute the environmental document for public review and comment before a final decision is made. This chapter documents the scoping process for this project and includes the official list of recipients for the document.

### PUBLIC SCOPING

A public scoping notice was placed on the park website, the Tredyffrin Township website, and the MCHVF website for a 30-day public scoping period. Letters with the scoping notice were sent to 142 neighbors of the project site.

Twenty-four individuals responded in letters, e-mails, or telephone calls with questions or comments. Key issues raised included:

- Concern over additional traffic
- Concern over potential increases in stormwater runoff
- The potential visibility of new parking and driveways
- The timing of rehabilitation of the main house
- The generation of additional noise

In addition, a number of questions and comments were received that are of concern to the respondents, but that are not the subject of this EA/AOE or that do not meet law or policy. These included:

- Interest in uses other than as a school
- Concern over the abundance of white-tailed deer
- The lack of availability of federal funds to preserve the buildings
- Suggestion that NPS sell the properties

## INTERAGENCY COORDINATION

Local governments and agencies contacted during the planning process included Tredyffrin Township, the Chester County Conservation District, the Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Index, the Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, and four traditionally associated Indian Tribes See Appendix A for copies of written correspondence with these agencies.

## LIST OF RECIPIENTS

A postcard was sent to the entire mailing list and to those who responded with comments during scoping offering a choice of formats in which to access the document, including hard copy, CD, or internet access. The EA/AOE will be on formal public and agency review for 30 days and was distributed to interested individuals and agencies. It is available on the Internet at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov> , <http://www.tredyffrin.org> and <http://www.tesd.k12.pa.us> .

The document was sent to:

### **Federal Agencies**

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

### **Tribal Governments**

Delaware Nation

Oneida Indian Nation

Oneida Nation of Wisconsin

Stockbridge-Munsee Community of Wisconsin

### **Elected Officials**

State Representative Carole Rubley

State Senator Connie Williams

### **State Agencies**

Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office

### **Local Agencies and Governments**

Tredyffrin Township

Chester County Conservation District

### **Individuals Who Requested a Copy**