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# WELCOME CENTER AT VALLEY FORGE



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Park staff are dedicated to stewardship of resources and to providing great visitor services.



## **Appendix A: Legislation and Agreements**





Public Law 94-337  
 94th Congress, H. R. 5621  
 July 4, 1976

## An Act

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish the Valley Forge National Historical Park in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That in order to preserve and commemorate for the people of the United States the area associated with the heroic suffering, hardship, and determination and resolve of General George Washington's Continental Army during the winter of 1777-1778 at Valley Forge, the Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") is authorized to establish the Valley Forge National Historical Park (hereinafter referred to as the "park"), in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

SEC. 2. (a) The park shall comprise the area generally depicted on the map entitled "Valley Forge National Historical Park", dated February 1976, and numbered VF-91,000, which shall be on file and available for inspection in the offices of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior, Washington, District of Columbia, and in the offices of the superintendent of the park. After advising the Committees on Interior and Insular Affairs of the United States Congress, in writing, the Secretary may make minor revisions of the boundaries of the park when necessary by publication of a revised map or other boundary description in the Federal Register.

(b) Within the boundaries of the park, the Secretary may acquire lands and interests therein by donation, purchase with donated or appropriated funds, exchange, or transfer. Any property owned by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any political subdivision thereof may be acquired only by donation. The effective date of such donation shall not be prior to October 1, 1976.

(c) Except for property deemed by the Secretary to be essential for visitor facilities, or for access to or administration of the park, any owner or owners of improved property on the date of its acquisition by the Secretary may, as a condition of such acquisition, retain for themselves and their successors or assigns a right of use and occupancy of the improved property for noncommercial residential purposes for a definite term not to exceed twenty-five years, or in lieu thereof, for a term ending at the death of the owner, or the death of his or her spouse, whichever is the later. The owner shall elect the term to be reserved. Unless the property is wholly or partially donated, the Secretary shall pay to the owner the fair market value of the property on the date of such acquisition, less the fair market value on such date of the right retained by the owner.

(d) The Secretary may terminate a right of use and occupancy retained pursuant to this section upon his determination that such use and occupancy is being exercised in a manner not consistent with the purposes of this Act, and upon tender to the holder of the right of an amount equal to the fair market value of that portion of the right which remains unexpired on the date of termination.

(e) The term "improved property", as used in this section shall mean a detached, noncommercial residential dwelling, the construction of which was begun before January 1, 1975 (hereafter referred

Valley Forge  
 National His-  
 torical Park,  
 Pa.  
 Establishment.  
 16 USC 410aa.

Map.  
 16 USC 410aa-1.

Publication in  
 Federal Register.

Lands and  
 interests,  
 acquisition.

Right of use  
 and occupancy.

Termination.

"Improved pro-  
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to as "dwelling"), together with so much of the land on which the dwelling is situated, the said land being in the same ownership as the dwelling, as the Secretary shall designate to be reasonably necessary for the enjoyment of the dwelling for the sole purpose of noncommercial residential use, together with any structures accessory to the dwelling which are situated on the land so designated.

Notice, publication in Federal Register.  
16 USC 410aa-2.

SEC. 3. When the Secretary determines that lands and interests therein have been acquired in an amount sufficient to constitute an administrable unit, he shall establish the park by publication of a notice to that effect in the Federal Register: *Provided*, That the park shall not be established until the Secretary receives commitments which he deems to be sufficient from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that the appropriations made by acts 320 and 352 of 1974, and act 12A of 1975, of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, will continue to be available and obligated for development purposes within the park. The Secretary shall administer the property acquired for such park in accordance with the Act of August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535), as amended and supplemented, and the Act of August 21, 1935 (49 Stat. 666), as amended.

Administration.  
43 USC 1457.

16 USC 461.  
Appropriation authorization.  
16 USC 410aa-3.

SEC. 4. (a) There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act, but not more than \$8,622,000 for the acquisition of lands and interests in lands.

Master development plan, consultation with Governor, transmittal to congressional committees.

(b) For the development of essential public facilities there are authorized to be appropriated not more than \$500,000. Within three years from the date of establishment of the park pursuant to this Act, the Secretary shall, after consulting with the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, develop and transmit to the Committees on Interior and Insular Affairs of the United States Congress a final master plan for the development of the park consistent with the objectives of this Act, indicating:

- (1) the facilities needed to accommodate the health, safety, and interpretive needs of the visiting public;
- (2) the location and estimated cost of all facilities; and
- (3) the projected need for any additional facilities within the park.

Approved July 4, 1976.

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

HOUSE REPORT No. 94-1142 (Comm. on Interior and Insular Affairs).  
SENATE REPORT No. 94-817 accompanying S.-1776 (Comm. on Interior and Insular Affairs).  
CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, Vol. 122 (1976):  
June 8, considered and passed House.  
June 11, considered and passed Senate.  
WEEKLY COMPILATION OF PRESIDENTIAL DOCUMENTS, Vol. 12, No. 27:  
July 4, Presidential statement.

PUBLIC LAW 106-86—OCT. 31, 1999

PENNSYLVANIA BATTLEFIELDS PROTECTION  
ACT OF 1999

Public Law 106-86  
106th Congress

An Act

Oct. 31, 1999  
[H.R. 659]

Pennsylvania  
Battlefields  
Protection Act of  
1999.  
16 USC 410aa  
note.

To authorize appropriations for the protection of Paoli and Brandywine Battlefields in Pennsylvania, to authorize the Valley Forge Museum of the American Revolution at Valley Forge National Historical Park, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

This Act may be cited as the "Pennsylvania Battlefields Protection Act of 1999".

**TITLE I—PAOLI AND BRANDYWINE  
BATTLEFIELDS**

**SEC. 101. PAOLI BATTLEFIELD PROTECTION.**

(a) PAOLI BATTLEFIELD.—The Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") is authorized to provide funds to the borough of Malvern, Pennsylvania, for the acquisition of the area known as the "Paoli Battlefield", located in the borough of Malvern, Pennsylvania, as generally depicted on the map entitled "Paoli Battlefield" numbered 80,000 and dated April 1999 (referred to in this title as the "Paoli Battlefield"). The map shall be on file and available for public inspection in the appropriate offices of the National Park Service.

(b) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—~~The Secretary shall enter into a cooperative agreement with the borough of Malvern, Pennsylvania, for the management by the borough of the Paoli Battlefield. The Secretary may provide technical assistance to the borough of Malvern to assure the preservation and interpretation of the Paoli Battlefield's resources.~~

(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated \$1,250,000 to carry out this section. Such funds shall be expended in the ratio of one dollar of Federal funds for each dollar of funds contributed by non-Federal sources. Any funds provided by the Secretary shall be subject to an agreement that provides for the protection of the Paoli Battlefield's resources.

**SEC. 102. BRANDYWINE BATTLEFIELD PROTECTION.**

(a) BRANDYWINE BATTLEFIELD.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary is authorized to provide funds to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, a political subdivision of the Commonwealth, or the Brandywine Conservancy, for the acquisition, protection, and preservation of land in an area generally known as the Meetinghouse Road Corridor,



located in Chester County, Pennsylvania, as depicted on a map entitled "Brandywine Battlefield—Meetinghouse Road Corridor", numbered 80,000 and dated April 1999 (referred to in this title as the "Brandywine Battlefield"). The map shall be on file and available for public inspection in the appropriate offices of the National Park Service.

(2) WILLING SELLERS OR DONORS.—Lands and interests in land may be acquired pursuant to this section only with the consent of the owner thereof.

(b) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The Secretary shall enter into a cooperative agreement with the same entity that is provided funds under subsection (a) for the management by the entity of the Brandywine Battlefield. The Secretary may also provide technical assistance to the entity to assure the preservation and interpretation of the Brandywine Battlefield's resources.

(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated \$3,000,000 to carry out this section. Such funds shall be expended in the ratio of one dollar of Federal funds for each dollar of funds contributed by non-Federal sources. Any funds provided by the Secretary shall be subject to an agreement that provides for the protection of the Brandywine Battlefield's resources.

## TITLE II—VALLEY FORGE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

### SEC. 201. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this title is to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement with the Valley Forge Historical Society (hereinafter referred to as the "Society"), to construct and operate a museum within the boundary of Valley Forge National Historical Park in cooperation with the Secretary.

16 USC 410aa  
note.

### SEC. 202. VALLEY FORGE MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AUTHORIZATION.

(a) AGREEMENT AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of the Interior, in administering the Valley Forge National Historical Park, is authorized to enter into an agreement under appropriate terms and conditions with the Society to facilitate the planning, construction, and operation of the Valley Forge Museum of the American Revolution on Federal land within the boundary of Valley Forge National Historical Park.

16 USC 410aa  
note.

(b) CONTENTS AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AGREEMENT.—An agreement entered into under subsection (a) shall—

(1) authorize the Society to develop and operate the museum pursuant to plans developed by the Secretary and to provide at the museum appropriate and necessary programs and services to visitors to Valley Forge National Historical Park related to the story of Valley Forge and the American Revolution;

(2) only be carried out in a manner consistent with the General Management Plan and other plans for the preservation and interpretation of the resources and values of Valley Forge National Historical Park;

(3) authorize the Secretary to undertake at the museum activities related to the management of Valley Forge National

Historical Park, including, but not limited to, provision of appropriate visitor information and interpretive facilities and programs related to Valley Forge National Historical Park;

(4) authorize the Society, acting as a private nonprofit organization, to engage in activities appropriate for operation of the museum that may include, but are not limited to, charging appropriate fees, conducting events, and selling merchandise, tickets, and food to visitors to the museum;

(5) provide that the Society's revenues from the museum's facilities and services shall be used to offset the expenses of the museum's operation; and

(6) authorize the Society to occupy the museum so constructed for the term specified in the Agreement and subject to the following terms and conditions:

(A) The conveyance by the Society to the United States of all right, title, and interest in the museum to be constructed at Valley Forge National Historical Park.

(B) The Society's right to occupy and use the museum shall be for the exhibition, preservation, and interpretation of artifacts associated with the Valley Forge story and the American Revolution, to enhance the visitor experience of Valley Forge National Historical Park, and to conduct appropriately related activities of the Society consistent with its mission and with the purposes for which the Valley Forge National Historical Park was established. Such right shall not be transferred or conveyed without the express consent of the Secretary.

(C) Any other terms and conditions the Secretary determines to be necessary.

16 USC 410aa  
note.

**SEC. 203. PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION.**

Nothing in this title authorizes the Secretary or the Society to take any actions in derogation of the preservation and protection of the values and resources of Valley Forge National Historical Park. An agreement entered into under section 202 shall be construed and implemented in light of the high public value and integrity of the Valley Forge National Historical Park and the National Park System.

Approved October 31, 1999.

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**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—H.R. 659:**

HOUSE REPORTS: No. 106-139 (Comm. on Resources).

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, Vol. 145 (1999):

June 22, considered and passed House.

Oct. 14, considered and passed Senate, amended.

Oct. 18, House concurred in Senate amendment.

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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

BETWEEN THE

US DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

US DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

AND THE

DELAWARE VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

**TO PROMOTE THE LONG-TERM PROTECTION  
OF THE RESOURCES AND VALUES OF  
VALLEY FORGE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK  
AND TO ACHIEVE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION GOALS**

**BACKGROUND:** Valley Forge National Historical Park (VFNHP or the park) was established by Congress in 1976 to “preserve and commemorate for the people of the United States the area associated with the heroic suffering, hardship, and determination and resolve of General George Washington’s Continental Army during the winter of 1777-1778 at Valley Forge[.]”<sup>1</sup> The legislative history of the park includes more specific direction for the park: “[T]he restoration and strengthening of the historic integrity of the Valley Forge site should be the first priority for any Federal management of the area... [T]he Secretary [is expected] to ... manage the park with increased emphasis on the restoration and maintenance of the historic scene... Non-historic technological intrusions ... are to be eliminated where possible and appropriate, and the rerouting or elimination of inappropriate and unsafe roadways is to be undertaken, as it is possible.”<sup>2</sup>

The boundaries of VFNHP include approximately 3500 acres in the midst of a densely populated suburban region near Philadelphia. The Valley Forge area is a major transportation hub and destination area for the region, Pennsylvania, and the entire northeastern United States. The area is also heavily traversed by local commuters during the morning and evening rush hours. Major highways converge near the park, and regionally significant traffic routes run through the park. Commuters and local residents share park and nearby roads with those who come to visit this important historic site. Traffic congestion and volume are challenging problems for all the signatory governments and agencies.

The US Department of the Interior, National Park Service has the mission to protect, to preserve, and to mitigate adverse impacts to the natural and cultural resources, and to protect and preserve

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<sup>1</sup> US Public Law 94-337 (1976)

<sup>2</sup> US House of Representatives Report 94-1142 (Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs) (1976)

the quality of the educational, inspirational, and recreational experiences of those that visit VFNHP.

The US Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation have as part of their mission the development of a transportation program and projects that balance social, economic, and environmental concerns, improve the quality of life in Pennsylvania, and provide safe and efficient mobility to the public.

As the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's official history agency, a key role of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission is to insure the preservation of Pennsylvania's heritage by working with individuals, communities, local governments and state and federal agencies through education, building better communities, and providing preservation leadership.

The Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission has the mission to proactively shape a comprehensive vision for the region's future growth by providing technical assistance and services; conducting high priority studies that respond to the requests and demands of member states and local governments; fostering cooperation among various constituencies to forge a consensus on diverse regional issues; determining and meeting the needs of the private sector; and continuing public outreach efforts that promote two-way communication and enhance public awareness of regional issues.

**PURPOSE:** This Memorandum is established to create a partnership of relevant federal, state, and regional planning agencies to promote – consistent with applicable law and in consultation with other stakeholders, both public and private – the protection and preservation of the natural and cultural resources, and the quality of the educational, inspirational, and recreational experiences of those that visit VFNHP, and to mitigate current and future adverse transportation impacts within VFNHP and the Valley Forge area. This will be done in coordination with identifying and achieving the region's long-term transportation vision to improve access and mobility, and to insure that people and goods can move safely and efficiently.

**GOALS:** The parties to this Memorandum are committed to working together to achieve the following goals.

1. To achieve mutual understandings of each respective agency's missions and authorities;
2. To identify, develop, and implement opportunities to engage other federal, state, and local stakeholders, both public and private;
3. To serve as a catalyst to initiate collaboration with other stakeholders to find and develop mutually beneficial solutions to preserve the area's nationally-significant resources and the outstanding quality of life and transportation mobility;
4. To identify and pursue opportunities to ensure full participation of the Signatory Parties in relevant aspects of transportation planning for the region, as well as the full participation of federal, state, and regional planning agencies in relevant aspects of planning for VFNHP;

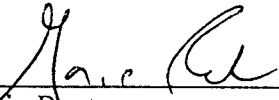
5. To designate, whenever possible, a single agency as the lead on specific projects for compliance at the federal level; to identify a mutually-acceptable compliance process that meets the needs of all agencies and is as streamlined as possible; and to address the consulting and cooperating agencies' compliance requirements in the lead agency's document with a goal of the lead agency's document satisfying all other agencies' compliance requirements;
6. To identify and implement transportation strategies and specific improvements that are part of any overall mutually acceptable solutions and in keeping with outlined missions, as early action projects; and
7. To serve as a basis for more specific Memoranda of Agreement on transportation projects as part of mutually-agreeable solutions to regional transportation issues.

**TO ACHIEVE THESE GOALS**, the parties to this Memorandum pledge to communicate regularly, share information, and work together. Meetings will be held as necessary, and will be initiated by a signatory to this memorandum.

**THIS MEMORANDUM SHALL TAKE EFFECT** on the date of the last signature hereto. This Memorandum may be terminated by any party to the extent of the party's role under the Memorandum by providing written notice to the other parties. This Memorandum is intended only to improve the internal management of the executive branch and is not intended to, nor does it, create any right, benefit, or trust responsibility, substantive or procedural. Other parties at the federal or state level may be invited to join this Memorandum of Understanding.

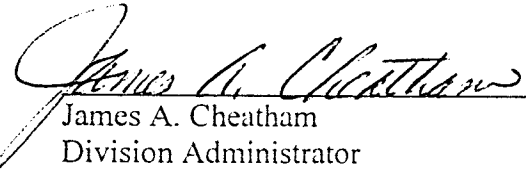
IN WITNESS THEREOF, this Memorandum of Understanding is executed by the signatures of the Key Officials below:

For the US DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

  
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Marie Rust  
Northeast Regional Director

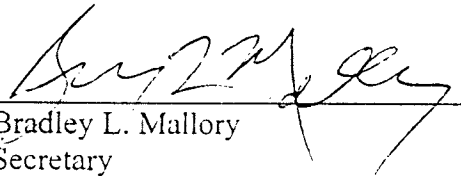
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For the US DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION, PENNSYLVANIA DIVISION

  
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James A. Cheatham  
Division Administrator

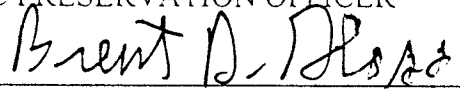
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For the PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

  
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Bradley L. Mallory  
Secretary

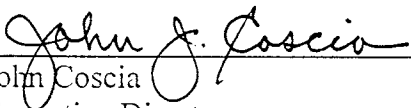
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For the PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION and STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER

  
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Brent D. Glass  
Executive Director  
State Historic Preservation Officer

3/29/02  
Date

For the DELAWARE VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

  
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John J. Coscia  
Executive Director

4-3-02  
Date

# Programmatic Agreement

Between  
The Federal Highway Administration  
and The U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service  
Regarding the Implementation of the Transportation Improvements Related to the  
Promotion of Long-term Protection of the Resources and Values of the VFNHP and to  
Achieve Regional Transportation Goals  
Montgomery and Chester Counties, Pennsylvania

## Preamble

The parties to this agreement are the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service (NPS) and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT). The role of the NPS is to protect and preserve the natural and cultural resources of the Valley Forge National Historic Park (VFNHP) for the enjoyment, education, and inspiration of this and future generations; the role of the FHWA and PennDOT is the development of a transportation program and projects that improve quality of life and provide safe and efficient mobility for the public while addressing the socioeconomic and environmental concerns of these improvements. The FHWA administers the federally-supported design and construction program for the projects described in this agreement; PennDOT, with FHWA authorization, implements these improvements within the state's highway program. The primary purpose of this agreement is to provide an administrative linkage between the two federal agencies, the NPS and FHWA, in the administration of their NEPA approvals and, if applicable, funding authorizations, for the requested project development activities. This PA is an administrative agreement between the two federal agencies; therefore, PennDOT is a concurring party to this agreement.

WHEREAS, PennDOT proposes to replace the Betzwood Bridge over the Schuylkill River in Upper Merion Township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the NPS was concerned that the implementation of the initial bridge design would have had potential impacts on the use of NPS lands at the VFNHP; and

WHEREAS, a Memorandum of Understanding (March 2002) was entered into by FHWA and NPS, PennDOT, the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC), and the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) with a commitment "to promote the long-term protection of the resources and values of the VFNHP and to achieve regional transportation goals"; and

WHEREAS, NPS, FHWA and PennDOT concur, in principle, with the recommendations and findings of the Valley Forge Area Transportation Planning Study (VFATS) conducted in support

of the March 2002 MOU; and

WHEREAS, the bridge replacement, in concert with the adjacent interchange improvements, would improve traffic operations and reduce congestion in the VFNHP, adjacent communities, and the region; and

WHEREAS, the findings of the VFATS recommend the Betzwood Bridge replacement as part of a group of functionally independent projects but, which operating jointly, would significantly improve the traffic operations of the U.S. 422 river crossing system and the traffic operation on Route 23 within VFNHP; and

WHEREAS, this group of projects making up the River Crossing Complex comprises three functionally independent improvements: (1) the Betzwood Bridge Replacement, (2) Route 23/U.S. 422 Interchange Modernization and VFNHP Gateway Design, and (3) the Route 363/U.S. 422 Interchange Improvement Project. *(as shown in Appendix A)*; and

WHEREAS, timing and the desirability for early action has been recognized as a critical factor and should include incorporation of smaller, functionally independent projects within the Commonwealth's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to expedite the implementation of the total river crossing improvements effort; and

WHEREAS, all parties agree to support administrative streamlining of the environmental clearance process to (a) avoid duplication of NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended) documentation and to reduce paperwork; (b) create documentation that complies with the Department of Transportation requirements, as well as NPS land transfer criteria and, to (c) achieve environmental clearance within a mutually acceptable schedule; and

WHEREAS, the FHWA, PennDOT and NPS have involved, and will continue to involve, the public, affected local municipalities, local and regional transportation and planning agencies, and other interested parties pursuant to NEPA and Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and Section 4 (f);

NOW, THEREFORE, the FHWA and the NPS agree that, upon acceptance of this PA by all signatories and upon PennDOT's decision to proceed with the Betzwood Bridge Replacement Project and Interchange Improvement Projects, the FHWA and NPS shall ensure that the undertaking shall be implemented in accordance with the following stipulations in order to take into account the impacts of the undertaking on the VFNHP.

### Stipulations

The FHWA and the NPS shall ensure that the following actions will be carried out:

1. Environmental Clearance Documentation



- A. PennDOT shall initiate for FHWA approval the preparation of a Reevaluation of the Categorical Exclusion Evaluation (CEE), NHPA and Section 4(f) documentation for the Betzwood Bridge project to verify the project's qualification as a CEE; the Reevaluation documentation will address and incorporate updated traffic and regional transportation information, as available and appropriate, and will address concerns raised by NPS in their May 5, 2000 letter; the Reevaluation documentation will be fully coordinated with NPS prior to FHWA approval;
- B. The FHWA shall take the lead in consultation with the NPS on the scoping, planning and NEPA, NHPA, Section 4(f) documentation for the two interchange improvement projects making up the balance of the River Crossing Complex; throughout scoping, planning and NEPA, NHPA, Section 4(f) compliance activities, interim or draft reports and associated design plans shall be provided to NPS for review and comment prior to finalization and clearance processing;
- C. The FHWA will work with NPS to evaluate the scope and appropriate NEPA class of action, NHPA and Section 4(f) documentation for the relocation alternatives (P-Options) as recommended in the VFATS and will detail a cooperative plan to set up mutually acceptable Lead Agency and Cooperating Agency roles to assure that the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), NHPA and Section (4) documentation for the VFNHP General Management Plan complies with the requirements of both federal agencies, which will result in the issuance of separate Records of Decision (ROD) by the two agencies;
- D. The NPS and FHWA will share a joint lead for the consultation and coordination on actions involving Section 106 and FHWA will continue as the lead agency for any section (4f) evaluation;
- E. To facilitate document review and to ensure that all concerns are addressed and incorporated, Document Review Work Session(s) for all work undertaken within the context of this agreement shall be conducted in a timely manner following the distribution of the draft report(s) by an interdisciplinary review team represented by FHWA, NPS and PennDOT. The purpose of the expedited work sessions will be to clarify and resolve design, impact and mitigation issues and guide the revision of the draft document. PennDOT will prepare the final documents in a timely period following the final work sessions.

## 2. Mainline Traffic Issues

Concurrent to the environmental clearance documentation efforts, PennDOT shall undertake, in consultation with FHWA, traffic impact studies (Point of Access studies) of

the projects within the U.S. 422 highway corridor from PA Route 363 to the PA Turnpike Bridge over U.S. 422 to assess the impacts to its operation with the two interchange improvements (Route 23 and Route 363). Impact findings will be incorporated into the environmental clearance documents, as needed, in the development of proposed interchange improvements.

### Administrative Conditions

1. Amendment

Any party to this Agreement may request that it be amended, whereupon the parties will consult to consider such amendment.

2. Resolving Objections

Should any party to the PA object in writing to the FHWA regarding any action carried out or proposed with respect to this PA, the FHWA shall consult with the objecting party to resolve the objection. If necessary the signatures to this agreement shall meet to resolve on any differences.

3. Review of Implementation

If the stipulations have not been implemented within two years of the execution of this PA, the parties to this agreement shall review the PA to determine whether revisions are needed. If so needed, the parties shall consult to make such revisions.

4. Termination

If the FHWA determines that it cannot implement the terms of this PA, or if the NPS or other parties to this agreement determines that the PA is not being properly implemented, any party may propose to the other parties that this PA be terminated. The party proposing termination of the PA shall so notify all parties, explaining the reasons for termination and affording them at least 30 days to consult and seek alternatives to termination. The parties shall then consult.

Execution of this PA by the FHWA and NPS and the implementation of its terms, evidence that FHWA and NPS have taken into account the foregoing stipulations which collectively serve to promote the long-term protection of the resources and values of the VFNHP and the achievement of regional transportation goals.

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

By: David W Cough

Date: 12-13-02

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

By: Maria [unclear]

Date: 12/10/02

By: [Signature]

Date: 12/10/02

CONCUR:

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

By: M.M. Ryan

Date: 12/13/02

Attachments: Appendix A: Project Description

Monday, December 09, 2002

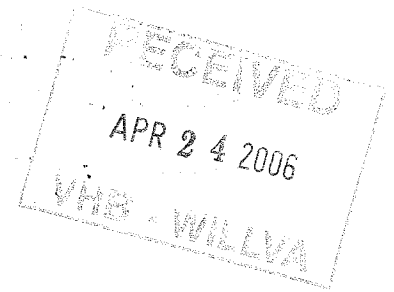




**Appendix B: Relevant Correspondence**



# ONEIDA INDIAN NATION



## ONEIDA NATION HOMELANDS

April 17, 2006

Michael A. Caldwell, Superintendent  
United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service  
Valley Forge National Historical Park  
1400 North Outer Line Drive  
King of Prussia, PA 19406-1009

Dear Mike,

Thank you for recent invitations to consult (letters of March 23 [2] and March 27), as required under Section 106 of the amended National Historic Preservation Act, on three projects at Valley Forge:

- a review of Park issues (General Management Plan with various policy options pertaining to preservation, traffic control, and visitor services) and preparation of an associated Environmental Impact Study;
- a construction project to prepare a pre-school facility; and
- another construction project to prepare an orientation center.

We appreciate your courtesy in acknowledging Oneida ties to Valley Forge. However, the proposed work does not threaten any emotional bonds and we know of nothing sacred to Oneidas at the locations you mention.

It's good to hear from you, Mike, and I hope all is well with your family and new responsibilities.

Sincerely,

Anthony Wonderley, Ph.D.  
Historian  
Oneida Indian Nation

cc: Brian Patterson, Peter Carmen, Peter Golia, Kim Jacobs (OIN)

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

## United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE  
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MAR 23 2006

Dr. Anthony Wonderley, Oneida Nation Historian  
Oneida Indian Nation  
1256 Union Street  
Oneida, New York 13421

Dear Dr. Wonderley:

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In recognition of the fact that the Oneida Indian Nation has a traditional association with the park, we would like to initiate the Section 106 process of the National Historic Preservation Act (36 CFR 800.2 (c)(2)(B) (ii)). We are interested in any information you may wish to provide or concerns you may have and in whether you are aware of sacred sites within the park.

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Sincerely,

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Michael A. Caldwell  
Superintendent



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Tamara Francis, NAGPRA Director  
Delaware Nation, NAGPRA Office  
P.O. Box 825  
Anadarko, OK 73004

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MAR 23 2006

Gerald Danforth, Chair  
Oneida Nation of Wisconsin  
P. O. Box 365  
Oneida, WI 54155

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MAR 23 2006

Sherry White, THPO  
Stockbridge-Munsee Community, Wisconsin  
Historic Preservation Office  
N8476 Mo He Con Nuck Road  
Bowler, WI 54416

Dear Ms White:

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Superintendent



# Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory

Scientific information and expertise for the conservation of Pennsylvania's native biological diversity  
March 14, 2003

Fax 717-772-0271  
717-772-0258

## Bureau of Forestry

Deirdre Gibson  
Valley Forge National Historic Park  
Valley Forge, PA 19481

Re: Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory Review for the Proposed Characterization for  
the Valley Forge National Historic Park  
**PER NO: 13453**

Dear Ms. Gibson:

In response to your request August 7, 2003 to review the above mentioned project, we have reviewed the area using the Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory (PNDI) information system. PNDI records indicate that there are several occurrences of species of special concern known to exist within the project area. We have attempted to include a listing of plant species and their location within the park. Any information relating to the location of a species of special concern is not for public view, and should only be used in planning avoidance measures for these areas. Also present is the species *Pseudemys rubriventris*, or the Redbelly Turtle. For more information regarding this species please contact the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission. The Valley Forge National Historic Park is also home to several unique geological features (vertebrate fossil animals). PNDI attempts to be the most complete information resource on species of special concern within the Commonwealth.

PNDI is a site specific information system that describes significant natural resources of Pennsylvania. This system includes data descriptive of plant and animal species of special concern, exemplary natural communities and unique geological features. PNDI is a cooperative project of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, The Nature Conservancy and the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy. This response represents the most up-to-date summary of the PNDI data files and is **good for one year**. An absence of recorded information does not necessarily imply actual conditions on-site. A field survey of any site may reveal previously unreported populations.

Feel free to phone our office if you have questions concerning this response or the PNDI system, and please refer to the P.E.R. Reference Number at the top of the letter in future correspondence concerning this project.

Sincerely,

Justin P. Newell  
Environmental Review Specialist





# United States Department of the Interior

## FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

Pennsylvania Field Office  
315 South Allen Street, Suite 322  
State College, Pennsylvania 16801-4850



October 29, 2002

Arthur L. Stewart  
U.S. Department of the Interior  
National Park Service  
Valley Forge National Historical Park  
P.O. Box 953  
Valley Forge, PA 19482-0953

Dear Mr. Stewart:

This responds to your letter of August 7, 2002, requesting information about federally listed and proposed endangered and threatened species within the area affected by the proposed general management plan for the Valley Forge National Historical Park located in Chester and Montgomery Counties, Pennsylvania. The following comments are provided pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (87 Stat. 884, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) to ensure the protection of endangered and threatened species.

The proposed project is within the known range of the bog turtle (*Clemmys muhlenbergii*), a species that is federally listed as threatened. The northern population of the bog turtle occurs in the States of Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, New Jersey, Delaware and Massachusetts. Bog turtles inhabit shallow, spring-fed fens, sphagnum bogs, swamps, marshy meadows, and pastures characterized by soft, muddy bottoms; clear, cool, slow-flowing water, often forming a network of rivulets; high humidity; and an open canopy. Bog turtles usually occur in small, discrete populations occupying suitable wetland habitat dispersed along a watershed. The occupied "intermediate successional stage" wetland habitat is usually a mosaic of micro-habitats ranging from dry pockets, to areas that are saturated with water, to areas that are periodically flooded. Some wetlands occupied by bog turtles are located in agricultural areas and are subject to grazing by livestock.

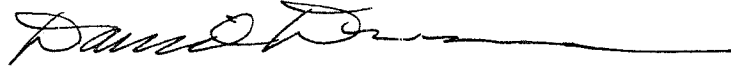
If any wetlands occur within or near the project area, their potential suitability as bog turtle habitat should be assessed, as described under "*Bog Turtle Habitat Survey*" (Phase 1 survey) of the enclosed *Guidelines for Bog Turtle Surveys*. This habitat survey could easily be conducted by a wetland biologist concurrent with a routine wetland identification and delineation. If any wetlands are identified as potential bog turtle habitat, efforts should be made to avoid any direct or indirect impacts to those wetlands. If adverse effects to these wetlands cannot be avoided, a more detailed and thorough survey will be necessary, as described under "*Bog Turtle Survey*" (Phase 2 survey) of the *Guidelines for Bog Turtle Surveys*. The Phase 2 survey should be conducted by a qualified biologist with bog turtle field survey experience (see enclosed list of

qualified surveyors). Survey results should be submitted to the Fish and Wildlife Service for review and concurrence. If project activities might adversely affect bog turtles, additional consultation with the Service will be required, pursuant to the Endangered Species Act.

This response relates only to endangered and threatened species under our jurisdiction based on an office review of the proposed project's location. No field inspection of the project area has been conducted by this office. Consequently, this letter is not to be construed as addressing potential Service concerns under the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act or other authorities. A compilation of certain federal status species in Pennsylvania is enclosed for your information.

Please contact Bonnie Dershem of my staff at 814-234-4090 if you have any questions or require further assistance regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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David Densmore  
Supervisor

Enclosures

**FEDERALLY LISTED AND PROPOSED SPECIES  
THAT NO LONGER OCCUR IN PENNSYLVANIA**

<u>COMMON NAME</u>	<u>SCIENTIFIC NAME</u>	<u>STATUS**</u>	<u>FORMER DISTRIBUTION</u>
<u>MAMMALS</u>			
Canada lynx	<i>Lynx canadensis</i>	PT	north-central PA (Tioga Co.)
Delmarva Peninsula fox squirrel	<i>Sciurus niger cinereus</i>	E	mature forests of southeastern PA (Delaware and Chester Co.)
Eastern cougar	<i>Felis concolor cougar</i>	E	state-wide
Grey wolf	<i>Canis lupus</i>	E	state-wide
<u>MOLLUSKS</u>			
Fanshell*	<i>Cyprogenia stegaria</i>	E	Ohio River drainage
Orange pimpleback*	<i>Plethobasus striatus</i>	E	Ohio River drainage
Pink mucket pearly mussel*	<i>Lampsilis abrupta</i>	E	Ohio River drainage
Ring pink mussel*	<i>Obovaria retusa</i>	E	Ohio River drainage
Rough pigtoe*	<i>Pleurobema plenum</i>	E	Ohio River drainage
<u>INSECTS</u>			
American burying beetle	<i>Nicrophorus americanus</i>	E	state-wide
Karner blue butterfly	<i>Lycaeides melissa samuelis</i>	E	pine barrens, oak savannas (wild lupine habitat) (Wayne Co.)
Northeastern beach tiger beetle	<i>Cicindela dorsalis dorsalis</i>	T	along large rivers in southeastern PA
<u>PLANTS</u>			
Eastern prairie fringed orchid	<i>Platanthera leucophaea</i>	T	wet prairies, bogs (Crawford Co.)
Sensitive joint-vetch	<i>Aeschynomene virginica</i>	T	freshwater tidal marshes of Delaware river (Delaware and Philadelphia Co.)
Virginia spiraea*	<i>Spiraea virginiana</i>	T	along Youghiogheny River (Fayette Co.)
Smooth coneflower	<i>Echinacea laevigata</i>	E	serpentine barrens (Lancaster Co.)

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It is possible that remnant populations of some of these species (indicated with an \*) may still occur in Pennsylvania, however, there have been no confirmed sightings of these species for over 70 years.

\*\* E = Endangered, T = Threatened, PT = Proposed Threatened

The following is a partial list of additional species that no longer occur in Pennsylvania: moose, bison, wolverine, passenger pigeon, Bachman's sparrow, greater prairie-chicken, olive-sided flycatcher, Bewick's wren, eastern tiger salamander, blue pike, butterfly mussel, Diana fritillary butterfly, precious underwing moth, deertoemussel, marbled underwing moth, cobblestone tiger beetle, mountain clubmoss, crested yellow orchid, red milkweed, American barberry, small white lady's-slipper, etc.

**FEDERALLY LISTED, PROPOSED AND CANDIDATE SPECIES**  
(in Pennsylvania)

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>	<u>Status</u> <sup>1</sup>	<u>Distribution</u>
<u>FISHES</u>			
Shortnose sturgeon <sup>2</sup>	<i>Acipenser brevirostrum</i>	E	Delaware River & other Atlantic coastal waters
<u>REPTILES</u>			
Bog turtle	<i>Clemmys muhlenbergii</i>	T	Current - Adams, Berks, Bucks, Chester, Cumberland, Delaware, Franklin, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Monroe, Montgomery, Northampton and York Co. Historic - Crawford, Mercer and Philadelphia Co.
Eastern massasauga rattlesnake	<i>Sistrurus catenatus catenatus</i>	C	Current - Butler, Crawford, Mercer and Venango Co. Historic - Allegheny and Lawrence Co.
<u>BIRDS</u>			
Bald eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>	T	Suitable habitats across the state. Recent nesting in Butler, Cameron, Centre, Chester, Crawford, Dauphin, Erie, Forest, Huntingdon, Lancaster, Lebanon, Mercer, Northumberland, Pike, Tioga, Venango, Warren and York Co. Wintering concentrations occur near ice-free sections of rivers, lakes and reservoirs, including the Delaware River.
Piping plover	<i>Charadrius melodus</i>	E	Presque Isle (Erie County) Migratory No nesting in Pennsylvania since mid-1950s
<u>MAMMALS</u>			
Indiana bat	<i>Myotis sodalis</i>	E	Winter hibernacula: Armstrong, Blair, Lawrence, Luzerne, Mifflin and Somerset Co.
<u>MOLLUSKS</u>			
Dwarf wedgemussel	<i>Alasmodonta heterodon</i>	E	Current - Delaware River (Wayne Co.) Historic - Delaware River watershed (Bucks, Carbon, Chester and Philadelphia Co.); Susquehanna River watershed (Lancaster Co.)
Clubshell mussel	<i>Pleurobema clava</i>	E	French Creek and Allegheny River watersheds (Clarion, Crawford, Erie, Forest, Mercer, Venango and Warren Co.)
Northern riffleshell	<i>Epioblasma torulosa rangiana</i>	E	French Creek and Allegheny River watersheds (Clarion, Crawford, Erie, Forest, Mercer, Venango and Warren Co.)
<u>PLANTS</u>			
Northeastern bulrush	<i>Scirpus ancistrochaetus</i>	E	Current - Adams, Bedford, Blair, Carbon, Centre, Clinton, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Huntingdon, Lackawanna, Lehigh, Lycoming, Mifflin, Monroe, Perry, Snyder and Union Co. Historic - Northampton Co.
Small-whorled pogonia	<i>Isotria medeoloides</i>	T	Current - Centre, Chester and Venango Co. Historic - Berks, Greene, Monroe, Montgomery and Philadelphia Co.

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<sup>2</sup> Shortnose sturgeon is under the jurisdiction of the National Marine Fisheries Service



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Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission  
Bureau for Historic Preservation  
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Harrisburg, PA 17120-0093  
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September 11, 2002

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service  
Valley Forge National Historical Park  
Attn: Arthur L. Stewart, Superintendent  
P.O. Box 953  
Valley Forge, PA 19482-0953

RE: ER# 98-1691-101-EE  
NPS: GMP/EIS for Valley Forge National  
Historical Park, Chester & Montgomery Counties

Dear Mr. Stewart:

The Bureau for Historic Preservation (the State Historic Preservation Office) has reviewed the above referenced project in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended in 1980 and 1992, and the regulations (36 CFR Part 800) of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. Our comments are as follows:

Thank you for initiating the consultation process for the new GMP for the park. It is our understanding that you will be seeking our formal comments as appropriate, and we look forward to participating in this new planning process.

If you have any questions or comments in this matter, please contact Mark Shaffer at (717) 783-9900.

Sincerely,

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Kurt W. Carr, Chief  
Division of Archaeology & Protection

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AUG 8 2002

Diane Stirling  
Director of Government Relations  
Communications Department  
Oneida Indian Nation  
579A Main Street  
Oneida, NY 13421

Dear Diane:

I am delighted to inform you that Valley Forge National Historical Park will begin a planning process that will result in a new General Management Plan/ Environment Impact Statement (GMP/EIS) for the park. This plan - the first since 1982 - will set basic directions for the park in terms of natural and cultural resource management, interpretation and education and visitor experiences and uses.

Law and policy dictate what must be achieved, based on understanding the park's purpose, significance and special mandates. In cases where law and policy do not provide clear guidance, management decisions will be made based on the purpose of the park, the range of public expectations and concerns, analysis of the park's cultural and natural resources, and the potential impacts of alternative courses of action.

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to brief you on the overall planning process or any issues. We will notify you of public meetings and send all documents associated with the planning process.

We appreciate the long and positive working relationship the park has enjoyed with the Oneidas, and we look forward to your participation in this new planning process. If you have any questions or wish additional information, please contact Deirdre Gibson, Valley Forge National Historical Park, Chief of Planning at 610-783-1047 or [Deirdre\\_Gibson@nps.gov](mailto:Deirdre_Gibson@nps.gov).

Sincerely,

/S/ Arthur L. Stewart

Arthur L. Stewart  
Superintendent

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AUG 7 2002

Cris Firestone  
Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Index  
Bureau of Forestry  
Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources  
P. O. Box 8552  
Harrisburg, PA 17105

Dear Ms. Firestone:

The National Park Service proposes to develop and implement a General Management Plan for Valley Forge National Historical Park, in Chester and Montgomery Counties, Pennsylvania. We are beginning scoping and data gathering efforts for the plan. I am requesting from you a current list of threatened or endangered species, species of concern, or any other special status species that might occur in the park, as well as designated critical habitats, if any for those species. The park may be found on the 7.5 quad map entitled "Valley Forge."

Please forward your response to me by September 6, 2002 at the above address.

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I appreciate your continuing assistance with park projects.

Sincerely,  
/S/ Arthur L. Stewart

Arthur L. Stewart  
Superintendent

~~Enclosure~~

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8 2 2002

David Densmore  
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United States Fish and Wildlife Service  
315 South Allen Street, Suite 322  
State College, PA 16801-4850

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Mr. John Fowler  
Executive Director  
Advisory Council on Historic Preservation  
809 Old Post Office Building  
1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20004

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We look forward to your participation in this new planning process. If you have any questions or wish additional information, please contact Deirdre Gibson, Valley Forge NHP Chief of Planning, at 610-783-1047.

Sincerely,

/S/ Arthur L. Stewart

Arthur L. Stewart  
Superintendent

cc: Dr. Brent Glass, Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission

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AUG 1 2002

Dr. Brent Glass  
State Historic Preservation Officer  
Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission  
Commonwealth Keystone Building  
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The GMP will describe the resource conditions and visitor experiences that are to be achieved and maintained in the park over the next 15-20 years. What must be achieved according to law and policy will be based on understanding the park's purpose, significance, special mandates and the body of laws and policies directing management of NPS units. Management decisions to be made where law, policy and regulations do not provide clear guidance will be based on the purpose of the park, the range of public expectations and concerns, resource analysis, an evaluation of the natural, cultural and social impacts of alternative courses of action, and consideration of long term economic costs.

Based on determinations of desired conditions, the GMP will outline the kinds of resource management activities, visitor activities and development that would be appropriate in the park in the future. Alternatives will be developed through this planning process and will include, at a minimum, no-action and the preferred alternative. Major issues include protection of natural and cultural resources, management of the cultural landscape, the adequacy of interpretive programs, traffic pressures, partnership with the National Center for the American Revolution to site and plan a museum within the park, and asbestos remediation.

The park will initiate public scoping in October, 2002 via a newsletter to state and federal agencies, associated American Indian tribes, neighboring communities, elected officials, interest groups and individuals who have indicated interest. Public scoping meetings will be held during that month. If you or a member of your staff would like to attend the public meeting you are most welcome. We also are available at any time to brief you and your staff on the overall planning process or any issues. We will continue to notify you of public meetings and send all documents associated with the planning process. We will seek your formal comments at appropriate stages of the process.

We appreciate the long and positive working relationship the park has enjoyed with PHMC, and look forward to your participation in this new planning process. If you have any questions or wish additional information, please contact Deirdre Gibson, Valley Forge NHP Chief of Planning, at 610-783-1047.

Sincerely,

/S/ Arthur L. Stewart

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**Appendix C: Scoping Summary and Analysis**





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To begin the planning process, Valley Forge NHP reached out to stakeholders, including the general public, interested individuals, local governments, organizations, and any agencies having jurisdiction by law or expertise, for assistance in determining the scope of issues that would be addressed during the planning process. To distribute information about the proposal and the GMP/EIS process, the planning team provided a newsletter, news releases, public open houses, a website, and briefings for organizations that requested them. Public open houses in October 2002 attracted 140 participants, and close to 1,000 letters of comment were received via mail and email.

The National Environmental Policy Act calls these consultations “scoping.” All scoping comments received are reviewed and sorted into categories according to whether and how they would be addressed during the GMP/EIS process. This appendix provides a summary of comments received during the scoping period and how they were categorized. The categories are:

1. those actions that must be taken because they are mandated by laws and policies
2. those actions that cannot be taken because they are inconsistent with laws and policies or beyond the scope of this plan
3. those interests and concerns raised that are appropriately addressed by the GMP/EIS:
  - Resources and Environment (includes Physical and Natural Resources, Cultural Resources, Socioeconomic Resources, Carrying Capacity, and Boundary Issues)
  - American Revolution Center and other Partnerships
  - Traffic and Circulation
  - Interpretation and Visitor Experience
  - Recreation
  - Facilities
  - Operations
  - Funding
4. other

Following is a list of the issues and suggestions received both at meetings and in writing.

### **1. Those actions that must be taken because they are mandated by laws and policies**

- Preserve the historic structures and archeological sites
- Do a better job to preserve natural resources and biodiversity (woodlands and grasslands)
- Local citizens need to be represented in the process—keep us in the loop
- Asbestos deposition areas should be cleaned up and made usable by the public
- Get more input from environmental and preservation groups

- Control invasive plants
- Clean up stream pollution
- Keep working to protect Valley Creek
- Protect Valley Creek from flooding caused by upstream uses; stabilize stream banks
- Better preserve natural resources and biodiversity; restore the forest habitat
- Maintain appropriate carrying capacity—don't allow deterioration from overuse
- Protect wetlands on north side – siltation basin
- Protect vernal ponds

## **2. Those actions that cannot be taken because they are inconsistent with laws and policies or beyond the scope of this plan**

- Remove privately-owned lands from within park. (While this is beyond the scope of this plan, it is the intention of NPS to acquire the remaining lands within the congressionally authorized boundary, on a willing seller basis.)
- Purchase more property. (Almost all the land adjacent to the current congressionally authorized boundary is developed. NPS believes that there is no land adjacent to the boundary that meets legal criteria for inclusion as park land. For information on the criteria, please see Section 3.5 of *NPS Management Policies 2006*, by clicking on <http://www.nps.gov/policy/mp/policies.pdf>.)
- Eliminate chronic funding shortfalls. (Although the plan will examine operating costs and identify ways to make more strategic use of partnerships, annual appropriations are beyond the scope of this plan: funding for units of the national park system is set by the U. S. Congress in its annual appropriation bills.)
- Replace the superintendent. (Personnel actions are beyond the scope of this plan.)
- Eliminate the “squeeze” on North Gulph Road between Richards and Valley Forge Roads. (Valley Forge NHP and Upper Merion Township agreed in the early 1990s to add one travel lane to this road to provide safe travel. Deed issues had prevented implementation but the problem has been resolved.)
- Ensure that rebuilding Betzwood Bridge does not negatively impact park and Schuylkill River Corridor. (The PennDOT categorical exclusion evaluation and 4(f) documentation that addresses impacts on the park and any necessary mitigation is being reevaluated. In addition, the VFATPS [see [www.nps.gov/vafo/vafo\\_gmp](http://www.nps.gov/vafo/vafo_gmp) or [www.dvrpc.org](http://www.dvrpc.org)] was undertaken specifically to find regional solutions to traffic impacts in the park.)
- If park cannot properly maintain buildings, sell them to private owners. (It is prohibited by law to sell park resources.)
- Put a National Veteran's Cemetery within the park. (Converting park land to non-park uses is prohibited by policy. See <http://www.nps.gov/policy/mp/policies.pdf>; also see next comment.)
- North side should not be part of park, put operations over there. (Park land can be deleted from the congressionally authorized boundary only if the land does not contain a significant resource, value, or opportunity for public enjoyment related to the purposes of the park. See Section 3.5 of *NPS Management Policies 2006*)

for a full discussion of this policy at <http://www.nps.gov/policy/mp/policies.pdf>. The north side contains numerous historic and archeological resources, significant natural resources, and future opportunities for public enjoyment.)

- Build playground, dog park, school, ball fields, soccer fields, barbecue areas. (Many forms of recreation enjoyed by the public do not require a national park setting and are more appropriate to other venues. NPS provides opportunities for forms of enjoyment that are uniquely suited and appropriate to the superlative natural and cultural resources found in national parks. The NPS defers to local and state governments, private industry, and non-governmental organizations to meet the broader spectrum of recreational needs and demands. Please see Section 8 of *NPS Management Policies 2006* for a full discussion of this policy at <http://www.nps.gov/policy/mp/policies.pdf>.)
- Fund a grant to provide sprinklers at Washington Memorial Chapel and incidental uses therein. (Park funding cannot be used for privately owned properties.)
- Fund the Schuylkill Metro Line. The Feds will only fund 50% matching funds. Rendell said he could come up with the rest of the money if the Feds would do 60%. (There is no congressional authorization to use park funds for other purposes.)
- If we make it pure history, name should be changed to Valley Forge Suicide Park?

### 3. Those interests and concerns raised that are appropriately addressed by the GMP/EIS

#### ***Resources and Environment (includes Physical and Natural Resources, Cultural Resources, Socioeconomic Resources, Carrying Capacity, and Boundary Issues)***

- Manage the population of white-tailed deer that affects not only the park, but neighbors as well
- Do not manage the population of white-tailed deer
- Protect the park from encroaching development and work with local government to preserve open space
- Mow the meadows in the summer to allow people to use them
- Keep/expand the meadows
- Restore the landscape to the way it looked in Washington's time
- Control noise from traffic—keep the park quiet
- Reduce traffic coming to and traveling around the park to improve air quality
- Put power lines underground
- Asbestos-contaminated areas should be cleaned up and made usable by the public
- Enforce off-road rules and park regulations to limit impacts
- Protect all the remaining parcels of private land within the boundary
- Don't let the perimeter of the park slide into the same contemporary appearance as found beyond the boundary

- Park should do more to help with historic resources outside the park
- Properly maintain historic buildings
- Please don't cut down berry bushes; berry picking is a nice family outing
- Manage the natural resources as a primary concern with the education and cultural/historical concerns second
- Create deeper wetland pools in the lower desilting basins
- White-tailed deer reduction needed now to restore ecological balance to woodlands
- White-tailed deer reduction needed now to reduce the spread of Lyme disease
- Hunting is ineffective and socially unacceptable in a park. Use contraception for white-tailed deer – to stabilize and ultimately reduce white-tailed deer numbers
- Support infiltration of stormwater upstream of Valley Creek
- The tall grass land areas are wonderful. Can we have more?
- Scarce habitat at edge of property should be re-evaluated
- White-tailed deer must not be blamed for everything wrong or unhealthy with the forest. Please avoid selectively blaming white-tailed deer and ignoring other factors, such as acid rain, fungus, etc. that influence the forest health
- Can we develop more wetlands along the north side by Walnut Hill?
- Keep the tangled and forested area around the Fatlands and mow path for nature lovers
- Fire plan for the high grass
- Look at known biologically valuable map – some marginal areas should be re-evaluated
- Bald eagles have been spotted in the park – only through cohesive resource management can the symbol of our nation survive within Valley Forge
- What are legal requirements for wetland protection in regard to migratory bird treaties?
- The impoundment walls can be removed and still maintain the artificial wetlands. It will help flood control downstream
- The GMP must require action on the white-tailed deer issue!!!!!!!!!!
- The white-tailed deer population is by far the most serious concern...White-tailed deer control is a MUST

### ***American Revolution Center and other Partnerships***

- We live in an age where very few organizations can live alone, are strong enough to carry out a mission on their own. It's possible to lose more resources by not partnering than by partnering
- The Valley Forge NHP/ARC partnership has promise for history education, especially for children, for the means to provide first-rate interpretation that's also entertaining, for appeal to diverse populations, and for tourism

- Integrate the planning for the center into the GMP/EIS process
- Obtain commitments of local and state government for project support
- Ensure state-of-the-art green-building principles guide location and design of museum to maximize energy and other resource conservation
- Build a bigger museum for artifacts
- Too much emphasis on museum...get people out on the site
- Ensure any new buildings blend into the landscape—don't let any new buildings dominate the landscape
- Ensure that many voices are considered in deciding what the museum includes
- Don't make the museum or the park Disney-like
- The ARC can make an important contribution to regional tourism

### ***Traffic and Circulation***

- Incorporate the recommendations of the VFATPS into the GMP/EIS process
- Control/remove through-traffic within the park
- Get traffic off PA Route 23
- Don't put PA Route 23's traffic in residential neighborhoods
- Do not limit local residents' use of roads
- Control/remove visitor traffic within the park
- Take parking lots out of the park; move parking lots to outer boundaries of park
- Get traffic out of the park and make sure that as visitation grows, the additional traffic doesn't harm adjacent neighborhoods; establish a shuttle service to replace the use of personal automobiles in the park; re-open the two railroad stations in the park for visitors to come to the park on the future SVM; incorporate public bus service; promote bicycle travel to the park as an alternative to automobiles
- Ensure future SVM does not negatively affect park's cultural and natural resources
- Build a new pedestrian bridge across the Schuylkill River
- Build a pedestrian tunnel below US Route 422
- Discourage traffic from entering adjacent neighborhoods
- Use better warnings where white-tailed deer are most likely to cross roads
- For those of us who live in Phoenixville and west, the key to diverting traffic from Valley Forge NHP is to improve US Route 422. Without that improvement of US Route 422, diverting us from PA Route 23 is a singularly unattractive prospect!
- The Agricultural Culvert under the turnpike by Wilson Road should be used to access the park, at least by pedestrians
- Close North Gulph Road (known as the Great Road built in 1725). Close it from PA Route 23 to the Arch. Make it a trace road.
- Look for alternate for US Route 422

- Speed bumps
- Reroute PA Route 23 along Pawlings Rd. and US Route 422, not along the railroad tracks through Valley Forge NHP
- Change road geometry to prevent “Christmas at Valley Forge”
- Close part of County Line Road and remove a portion of the road from Park Maintenance to Gulph Road (Great Road). Keep the portion to access the Welcome Center lot and maintenance
- If PA Route 23 is to remain in park, then straighten and embank it so not to see traffic from park
- Please ban trucks from PA Route 23
- They should not rebuild the Betzwood Bridge! The rebuilding of this bridge will allow much more construction of the Riverview development in the floodplain
- Double-decker PA Route 23 – animals pass under road
- Submerge PA Route 23 into a tunnel
- Incorporate the Inter-County connector (PennDOT) into the plans. Therefore, no traffic in Valley Forge NHP
- NPS should require additional mitigation for the impacts of a rebuilt Betzwood Bridge, including restoration of historic trace roads within the park
- No to speed bumps on PA Route 23. Keep Gulph Rd. County Line Rd. – optional
- Discourage building roads where people live, through their developments, even mobile homes. Displacing local residents is unacceptable
- Consideration of boat launch relocation
- PA Route 23 alternative. Route P5 for PA Route 23 (merge to US Route 422) is probably best option, as long as added bottleneck not created on US Route 422
- PA Route 252 concerns. If PA Route 23 is closed to most traffic, have worry that traffic will significantly increase on PA Route 252 going west. (Maybe stoplight timing can take care of this!)
- Allow commuter/local traffic only
- Don’t only think big – also try to solve some of the problems that are easy and immediate, like traffic calming, bike safety, etc.
- All support discouraging commuter traffic from the park
- What about “championing” commuter light rail to reduce cars?
- Must provide a safe crossing at PA Route 23 and PA Route 252 intersection – an overpass or underpass – so that link possible for western spine of recreation
- Need RV parking available for people traveling especially to view and experience historical area. Parking needs to be at least overnight or longer
- Build that Sullivan’s Bridge for walkers and bicyclists
- Multi-use bridge across Schuylkill River, include horse trail

- No RV parks!
- It is a mistake to put a roadway next to the river to remove the traffic from the park – present PA Route 23. Pedestrian/cycle bridges should loop and connect north and south side of the park
- Explore the prospects for pedestrian traffic by ferry across the Schuylkill to the north side
- I go with the option P4 to replace PA Route 23
- For traffic traveling east on PA Route 23 where it turns left by the Visitor's Center – Why is there a left turn signal that does not allow left turns, it impedes traffic!!
- Look at flooding of Pawlings Road Bridge. Need to elevate it
- Open up the passenger railroad through to Reading on an old fashion hourly basis and forget the metro. The hourly rail can go now
- US Route 422 bridge currently there should be widened before adding ramps. The on and off ramps immediately before and after a two lane (each way) bridge is the problem!
- Why not direct traffic off at Oaks interchange? (northern relief route)
- Why not use simple logic and narrow the roads, add more curves, etc. and really improve the roads by making them all bucolic and calming?
- A tunnel through Mt. Joy from PA Route 23 paralleling the current PA Route 252 should be considered, which would let existing road be a trace road
- Locate museum on north side to reduce vehicular traffic on south side of the park
- A bridge across the Schuylkill at the west end would help spread the recreational load, as would underpasses under any significant roads

### ***Interpretation and Visitor Experience***

- Provide more educational programs and events
- Do more to convey and emphasize the story of Valley Forge and the American Revolution—it is primary
- Connect what happened at Valley Forge to the rest of the Philadelphia campaign
- Expand interpretation to include, and other local histories in the region, such as industrialization, the Schuylkill River Valley and its historic towns
- The park should be a historic site honoring the past, educating the public about the values of freedom
- Make the park relevant to everyone – not just the usual park visitors
- Bring back patriotic activities in the park, particularly at the amphitheatre
- Use the amphitheater for historical productions
- Establish interpretive and recreational programs on the north side of the park
- Open more of the historic buildings to the public

- Add more soldiers' huts
- Ensure that there are places for quiet reflection
- Provide more places to sit
- Mark the location of the two forges
- Mark the location of Sullivan's bridge
- Provide more historical markers and signage; talking signs and interactive exhibits; user-friendly historical displays; exhibits organized by themes; costumed interpreters; observation tower
- Don't use interactive/hands-on exhibits (too much maintenance)
- Add interpretive and preservation messages to recreational offerings
- Expand facilities and hours
- Represent natural resources in context of historical resources
- Interpret specific items/areas/themes within the park, such as Lafayette, Von Steuben, farmers, weapons, periods before and after the encampment
- The park could support more food service, entertainment venues and programmed activities while still fulfilling its mission
- Consider disking to chop up honeysuckle. Also consider using goats which would be effective and consistent with the interpretation
- Management zones for the park?? In natural resource zone, they could be managed for their intrinsic value, separate from cultural resources
- Obtain the Vaux Mansion for a future museum/education center relative to military history – tie it in with Freedoms Foundation and the Schuylkill River Heritage Corridor
- Show encampment in transition; between March-In, March-Out; challenges in forming the continental army
- Multicultural interpretations – African-Americans, American Indians, other Europeans
- What plans exist that will show the layered history of this site?
- Be willing to lend objects to smaller museums
- Historical landscapes through technology and interpretation tell the story of the landscape. Restore key areas to tell the story. Muhlenberg huts. Build a field hospital to tell the story of sickness and disease
- I think it's important that the process of the cultural items be explained. For example: Duportail was responsible for the defense structures, but what discussion took place and how does the "engineer" interact with the logistician?
- Show archeology digs in progress
- The archeology should be a major component – the excavation shows the real feature – not reconstruction. This will be a major draw for tourists. Primary archeology should focus on 1776 era history, given limited resources; the rest should be protected for future investigation
- Set up a system similar to some Canadian historical parks where archeology and historic artifacts are accessible to visitors on computers



- Do archeology in the Fatlands area – via park archeologists, schools, volunteers, internships
- The park should offer programming that link Valley Forge to actual battle sites in the region such as Brandywine Battlefield, Paoli Massacre, and Battlefield of Clonds
- Assist citizens who want to trace their family history back to the American Revolution – more computerized information on soldiers at the encampment
- Spending some time focusing on the geology of Valley Forge Park would be interesting
- Don't use "Shrine/Pilgrimage/Icon" religious connotations
- Integrate north side into the whole park experience
- Rehabilitate the old Wetherill Mansion
- Print a discovery guide to Walnut Hill and Fatlands similar to the Washington's Headquarters area walking tour guide
- Create at least two more wayside exhibits for the Walnut Hill area
- Joint activities with Montgomery Park system...bird walks, have a Scenic River Day with the state on Scenic River Day, do a program at Walnut Hill for the next Earth Day
- Explore relationships/opportunities to join efforts with Audubon Center
- The north side is obviously a very valuable historical area. Make it accessible to visitors, perhaps just for "touring" purposes. Minimal impact on environment
- Restore barn at Walnut Hill with no additional surrounding development, for interpretative purposes
- Please keep the north side undeveloped
- The talking sign at the von Steuben Statue was so nice. It has been broken for a year. Why not fix it and set up other talking signs
- It would be wonderful if you could put some bird ID pictures near tall grass meadows so folks would learn bird names
- Interpret the park's 19th century industrial village around Headquarters and Village of Port Kennedy
- I would hope that a more proactive plan to view the war in the Delaware Valley starting with Washington's Crossing and ending with Monmouth could be promoted as a single and interconnected event
- Interpretive paths, bikeways, river access points, etc. should be incorporated where appropriate in order to bring visitors out into the landscape. The natural landscape should become an interpretive feature
- One of the things that can be done to enhance the national attractiveness and also the educational value of the park is to perhaps integrate the Valley Forge Freedoms Foundation with the park

## **Recreation**

- Too many recreational users; do not allow recreation to overwhelm history or impact natural resources
- Keep same recreational uses—don't reduce area available for people to enjoy themselves; do not limit park to just "historical" uses
- Recreational users are a given and will only increase as surrounding development continues; include them in the plan, capitalize on their presence, transform them into historical visitors
- People should be able to enjoy recreation and history
- Allow passive recreation only
- Prohibit model airplane use
- Keep model airplane use
- Assess all trails, both authorized and illegal, for value for visitor use and for resource impacts
- Repair the trails; keep them free of erosion and debris
- Improve existing walking and biking trails
- Improve the access to and through woodland areas
- Add walking and biking trails from the edge of the park, for example from Chesterbrook, the convention center, along PA Route 23 for visitors coming from west of the park; connect regional recreational resources, such as trails, to and through the park
- Separate bicyclists from pedestrians
- Rebuild the footbridge over Valley Creek
- Incorporate more natural experiences, such as birdwatching
- Does enhanced recreation include hunting for recreation – if so, it will only serve to boost productivity
- If possible, make sure the bike and roller blade trail is buffered visually from the interpretation areas. Conversely, put horses near the 1777-78 interpretation areas
- Establish a public stable, like Northwestern Stables run by the city of Philadelphia. This housing of horses would help create a 1777-78 atmosphere
- Consider access to the river and the use of historic period barges
- Remove mountain bike trails in the lower desilting basin. Keep only the trails created by the engineers between 1945-55
- Please add a new trail along the turnpike and another along the river with the railroad bed
- Improve trail markers
- Develop path from covered bridge to Knox Farm area and trail
- Need to pave the biking path along Valley Creek

- The west end of the park has valuable historical resources. Any movement of recreational activities to this end of the park should not endanger these resources or stop on-site interpretive exhibits
- Please continue kite flying and sledding
- Keep the riverside trail on the northern side as a gravel trail
- Camporee's for boy scouts and girl scouts
- Website for trails – to inform the public about management plans; history; how the public can get involved in the care for trails
- Don't add playgrounds near wetland areas on North Side of park
- I would not establish recreation opportunities in the park that would bring "team" sports to this historical area
- Separate paved bike trails from paved walking trails
- Single track quiet, wooded trails are very important. Some people really seek the quiet and beauty of the woods
- Keep trail on top CCC berm in north side of park
- Loops to control unauthorized trails
- Loops are needed individually for all types of trail usage along with safe parking areas
- Need to make black top loop wider for biker and walker use. It is too narrow for both users
- Mountain bikers ride illegally because there are no legal trails. Accommodate mountain bikers legally
- Walk-a-thons – do they have to be on north side?
- Conduct programs on boating safety with the Coast Guard along the Schuylkill River when busy

### ***Facilities***

- No more structures (tourist attractions) after the museum
- Don't spend lots of money on new building if current one can be reused
- Provide affordable restaurant
- More restrooms
- I would like to see more rest areas in the park (at least two more)
- A water fountain is solely needed by the Pawlings parking lot to assist people who are walking/running longer loops
- Build a large swimming facility that would be used by visitors (children primarily) who have been strapped into car seats for long hours. A place to stop and cool off
- Establish a small animal facility which would have all sorts of indigenous animals, plus the white-tailed deer herd. The park white-tailed deer herd should be either fenced or removed entirely from the park lands

### ***Operations***

- Not enough staff
- Take advantage of volunteers as docents
- Need more security
- Maintain the park—keep it as well maintained as it used to be
- Do not allow park buildings to be used as residences
- Need better signage both to get to the park and within the park
- Establish a volunteer coordinator to partner with bicyclist, horseback riders, walkers, runners (and their groups) to help maintain trails
- Organize work for youth groups
- Have an adopt a trail program
- Publicize volunteer needs/opportunities!
- Teach proper care and usage of trails

### ***Funding***

- Explore strategies for user fees, including seasonal or annual passes; charges for program; parking passes
- Explore new sources of revenue, including food service, bike rentals, guided bus tours, shuttle service
- Charge the recreational user, not the historical visitor
- It would be wonderful to eliminate all automobile traffic in the park – if the money was available
- How do we fund these improvements? (both transportation infrastructure and park programs)
- Consider using Chester County grant funding for Historic Resources by Friends group (provided through hospitality tax) and investigate such a tax in Montgomery County
- Yearly fundraiser from corporations/hiking clubs/biking clubs, etc
- Pay an annual parking sticker fee – for money toward trails
- NO FEE
- Usage fees: how to assess those who walk in?

## **4. Other**

- Find a balance between park environment, development, recreation, and adjacent landowners
- The park should be a sanctuary for citizens and not subject to encroaching commercial development with privation to the general public
- Keep the park the same
- Do not allow any commercialization
- Don't turn Valley Forge into a theme park: it was a place of sacrifice, suffering, and sorrow

- Any plans must have dedicated, long-range support from local, state and federal authorities
- The park is a bad neighbor and ignores the wishes and needs of the immediate neighbors
- The park is a great asset to neighboring communities as a gathering place in a world where community is rarely considered
- Do a better job of outreach to surrounding communities
- I would like to see the park remain a park and not given any land for a cemetery. Although I am an ex-serviceman, I could live with a cemetery on the outskirts of the park. I would still like to see the park remain as is
- I would like to see the NPS buy the rest of the private land in and around the park so it won't have to go through again what it went through with Toll Brothers
- What is the park going to do about the PCB contamination in Valley Creek?
- Get park on 911 system. Get name Valley Forge off the Village of Port Kennedy train station – confusing to responders
- Because this area is so rich in colleges and universities, I believe Valley Forge NHP should partner more with those colleges and universities
- Provide speakers to youth organizations that might want to hold meetings and picnics in the park
- Create opportunities for undergrad and graduate research
- Locate a veteran's cemetery on North Side
- Has federal government considered buying conservation easements on land that may not necessarily need to be bought in fee or have total use by NPS?
- Do not use North Side for cemetery
- Eventually buy some of St. Gabriel's property for inclusion in the park
- Private utilities should be communicated with. Not have in trail – PennDOT needs to do
- Maxwell's Library needs historical preservation (more priority than most)!
- Charge horseback trailers for parking
- Bulletin boards at each washroom or parking lot
- Signage – kiosks – information on how to ride bikes (trail etiquette)
- Signs/awareness of Lyme Disease
- Don't sell food in park!
- The remaining parcels of privately held land – not just Toll Bros. -- should be purchased by the Federal Government or protected by easements
- The land ownership question must be resolved. I think it's ironic that in Valley Forge Park citizens are being fought when they want to develop their land
- The park should not be opened for real estate development

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**Appendix D: Treatment, Use, and Condition of Buildings**





**Table D-1 Encampment-Period Buildings**

Building	Treatment			Use			Comment; FMSS
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	
Varnum's Quarters c. 1711-35 - LCS 22317	Preserve as is			Open to public for interpretive use			Numerous alterations over time. Little interior fabric remains. FMSS Loc/Asset #28015. FCI = 0.007 Ranking = GOOD API = 80
Stirling's Quarters c. 1769 - LCS 22320	Rehabilitate			Adaptive use/leasing/Open to public for interpretive use			Numerous additions and alterations over time; rehab underway as of FY06. FMSS Loc/Asset #28020. FCI = 0.924 Ranking = SERIOUS API = 80
David Potts House c. 1725-40 - LCS 22324	Preserve as is			Adaptive use/leasing/Open to public for interpretive use			Numerous additions and alterations over time. FMSS Loc/Asset #28024. FCI = 0.013 Ranking = GOOD API = 80
Knox' Quarters c. 1771 LCS 22325	Rehabilitate			None	Adaptive use/leasing		Numerous additions and alterations over time; rehab proposed for FY08. FMSS Loc/Asset #28026. FCI = 0.188 Ranking = POOR API = 79
Mordecai Moore House c. 1750 - LCS 22328	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Ranger Station	Adaptive use/leasing		Numerous additions and alterations over time. FMSS Loc/Asset #28031. FCI = 0.769 Ranking = SERIOUS API = 100

**Table D-1 Encampment-Period Buildings (Continued)**

Building	Treatment			Use			Comment; FMSS
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	
Lafayette's Quarters c. 1763 - LCS 22330	Preserve as is			Part of park housing program	Park operations/Adaptive use/leasing		Numerous additions and alterations over time. FMSS Loc/Asset #28039. FCI = 0.048 Ranking = GOOD API = 80
Washington's Headquarters c. 1773 - LCS 22333	Preserve as is			Open to public for interpretive use			An individually listed NHL, building has been reasonably accurately restored. FMSS Loc/Asset #28044. FCI = 0.145 Ranking = FAIR API = 80
Steuben Memorial Information Center c. 1771 - LCS 22332	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		None; part of historic scene	Adaptive use/leasing		FMSS Loc/Asset #39017. FCI = 0.129 Ranking = FAIR API = 55
Pawling Mansion (143) c. 1743 (northern portion) - LCS 80280	Stabilize		Restore	None; part of historic scene	Adaptive use/leasing		Building was abandoned. FMSS Loc/Asset #28398. FCI = 0 Ranking = NOT GIVEN API = 55. ASSET STATUS = INACTIVE
Maurice Stephens Spring House (northern portion) - LCS 22347	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		None; part of historic scene			FCI = 0.226 Ranking = POOR API = 80
Stirling Spring House c. 1769 (first floor west end) - LCS 22321	Rehabilitate			Adaptive use/leasing in conjunction with Stirling's Quarters			FMSS Loc/Asset #28021 FCI = 0.139 Ranking = FAIR API = 80
Masonry Spring House at Meadow Grove - LCS 22354	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		None; part of historic scene			Building was abandoned. FMSS Loc/Asset #93676. FCI = 0 Ranking = not given API = 43 ASSET STATUS = INACTIVE

Table D-2 Possible Encampment-Period Buildings

Building	Treatment			Use			Comment; FMSS
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	
Washington's Stable c. 1773 - LCS 22334	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		None; part of historic scene	Open to public for interpretive use		Altered over time. FMSS Loc./asset #28046 FCI = 0.015 Ranking = GOOD API = 87
Potts Barn c. 1760-1820 - LCS 22336	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Park offices; storage	Park operations/Adaptive use		Altered over time. FMSS Loc./asset #28050 FCI = 0.030 Ranking = GOOD API = 88
Horseshoe Trail South c. 1750-1790 (northern portion) - LCS 22348	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Part of park housing program	Part of park housing program/ Adaptive use/leasing		FMSS Loc./asset #28361 FCI = 0.905 Ranking = SERIOUS API = 55

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Building	Treatment			Use			Comment; FMSS
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	
Varnum Springhouse LCS 80231	Preserve as is			No interior use proposed; part of historic scene			FMSS Loc/Asset #28019 FCI=0.087 Ranking=GOOD API=80
Stirling Small Barn LCS 22322	Rehabilitate			Adaptive use/leasing in conjunction with Stirling's Quarters			FMSS Loc/Asset #39013 FCI0.013 Ranking = FAIR APH43
Walker Barn LCS 22323	Preserve as is			Park Operations		Visitor use/adaptive use/leasing	FMSS Loc/Asset #28022 FCI = 0.958 Ranking = SERIOUS API = 64
Knox Barn c. 1840 LCS 22326	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Park Operations		Adaptive use/leasing	FMSS Loc/Asset #28028 FCI = 0.214 Ranking = POOR API = 67
Knox Stable c. 1895 LCS 22327	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Park Operations		Adaptive use/leasing	FMSS Loc/Asset #28030 FCI = 0.365 Ranking = POOR API = 67
Knox Corn Crib c. 1895 LCS 22618	Preserve as is			No interior use proposed; part of historic scene			FMSS Loc/Asset #39014 FCI = 0.431 Ranking = POOR API = 60

**Table D-3 Post-Encampment Period Historic Buildings (Continued)**

Building	Treatment			Use			Comment; FMSS
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	
Knox Agricultural Equipment Shed LCS 22619	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Park Operations	Adaptive use/leasing		FMSS Loc/Asset #39015 FCI = 0.144 Ranking = FAIR API = 67
Mordecai Moore Root Cellar — LCS 22620	Preserve as is			No interior use proposed; part of historic scene			No asset location for this structure
Mordecai Moore Garage LCS - Not Assigned	Preserve as is	Preserve or rehabilitate if necessary for adaptive use		Ranger Station	Adaptive use/leasing in conjunction with Mordecai Moore House		FMSS Loc/Asset #28033 FCI = 0.065 Ranking = GOOD API = 42
Washington's HQ Springhouse LCS 22335	Preserve as is			No interior use proposed; part of historic scene			FMSS Loc/Asset #28048 FCI = 0.254 Ranking = POOR API = 67
P. C. Knox Estate Main Building c.1870 LCS 22337	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Park Operations	Adaptive use/leasing		Also known as site of Maxwell's Quarters. FMSS Loc/Asset #31518 FCI-1.449 Ranking = SERIOUS API = 93
P. C. Knox Caretaker's House c. 1880 LCS 22338	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Part of park housing program	Adaptive use/leasing		FMSS Loc/Asset #32794 FCI = 0.045 Ranking = GOOD API = 60

**Table D-3 Post-Encampment Period Historic Buildings (Continued)**

Building	Treatment			Use			Comment; FMSS
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	
P.C. Knox Garage & Chauffeur's Quarters c. 1880-1913 — LCS 22339	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Part of park housing program	Temporary housing/adaptive use/leasing		FMSS Loc/Asset #32806 FCI = 0.349 Ranking = POOR API = 67
P.C. Knox Root Cellar c. 1880 — LCS 22621	Preserve as is			No interior use proposed; part of historic scene			FMSS Loc/Asset #39018 FCI = 0.000 Ranking = GOOD API = 60
P.C. Knox Bath House c. 1875 — LCS 22340	Preserve	Demolish		None			Building is a ruin in a floodplain FMSS Loc/Asset #39019 FCI = 0.000 Ranking = None listed API = None listed
P.C. Knox Pool c. 1875—LCS 22686	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		None	Part of historic scene		Stone-lined impoundment is spring-fed No FMSS Asset number for this location
P.C. Knox Greenhouse ruin — LCS 22342	Demolish	Preserve knee-wall as is; remove the glass panes that are hazardous and keep iron frame		None; part of historic scene			Ruin FMSS Loc/Asset #39020 FCI = 0.000 No ranking nor API indicated for this item
P.C. Knox Summer House — LCS 22343	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		None	Visitor use		Building is a pavilion FMSS Loc/Asset #39024 FCI = 0.000 Ranking = none indicated API = 51

**Table D-3 Post-Encampment Period Historic Buildings (Continued)**

Building	Treatment			Use			Comment; FMSS
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	
Workizer-Thropp House c. 1815 — LCS 22345	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		No interior use; part of historic scene	Adaptive use/leasing		Building is a shell only FMSS Loc/Asset #32813 FCI = 0.019 Ranking = GOOD API = 12
Maurice Stephens House c. 1816 — LCS 22346	Rehabilitate			Park Operations	Open to public for interpretive use		Also known as site of Huntingdon's Quarters; preservation underway as of 2005 FMSS Loc/Asset #32818 FCI = 2.073 Ranking = SERIOUS API = 83
School house—prior to 1825 — LCS 22350	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Park Operations			Interior extensively altered FMSS Loc/Asset #28362 FCI = 0.049 Ranking = GOOD API = 60
Port Kennedy Quarry Building c. 1830 — LCS 22355	Preserve as is			No interior use; part of historic scene			Also known as Old Commissary; the building is a shell FMSS Loc/Asset #36016 FCI = 0.138 Ranking = FAIR API = 12
Rogers House c. 1840 — LCS 22356	Preserve as is			SUP for historic organization	Adaptive use/leasing		Also known as POSA; interior extensively altered; building currently occupied under a Special Use Permit FMSS Loc/Asset #28363 FCI = 0.000 Ranking = GOOD API = 47



**Table D-3 Post-Encampment Period Historic Buildings (Continued)**

Building	Treatment			Use			Comment; FMSS
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	
Horseshoe Trail West c. 1840 — LCS 22357	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Part of park housing program	Part of park housing program/ adaptive use/leasing		FMSS Loc/Asset #28364 FCI = 0.133 Ranking = FAIR API = 23
Horseshoe Trail East c. 1850 — LCS 22358	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Part of park housing program	Part of park housing program/ adaptive use/leasing		FMSS Loc/Asset #28365 FCI = 0.298 Ranking = POOR API = 23
Kennedy Mansion c. 1852 — LCS 22359	Preserve as is			Adaptive use/leasing			FMSS Loc/Asset #28366 FCI = 0.000 Ranking = GOOD API = 73
Kennedy Carriage House — LCS 22360	Preserve as is			Adaptive use/leasing in conjunction with mansion			FMSS Loc/Asset #28367 FCI = 0.000 Ranking = GOOD API = 40
Furnace Office c. 1855 — LCS 22361	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Required occupancy	Adaptive use/leasing		FMSS Loc/Asset #28368 FCI = 0.128 Ranking = FAIR API = 23
Cinderbank Houses c. 1855 — LCS 22362 - 22364	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Part of park housing program	Adaptive use/leasing		Interiors extensively altered; located in 100-year floodplain FMSS Loc/Asset #28369-28374 FCI = 0.067 Ranking = GOOD API = 23

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Building	Treatment			Use			Comment; FMSS
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	
Blair House c. 1875 — LCS 22366	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Part of park housing program	Adaptive use/leasing		Interior extensively altered FMSS Loc/Asset #28375 FCI = 0.104 Ranking = FAIR API = 23
Blair House Smelting Shed/Outbuilding — LCS 22367	Preserve as is	Demolish or rehabilitate		Part of park housing program	Adaptive use/leasing in conjunction with Blair House		FMSS Loc/Asset #39030 FCI = 2.053 Ranking = SERIOUS API = none listed
Hayman House c. 1880 — LCS 22368	Rehabilitate			Dormitory for park use			Interior extensively altered FMSS Loc/Asset #28378 FCI = 0.087 Ranking = GOOD API = 36
Thomas House c. 1880 — LCS 22372	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Park Operations	Park Operations/adaptive use/leasing		FMSS Loc/Asset #28379 FCI = 0.024 Ranking = GOOD API = 46
Boyer House c. 1886 — LCS 22376	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Part of park housing program	Park Dormitory		FMSS Loc/Asset #28382 FCI = 0.016 Ranking = GOOD API = 23

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Building	Treatment			Use			Comment; FMSS
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	
Boyer Barn – LCS 22377	Preserve as is	Demolish		Part of park housing program	None		FMSS Loc/Asset #39032 FCI = 4.020 Ranking = SERIOUS API = none listed
Haney House c. 1890 – LCS 22378	Preserve as is	Demolish		None			FMSS Loc/Asset #28383 FCI = 0.343 Ranking = POOR API = none listed
Haney Garage – LCS 22379	Preserve as is	Demolish		None			FMSS Loc/Asset #28384 FCI = 7.775 Ranking = SERIOUS API = none listed
Nichols House c. 1890 – LCS - not assigned	Preserve as is	Demolish		None			FMSS Loc/Asset #28385 FCI = 0.376 Ranking = POOR API = none listed
Nichols Garage – LCS - Delisted	Preserve as is	Demolish		None			No FMSS asset # for this location
Knox-Trindle House c. 1910 – LCS 22386	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Part of park housing program	Adaptive use/leasing		FMSS Loc/Asset #28386 FCI = 0.013 Ranking = GOOD API = none listed

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Building	Treatment			Use			Comment; FMSS
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	
Knox-Trindle Garage — LCS 22387	Preserve as is			None	Adaptive use/leasing		FMSS Loc/Asset #28387 FCI = 0.498 Ranking = POOR API = none listed
Lund House c. 1910 — LCS 22388	Rehabilitate			Dormitory for park use			FMSS Loc/Asset #28388 FCI = 0.206 Ranking = POOR API = 36
Valley Forge RR Station c. 1911 — LCS 22390	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		Open to public for occasional events	Open to public for interpretive use		FMSS Loc/Asset #28390 FCI = 0.400 Ranking = POOR API = 75
Robert McCurdy House c. 1911 — LCS 22391	Preserve as is	Demolish		None			FMSS Loc/Asset #28391 FCI = 0.014 Ranking = GOOD API = none listed
Robert McCurdy Garage — LCS 22396	Preserve as is	Demolish		None			FMSS Loc/Asset #28392 FCI = 0.043 Ranking = GOOD API = none listed
David McCurdy House c. 1922 — LCS 22395	Preserve as is	Demolish		None			FMSS Loc/Asset #28393 FCI = 0.192 Ranking = POOR API = none listed

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Building	Treatment			Use			Comment; FMSS
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	
David McCurdy Garage — LCS 22396	Preserve as is	Demolish		None			FMSS Loc/Asset #28394 FCI = 2.976 Ranking = SERIOUS API = none listed
Loughin House c. 1925 — LCS 22398	Preserve as is			Part of park housing program			FMSS Loc/Asset #28395 FCI = 0.913 Ranking = SERIOUS API = 40
Loughin Garage — LCS 22399	Preserve as is			Part of park housing program			FMSS Loc/Asset #28397 FCI = 2.300 Ranking = SERIOUS API = none listed
Samuel Brittain Sr. House — LCS 80250	Preserve as is			None			FMSS Loc/Asset #28403 FCI = 0.441 Ranking = POOR API = 23
Rose Cottage — LCS - not assigned	Preserve as is	Demolish		None			FMSS Loc/Asset #28404 FCI = 0.076 Ranking = GOOD API = none listed
Midgeley House— LCS - not assigned	Preserve as is			Part of park housing program			FMSS Loc/Asset #29190 FCI = 0.021 Ranking = GOOD API = 23

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Building	Treatment			Use			Comment; FMSS
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	
Midgely Garage — LCS - not assigned	Preserve as is	Demolish		Part of park housing program	None		FMSS Loc/Asset #51209 FCI = 2.040 Ranking = SERIOUS API = none listed
Evans House c. 1958 — LCS - not assigned	Preserve as is	Demolish		Part of park housing program	None		FMSS Loc/Asset #29192 FCI = 0.028 Ranking = GOOD API = 63
Evans Garage — LCS - not assigned	Preserve as is	Demolish		Part of park housing program	None		No FMSS asset # for this location
Port Kennedy Station — LCS 80295	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		None	Adaptive use/leasing		FMSS Loc/Asset #29229 FCI = 0.045 Ranking = GOOD API = 32
Wallace House — LCS - not assigned	Preserve as is	Demolish		None	None		Good FMSS Loc/Asset #28402 FCI = 0.072 Ranking = GOOD API = 25
Maintenance buildings — LCS - not assigned	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate	Demolish	Operations	None		Poor FMSS Loc/asset # 28405 - 28641 FCI = 0.193 Ranking = POOR API = 45

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Building	Treatment			Use			Comment; FMSS
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	
Walnut Hill Tenant House - LCS 80285	Preserve as is			Required occupancy			Good FMSS Loc/asset #28401 FCI = 0.048 Ranking = GOOD API = 43
Walnut Hill Spring House - LCS 80281	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		None	Adaptive use/leasing		Good FMSS Loc/asset #28399 FCI = 0.087 Ranking = GOOD API = 55
Walnut Hill Barn — LCS 80282	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		None; part of historic scene	Adaptive use/leasing		FMSS Loc/asset #28400 FCI = 0.140 Ranking = FAIR API = 51
Waggonseller Mansion — LCS - not assigned	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		None; part of historic scene	Adaptive use/leasing		Building impairs cultural landscape FMSS Loc/asset #91832 FCI = 0.000 Ranking = none listed API = 43
Waggonseller Large Barn — LCS - not assigned	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		None; part of historic scene	Adaptive use/leasing		FMSS Loc/asset #91834 FCI = none listed Ranking = none listed API = 43

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Building	Treatment			Use			Comment; FMSS
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	
Waggonseller Carriage Barn — LCS - not assigned	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		None; part of historic scene	Adaptive use/leasing		Under rehabilitation as of FY06 FMSS Loc/asset #91833 FCI = none listed Ranking = none listed API = 32
Waggonseller Spring House — LCS - not assigned	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		None; part of historic scene	Adaptive use/leasing		FMSS Loc/asset #91845 FCI = 0.000 Ranking = none listed API = 43
Waggonseller Tenant House — LCS - not assigned	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		None; part of historic scene	Adaptive use/leasing		FMSS Loc/asset #91839 FCI = 0.000 Ranking = none listed API = 32
David Walker House — LCS - not assigned	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		None; part of historic scene	Adaptive use/leasing		FMSS Loc/asset #86714 FCI = 0.010 Ranking = GOOD API = 43
David Walker Tenant House — LCS - not assigned	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		None; part of historic scene	Adaptive use/leasing		FMSS Loc/asset #86715 FCI = 0.059 Ranking = GOOD API = 32



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Building	Treatment			Use			Comment; FMSS
	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	
David Walker Barn – LCS - not assigned	Preserve as is	Rehabilitate		None; part of historic scene	Adaptive use/leasing		Recent evaluation found building to be not eligible for listing on the National Register FMSS Loc/asset #86715 FCI = 0.059 Ranking = GOOD API = 32
David Walker Spring House – LCS - not assigned	Preserve as is			None; part of historic scene			FMSS Loc/asset #86717 FCI = 0.000 Ranking = no ranking API = 32
Hospital Hut, 1910 – LCS - 22400	Preserve as is			None; part of historic scene			Replica hut; earliest in park FMSS Loc/asset #28698 FCI = 0.148 Ranking = FAIR API = 40
Soldier's Hut, 1935 – LCS - 22509	Preserve as is			None; part of historic scene			Replica hut; also known as Pennsylvania Division, Second Brigade Hut No FMSS asset # for this location

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