



FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Landscape Management Plan

Antietam National Battlefield Sharpsburg, Maryland

The National Park Service (NPS) prepared a Landscape Management Plan/Environmental Assessment (Plan) to evaluate the potential environmental impacts associated with changes in the management of the landscape to maintain and enhance the historic character of Antietam National Battlefield (the Battlefield), an administrative unit of national park system located in Sharpsburg, Maryland. The purpose of the Battlefield is to preserve, protect, restore, and interpret for the benefit of the public the resources associated with the Battle of Antietam and its legacy. The Plan amends the scene restoration and resource management portions of the 1992 Antietam National Battlefield General Management Plan (GMP) addressing lands acquired since 1992 not considered in the GMP and evolving management decisions regarding the management of the historic battlefield landscape.

The purpose of the Plan is to develop comprehensive, sustainable land use strategies that will preserve significant landscape elements and integrate natural and cultural resource values. The Plan will define the framework for the treatment of the Battlefield and commemorative landscape and describe specific guidelines and tasks aimed to maintain and enhance its historic character.

The Plan is needed because:

- The 1992 GMP provides inadequate and outdated Scene Restoration and Resource Management guidance
- The Battlefield has more than doubled in size since the 1992 GMP
- Existing park guidance does not address appropriate preservation treatment for the entire battlefield cultural landscape as it is currently defined
- The landscape has been managed in a piecemeal manner
- Invasive species and pests present a growing challenge to Battlefield-wide stewardship
- Erosion occurs along creeks and trails, diminishing Battlefield resources
- The Battlefield experiences loss or diminishment of witness trees
- The Battlefield is evaluating a long-term lease program for farm operation and improved watershed stewardship
- The landscape lacks sufficient resiliency to address climate change impact

The Environmental Assessment (EA) was prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (42 United States Code (USC) § 4332) and the Council on Environmental Quality implementing regulations effective September 14, 2020 (40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §§ 1500-1508); US Department of the Interior NEPA regulations (43 CFR 46); NPS Director's Order 12: Conservation Planning, Environmental Impact Analysis, and Decision-Making; and the NPS NEPA

Handbook. The statements and conclusions reached in this finding of no significant impact (FONSI) are based on documentation and analysis provided in the EA and associated decision file.

PUBLIC AND AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

Public Scoping – As part of the NEPA process and to comply with the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), the NPS involved the public in project scoping by holding a 30-day public comment period from October 21, 2021, to November 21, 2021. A virtual public meeting was held on October 21, 2021, using the Microsoft Teams platform. The scoping period and virtual meeting were announced by sending an email blast to agencies, stakeholders, and other potentially interested parties from a mailing list established for the project. The presentation used during the virtual public meeting and a recording of the meeting remain available at the NPS Planning, Environment and Public Comment (PEPC) project webpage (<https://parkplanning.nps.gov/document.cfm?parkID=173&projectID=104934&documentID=115828>). A total of 11 correspondences were received during the public during the scoping period.

EA Public Review – The EA was made available for public review and comment from July 7, 2022, to August 8 at the NPS PEPC project webpage (<https://parkplanning.nps.gov/document.cfm?parkID=173&projectID=104934&documentID=115828>). The EA public review period was announced on the NPS PEPC project webpage and by news release and email blast. A total of nine correspondences were received during the EA public review period. Responses to public comments are provided in Attachment B.

National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 Consultation – Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (543 USC 306101) and its implementing regulations (36 CFR Part 800) requires federal agencies to take into consideration the effects projects have on historic properties. In alignment with Section 106 and the Programmatic Agreement Among the National Park Service, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, and the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers with Compliance for Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (2008), the NPS initiated formal consultation and coordination with the Maryland Historical Trust (MHT), the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) on November 15, 2021. The NPS held one Section 106 consulting parties meeting, which occurred on April 26, 2022. The NPS submitted a Section 106 Assessment of Effects (AOE) package to the SHPO in a letter dated July 18, 2022, recommending that the Plan will have no adverse effect on historic resources and the cultural landscape, but the implementation of the Plan could have an adverse effect on archeological resources. As funding becomes available to implement elements of the Plan, additional Section 106 consultation with the SHPO and Federally Recognized Tribes (“tribes”) will be needed. However, the proposed undertakings in the Plan are unfunded and no site-specific planning has been done. Due to the lack of site-specific planning, the NPS cannot yet fully assess the potential effects of the undertakings on archeological resources. The Plan is part of the “nondestructive project planning” for these prospective undertakings, and as such does not “restrict the subsequent consideration of alternatives to avoid, minimize or mitigate [specific] undertakings adverse effects on historic properties” in accordance with 36 CFR § 800.1(c). Accordingly, the NPS finds that no archeological resources will be affected by the development of the Plan in accordance with 36 CFR § 800.4(d)(1).

Each element of the Plan will be subject to a separate Section 106 consultation as outlined in the 2008 Programmatic Agreement; and all work will be designed to meet The Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties. The NPS will complete additional Section 106 compliance, including consultation with SHPO and tribes, submitted as a separate project (or separate projects) from the Plan as the precise locations of each element of the Plan are developed and designed. Section 106 compliance will be completed prior to any implementation work. Individual Memorandums of Agreements will be developed for these elements if there is a finding of adverse effect.

The SHPO concurred with the NPS that the Plan will have no adverse effect on historic resources in a document dated August 24, 2022 (see Attachment C).

Tribal Consultation – Tribal consultation initiation letters were sent to the Accohannock Indian Tribe, Piscataway Conoy Tribe, Piscataway Indian Nation, Cedarville Band of Piscataway Conoy (Piscataway Conoy Tribe), Pamunkey Indian Tribe, Upper Mattaponi Indian Tribe, Rappahannock Tribe, Nansemond Indian Nation, Chickahominy Indian Tribe, Chickahominy Tribe Eastern Division, Monacan Indian Nation, Catawba Indian Nation, Delaware Nation, Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma, and Shawnee Tribe on November 3, 2021. A Section 106 AOE package was submitted to the tribes on July 18, 2022. The consultation correspondence to the tribes is provided in Attachment C. The Catawba had no immediate concerns with regard to traditional cultural properties, sacred sites or Native American archaeological sites within the boundaries of the proposed project areas. However, the Catawba requested to be notified if Native American artifacts and / or human remains are located during the ground disturbance phase of this project. No comments were received from any other of the tribes; however, the Delaware Nation State Historic Preservation Office accepted the invitation for consultation.

Endangered Species Act, Section 7 Consultation - U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) – In accordance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, an official species list was obtained through the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Information, Planning, and Consultation (IPaC) System on March 25, 2022, which identified the potential for the federally threatened northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*) and the federally endangered Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) to be present at the Battlefield. Prior to and during the implementation period of the Plan, the NPS will complete Section 7 consultation with the USFWS and Maryland Department of Natural Resources Wildlife and Heritage Service (DNR) to identify activities included in the Plan that would have the potential to affect federally and state listed threatened and endangered species.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED AND SELECTED

The EA analyzed two alternatives: (A) no action, and (B) action alternative (i.e., the Plan). Based on the analysis presented in the EA, the NPS selected Alternative B: Action Alternative (the NPS Preferred Alternative) for implementation. The selected alternative is described on pages 11-15 of the EA. The selected alternative will improve the cultural landscape integrity and ecological function of the Battlefield's diverse landscape mosaic. The selected alternative will also rehabilitate forest cover, improve riparian buffers, convert some open areas to grasslands or meadows, rehabilitate views through removing obstructive vegetation, and add orchard planting. The following summarizes Alternative B.

Forest Rehabilitation - Approximately 140 acres of woodland areas will be reforested in locations where substantial gaps in forest cover exist or where historic woodlots have been diminished. Forest rehabilitation provides ecological connectivity. Planted tree species will be from the Northeastern interior Dry-Mesic Oak Forest community and based on geographical location, such as the upland or floodplain community.

Water Quality Improvement - Water quality will be improved through enhanced riparian buffers and erosion mitigation. Riparian buffers will be maintained or enhanced adjacent to creeks, streams, and intermittent drainages as needed. In areas that include historic vistas, the improvements will use shrubs or grasses instead of trees in areas that include historic vistas.

Native Grassland and Meadow Establishment - Approximately 287 acres of additional native grasslands and meadows will be established through conversion of some hayfields and crop fields. These fields will be maintained through a prescribed burn program and monitoring, and ongoing control of invasive vegetation.

Agriculture - Approximately 824 acres of agricultural areas will continue to be maintained through special use permits or historic leasing. Agricultural fields where key battle-related actions occurred will

remain in agricultural use. These areas will continue to implement Nutrient Management plans and farmstead-specific Soil and Water Conservation plans. Farmsteads with hayfields and pastures will continue to follow soil and water conservation plan best management practices.

Orchards - Approximately two acres of the historic Mumma Farm orchard will be reestablished and approximately eight acres of the Piper Farmstead's existing orchard will be maintained.

Alternatives such as planting dwarf or nonfruiting varieties of trees will be considered for reducing the maintenance needs of the orchard. The Battlefield staff and the orchard cooperator will continue to manage the orchards through best management practices, such as deer population control, organic operation with low pesticide use, native bee population management, and cyclical mowing.

Mown Lawn - Mown lawns in select areas will be maintained, including tour road buffers, edges between road and agricultural fields, areas around the visitor center, Dunker Church, Mumma Cemetery, the Philadelphia Brigade Park, Sunken Road (Bloody Lane) and the Observation Tour, the Lee Headquarters Site, adjacent to the Burnside Bridge Overlook, as well as areas around the farmsteads, between farm buildings and structures and along internal fence lines.

Mumma Farmstead - The historic landscape will be rehabilitated by providing universally accessible routes; restoring missing farmstead vegetation; re-establishing the orchard; and rehabilitating the stone wall between the Mumma Farm and Roulette Farm to create a place for focused effort on public education programming.

Designed Landscapes - The Philadelphia Brigade Park will be rehabilitated based on recommendations in a future Philadelphia Brigade Park CLR. The Maryland Monument landscape will be rehabilitated by replacing tree gaps with sugar maples and maintaining the historical tree spacing pattern to define the monument setting. The Antietam National Cemetery landscape will be rehabilitated through implementation of the 2014 Antietam National Cemetery CLR, to include new plantings, selected vegetation removal, maintenance and establishment of new lawn areas, headstone preservation, and accessibility improvements to the cemetery lodge and within the cemetery grounds.

Viewsheds - Important visual connections will be re-established through clearing of obstructive successional vegetation and relocation of intrusive utility lines. Principal vantage points include the Visitor Center, Miller Meadow, Sunken Road (Bloody Lane), Observation Tower, Pry House, and Burnside Bridge. Views from the visitor center towards Sunken Road (Bloody Lane) and views north and west from the historic road trace will be rehabilitated through woody vegetation clearance. Views from the visitor center to the north will be rehabilitated by relocating these lines along MD Route 65.

Replica Historic Fencing - Approximately 15,000 linear feet of high priority replica historic fencing that supports interpretive operations will be maintained. High priority replica historic fencing is located at the Cornfield, along Dunker Church Road (historic Hagerstown Pike) and Sunken Road (Bloody Lane), and at the Burnside Bridge. Approximately 25,200 linear feet of lower priority replica historic fencing which primarily serves to delineate spatial relationships of the land, may also be maintained. Park staff will continue to review fencing needs based on interpretive and historic importance, maintenance requirements and existing conditions.

Maintenance of Other Landscape Elements - Other landscape elements will continue to be maintained, including roadbeds and edges, monuments, farm lanes, trails and routes, historic stone walls, potential witness trees, historic structures, and historic field edges and fencerows.

RATIONALE FOR DECISION

The NPS selected Alternative B for implementation because it best meets the purpose and need of the Plan, as it provides guidance on treatment for the entire battlefield cultural landscape, mitigates erosion, protects witness trees, and improves watershed stewardship.

MITIGATION MEASURES

The NPS places a strong emphasis on avoiding, minimizing, and mitigating potentially adverse environmental impacts and effects on cultural resources. Mitigation measures for the affected resources are outlined in the EA and are presented as Appendix A.

WHY THE SELECTED ALTERNATIVE WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

As documented in the EA, the selected alternative has the potential for adverse and beneficial impacts on cultural landscapes (see EA pages 23-25); archeological resources (see EA pages 27-28); water resources (see EA page 30); vegetation (see EA page 32); wildlife and wildlife habitat (see EA page 34); and visitor use and experience (see EA pages 37-45). The NPS has determined that the selected alternative can be implemented without significant adverse effects, as defined in 40 CFR § 1508.27.

Changes to cultural landscapes will result from the addition of forests, grasslands, and meadows; removal of obstructive successional vegetation and the relocation of overhead utility lines; conversion of some existing croplands to the north of Sunken Road (Bloody Lane) to hayfields; rehabilitation of Philadelphia Brigade Park; and the introduction of new universally accessible routes at the Mumma Farmstead and the Antietam National Cemetery, which will alter land use, spatial organization, views and vistas, vegetation, buildings and structures, cluster arrangement, circulation, and small-scale features. The NPS will avoid or minimize impacts on cultural landscapes by undertaking maintenance, monitoring, and rehabilitation activities, as well as planning and design of new universally accessible routes at the Mumma Farmstead and the Antietam National Cemetery in a manner that is consistent with *The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties*.

Implementation of the selected alternative could result in adverse impacts on the Battlefield's documented and undocumented archeological resources. The entire Battlefield is an archeological site, but only approximately 48 percent of the Battlefield has been subject to some level of archeological survey. The intensity of survey within that 48 percent, however, is not comprehensive. Ground disturbance related to the Plan elements could disrupt or displace known and unknown archeological resources and result in a loss of integrity of the archeological resource, resulting in an adverse impact. Further analysis is necessary to determine the level of archeological survey effort needed to identify archeological resources within those portions of the Battlefield where proposed landscape changes could result in impacts. The NPS will minimize ground-disturbing activities to the extent practicable and avoid known archeological resources during landscape management and maintenance to the extent practicable. The NPS will conduct Phase IB archeological survey in those areas of the Battlefield that have not been subjected to the full suite of intensive archeological survey methods to identify archeological resources that could be impacted by landscape management and maintenance activities that have the potential for ground disturbance, could result in a loss of archeological integrity, and could result in adverse impacts on archeological resources. These surveys will take place where ground disturbance is proposed after exact project footprints are identified and prior to site work. Any such archeological studies and investigations will be carried out and evaluated for effect before construction and in consultation with the SHPO and tribes. If National Register of Historic Places (NRHP)-eligible or potentially eligible archeological resources are found to be present, the NPS would define the appropriate avoidance, minimization, and mitigation measures to be taken in consultation with the SHPO and tribes. If any Native American burials, cemeteries, or funerary objects are encountered, the NPS will contact federally recognized Tribes with affiliation in Maryland, in accordance with the Native American Graves Repatriation Act (NAGPRA). The NPS will establish Unanticipated Discoveries protocols for each landscape management or maintenance activity as part of the Section 106 documentation process prior to implementation of work. The NPS will follow the established Unanticipated Discoveries protocols in the event unanticipated archeological resources are encountered anywhere in the park as a result of ground disturbances.

The selected alternative will result in beneficial impacts on water resources by enhancing riparian buffers and mitigating erosion. Riparian buffers will be maintained or enhanced, through planting of trees and shrubs, adjacent to Antietam Creek, Mumma Spring, and Sharpsburg Creek, streams, and intermittent drainages as needed. The enhancement of riparian buffers will improve the ecological function of the Battlefield by filtering sediment and nutrients, reducing carbonaceous and nitrogenous biochemical oxygen demand (CBOD and NBOD, respectively), and sediment pollutants in the Antietam Creek watershed. The reduction of agricultural uses by an estimated total of 426 acres within the Battlefield will reduce the amount of manure, fertilizers, and pesticides used in the Battlefield. As a result, the Plan will decrease the potential for pollutants to affect Antietam Creek and its watershed. The conversion of 441 acres of agricultural fields to forest, grasslands, and meadows will reduce soil disturbance, and thereby potential erosion into waterways.

The selected alternative will result in beneficial impacts on vegetation by increasing the approximate land coverage of forests to 508 acres, native grasslands and meadows to 415 acres, and orchards to 10 acres while reducing the amount of agricultural area to 824 acres and the amount of mown lawn to 132 acres. Forest rehabilitation and grassland and meadow establishment will support the restoration of natural conditions, including the Northeastern Interior Dry-Mesic Oak Forest. As a result, wildlife will experience a greater range and expanded habitat.

The selected alternative will result in beneficial impacts on wildlife and wildlife habitat. The additional 140 acres of forest and additional 287 acres of grasslands and meadows will expand wildlife habitat. The conversion of agricultural fields to forest, grassland, and meadow uses will increase the areas available for wildlife within the Battlefield and maximize the natural resource value of these areas. The expanded forest will link currently disparate forested areas within the Battlefield. Expanded grasslands and meadows within the Battlefield will provide connections to areas that are currently fragmented. As a result, wildlife will experience a greater range and expanded habitat.

The selected alternative will result in beneficial impacts on visitor use and experience. The removal of obstructive successional vegetation and changes in vegetation patterns within important viewsheds will improve the ability of the landscape to represent historic conditions and enhance visitor understanding of it. The maintenance of high priority replica historic fencing will help preserve these features and continue to aid in visitor understanding of key areas of the Battlefield. The improved ecological function and new wildlife habitat through the proposed reforestation, enhanced riparian buffers and establishment of new grasslands and meadows could provide increased visitor opportunities for wildlife and nature viewing at the Battlefield. The re-establishment of the historic Mumma Farm orchard, the maintenance of the Piper Farmstead orchard, and the rehabilitation of the historic Mumma farmstead-related landscape features will enhance the public's understanding of historic farming. The rehabilitation of Philadelphia Brigade Park, Maryland Monument landscape, and Antietam National Cemetery will enhance visitor understanding of these designed landscapes. New universally accessible routes at the Mumma Farmstead and Antietam National Cemetery will provide new user groups and individuals access to points of interest in the Battlefield and new educational opportunities.

CONCLUSION

As described above, the selected alternative does not constitute an action meeting the criteria that normally requires preparation of an environmental impact statement (EIS). The selected alternative will not have a significant effect on the human environment in accordance with Section 102(2)(c) of NEPA. Based on the foregoing, it has been determined that an EIS is not required for this project and, thus, will not be prepared.

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Documents appended to the FONSI include:

- Appendix A: Mitigation measures
- Appendix B: Non-impairment documentation
- Appendix C: Public comment responses
- Appendix D: Section 106 consultation coordination

APPENDIX A: MITIGATION MEASURES

Cultural Landscapes

The NPS will avoid or minimize impacts on cultural landscapes by undertaking maintenance, monitoring, and rehabilitation activities, as well as planning and design of new universally accessible routes at the Mumma Farmstead and the Antietam National Cemetery in a manner that is consistent with *The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties*.

Archeological Resources

The NPS will minimize ground-disturbing activities to the extent practicable. The NPS will also avoid known archeological resources during landscape management and maintenance to the extent practicable. The NPS will conduct Phase IB archeological survey in those areas of the Battlefield that have not been subjected to the full suite of intensive archeological survey methods to identify archeological resources that could be impacted by landscape management and maintenance activities that have the potential for ground disturbance, could result in a loss of archeological integrity, and could result in adverse impacts on archeological resources. These surveys will take place where ground disturbance is proposed after exact project footprints are identified and prior to site work. Any such archeological studies and investigations will be carried out and evaluated for effect before construction and in consultation with SHPO and the tribes. If NRHP-eligible or potentially eligible archeological resources are found to be present, the NPS will define the appropriate avoidance, minimization, and mitigation measures to be taken in consultation with the SHPO and tribes.

NPS protocols will be followed for the unanticipated discovery of human remains as a part of any project. If any Native American burials, cemeteries, or funerary objects are encountered, the NPS will contact federally recognized Tribes with affiliation in Maryland, in accordance with NAGPRA.

The NPS will establish Unanticipated Discoveries protocols for each landscape management or maintenance activity as part of the Section 106 documentation process prior to implementation of work. The NPS will follow the established Unanticipated Discoveries protocols in the event unanticipated archeological resources are encountered anywhere in the park as a result of ground disturbances.

Water Resources

The NPS will continue to develop Soil Conservation and Water Quality Plans (SCWQPs) and nutrient management plans for agricultural uses within the Battlefield. The NPS and/or its contractors will adhere to applicable BMPs to minimize the erosion of exposed soils and the corresponding pollution and sedimentation of downstream watercourses.

Vegetation

Obstructive vegetation removal will disturb areas and potentially offer the opportunity for invasive species to establish themselves. The disturbed areas will be re-vegetated or otherwise stabilized following the completion of implementation, which would reduce the potential for invasive species. Additionally, invasive species will be treated in accordance with an Invasive Plant Management Plan.

APPENDIX B: NON-IMPAIRMENT DETERMINATION

By enacting the National Park Service (NPS) Organic Act of 1916 (Organic Act), Congress directed the U.S. Department of the Interior and the NPS to manage units “to conserve the scenery and the natural and historic objects and wildlife therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such a manner and by such a means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations” (54 USC 100101). Congress reiterated this mandate in the Redwood National Park Expansion Act of 1978 by stating that NPS must conduct its actions in a manner that will ensure no “derogation of the values and purposes for which these various areas have been established, except as may have been or shall be directly and specifically provided by Congress” (54 USC 100101).

The NPS has discretion to allow impacts on Park resources and values when necessary and appropriate to fulfill the purposes of a Park (NPS 2006 sec. 1.4.3). However, the NPS cannot allow an adverse impact that would constitute impairment of the affected resources and values (NPS 2006 sec 1.4.3). An action constitutes an impairment when its impacts “*harm the integrity of Park resources or values, including the opportunities that otherwise would be present for the enjoyment of those resources or values*” (NPS 2006 sec 1.4.5). To determine impairment, the NPS must evaluate “*the particular resources and values that would be affected; the severity, duration, and timing of the impact...and other impacts*” (NPS 2006 sec 1.4.5).

This determination on impairment has been prepared for the selected alternative described in this Finding of No Significant Impact. An impairment determination is made for the resource topics of cultural landscapes, archeological resources, water resources, vegetation, and wildlife and wildlife habitat. These resources are considered fundamental to Antietam National Battlefield. An impairment determination is not made for visitor use and experience because impairment findings relate back to park resources and values, and these impact areas are not generally considered to be park resources or values according to the Organic Act and cannot be impaired in the same way that an action can impair park resources and values. This determination on impairment has been prepared for the action alternative described in Chapter 2 of the Antietam National Battlefield Landscape Management Plan EA.

Cultural Landscapes – The addition of forests, grasslands, and meadows; removal of obstructive successional vegetation and the relocation of overhead utility lines ; conversion of some existing croplands to the north of Sunken Road (Bloody Lane) to hayfields; rehabilitation at the Philadelphia Brigade Park; and the introduction of new universally accessible routes at the Mumma Farmstead and the Antietam National Cemetery will result in changes to contributing land use, spatial organization, views and vistas, vegetation, buildings and structures, cluster arrangement, circulation, and small-scale features. However, implementation of the selected alternative will not diminish the integrity of the historic resources by undertaking maintenance, monitoring, and rehabilitation activities, as well as planning and design of new universally accessible routes at the Mumma Farmstead and the Antietam National Cemetery in a manner that is consistent with *The Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties*. Because the selected alternative will result in no significant impacts on cultural landscapes and the NPS will undertake maintenance, monitoring, and rehabilitation activities and plan and design new features in a manner that protects and preserve the cultural landscape’s condition and integrity, there will be no impairment to the park’s cultural landscapes.

Archeological Resources – Proposed actions associated with the selected alternative will have no significant impact on archeological resources. The NPS will minimize ground-disturbing activities to the extent practicable. The NPS will also avoid known archeological resources during landscape management and maintenance to the extent practicable. The NPS will conduct Phase IB archeological survey in those areas of the Battlefield that have not been subjected to the full suite of intensive archeological survey methods to identify archeological resources that could be impacted by landscape management and maintenance activities that have the potential for ground disturbance, could result in a loss of archeological integrity, and could result in adverse impacts on archeological resources. These surveys will

take place where ground disturbance is proposed after exact project footprints are identified and prior to site work. Any such archeological studies and investigations will be carried out and evaluated for effect before construction and in consultation with SHPO and the tribes. If NRHP-eligible or potentially eligible archeological resources are found to be present, the NPS will define the appropriate avoidance, minimization, and mitigation measures to be taken in consultation with the SHPO and tribes. NPS protocols will be followed for the unanticipated discovery of human remains as a part of any project. If any Native American burials, cemeteries, or funerary objects are encountered, the NPS will contact federally recognized Tribes with affiliation in Maryland, in accordance with NAGPRA. The NPS will establish Unanticipated Discoveries protocols for each landscape management or maintenance activity as part of the Section 106 documentation process prior to implementation of work. The NPS will follow the established Unanticipated Discoveries protocols in the event unanticipated archeological resources are encountered anywhere in the park as a result of ground disturbances. Because the selected alternative will result in no significant impacts on archeological resources and the NPS will carry out all reasonable measures to protect and preserve their condition and integrity, there will be no impairment to the archeological resources.

Water Resources – The maintenance and enhancement of riparian buffers, reduction of agricultural uses by an estimated total of 426 acres; conversion of 441 acres of agricultural fields to forest, grasslands, and meadows; and re-establishment of two acres of orchards will result in changes in the Antietam Creek watershed and areas identified as wetlands. However, implementation of the selected alternative will not diminish the integrity of water resources by continuing to develop SCWQPs and nutrient management plans for agricultural uses within the park. The NPS and/or its contractors will also adhere to applicable Best Management Practices (BMPs) to minimize the erosion of exposed soils and the corresponding pollution and sedimentation of downstream watercourses. The NPS will also adhere to procedures set forth in Reference Manual #77-1: Wetland Protection in order to comply with NPS Director's Order #77-1: Wetland Protection and to avoid, minimize, and compensate for adverse impacts on wetlands. Because the selected alternative will result in no significant impacts on water resources and the NPS will carry out all reasonable measures to protect and preserve water quality and wetlands, there will be no impairment to the park's water resources.

Vegetation – The increase in the approximate land coverage of forests to 508 acres, native grasslands and meadows to 415 acres, and orchards to 10 acres; and reduction in the amount of agricultural area to 824 acres and the amount of mown lawn to 132 acres will result in changes to vegetation. However, implementation of the selected alternative will not diminish the integrity of vegetation by re-vegetating or otherwise stabilizing disturbed areas following implementation, which will reduce the potential for invasive species. Invasive species will be treated in accordance with the Invasive Plant Management Plan. Because the selected alternative will result in no significant impacts on vegetation and the NPS will re-vegetate or stabilize disturbed areas and treat invasive species, there will be no impairment to the park's vegetation.

Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat – The addition of 140 acres of forest and 287 acres of grasslands and meadows will result in changes to wildlife and wildlife habitat. However, implementation of the selected alternative will not diminish the integrity of wildlife and wildlife habitat because the selected alternative will increase the areas available for wildlife within the park, maximize the natural resource value of these areas, and provide connections to areas that are currently fragmented. Because the selected alternative will result in no significant impacts on wildlife and wildlife habitat, there will be no impairment to the park's wildlife and wildlife habitat.

Conclusion

The NPS has determined that the implementation of the NPS selected alternative will not constitute an impairment of the resources or values of Antietam National Battlefield. As described above, implementing the selected alternative is not anticipated to impair resources or values that are essential to

the purposes identified in the establishing legislation of the park, key to the natural or cultural integrity of the park, or identified as significant in the park's relevant planning documents. This conclusion is based on consideration of the park's purpose and significance, a thorough analysis of the environmental impacts described in the EA, the comments provided by the public and others, and the professional judgment of the decision-maker guided by the direction of the NPS Management Policies 2006.

APPENDIX C: PUBLIC COMMENT RESPONSES

Topic	Concern Statement Summarized	Response
Support for Alternative B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alternative B is appropriate for the Antietam National Battlefield. Restoring the cultural landscapes and viewsheds to those present at the time of the battle ensures accurate interpretation. Alternative B considers local wildlife and plant life in addition to water ecosystems and erosion control. 	Comments noted.
Natural Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lead and other metals present in the soil at the Battlefield inhibits plant growth. NPS should conduct a proper investigation, removal, and documentation of metals throughout the Battlefield. Metal artifacts found in the Battlefield could be displayed at the Battlefield museum. Stormwater management at the Battlefield should consider flooding and runoff. 	<p>Comments noted.</p> <p>Page 18 of the EA states</p> <p>“The NPS would conduct Phase IB archeological survey in those areas of the Battlefield that have not been subjected to the full suite of intensive archeological survey methods to identify archeological resources that could be impacted by landscape management and maintenance activities that have the potential for ground disturbance, could result in a loss of archeological integrity, and could result in adverse impacts on archeological resources. These surveys would take place where ground disturbance is proposed after exact project footprints are identified and prior to site work. Any such archeological studies and investigations would be carried out and evaluated for effect before construction and in consultation with the Maryland Historic Trust (MHT) [Maryland’s State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)] and Federally Recognized Tribes (“tribes”). If NRHP-eligible or potentially eligible archeological resources are found to be present, the NPS would define the appropriate avoidance, minimization, and mitigation</p>

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		<p>measures to be taken in consultation with the SHPO and tribes.”</p> <p>Page 29 of the EA states “The NPS prepares Soil Conservation and Water Quality Plans (SCWQP) for agricultural areas. The SCWQPs are consistent with National Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Standards and Specifications and identify operations and maintenance guidelines. The NPS also develops nutrient management plans for each crop and each field within the Battlefield in order to address nitrogen and phosphorous.</p>
Cultural Landscapes and Viewsheds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Battlefield should be interpreted as closely to its original appearance in 1862 as possible, including in relation to historic agricultural uses. • NPS should re-establish the orchard east of the D.R. Miller House if feasible. • NPS should reduce the woody vegetation on the west side of Antietam Creek running south from the Burnside Bridge and maintain the portion of the Bloody Lane trail from the Roulette Farm to the Sunken Road to allow for more authentic viewsheds. • Fencing along Mansfield Avenue and the Otto Farm Lane west of the Burnside Bridge should be maintained to help delineate historic roads. • Fence lines around the Joseph Poffenberger Farm should be considered high-priority. All fencing at the Battlefield is critical in telling a complete and accurate story of the Battle of Antietam. 	<p>Comments noted.</p> <p>Page 24 of the EA notes that “The proposed changes to contributing views would preserve historic significant views and vistas across the battlefield landscape. Impacts to contributing views and viewsheds would be either negligible or beneficial to the historic landscape. Contributing circulation routes would be preserved by maintaining roads and trails that follow historic routes.”</p> <p>Future trail configurations would work to preserve the viewshed and enhance visitor access to the Bloody Lane area.</p> <p>Page 13 of the EA states “Park staff would continue to review fencing needs based on interpretive and historic importance, maintenance requirements and existing conditions. Maintaining replica historic fencing would help visitors better understand the events of the battle and maintain the design integrity of the historic landscape.</p>

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		By dividing replica historic fencing into high and low priority, the park would strive to maintain all high priority replica historic fencing and, depending upon funding availability and operational requirements, may maintain lower priority replica historic fencing.”

APPENDIX D: SECTION 106 CONSULTATION COORDINATION



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IN REPLY
REFER TO:

November 3, 2021

Mr. Clarence Lone Wolf Tyler
Chief
Accohannock Indian Tribe
28380 Crisfield Marion Rd
Marion Station, MD 21838

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

Dear Mr. Lone Wolf Tyler :

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November 3, 2021

Mr. Francis Gray
Tribal Chair
Piscataway Conoy Tribe
P.O. Box 638
Bryans Road, MD 20616

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

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
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November 23, 2021

Mr. Mario Harley
Vice Chair
Piscataway Conoy Tribe
P.O. Box 638
Bryans Road 20616

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

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November 3, 2021

Mr. Billy Redwing Tayac
Chief
Piscataway Indian Nation
8105 Zachary Road
Port Tobacco, MD 20677

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

Dear Mr. Redwing Tayac:

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November 3, 2021

Ms. Nataile Standingontherock Proctor
Tribal Chairwoman, Wild Turkey Clan
Cedarville Band of Piscataway Conoy (Piscataway Conoy Tribe)
American Indian Cultural Center
16816 Country Lane
Waldorf, MD 20601

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

Dear Ms. Standingontherock Proctor:

The National Park Service (NPS) is preparing a Landscape Management Plan and corresponding Environmental Assessment (EA) for Antietam National Battlefield. The NPS wishes to formally initiate consultation for this project with Cedarville Band of Piscataway Conoy (Piscataway Conoy Tribe), in accordance with 36 CFR 800.3 of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.

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
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November 3, 2021

Mr. Robert Gray
Chief
Pamunkey Indian Tribe
1054 Pocahontas Trail
King Willam, VA 23086

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

Dear Mr. Gray :

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IN REPLY
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November 23, 2021

Mr. Frank Adams
Chief
Upper Mattaponi Indian Tribe
13476 King William Road
King William, VA 23086

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

Dear Mr. Adams:

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Tribal Administrator
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King Willam, VA 23086

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November 3, 2021

Ms. Anne Richardson
Chief
Rappahannock Tribe
5036 Indian Neck Road
Indian Neck, VA 23148

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

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Chief
Nansemond Indian Nation
1001 Pembroke Lane
Suffolk, VA 23434

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
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Chief
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Providence Forge, VA 23140

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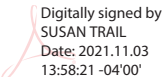
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Mr. Gerald Stewart
Chief
Chickahominy Tribe Eastern Division
1191 Indian Hill Lane
Providence Forge, VA 23140

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
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Mr. Kenneth Branham
Chief
Monacan Indian Nation
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Ms. Kayleigh Pollack
Tribal Administrator
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Anadarko, OK 73005

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Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

Dear Ms. Dotson:

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IN REPLY
REFER TO:

November 3, 2021

Ms. Devon Frazier
Tribal Historic Preservation Office
Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
2025 South Gordon Cooper Drive
Shawnee, OK 74801

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
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November 3, 2021

Mr. John Johnson
Governor
Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
2025 South Gordon Cooper Drive
Shawnee, OK 74801

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
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November 3, 2021

Ms. Tonya Tipton
Tribal Historic Preservation Office
Shawnee Tribe
29 South Highway 69 A
Miami, OK 74354

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

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November 3, 2021

Mr. Benjamin Barnes
Chief
Shawnee Tribe
P.O. Box 189
Miami, OK 74354

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
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REFER TO:

November 15, 2021

Ms. Elizabeth Hughes
Director/State Historic Preservation Officer
Attn: Beth Cole, Administrator, Project Review and Compliance
Maryland Historical Trust
100 Community Place, 3rd Floor
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

Dear Ms. Hughes:

The National Park Service (NPS) is preparing a Landscape Management Plan and corresponding Environmental Assessment (EA) for Antietam National Battlefield. The NPS wishes to formally initiate consultation for this project with the Maryland State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), in accordance with 36 CFR 800.3 of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.

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From: [Custer, Jane E](#)
To: [Sale, Claire](#); [Stidham, Tammy](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fw: Antietam National Battlefield Landscape Management Plan and EA
Date: Friday, December 10, 2021 8:53:19 AM

Hi Claire and Tammy,

I'm forwarding the attached response from the Catawba THPO to keep her informed. So far that is the only response I have received from the mailings.

Thanks,

Jane

From: Trail, Susan <Susan_Trail@nps.gov>
Sent: Friday, December 10, 2021 7:52 AM
To: Custer, Jane E <Jane_Custer@nps.gov>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Antietam National Battlefield Landscape Management Plan and EA

Thanks. Go ahead and pass that along to Claire and Tammy.

Susan Trail
Superintendent
Antietam National Battlefield
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From: Custer, Jane E <Jane_Custer@nps.gov>
Sent: Friday, December 10, 2021 7:22 AM
To: Trail, Susan <Susan_Trail@nps.gov>
Subject: Fw: [EXTERNAL] Antietam National Battlefield Landscape Management Plan and EA

Susan,

Found this response from the Catawba THPO in my junk mail. So far the only response from those mailings.

Jane

From: Caitlin Rogers <caitlin.rogers@catawba.com>

Sent: Wednesday, December 8, 2021 3:26 PM

To: Custer, Jane E <Jane_Custer@nps.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Antietam National Battlefield Landscape Management Plan and EA

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Ms. Custer,

Please keep the Catawba THPO informed on this project. Thanks

Caitlin

Caitlin Rogers
Catawba Indian Nation
Tribal Historic Preservation Office
1536 Tom Steven Road
Rock Hill, SC 29730

803-328-2427 ext. 226

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Antietam National Battlefield Landscape Management Plan

Section 106 Consulting Parties Meeting #1

April 26, 2022 at 4:00 PM

The National Park Service (NPS) invites you to participate in a Section 106 consulting parties meeting regarding the development of a Landscape Management Plan (Plan) for Antietam National Battlefield in Sharpsburg, MD. The Plan will define the framework for the treatment of the battlefield and commemorative landscape and describe specific guidelines and tasks aimed to maintain and enhance its historic character.

The park was established in 1890 to commemorate the bloodiest single-day battle in American history on September 27, 1862. Antietam National Battlefield preserves, protects, restores, and interprets the Battle of Antietam and its legacy for the public. The purpose of this Landscape Management Plan is to develop comprehensive, sustainable land use strategies that will preserve significant landscape elements and integrate natural and cultural resource values.

In accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, the NPS is conducting Section 106 consultation to consider the effects of the Plan on historic properties. The Section 106 process is being undertaken concurrently with the environmental review process mandated by the National Environmental Policy Act. The public and consulting parties are invited to attend a virtual meeting on April 26, 2022 at 4:00 PM. The meeting will provide an opportunity to consider refinements to the plan and to hold a preliminary discussion on the potential effects of the Plan on historic properties.

If you require additional information or special assistance to attend and participate in this meeting, please contact Jane Custer at the NPS at Jane_Custer@nps.gov or via phone at 301-432-7893.

From: [Sale, Claire](#)
To: [Tuttle, Lauren](#)
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Fw: RE: Re: Antietam National Battlefield Landscape Management Plan Section 106 Consulting Parties Meeting#1 April 26 @ 4 pm
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 1:57:58 PM

FYI

Claire Sale, AICP
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From: Stidham, Tammy <Tammy_Stidham@nps.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 12:12 PM
To: Trail, Susan <Susan_Trail@nps.gov>; Sale, Claire <Claire.Sale@aecom.com>; Custer, Jane E <Jane_Custer@nps.gov>
Cc: Bruins, Christine A <Christine_Bruins@nps.gov>; Young, Allison M <Allison_Young@nps.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fw: RE: Re: Antietam National Battlefield Landscape Management Plan Section 106 Consulting Parties Meeting#1 April 26 @ 4 pm

See comments below

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From: Garry Adelman <gadelman@battlefields.org>
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 11:03 AM
To: Stidham, Tammy <Tammy_Stidham@nps.gov>
Cc: Mary Abroe <drmjmabroe@cs.com>; Mary Koik <mkoik@battlefields.org>; Mike Froning <mfroning@battlefields.org>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: Antietam National Battlefield Landscape Management Plan Section 106 Consulting Parties Meeting#1 April 26 @ 4 pm

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Hello Tammy. Below please find American Battlefield Trust comments on the LMP presentation. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Garry Adelman

Chief Historian | American Battlefield Trust

- The American Battlefield Trust (ABT) supports work done by SHAF and ABT to provide public access to the Harpers Ferry Road ridge.
- ABT supports a partial deforestation along the Reel Farm lane to the degree shown in [this post-battle image](#).
- ABT supports enhancement of landscape restoration along Otto cornfield, forestation of Welch's brigade advance
- ABT supports an extended trail system from the Georgia overlook to the 50th GA location and "the bend"
- ABT supports the reestablishment of important viewshed and battlefield features to improve visitor visual connections.
- ABT fully supports any efforts to provide safe visitor access to the west site of Rt. 65. This will open up a great part of the story and the field which receives little or no notice. The ABT lands at Reel and "Longerbeam" (in yellow on this [map](#)) both provide opportunities to help affect this. We have more than 16 acres of additional land on rt. 65 across from the Battlevue Inn provide more opportunities.
- With the greatest enthusiasm, ABT supports the acquisition of ABT lands by the Park.

From: Stidham, Tammy <Tammy_Stidham@nps.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2022 6:34 PM

To: Stidham, Tammy <Tammy_Stidham@nps.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL]Re: Antietam National Battlefield Landscape Management Plan Section 106 Consulting Parties Meeting#1 April 26 @ 4 pm

Thank you to those who were able to join us today. Please see copy of presentation attached. We look forward to receiving your comments.

Tammy

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From: Stidham, Tammy
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To: Stidham, Tammy <Tammy_Stidham@nps.gov>
Subject: Antietam National Battlefield Landscape Management Plan Section 106 Consulting Parties Meeting#1 April 26 @ 4 pm

Please see attached invitation to join the National Park Service on April 26, 2022 at 4:00 pm for a Section 106 Consulting Parties meeting for the Antietam National Battlefield Landscape Management Plan. The meeting will provide an opportunity to consider refinements to the plan and to hold a preliminary discussion on the potential effects on historic properties. Invite with a link to this virtual meeting will follow this email. However a link to the meeting along with an option to call in is also below:

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For additional information, please visit the project webpage at <https://parkplanning.nps.gov/antilandscape> or contact Jane Custer at the NPS at Jane_Custer@nps.gov or via phone at 301-432-7893.

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Date: Monday, May 16, 2022 3:49:49 PM

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Jane Custer and Tammy Stidham
Antietam National Battlefield
Sharpsburg, MD

Good afternoon Jane and Tammy,

MHT appreciates NPS's conscientious efforts to effectively meet its Section 106 responsibilities for this Landscape Management Plan. We have no specific comments on the undertaking at this time.

Thank you for providing MHT a copy of the Cultural Landscape Inventory Report. It will be accessioned into our library for use by future researchers. .

We look forward to ongoing consultation with NPS regarding this undertaking.

Have a great week,
Becky



Becky Roman

Preservation Office, Project Review and Compliance

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From: Stidham, Tammy
Sent: Thursday, February 10, 2022 4:56 PM
To: Stidham, Tammy <Tammy_Stidham@nps.gov>
Subject: Antietam National Battlefield Landscape Management Plan Section 106 Consulting Parties Meeting#1 April 26 @ 4 pm

Please see attached invitation to join the National Park Service on April 26, 2022 at 4:00 pm for a Section 106 Consulting Parties meeting for the Antietam National Battlefield Landscape Management Plan. The meeting will provide an opportunity to consider refinements to the plan and to hold a preliminary discussion on the potential effects on historic properties. Invite with a link to this virtual meeting will follow this email. However a link to the meeting along with an option to call in is also below:

Microsoft Teams meeting

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For additional information, please visit the project webpage at <https://parkplanning.nps.gov/antilandscape> or contact Jane Custer at the NPS at Jane_Custer@nps.gov or via phone at 301-432-7893.

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July 18, 2022

Ms. Elizabeth Hughes
Director/State Historic Preservation Officer
Attn: Beth Cole, Administrator, Project Review and Compliance
Maryland Historical Trust
100 Community Place, 3rd Floor
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

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Ms. Nataile Standingontherock Proctor
Tribal Chairwoman, Wild Turkey Clan
Cedarville Band of Piscataway Conoy (Piscataway Conoy Tribe)
American Indian Cultural Center
16816 Country Lane
Waldorf, MD 20601

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
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Ms. Devon Frazier
Tribal Historic Preservation Office
Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
Shawnee, OK

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
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Dear Ms. Frazier:

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Mr. John Johnson
Governor
Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
2025 South Gordon Cooper Drive
Shawnee, OK 74801

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
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Mr. Clarence Lone Wolf Tyler
Chief
Accohannock Indian Tribe
28380 Crisfield Marion Rd
Marion Station, MD 21838

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
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Ms. Wenonah Haire
Tribal Historic Preservation Office
Catawba Indian Nation
1536 Tom Steven Road
Rock Hill, SC 29730

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
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Chief
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996 Avenue of the Nations
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July 18, 2022

Mr. Gerald Stewart
Chief
Chickahominy Tribe Eastern Division
1191 Indian Hill Lane
Providence Forge, VA 23140

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

Dear Mr. Stewart:

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Mr. Dana Adkins
Tribal Environmental Director
Chickahominy Indian Tribe
8200 Lott Cary Road
Providence Forge, VA 23140

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July 18, 2022

Ms. Deborah Dotson
President
Delaware Nation
P.O. Box 825
Anadarko, OK 73005

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

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Ms. Erin Paden
Historic Preservation Officer
Delaware Nation
P.O. Box 825
Anadarko, OK 73005

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Ms. Kayleigh Pollack
Tribal Administrator
Monacan Indian Nation
P.O. Box 960
Amherst, VA 24521

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July 18, 2022

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Nansemond Indian Nation
1001 Pembroke Lane
Suffolk, VA 23434

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July 18, 2022

Mr. Robert Gray
Chief
Pamunkey Indian Tribe
1054 Pocahontas Trail
King Willam, VA 23086

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

Dear Mr. Gray:

The National Park Service (NPS) wishes to continue consultation with the Pamunkey Indian Tribe, in accordance with 36 CFR 800.3 of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, regarding the proposed Landscape Management Plan (Plan) for Antietam National Battlefield (Battlefield). The Battlefield is located in a rural area of south Washington County, Maryland. Of the 3,230 acres within the battlefield boundary, approximately 2,000 acres are owned in fee by the federal government and managed by the NPS to maintain the historic setting and provide for visitor use. The remaining acreage is in partial federal ownership or privately owned.

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Mr. Mario Harley
Vice Chair
Piscataway Conoy Tribe
P.O. Box 638
Bryans Road 20616

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

Dear Mr. Harley:

The National Park Service (NPS) wishes to continue consultation with the Piscataway Conoy Tribe, in accordance with 36 CFR 800.3 of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, regarding the proposed Landscape Management Plan (Plan) for Antietam National Battlefield (Battlefield). The Battlefield is located in a rural area of south Washington County, Maryland. Of the 3,230 acres within the battlefield boundary, approximately 2,000 acres are owned in fee by the federal government and managed by the NPS to maintain the historic setting and provide for visitor use. The remaining acreage is in partial federal ownership or privately owned.

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July 18, 2022

Mr. Francis Gray
Tribal Chair
Piscataway Conoy Tribe
P.O. Box 638
Bryans Road, MD 20616

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

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July 18, 2022

Ms. Anne Richardson
Chief
Rappahannock Tribe
5036 Indian Neck Road
Indian Neck, VA 23148

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

Dear Ms. Richardson:

The National Park Service (NPS) wishes to continue consultation with the Rappahannock Tribe, in accordance with 36 CFR 800.3 of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, regarding the proposed Landscape Management Plan (Plan) for Antietam National Battlefield (Battlefield). The Battlefield is located in a rural area of south Washington County, Maryland. Of the 3,230 acres within the battlefield boundary, approximately 2,000 acres are owned in fee by the federal government and managed by the NPS to maintain the historic setting and provide for visitor use. The remaining acreage is in partial federal ownership or privately owned.

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July 18, 2022

Mr. Benjamin Barnes
Chief
Shawnee Tribe
P.O. Box 189
Miami, OK 74354

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

Dear Mr. Barnes:

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July 18, 2022

Ms. Tonya Tipton
Tribal Historic Preservation Office
Shawnee Tribe
29 South Highway 69 A
Miami, OK 74354

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
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July 18, 2022

Mr. Frank Adams
Chief
Upper Mattaponi Indian Tribe
13476 King William Road
King William, VA 23086

Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
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Dear Mr. Adams:

The National Park Service (NPS) wishes to continue consultation with the Upper Mattaponi Indian Tribe, in accordance with 36 CFR 800.3 of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, regarding the proposed Landscape Management Plan (Plan) for Antietam National Battlefield (Battlefield). The Battlefield is located in a rural area of south Washington County, Maryland. Of the 3,230 acres within the battlefield boundary, approximately 2,000 acres are owned in fee by the federal government and managed by the NPS to maintain the historic setting and provide for visitor use. The remaining acreage is in partial federal ownership or privately owned.

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Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Assessment of Effects



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United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
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July 18, 2022

Mr. Reggie Tupponce
Tribal Administrator
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13476 King William Road
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Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Antietam National Battlefield Landscape
Management Plan and Environmental Assessment

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Sent: Thursday, September 29, 2022 2:07 PM
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Subject: FW: AOE, Antietam National Battlefield Landscape Management Plan.

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Cc: Trail, Susan <Susan_Trail@nps.gov>; Tamburro, Sam <Sam_Tamburro@nps.gov>; Young, Allison M <Allison_Young@nps.gov>
Subject: Fw: [EXTERNAL] AOE, Antietam National Battlefield Landscape Management Plan.

Tammy and Christine,

We received this response from Becky Roman with the Maryland SHPO yesterday.

Thanks,

Jane

From: Becky Roman -MDP- <becky.roman@maryland.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2022 3:44 PM
To: Custer, Jane E <Jane_Custer@nps.gov>
Cc: Trail, Susan <Susan_Trail@nps.gov>; Beth Cole <beth.cole@maryland.gov>
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Jane Custer

Chief of Resource Management

Antietam National Battlefield

National Park Service

Sharpsburg, MD

Good afternoon Jane,

Thank you for your recent submission of the Assessment of Effects Cultural Resources technical memorandum for the Antietam National Battlefield Landscape Management Plan (Plan), received by the Maryland Historical Trust on July 26, 2022 (MHT Log 202203360). As Maryland's SHPO, we support NPS' plan to rehabilitate the cultural landscapes at Antietam National Battlefield (MIHP #WA-II-477, NRHP listed) in order to preserve significant landscape elements and integrate natural and cultural resource values. In general, we agree with your determination that the Plan will have no adverse effect on historic structures and the cultural landscape at Antietam National Battlefield. However, we await and look forward to further coordination regarding implementation of the Plan to complete Section 106.

Please let me know if you have any questions. With part-time telework, I can best be reached by email. Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

Becky



Becky Roman

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From: Stidham, Tammy <Tammy_Stidham@nps.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 3:59 PM
To: Sale, Claire <Claire.Sale@aecom.com>
Cc: Bruins, Christine A <Christine_Bruins@nps.gov>; Gorder, Joel S <Joel_Gorder@nps.gov>
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Claire -

See below - I think this concludes our 106 for the plan

Tammy

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Antietam National Battlefield Park - Landscape Management Plan

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Hi Tammy,

Thank you for your email. The Maryland Historical Trust / MD SHPO does concur with NPS's findings of **no adverse effect** on historic properties for the development of the plan itself, as part of nondestructive project planning. We also look forward to future and ongoing consultation with NPS to complete the Section 106 review of individual undertakings proposed and funded for implementation, under the NPS NPA or standard consultation process, as appropriate.

The detailed effects assessment document attached to the submittal added a level of confusion and contradictory information with regards to effects of the actual plan itself. I'm sorry if our response conveyed a level of uncertainty. I have had a few informal discussions with Allison Young at the Region regarding how to handle Section 106 coordination for planning documents and we look forward to further dialogue on this topic. Let me know if you have further questions and have a good day.

Beth

To check on the status of a submittal, please use our online search: <https://mht.maryland.gov/compliance/ComplianceLogSearch.aspx>.



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On Tue, Sep 27, 2022 at 1:15 PM Stidham, Tammy <Tammy_Stidham@nps.gov> wrote:

Becky -

I wanted to follow up on email from you to Jane Custer regarding this project. You indicated that in general, you agreed with our determination that the Plan will have no adverse effect on historic structures and the cultural landscape at Antietam National Battlefield and that you were waiting on implementation of the Plan to complete Section 106. We need to complete Section 106 for the plan before we can move toward any implementation.

However, the proposed undertakings in the Plan are unfunded and no site-specific planning has been done. The Plan is part of the “nondestructive project planning” for this prospective undertakings. Each element of the Plan will be subject to a separate Section 106 consultation as outlined in the 2008 Programmatic Agreement; and all work will be designed to meet The Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties. The NPS will complete additional Section 106 compliance, including consultation with SHPO and tribes, submitted as a separate project (or separate projects) from the Plan as the precise locations of each element of the Plan are developed and designed. Section 106 compliance will be completed prior to any implementation work. Individual Memorandums of Agreements will be developed for these elements if there is a finding of adverse effect.

Site-specific planning will not preclude or restrict consideration of alternatives to avoid, minimize, or mitigate specific undertakings adverse effects. Therefore the NPS is requesting concurrence that the plan SHPO concurrence for no adverse effect for the Plan.

Thank you -
Tammy

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To: Beth Cole <beth.cole@maryland.gov>
Cc: Trail, Susan <Susan_Trail@nps.gov>
Subject: Antietam National Battlefield Park - Landscape Management Plan

Beth -

Please see attached letter regarding determination of effect for the Landscape Management Plan along with a link to the EA and Assessment of Effect. This letter has also been sent via US Mail.

[Parkplanning - For Public Comment - Antietam Landscape Management Plan / EA \(nps.gov\)](#)

Please let us know if you need more information or have any questions. We look forward to continued consultation on this project

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