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Fort Sumter and Fort Moultrie National Historical Park Invites Public Input for Proposed Dock Replacement and Rehabilitation

SULLIVAN'S ISLAND, SC – The National Park Service is seeking public input on an environmental assessment (EA) that evaluates the impacts of replacing and rehabilitating the docks at Fort Sumter and Fort Moultrie National Historical Park. The docks at each fort are essential for transporting visitors and staff to the park. The Fort Sumter and Fort Moultrie Dock Replacement EA is available for review and comment through February 15, 2024.



Ferry Docked at Fort Sumter

Both the Fort Sumter and Fort Moultrie docks have deteriorated and do not provide adequate accessibility for visitors and staff. Updated docks would be able to accommodate a variety of vessel types, improve the current structures to last another 30 years, and enhance visitors' experiences with safe, continuous access to both Forts. The National Park Service proposal also accounts for climate change and increasing harbor traffic projections.



Fort Moultrie Dock

The National Park Service is also proposing to rehabilitate the dock at Liberty Square, which provides public ferry access to Fort Sumter. Proposed changes would improve safety and accessibility, while also enhancing visitor use.

The National Park Service is initiating a 30-day comment period and is seeking feedback on the proposed alternatives and environmental impact analysis presented in the EA. For more information about the project, visit the project website at <https://parkplanning.nps.gov/SumterMoultrieDocks>.

The public is invited to attend a virtual public meeting on **Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at 6:30 pm (Eastern Time)**. The meeting will include a presentation about the project beginning at 6:30 pm followed by a question-and-answer session. The virtual public meeting can be accessed using the following link: <https://bit.ly/3GTcUuF>. Closed captioning will be available for this event. For those unable to attend the meeting, a recording of the meeting will be posted on the project website.

The park will accept public comments through **February 15, 2024**, via one of the following methods:

- Online through the Planning, Environment, and Public Comment (PEPC) website (preferred method):
 - Fort Sumter and Fort Moultrie Docks: <https://parkplanning.nps.gov/SumterMoultrieDocks>
 - Liberty Square Dock: <https://parkplanning.nps.gov/LibertySquareDock>
- Mail comments (postmarked by February 15, 2024) to:
 - Fort Sumter and Fort Moultrie National Historical Park Dock Replacement
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Comments will not be accepted in any other way than those specified above. Please note that your entire comment, including your personal information, may be made publicly available at any time. You can request that we withhold your personal identifying information from public view, but we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

For more information on Fort Sumter and Fort Moultrie National Historical Park, visit the park's website at <https://www.nps.gov/fosu/index.htm>.

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