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Public Meetings Set for Deer Management Plan

The National Park Service is inviting the public to review and comment on a plan to reduce overabundant deer populations that impact the natural and historic scenery at Harpers Ferry National Historical Park and Chesapeake & Ohio Canal National Historical Park.

Overabundant white-tailed deer compromise sustainable forests that provide critical habitat for native birds and other wildlife by damaging vegetation, and eating nearly all the tree seedlings. The White-Tailed Deer Management Plan and Environmental Assessment evaluates a range of approaches to achieve and maintain sustainable deer populations in the two parks so that historic landscapes are protected, healthy native vegetation is supported and the spread of chronic wasting disease in deer is managed.

Comments from the public can be submitted through

<http://parkplanning.nps.gov/NHPdeermanagement> or by written comment at one of three public meetings:

Tuesday, May 2nd

6:00 - 8:00 pm

C&O Canal Headquarters Building

1850 Dual Highway

Hagerstown, MD 21740

Wednesday, May 3rd

6:00 - 8:00 pm

Stephen T. Mather Training Center

51 Mather Place

Harpers Ferry, WV 25425

Thursday, May 4th

6:00 - 8:00 pm

Great Falls Tavern Visitor Center
11710 MacArthur Boulevard
Potomac, MD 20854

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