

Flight 93 National Memorial Press Release

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FLIGHT 93 NATIONAL MEMORIAL FINAL GENERAL MANAGEMENT PLAN AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC

SOMERSET, PA -- The National Park Service announced today that the Final General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement for the Flight 93 National Memorial is available to the public. The Flight 93 Advisory Commission, the Families of Flight 93 and the Flight 93 Memorial Task Force have worked as partners alongside the National Park Service in creating the plan.

Release of the final plan is the culmination of a grassroots planning process that began in 2003. The planning process included many opportunities for the public and government agencies to participate and express their opinions about the creation of the new memorial. The process was highlighted by the completion of an international design competition, which marks the first time an entire national park site was designed through a public competition.

The National Park Service is required by law to prepare a General Management Plan for all sites within the national park system. The document presents a vision for developing and managing the national memorial for the next 15-20 years and evaluates any related impacts. The document can be viewed and downloaded from the project website (www.flight93memorialproject.org) or a printed copy can be requested by writing to or visiting the National Park Service project office at 109 W. Main Street, Suite 104, Somerset, PA 15501. The planning process will formally conclude in July 2007 with the issuance of a Record of Decision by the National Park Service.

About the Flight 93 National Memorial:

On September 24, 2002, the United States Congress passed the Flight 93 National Memorial Act. The Act created a new national park unit to commemorate the passengers and crew of Flight 93 who, on September 11, 2001, courageously gave their lives thereby thwarting a planned attack on our nation's capital. The national memorial is at the site of the Flight 93 crash in Shanksville, Pennsylvania.

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A common field one day; a field of honor forever.

May all who visit this place remember the collective acts of courage of the passengers and crew, revere this hallowed ground as the final resting place of those heroes, and reflect on the power of individuals who choose to make a difference.