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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jim Nepstad, Wilderness Study Coordinator, Apostle Islands National Lakeshore, Route 1, Box 4, Bayfield, Wisconsin 54814, or by calling (715) 779-3198, extension 102.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Act and the NPS management policies require that all lands administered by the NPS be evaluated for their suitability for inclusion within the national wilderness preservation system. The purpose of this wilderness study is to determine if and where lands and waters within the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore should be proposed for wilderness designation. The study identifies four possible wilderness configurations within the park, including a no wilderness alternative, and evaluates their effects. Based on the findings of this study, a formal wilderness proposal will be submitted to the Director of the NPS for approval and subsequent consideration by the Department of the Interior, President, and Congress under the provisions of the Act.

Dated: February 12, 2004.

Ernest Quintana,

Regional Director, Midwest Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Environmental Statements; Availability, etc: Arrowhead-Weston Transmission Line Right-of-Way Crossing of the Saint Croix National Scenic Riverway, WI

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Arrowhead-Weston Transmission Line Right-of-Way Crossing of the Saint Croix National Scenic Riverway, Wisconsin.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the National Park Service (NPS) announces the availability of the draft environmental impact statement (EIS)

for the Arrowhead-Weston Transmission Line Right-of-Way Crossing of the Saint Croix National Scenic Riverway (Riverway), Wisconsin.

DATES: There will be a 60-day public review period for comments on this document. Comments on the Draft EIS must be received no later than 60-days after the Environmental Protection Agency publishes its notice of availability in the **Federal Register**. A public open house for information about, or to make comment on, the Draft EIS will be announced in the local media and the Riverway's Web site when they are scheduled. Information about meeting time and place will also be available by contacting the Riverway at (715) 483-3284 or by visiting the Riverway's Web site at http://www.nps.gov/sacn/management/planning_docs.html.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the draft EIS will be sent to over 100 interested parties, as well as to public libraries throughout the project area. Please check our Web site for a listing of the libraries to which the draft EIS will be sent. The draft EIS is approximately 500 pages long with many figures and oversize color plates. Due to the size of the document, it was not possible to provide it over the Internet. A limited number of hardcopies are available upon request for individuals or organizations with special needs. Additional copies are available on compact disk. To request a hardcopy of the draft EIS or a copy on compact disk, please contact the Superintendent, Saint Croix National Scenic Riverway, P.O. Box 708, St. Croix Falls, WI 54024, Attention: Jill Medland, or phone at (715) 483-3284 Ext 609.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jill Medland, Planning and Compliance Specialist, Saint Croix National Scenic Riverway, P.O. Box 708, 401 Hamilton Street, St. Croix Falls, WI 54024, or by phone (715) 483-3284 Ext 609.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Arrowhead-Weston Project (Project) is a 345 kilovolt (kV) electric transmission line proposed by Minnesota Power, Wisconsin Public Service Corporation, and American Transmission Company (the Applicant's) that would run 220 miles from Duluth, Minnesota to Wausau, Wisconsin. The governmental entity with approval authority for the overall Project is the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSCW). The PSCW approved the Project in 2001 and re-approved it in 2003. According to the Applicants, and as reflected in the PSCW decision, the purpose of the overall Project is to (1) strengthen the bulk transmission system by providing

a second high-capacity connection across the Minnesota-Wisconsin interface and (2) to transmit electricity from the upper Midwest to markets in the eastern Wisconsin area.

The State-approved route of the Project would cross the Namekagon River, which is part of Riverway, at a location approximately 10 miles downstream of the city of Hayward in Washburn County, Wisconsin. The NPS has received a right-of-way (ROW) request from the Applicants to cross the Riverway with the State-approved Project. To reach a decision about the right-of-way request to cross the Riverway, the NPS is preparing an EIS. The Corps of Engineers (Corps) is a cooperating agency on the EIS, since the Corps would also need to issue a permit for the river crossing.

The Applicant's propose to cross the Riverway and the Namekagon River at an existing 161kV electric transmission line corridor granted to Xcel Energy as an easement by private landowners prior to NPS land acquisition in the area. All alternatives (except no action) would require additional right-of-way from the NPS. The following alternatives are under consideration for crossing the Namekagon River:

No Action (Deny ROW Request): The existing 161kV line would remain as it is on 70-foot wood poles (this alternative would require the Applicants to go around the Riverway and reopen of the State approval process);

Alternative 1: This alternative would double circuit the 345kV and 161kV lines overhead on 145-150 foot-tall single steel poles (Applicant's preferred);

Short-span Option: This option calls for the use of 130 to 150 foot-tall steel structures to carry each of three electrical phases, using bundled conductors for each circuit, with a pair of overhead shield wires, for the entire crossing.

Long-span Option: This option calls for much the same equipment for the right-of-way except at the actual crossing of the Namekagen River. At the river crossing, the Project will use shorter (125 foot-tall) steel structures set further back from the river, use of special long-span conductors which allows fewer conductors and longer span lengths, and the elimination of the two overhead shield wires.

Alternative 2: This alternative would have a single circuit 345kV overhead on 120-130 foot-tall single steel poles, underground the existing 161kV, and use transition structures at the overhead-to-underground changeover;

Alternative 3: This alternative would upgrade the existing 161kV to 85–95-foot tall steel poles, place the 345kV underground, and use transition structures at the underground-to-overhead changeover;

Alternative 4: This alternative would place both 345kv and 161kV underground, and use transition structures at the underground-to-overhead changeover.

The NPS preferred alternative is alternative 1, the long-span option. The NPS believes the no action alternative is the environmentally preferred alternative because this alternative would result in no changes to the river corridor.

Persons wishing to comment on the draft EIS may do so by any one of several methods. They may attend the open house noted above. They may mail comments to Superintendent, Saint Croix National Scenic Riverway, P.O. Box 708, 401 Hamilton Street, St. Croix Falls, WI 54024, Attention: Jill Medland. They, also, may comment via e-mail to sacn_aw_row_eis@nps.gov (include name and return address in the e-mail message). Finally, they may hand-deliver comments to Riverway Headquarters, Saint Croix National Scenic Riverway, 401 Hamilton Street, St. Croix Falls, WI 54024.

The NPS practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review during regular business hours. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from the record, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There, also, may be circumstances in which we would withhold from the record a respondent's identify, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. However, we will not consider anonymous comments. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses available for public inspection in their entirety.

The responsible official is Mr. Ernest Quintana, Midwest Regional Director, National Park Service.

Dated: February 17, 2004.

David N. Given,

Acting Regional Director, Midwest Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

General Management Plan, Final Environmental Impact Statement, Coronado National Memorial, Arizona

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of a Final Environmental Impact Statement/General Management Plan, Coronado National Memorial.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4332 (C) the National Park Service announces the availability of a Final Environmental Impact Statement and General Management Plan (FEIS/GMP) for Coronado National Memorial, Arizona.

DATES: The National Park Service will execute a Record of Decision (ROD) no sooner than 30 days following publication by the Environmental Protection Agency of the notice of availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

ADDRESSES: Information will be available for public inspection in the office of the Superintendent, and at the following location, Coronado National Memorial Visitor Center, Coronado National Memorial, 4101 East Montezuma Road, Hereford, AZ 85615, Telephone: (520) 366–5515.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Paige, National Park Service, Denver Service Center–Planning Division, National Park Service, 12795 West Alameda Parkway, P.O. Box 25287, Denver, CO 80225–0287, Telephone: (303) 969–2356.

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National Park Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Availability of the Draft General Management Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Fallen Timbers Battlefield and Fort Miamis National Historic Site, Ohio

AGENCY: National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the National Park Service (NPS) announces the availability of the

Draft General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement (GMP/EIS) for the Fallen Timbers Battlefield and Fort Miamis National Historic Site (the park).

DATES: The GMP/EIS will remain available for public review for 60 days following the publishing of the notice of availability in the **Federal Register** by the Environmental Protection Agency. Public meetings will be announced in the local media.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the GMP/EIS are available by request by writing to the Fallen Timbers Battlefield and Fort Miamis National Historic Site, c/o Director of Planning, Metropolitan Park District of the Toledo Area, 5100 West Central Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43615–2100, by telephoning (419) 535–3050 or by e-mail

james.speck@metroparkstoledo.com.

The document is also available to be picked-up in person at Metropolitan Park District offices, 5100 West Central Avenue, Toledo, Ohio. The document can be found on the Internet in the NPS Planning Web site at: <http://planning.nps.gov/plans.cfm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. James Speck, Director of Planning, Metropolitan Park District of the Toledo Area, 5100 West Central Avenue, Toledo, Ohio, telephone 419–535–3050.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Fallen Timbers Battlefield and Fort Miamis National Historic Site is an affiliated area of the national park system, managed by the Metropolitan Park District of the Toledo Area. The park consists of three units, the Fallen Timbers Battlefield, the Fallen Timbers State Monument, and Fort Miamis. The park commemorates an important period in the development of the United States and the opening of the northwest frontier. It represents the culminating event that demonstrated the tenacity of the American people in their quest for western expansion and the struggle for dominance in the Old Northwest Territory.

The purpose of the general management plan is to set forth the basic management philosophy for the park and to provide strategies for addressing issues and achieving identified management objectives. The GMP/EIS describes and analyzes the environmental impacts of the proposed action and two other action alternatives for the future management direction of the park. A no action alternative is also evaluated.

Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review. Individual respondents may