# Section 4(f) Evaluation/Section 106 Coordination WOODLAWN HISTORIC DISTRICT FAIRFAX COUNTY, VA

## I. PROPOSED ACTION

- **a.** Description of Action: Construct a 4-lane roadway that connects Telegraph Road and Richmond Highway (U.S. Route 1) in Fairfax County, Virginia. See discussion in Chapter 2 of the Environmental Assessment (EA) for more detail.
- **b. Purpose and Need:** Provide replacement access between Telegraph Road and Richmond Highway (U.S. Route 1) as a result of the closing of Woodlawn Road and Beulah Street through Fort Belvoir, Virginia after the 9/11 terror attacks. For reference, Chapter 1 of the Environmental Assessment provides more detail on the purpose and need for the project.
- c. Applicability of Section 4(f): Section 4(f) of the U.S. Department of Transportation Act of 1966 (49 USC 303) requires that no land of an historic resource that is listed in, or eligible for listing in, the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) be used for federal-aid highways unless there is no feasible and prudent alternative. Specific alternatives to avoid such lands must be considered, and measures to minimize harm must be included in the project. The proposed action would physically encroach upon the Woodlawn Historic District, specifically property owned by the National Trust for Historic Preservation ("Trust"). The proposed roadway would align Old Mill Road and Mount Vernon Memorial Highway at the U.S. Route 1 intersection. The proposed action would relocate the entrance driveway to Woodlawn Plantation.

It is anticipated that the proposed project would have an adverse effect on the Woodlawn Historic District because of the physical encroachment and other alterations to the local landscape. Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966 (as amended) specifically addresses adverse impacts to significant resources (16 U.S.C. 470(f)). FHWA has performed consultation related to Section 106 and must execute a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the State Historic Preservation Officer, among others, prior to making a selection on an alternative and possibly advancing the project to design and construction. (See Chapter 4, Section 4.3 Cultural Resources of the EA for more detail related to Section 106 compliance.)

# II. SECTION 4(f) PROPERTY

**a.** Description of the Woodlawn Historic District: The Woodlawn Historic District is in the general location of the intersection of U.S. Route 1, Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, and Old Mill Road in Fairfax County, Virginia. **Figure 1** provides an overview of the Woodlawn Historic District and contributing sites.

Several recognized structures are associated with the Woodlawn Historic District and the immediate vicinity. The contiguous district, Virginia Department of Historic Resources (DHR)# 029-5181, was determined eligible for listing in the NRHP in 2001. The Woodlawn Historic District embraces a number of historic resources in the immediate vicinity. **Table 1** summarizes the resources.

Table 1: Summary of Contributing Sites to the Woodlawn Historic District

Resource	NRHP/NHL Status (individually)	Additional Status	VDHR Identifier	Fairfax County Parcel ID	Address
Woodlawn Plantation National Historic Landmark	NHL-listed		029-0056	109-2-01-0003 and 109-2-01-0004	9000 Richmond Highway Alexandria, VA
Woodlawn Historic District	NRHP-eligible		029-5181	various	various
Woodlawn Plantation	NRHP-listed	Contributes to Woodlawn Historic District	029-0070 (stables)	109-2-01-0003 109-2-01-0004 109-2-01-0002	9000 Richmond Highway 8907 Richmond Highway
Pope-Leighey House	NRHP-listed	Contained in the Woodlawn Historic District	029-0058	109-2-01-0004	9000 Richmond Highway, Alexandria
Grand View House	NRHP	Contributes to Woodlawn Historic District	029-0062	109-2-01-0004	9000 Richmond Highway, Alexandria
Woodlawn Baptist Church property and cemetery	NRHP-not eligible	Contributes to Woodlawn Historic District	029-0070	109-2-01-0001	9001 Richmond Highway, Alexandria, VA
Woodlawn Friends Meeting House	NRHP-not eligible *	Contributes to Woodlawn Historic District	029-0172	109-2-01-0038	8990 Richmond Highway, Alexandria, VA
George Washington Grist Mill	NRHP-listed	Contributes to Woodlawn Historic District	029-0330	109-2-01-0028	5514 Mount Vernon Memorial Hwy., Mount Vernon

<sup>\*</sup> As of May 30, 2006, the Woodlawn Friends Meeting are seeking re-evaluation of their property's eligibility status for listing in the NRHP.

1. Woodlawn Plantation (DHR# 029-0056) — This designation applies to the 1800s house, outbuildings, and landscaping associated with the Lewis family, relatives of George and Martha Washington. Since 1951, the Trust has administered the 126-acre Woodlawn Plantation property, which includes two parcels, one on each side of U.S. Route 1. The land was transferred to the Trust by deed in 1957. The property has multiple preservation-related designations, including listing in the NRHP in 1976. The parcel north of U.S. Route 1 was designated as a NHL in 1998. The parcel on the opposite side of U.S. Route 1 from the manor house (DHR# 029-0070), is listed in the NRHP but is not

part of the NHL designation. This contributing property contains the pasture and stables and is 56 acres in size. The entire NRHP-listed Woodlawn Plantation property, on both sides of U.S. Route 1, contributes to the Woodlawn Historic District.

- 2. Pope-Leighey House (DHR# 029-0058) This designation applies to the single story home designed by Frank Lloyd Wright and moved onto Woodlawn Plantation property in 1964. It was individually listed in the NRHP in 1970. While not itself a contributing property to the Woodlawn Historic District, the Pope-Leighey House sits within the woods of the Woodlawn Plantation and is wholly contained within the NHL property and historic district boundary.
- 3. Grand View House (DHR# 029-0062) This designation applies to the single story dwelling constructed in the 1850s. It has not been individually evaluated for NRHP eligibility but is included within the boundaries of the NRHP-listed Woodlawn Plantation property (029-0056); in addition, it contributes to the Woodlawn NHL and the Woodlawn Historic District.
- 4. Woodlawn Baptist Church (DHR# 029-0070) The early 1870s church burned and no longer exists; it was associated with a cemetery remaining on site, along with the modern church. The site has been recommended Not Eligible for individual listing in the NRHP, but is considered a contributing property to the Woodlawn Historic District.
- 5. Woodlawn Friends Meeting House (DHR# 029-0172) The Meeting House was constructed in the early 1850s and is associated with a horse stable and cemetery. Located adjacent to Fort Belvoir's Woodlawn Gate off U.S. Route 1 at 8990 Woodlawn Road. Previous evaluation by DHR has recommended the site Not Eligible for individual listing in the NRHP, but considered a contributing property to the Woodlawn Historic District. (As of May 30, 2006, the Woodlawn Friends are asking for a re-evaluation of that determination.)
- 6. George Washington Grist Mill (State Historical Park) (DHR# 029-0330) Listed on the NRHP in 2003, the property also contributes to the Woodlawn Historic District. The Grist Mill is located about 0.3 miles from the existing intersection with U.S. Route 1 at 5514 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway. The property is approximately 7 acres in size.

The Woodlawn Historic District also includes a portion of Fort Belvoir between the western edge of Woodlawn Plantation (the NHL property) and the eastern edge of the Woodlawn Society of Friends Meeting House. This parcel has not been individually inventoried in the DSS. Portions of the transportation routes within the contiguous District, namely U.S. Route 1 and Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, both operated and maintained by VDOT, are not contributing properties to the District.

## b. Features and Functions<sup>1</sup>

- 1. **Figure 2** shows the relationship of the project to the Woodlawn Historic District.
- 2. The boundaries of the district encompass approximately 140.53 acres.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Description of features and functions is largely taken from the *Environmental Assessment Route 1 Improvements Project C* completed by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) in 2003.

- 3. Woodlawn Plantation is owned by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. The Woodlawn Friends Meeting House is owned by the Alexandria Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends at Woodlawn (Woodlawn Friends Meeting). George Washington's Grist Mill is owned by the Commonwealth of Virginia (Mount Vernon has assumed some administrative and operating functions.) The property between the Woodlawn Plantation and the Woodlawn Friends Meeting House is currently owned by the U.S. Army² but is to be transferred to the Virginia Department of Transportation and then to the Trust. This transfer is not considered a Section 4(f) use.
- 4. The following activities take place on 4(f) property: At Woodlawn Plantation, there are tours, seasonal exhibits, school programs, picnics, needlework exhibitions, teas, children's workshops, haunted history tours, Christmas at Woodlawn, and private events. The research library is available to scholars by appointment and includes particular strengths in Colonial and Federal decorative arts, slavery, and Virginia history and genealogy. Woodlawn Plantation's stables are leased to a private operator for equestrian activities. The Friends Meeting House hosts a monthly religious meeting. On the Fort Belvoir land within the District, Woodlawn Road serves as an entrance gate to the Fort, with a security checkpoint. George Washington's Gristmill is a state park open to the public.
- 5. Existing facilities at Woodlawn Plantation include the mansion, a museum shop, a parking lot, picnic grounds, gardens, stables, outbuildings and the Pope-Leighey House. Facilities at the Woodlawn Friends Meeting House include the meeting house, a shed, and a cemetery. Facilities at George Washington's Gristmill include the reconstructed mill, a picnic area, and a parking lot. There are no facilities on the Fort Belvoir lands within the district, other than Woodlawn Road and the security checkpoint. There are no planned additional facilities at this time.
- 6. The Woodlawn Plantation property on the Woodlawn Plantation NHL side of U.S. Route 1 is accessed by a main entrance off Richmond Highway, which is presently opposite of the Mount Vernon Memorial Highway approach to the intersection. The Friends Meeting House is accessed from a driveway off of Fort Belvoir's Woodlawn Gate, the former Woodlawn Road. George Washington's Gristmill is accessed by a parking lot directly off Mount Vernon Memorial Highway.
- 7. The district has unusual characteristics: The northern portion of the Woodlawn Plantation is a designated National Historic Landmark. As such, it is subject to special statutory requirements in Section 110(f) of the National Historic Preservation Act. Under these requirements, federal agencies must, "to the maximum extent possible, undertake such planning and actions as may be necessary to minimize harm to any National Historic Landmark that may be directly and adversely affected by an undertaking." Further, under regulations 36 CFR 800.10(c), "The agency official shall notify the Secretary [of Interior] of any consultation involving a National Historic Landmark and invite the Secretary to participate in the consultation where there may be an adverse effect." FHWA notified the Department of Interior of consultation involving Woodlawn Plantation and invited them to participate in the consultation to resolve the adverse effects by a letter dated March 17, 2006 to William Bolger, National Park Service.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The land on Fort Belvoir is owned by the United States of America and is under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Army.

# III. IMPACTS TO SECTION 4(f) PROPERTY

- **a. Use:** For the alignment under consideration, approximately 2.64 acres would be used from property belonging to the Trust. These lands are associated with the NHL, Woodlawn Plantation and the overall Woodlawn Historic District. Nearly all the taking (2.5 acres) would be from the Woodlawn Plantation NHL site (DHR# 029-0056), with approximately 0.13 acres from the parcel on the opposite side of U.S. Route 1 (DHR# 029-0070). **Figure 2** illustrates the proposed taking of the property. The no-build alternative would not require the taking of any land.
- **b. Other Impacts:** Aside from the physical encroachment on the Woodlawn Historic District property, the project would affect access to Woodlawn Plantation. The build alternative would relocate the main entrance to Woodlawn Plantation approximately 700 feet south of the existing entrance on U.S. Route 1. Currently, the main entrance from U.S. Route 1 to Woodlawn Plantation is directly opposite Mount Vernon Memorial Highway. Old Mill Road is currently offset from that intersection; however, the same traffic signal controls movements into Woodlawn's driveway and Old Mill Road, as well as turns onto U.S. Route 1. To enhance the safety of the intersection, and the flow of traffic, the intersection would be reconstructed to align Old Mill Road and Mount Vernon Memorial Highway. FHWA has engaged in discussions with the Trust since the initiation of the project, to review and seek input for possible solutions involving redesign of the intersection. The build alternative introduces new pedestrian facilities to accommodate visitors to Woodlawn Plantation, and other users of the Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail (PHNST).

The project would impact the visual environment within the Historic District, particularly at a corner of the historic district: the intersection of U.S. Route 1, Old Mill Road and Mount Vernon Memorial Highway. Along Old Mill Road, 2.24 acres of undeveloped forested land would be taken for the construction of additional through and turning lanes. Among several mitigation measures, the Trust has proposed the planting of additional vegetation to minimize the visual impacts of Old Mill Road's widening. **Figure 3** illustrates changes to the visual environment as a result of the build alternative. The new intersection will offer a more cohesive design than the current "5-leg" intersection. The intersection will also incorporate pedestrian amenities and the extension of the PHNST along the perimeter of the Woodlawn Plantation property south of U.S. Route 1.

Other effects on the District under the build alternative would be minimal. There would be no change in noise levels at Woodlawn Plantation for the 2030 design year build alternative compared to the 2030 design year no-build alternative. Changes in noise levels would not reach an impact threshold. The preferred alternative was also included in the Metropolitan Washington (MWCOG) region's latest air quality conformity analysis, and was determined to be in conformity with the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality. Temporary construction easements beyond the permanent right-of-way limits would be necessary under the build alternative. However, these easements would not disturb any existing or planned structures or facilities.

## IV. ALTERNATIVES

a. Alternatives that use 4(f) property: The Preferred Alternative is described in detail in Chapter 2 of the Environmental Assessment. As previously stated, the Preferred Alternative will serve as a replacement connector road providing access between U.S. Route 1 and Telegraph Road. The centerline of Old Mill Road would be shifted slightly south to allow for the alignment with Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, which would be shifted slightly north. Land from the Woodlawn Plantation NHL would be used to accommodate 1 right, 1 through, and 2 left turning lanes (which requires 2.24 acres) on Old Mill Road. Additionally, minor amounts of land would be taken from Woodlawn Plantation on both the north and south sides of U.S. Route 1 to accommodate turning lanes at the intersection.

#### b. Avoidance Alternatives:

- (i) The No Build Alternative avoids use of the Woodlawn Plantation property, but would not meet the purpose and need for the project.
- (ii) Reopening the closed roadways of Beulah Street and Woodlawn Road to the traveling public would not be practical or feasible due to the Department of Defense security requirements for Fort Belvoir.
- (iii) Some other early alternatives involved alignments as far north and traversing Huntley Meadows Park, another significant Section 4(f) resource.
- (iv) Several of the alternatives which FHWA has eliminated from further consideration, also involved similar use of the Woodlawn Plantation property along Old Mill Road.
- (v) Avoidance of the Woodlawn Plantation property along Old Mill Road could only be achieved by placing all the roadway improvements to the north of Old Mill Road; this shift would involve the taking of approximately 11 townhouses, 4 garden apartment buildings, a church and a commercial enterprise, and the associated displacement and relocation of the residents, which is determined not to be prudent.
- (vi) Another option FHWA briefly considered specifically to avoid the Woodlawn Plantation property avoided Old Mill Road entirely, by veering the alignment immediately adjacent to but not on the Woodlawn Plantation's northwestern boundary (Fort Belvoirside) before connecting to U.S. Route 1. However, this alignment was inconsistent with Fort Belvoir facility plans. In addition, discussions with the Trust resisted development of this option because of its greater visual and constructive use of the Woodlawn property.

Based on the above determinations, the FHWA has focused on measures to reduce and mitigate the direct impacts from the Preferred Alternative 4CR.

### V. MEASURES TO MINIMIZE HARM

**a. Minimize Encroachment:** The amount of encroachment into the district would be the minimum necessary to accommodate the proposed widening and alignment of Old Mill Road, consistent with sound engineering principles and safety. A meandering shared-use

path will be constructed on Woodlawn Plantation from the intersection with U.S. Route 1 to Pole Road. This eliminates the necessity for sidewalks along both sides of Old Mill Road and reduces right-of-way needed for the Preferred Alternative. Additionally, the extension of the Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail would occur on the Woodlawn Plantation's east of U.S. Route 1. The typical section of the trail extension would follow National Park Service and AASHTO guidance (10 feet + 4 feet). Both pedestrian facilities are considered mitigation by the Trust however, and they would be constructed on easements granted by the Trust to the public agency maintaining the trails. Details regarding the locations of the shared use paths will be developed during design and in coordination with the Trust and National Park Service.

- b. Access: The main entrance to the Woodlawn Plantation NHL would be relocated approximately 700 feet south of the existing entrance on U.S. Route 1 as a result of the Preferred Alternative. The entrance would be redesigned to enable safe ingress and egress to the site, to make the entrance more attractive to the public and at the same maintain the agrarian character of Woodlawn Plantation. There is a secondary maintenance and staff entrance to Woodlawn Plantation which would not be relocated as part of the project. The entrance to the Woodlawn stables property on the south side of U.S. Route 1, would not be relocated, although ingress and egress may be restricted to right-in and right-out access only in order to accommodate a left-turn into the new manor main entrance. The relocated main entrance, and associated landscaping features and pedestrian facilities, have been developed in consultation with Woodlawn Plantation, representatives from the Trust and other consulting parties.
- c. Mitigation: The maintenance of Woodlawn Plantation's historic, rural, agrarian character as well as improved pedestrian facilities, and the Plantation's historic connection with Mount Vernon were emphasized by the Trust as design features which should be enhanced. Figure 3 illustrates some the landscaping and pedestrian facilities concepts which were developed in coordination with the Trust.

Additionally, for the loss of approximately 2.6 acres from the Woodlawn Plantation property, the Army has agreed to transfer the parcel of land (2.5 acres in size) along Woodlawn Road adjacent to the Friends Meeting House. This land is located within the historic district, and would provide a connection to two contributing elements of the Woodlawn Historic District. The Army has been authorized by statute to transfer the parcel; it is intended that a covenant shall be placed on the parcel protecting it in perpetuity under terms of the NHPA.

- **d. Maintenance of Traffic:** Traffic flow would be maintained during construction so that access to properties both within and adjacent to the District would not be interrupted.
- e. Turn lanes and traffic control: The project would provide medians, turn lanes and traffic signals at the intersection of U.S. Route 1, Old Mill Road and Mount Vernon Memorial Highway; and at the relocated Main entrance to Woodlawn Plantation.
- f. Erosion and Sediment Control: Temporary and permanent erosion and sediment controls would be installed during construction to minimize any detrimental effects of project-generated sediment on District land. The practices recommended in the 1992 Virginia Erosion and Sediment Control Handbook will be used for this project.

- **g. Landscaping:** Landscaping is a key component of the mitigation measures for this project. Landscaping options were developed in coordination with the Trust and other consulting parties, as mentioned the intent of the landscaping will be to reinforce the rural, agrarian character of Woodlawn Plantation.
- h. Additional coordination: Additional coordination has been held with the National Trust for Historic Preservation, Fairfax County Department of Transportation, Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), Fort Belvoir, and the Department of the Army Defense Access Roads Program. Through the Section 106 process, FHWA ensures that consulting parties provide input on proposed mitigation measures, refine design details and agree to execute a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) or Programmatic Agreement (PA) pursuant to 36 CFR 800.6.

## VI. COORDINATION

a. Correspondence directly related to Woodlawn Plantation/Woodlawn Historic District

State His	storic Preservation Officer - Virginia Department of Historic Resources (DHR)
1/10/05	Letter from Jack Van Dop, FHWA, to Kathleeen Kirkpatrick, Director, State Historic Preservation Office, DHR and multiple other state, federal and local agencies announcing project initiation and scoping meeting on 1/24/05.
7/1/05	Letter from Jack Van Dop, FHWA, to Kathleeen Kirkpatrick, Director, State Historic Preservation Office, DHR, to initiate formal consultation for compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (36 CFR 800.8 (c)(1)(ii)).
7/14/05	Letter from Marc Holma, DHR, to Jack Van Dop, FHWA, agreeing to participate in the Section 106 process in recognition of historic properties identified within the study area.
9/6/05	Letter from Margaret Ballard, HDR, to Marc Holma, DHR, and multiple Consulting Parties requesting initiation of the Section 106 Consulting Parties process, and inviting participation to a meeting 9/6/05.
9/16/05	Letter from Marc Holma, DHR, to Jack Van Dop, FHWA, in response to the 9/12/05 Section 106 Consulting Parties meeting outlining next steps in the Section 106 process.
3/10/06	Letter from Jack Van Dop to Marc Holma, DHR, in response to Marc Holma's 9/16/05 letter requesting to outline the scoping for the proposed connector road; possible utilization of Old Mill Road to connect U.S. Route 1 and Telegraph Road; status of historical structure and archeological identification surveys; status of consulting party requests made at the 9/12/05 meeting; and request to convene another consulting parties meeting.
4/13/06	Letter from Jack Van Dop to Marc Holma, DHR transmitting April 11, 2006 Cultural Resources Report to DHR.

	U.S. Department of Interior (DOI)
3/17/06	Letter from Jack Van Dop, FHWA, to Mr. William Bolger, National Park Service, inviting him to participate in the National Historic Landmark consultation process for Woodlawn Plantation.

	Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP)
9/1/05	Telephone call from Jack Van Dop, FHWA, to Carol Legard, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, inviting ACHP to participate in the Section 106 process and upcoming meeting.
3/17/06	Email from Margaret Ballard, HDR, to Carol Legard, ACHP, inviting ACHP to attend the 3/30/06 Section 106 Consulting Parties meeting.
3/22/06	Letter from Jack Van Dop, FHWA, to Don Klima, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, inviting ACHP to participate in the Section 106 process.

	Virginia Council on Indians
3/27/06	Letter from Jack Van Dop, FHWA to Ms. Deanna Beacham, Virginia Council on Indians, inviting her to comment and participate in the consultation process for this project.

# b. Consulting Parties

Invited parties for Section 106 consultation include:

- Virginia Department of Historic Resources, State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO)
- Fairfax County Architectural Review Board
- Fairfax County Dept. of Planning & Zoning
- Fairfax County History Commission
- Fairfax County Dept. of Transportation
- Gum Springs Historical Society
- Gunston Hall Plantation
- Historic Mount Vernon
- National Trust for Historic Preservation (Trust)
- Alexandria Quaker Friends Meeting House
- Virginia Department of Transportation
- U.S. Army Garrison Fort Belvoir
- Defense Access Road Program

## c. Meetings Directly Related to Woodlawn Plantation

FHWA coordinated with Section 106 Consulting Parties, both individually and collectively at several meetings, listed below.

Date	Content/Attendees
5/13/05	FHWA met with the Trust, owners of Woodlawn Plantation, Supervisor Hyland, and Fairfax County DOT. The meeting provided an overview of the project, alternatives under consideration, and general options for the intersection. The Trust agreed to continue discussions. The meeting was held at Woodlawn Plantation.

6/21/05	Fairfax County Supervisor Gerald Hyland organized a meeting among the Trust, U.S. Army, FHWA and others to discuss issues regarding the connector road. At the meeting, Major General Jackman of the Military District of Washington asked if the Trust would consider accepting a transfer of land associated with the Woodlawn Gate to the Trust (approximately two acres) in exchange for the land required for the Connector Road project. The meeting was held at the Pope-Leighey House on Woodlawn Plantation.
7/13/05	FHWA met with the Trust to discuss five preliminary concept options for U.S. Route 1/Old Mill Road/Mount Vernon Memorial Highway. With many alignments funneling to Old Mill Road, the intersection is likely a terminus of the Connector Road. The meeting was held at HDR offices in Alexandria, VA.
8/9/05	FHWA met with the Trust to discuss four additional concept options developed for the intersection and Woodlawn Plantation entrance. The options were based on feedback received at the 7/13/05 meeting, reflecting the historic, pastoral character of Woodlawn Plantation, as well as possible trail options on Woodlawn Plantation property. The meeting was held at HDR.
9/12/05	FHWA convened this first Section 106 Consultation Meeting. Consulting Parties were invited to the meeting. See list below. The meeting provided the consulting parties with a project overview, a summary of the connector road alternatives selection process, a description of the proposed land transfer to the Trust, possible items for inclusion in an MOA for the project, and the status of the proposed expansion of U.S. Route 1 through the Historic District. The study team also presented the intersection design options that had been developed by FHWA in consultation with the Trust. The meeting was held at Woodlawn Plantation.
10/7/05	FHWA convened a multi-agency trail coordination meeting for the project. The Trust and Historic Mount Vernon (operators of Washington's Grist Mill, under contract with VDCR) participated, as did VDOT, Fairfax County, Fort Belvoir, and National Park Service staff. Discussion centered on options for linking the Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail (PHNST) to Woodlawn Plantation, and options along/onto Fort Belvoir. The meeting was held at HDR.
1/5/06	FHWA met with the Trust to discuss potential project impacts and minimization along their property abutting Old Mill Road and Mount Vernon Highway. Details regarding entrance drive relocation, multi-purpose trail placement, and land transfer were among the topics. The meeting was held at the HDR offices in Alexandria.
3/20/06	FHWA and DoD met with the Trust to review preliminary engineering lane configuration revisions at U.S. Route 1/Old Mill Road/Mount Vernon Memorial Highway intersection, median and crosswalk locations, trail coordination, and construction phasing. The meeting was held at HDR.
3/30/06	FHWA convened the second Consulting Parties meeting. FHWA presented a summary of activities completed since the September meeting, including the alignment refinement process resulting in corridor 4CR. Discussion involved levels of details of mitigation for a proposed MOA. The meeting was held at Sherwood Regional Library.

# d. Other Public Participation efforts relative to Woodlawn Plantation/Woodlawn Historic District: NEPA, Section 106 and Section 4(f)

Date	Session/Content
2/17/05	Public Information Meeting. The first public meeting provided an opportunity to present to the public the project's purpose and need; description; overview of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) & National Historic Preservation Act processes; work completed to date for the project; and the project schedule. FHWA solicited public input. Comments received included concerns on impacts to Woodlawn Plantation and other sites in the district, and preferences for the connector road alternatives that were considered for the project. The meeting was held at the Mount Vernon High School.
6/1/05	Citizens Task Force Meeting. County Supervisors Gerry Hyland and Dana Kauffman created a Citizen's Task Force for the project after the first public meeting in February 2005. The Task Force consists of eight residents from the two affected planning districts. FHWA briefed them on project activities including options for the U.S. Route 1/Old Mill Road/Mount Vernon Memorial Highway intersection, traffic studies, and other coordination efforts. This meeting was held at Supervisor Hyland's Office in the Mount Vernon Government Center
8/31/05	Citizens Task Force Meeting. FHWA reviewed the concept options as had been developed and discussed with the Trust for U.S. Route 1/Old Mill Road/Mount Vernon Highway intersection,. The meeting was held at Supervisor Hyland's Office in the Mount Vernon Government Center
10/24/05	<b>Public Information Meeting.</b> At this second meeting, FHWA presented a summary of the preliminary engineering and environmental activities, with recommendation to focus attention to the Alternative C corridor. FHWA displayed the graphic showing the general aligning of Old Mill Road with Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, as had been discussed with the Trust. Held at the South County Government Center in Alexandria
1/26/06	Citizens Task Force Meeting. FHWA discussed the numerous coordination meetings held, including with the NPS, Fort Belvoir and the Trust, and presented the rationale for the Alternative 4CR. Held at Supervisor Hyland's Office in the Mount Vernon Government Center
5/15/06	Citizens Task Force Meeting. FHWA received comments on preliminary draft Environmental Assessment. Held at Supervisor Hyland's Office in the Mount Vernon Government Center