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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE**



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Notice of Record of Determination

From: Melissa Memory, Superintendent

Subject: Record of Determination for a Temporary Closure of the Lazaretto Area Road in Support of the March Haynes Community Day Event

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 1.5, the National Park Service is imposing a temporary closure of certain parkland within Fort Pulaski National Monument, specifically the part of the Lazaretto Area Road from the eastern terminus to an area approximately .25 miles from the terminus when accessed by vehicle.

Periods of Closure:

- Section of Lazaretto Area Road from 12:00 pm Friday, March 1 through 5:00 pm Saturday, March 2.

Interpretive programs related to the March Haynes Community Day Event will be held at the terminus of the road and will involve a shuttle bus from the Park Visitor Center to the terminus of the road. No vehicles may enter the closed area and pedestrian access is allowed. This closure will ensure pedestrian safety before, during, and after the event.

This temporary and partial closure is not of a nature, magnitude and duration that will result in a "significant alteration in the public use pattern." Indeed, other nearby park areas will remain open to the public. The closure will not adversely affect the park's natural, aesthetic, or cultural values; nor require significant modification to the resource management objections; nor is it of a highly controversial nature.

Accordingly, the National Park Service determines that publication as rulemaking in the Federal Register, is unwarranted per 36 C.F.R. § 1.5(c). This is consistent with hundreds of earlier partial and temporary park closures, the legal opinion of the Office of the Solicitor, and judicial adjudications. *Picciotto v. United States*, No. 99-2113 (D.D.C.); *Picciotto v. United States*, No. 94-1935 (D.D.C.); *Picciotto v. Lulan*, No. 90-1261 (D.D.C.); *Picciotto v. Hodel*, No. 87-3290 (D.D.C.); *Spiegel v. Babbitt*, 855 F.Supp. 402 (D.D.C. 1994), *affld in part w/o op.* 56 F.3d 1531 (D.C. Cir. 1995).

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 1.7, notice of this temporary and partial closure will be made through the posting of signs at conspicuous locations in the affected park area. Finally, pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 1.5(c), this determination is available to the public upon request.

Attachment: Maps of closed area.

Map of Closed Area:

