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Manassas Battlefield to Install Fire Protection System in Visitor Center

Beginning December 2, 2013, Manassas National Battlefield Park will undertake a project to install a fire protection system in the Henry Hill Visitor Center. The project will expand upon the existing dry pipe sprinkler system to provide complete protection throughout the building, including all visitor use and office areas as well as museum exhibit and storage areas. Work will also include replacing the building's existing fire alarm system. The Visitor Center, located at 6511 Sudley Road in Manassas, is the park's primary visitor services facility, with an annual visitation of approximately 125,000.

The National Park Service will coordinate project activities to minimize disruptions to visitors, but portions of the building may be closed and inaccessible to the public during the installation process. The park will relocate much of the museum collection to the National Capital Region's Museum Resource Center in Landover, Maryland, for storage when construction activities impact the museum exhibit areas of the Visitor Center. All exhibited items will be returned for display in the Visitor Center museum following completion of the project, with a projected date of Spring, 2014, for reopening the museum to visitors.

For additional information, contact the Visitor Center at 703-361-1339.