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COLONIAL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK WELCOMES NEW SUPERINTENDENT

YORKTOWN, Va. – Park service staff and volunteers were excited to welcome the arrival of Kym Hall during an all employees meeting recently as she began her new role as Superintendent of Colonial National Historical Park. Hall replaces former Superintendent Dan Smith who retired at the end of 2014.

"I am deeply humbled and honored for the opportunity to serve as the Superintendent at a park whose compelling story began when Jamestown became the first permanent English Settlement in North America and ended with America ensuring independence at the battlefields of Yorktown," Hall said. Defining her vision for the park, Hall praised the park staff for their collective efforts through all of the changes over the last six months while encouraging everyone to be as strategic as possible, challenge traditional practices and be a force multiplier in connecting people to our park. "I wanted to let them know I'm thrilled at the opportunity to work with our park staff, volunteers, neighbors, partners, and stakeholders as we embark into the centennial of the National Park Service," shared Hall. Some of her goals include filling long-vacant supervisory positions within the staff, engaging with partners and local community leaders, improving the condition of historic structures and connecting youth to the park in a variety of ways.

Hall is a 29-year veteran of the NPS and comes here from Glacier National Park where she was the Deputy Superintendent. Born in California and raised in the Pacific Northwest, Hall likes traveling, gardening, kayaking, and spending time near the ocean. She is the proud mother of three sons; Jacob, 18; Sean, 14; and Kyle, 6.

Colonial National Historical Park was established in 1930 to preserve the important seventeenth and eighteenth century sites in Jamestown, Williamsburg and Yorktown. The Colonial Parkway continues to link the sites in its 23 miles, and is today recognized as an "All-American road."

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