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## Valley Forge National Historical Park - News Release

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### **War Comes to the Perkiomen Peninsula** *Temporary Exhibit on display at Lower Providence Township Building*

VALLEY FORGE, PA – Pennsylvania’s historic Perkiomen Peninsula, now part of Lower Providence Township, played a key role during the Valley Forge winter encampment of 1777-1778. From the arrival of the Continental Army at in December 1777, the peninsula provided an important strategic location for defense of the encampment. As winter progressed, the land was the site of the newly organized Commissary Department, so vital for the survival of Washington’s army. The land also served as the staging area from which the army left the Valley Forge encampment and marched on to victory at the Battle of Monmouth in June 1778.

The temporary exhibit, *War Comes to the Perkiomen Peninsula*, offers the public the opportunity to understand the significant role that Lower Providence Township lands played during the historic Valley Forge encampment.

The exhibit, prepared by staff of Valley Forge National Historical Park, includes illustrations, photographs, and copies of actual letters and quotations written by officers of the Continental Army expressing the significance of the site. Archeological artifacts excavated from the encampment by the National Park Service complete the viewer’s understanding of the unique location.

*War Comes to the Perkiomen Peninsula* will be on display at the Lower Providence Township Municipal Office from September 6<sup>th</sup> through December 2007. The township offices are located at 100 Parkland Drive, Eagleville, Pennsylvania.

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