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– Advisory –

**Advisory Council on Historic Preservation to Hold July 1 Public Meeting
in Virginia on Corps of Engineers Chancellorsville Battleground Permit Issue**

WHAT: The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) will hold a public meeting July 1, 2003 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Massaponax High School, Fredericksburg, Virginia. The purpose of the meeting is to gather testimony on the Norfolk District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' evaluation of a permit application pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act for six road crossings over streams associated with a proposed 273-acre residential subdivision. The property, known as the Ashley-Orrock tract, is located on land eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. It occupies parts of the site associated with the Civil War Battle of Chancellorsville. Following the meeting, the ACHP will develop comments to forward to the Secretary of the Army by July 18, 2003.

WHO: The Army Corps of Engineers, property owner, Virginia Department of Historic Resources, consulting parties under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), and the public will have an opportunity to address the ACHP.

HOW: Those desiring to attend and make statements are advised to pre-register by e-mail, mail, fax, or phone by 5 p.m. EDT June 27. Please provide name and the organization the speaker officially represents (if any) when registering to speak. Send e-mails to: tmcculloch@achp.gov, or fax information to 202-606-5072, or phone 202-606-8505. Mail registrations should be sent to Dr. Tom McCulloch, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Room 803, Washington, DC 20004. Note that you are pre-registering for the Corps of Engineers meeting on July 1. Those not registering by June 27 will have the opportunity to sign up to make statements at the meeting, but pre-registrants will have speaking priority.

WRITTEN COMMENTS: Written comments also will be accepted at the meeting. Those unable to attend, or who prefer to send written comments at another time, may submit them to the ACHP until 5 p.m. EDT July 9, 2003. Written comments may be sent to the above e-mail address, fax number, or mailed to: Dr. Tom McCulloch, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Room 803, Washington, DC 20004.

WHERE: Massaponax High School (MHS) auditorium, 8201 Jefferson Davis Highway, Fredericksburg, VA. For driving directions see the MHS homepage.

<http://www.spotsylvania.k12.va.us/mhs/default2.asp>

About ACHP, National Historic Preservation Act, and Section 106: For detailed information, please visit the www.achp.gov Web site.

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