



## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

### Proposed Additions to Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park

The California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), pursuant to California Resources Code Section 5006.1, will hold a hearing on a proposal to purchase from willing sellers up to 712 acres of vacant land as an addition to Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park in Tulare County. The proposed properties are bounded by the park and private lands to the south, the A.T. & S.F. Railroad tracks and State Highway 43 to the east, County Road J22 to the north, and private lands to the west. Funds for the acquisitions are currently available.

The hearing will be held in the Baptist Church in Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park on Thursday, August 15, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. The Park is located off State Route 43 approximately seven miles west of the town of Earlimart via County Road J22. Signs at the park entrance will direct traffic to the church. The hearing room is accessible to all persons.

A map of the proposed acquisitions is posted at the park visitor center and has been provided for posting to the Tulare County main library at 200 West Oak Avenue in Visalia and to the Earlimart Branch at 780 East Washington Street in Earlimart. The map is also available on the DPR website at [www.parks.ca.gov](http://www.parks.ca.gov) under *News and Announcements/News Releases 2002*.

The purpose of the hearing is to record comments from local public officials and the general public on DPR's proposed additions to Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park. DPR staff will make a background presentation and answer the public's questions before opening the podium for comments. A summary of the comments will be submitted to the Legislature.

Written comments will be accepted for the record if received no later than August 23, 2002. Written comments should be addressed to Warren Westrup, Chief, Office of Acquisition and Real Property Services, California Department of Parks and Recreation, One Capitol Mall, Suite 500, Sacramento, CA 95814, faxed to (916) 327-7307, or e-mailed to [smill@parks.ca.gov](mailto:smill@parks.ca.gov). Please direct any inquiries regarding this notice or requests for special assistance to Skip Mills at (916) 445-9088 or [smill@parks.ca.gov](mailto:smill@parks.ca.gov).

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