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The enclosed is pretty strong language for working toward a Bull Run Mountain Battlefield Park/Natural Area.

Ed Beers did not show any hesitancy in supporting this land's eligibility for placement on the National Register of Historic Places. Understanding the proper procedures NPS ^{employees} must follow — anyone employed by NPS cannot speak for NPS in terms of endorsing creation of this park as part of the Park Service holdings (unless, of course, it is the Director of NPS/Secretary of Interior). Should anyone contact your personnel for personal support, I believe statements can be made as long as they are prefaced by "this is my personal opinion, and not that of the Park Service."

Kim Holien, who is a military historian with the Army Materiel Command, is seeking private funds to have a video presentation done on Thoroughfare Gap and the Mosby camp (he is also doing the same for the Battle of Bristoe Station). Once these are completed, they can be shown to those organizations/individuals who could be of "significant" assistance in preservation of these sites.

Will keep you informed as things develop.

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