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HISTORICAL COMMISSION



April 10, 1994

To: Historical Commission Members
April Meeting

Attached for your review and information is a copy of a letter from Mr. Philip D. Paschall of the Potomac Appalachian Trail Club. Mr. Paschall called and then wrote to me regarding the 1200 acres of land surrounding Beverley's Mill. Mr. Paschall said that the land which is currently owned by a State of Virginia Foundation could be transferred to a group that would open the property as a park. Mr. Paschall said that the Association for the Preservation of Civil War Sites in Fredericksburg would be willing to assume title to the land, but they would like an indication of support from local groups in supplying markers or helping with parking area expenses.

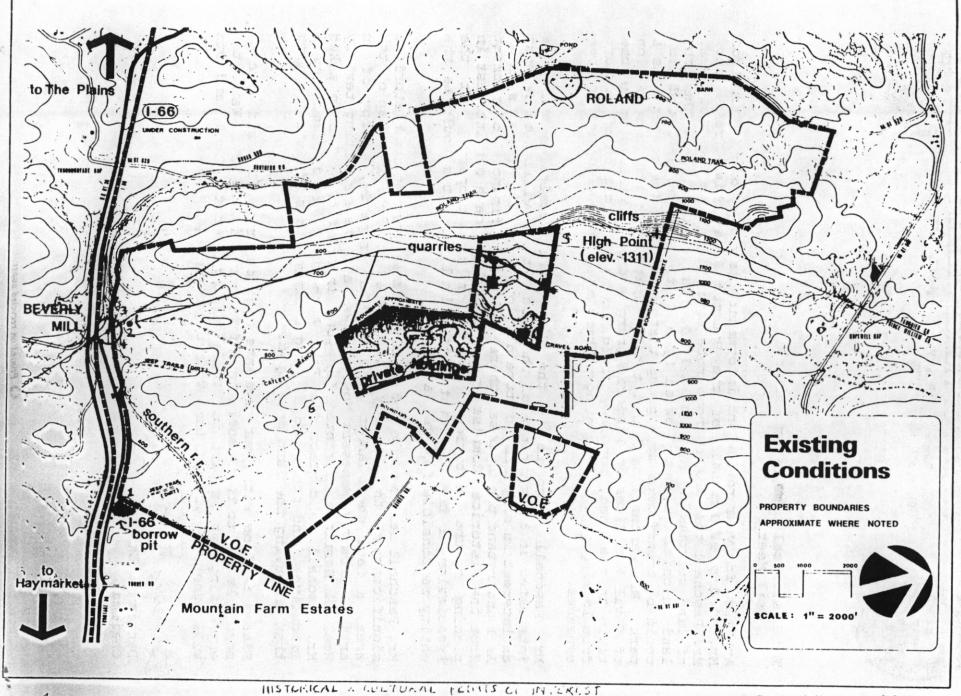
Mr. Paschall asked me if the Historical Commission would be interested in becoming one of the local groups willing to express an interest in supporting future development of the site as a park. As I understand the proposal there would be no financial commitment from the Historical Commission. We would indicate our interest in placing future historical markers on the property, but the Association of the Preservation of Civil War Sites would be the entity responsible for the land.

Mr. Paschall sent me a lot of material in support of the historical significance of the property. I have had his letter, a map of the area, a fact sheet about the Bull Run Property, a copy of an article from the Manassas Museum News, and the supporting text by Noel G. Harrison reprinted for your information. I also asked Mr. Paschall to contact the Park Authority; Mr. Mullen, County Executive; and other groups to get expressions of interest from them in having the land developed.

Please call me with your comments and concerns. I would like to send a letter to the Association of Preservation of Civil War Sites expressing our support for their taking over the land, and our willingness to support them when our budget permits.

Dennis L. Ekberg

Chairman



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3 - CHAPMAN COMETARY

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