MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Battle of Lexington State Historic Site is to preserve and interpret the significance of this Civil War battle through the use of the Anderson House, the extant battleground and artifacts; and to provide appropriate and compatible memorial activities.

DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES:

- Trail Development
  - Expand trails to tie in key features.
- Develop New Service Facility
  - Acquire suitable tract for service area to include shop and compound for vehicles and equipment.
- Convert Existing Service Area
  - Reconfigure lower level of state residence into meeting rooms for staff and community use and facility storage.
- Historic Landscape
  - Selectively remove and thin vegetation from Anderson House and battlefield areas to create view shed of Missouri River that more closely resembles the mid-19th century landscape.
- Pedestrian Links
  - Coordinate with city or county efforts to provide pedestrian link(s) with community trail networks and city sidewalks.
- Reconstruct or Define Historic Features
  - Define features discovered through research (archival, archaeological) that would broaden or fill in gaps - such as summer kitchen, slave quarters, privies, other outbuildings, or landscape features associated with Anderson House or with battleground features (redoubts, entrenchments).
- Acquisition Units
  - Acquisition Unit A - Development of new service area
  - Acquisition Unit B - Inholding - Potential trail access
  - Acquisition Unit C - Inholdings - Protect park boundary
  - Acquisition Unit D - Inholdings - Limit development in park
  - Acquisition Unit E - Monument - Protect and highlight location
  - Additional Battlefield Acquisitions - Properties in highlighted boundary that possess important battlefield links should be considered.

APPROVED BY:

Director, Missouri State Parks

AMENDED:

Date

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