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Friends of Flight 93 New Orientation Film Highlights Memorial's Growth over the past 7 Years

Shanksville, PA: The Friends of Flight 93 National Memorial are proud to present a new orientation film highlighting the new features and growth of Flight 93 National Memorial over the past 7 years. The new film, produced in-kind by Wild Excellence Films, is an update of the 2012 orientation video that was created before the Visitor Center Complex was open to the public.

The film is meant to be an educational tool available to school groups, group tour operators, and the general public. The DVD is available for sale on the Friends of Flight 93 website and the Flight 93 National Memorial Visitor Center bookstore for \$19.99.

Filming began in 2016 and includes background on the story of Flight 93, concept for Flight 93 National Memorial, and features of the memorial's design. The 20-minute video serves as an introduction to touring and visiting Flight 93 National Memorial, which is a self-guided site. The film highlights the living memorial landscape, themes, wildlife, programs and events that take place at the memorial annually.

"We were honored to work on this film, and hope it enhances visitors' experiences of the memorial," says filmmaker Melissa Rohm of Wild Excellence Films. "We emphasized small and large details of the memorial's design, as well as the landscape itself, which is healing and thriving. All of these components, once recognized, can make for an even more meaningful visit."

A final filming segment will take place later this year to include the Tower of Voices, being dedicated on September 9, and ongoing environmental projects such as wildflower and honey bee home initiatives.

Many volunteers and Friends members took part in the filming process, and were used as extras during the shooting. The orientation film had its premier during the Friends of Flight 93 National Memorial mid-year membership meeting on June 7.

To purchase the orientation film online visit <https://www.flight93friends.org/orientation-dvd> or pick up a copy in the Flight 93 National Memorial Visitor Center bookstore.

ABOUT THE FRIENDS OF FLIGHT 93 NATIONAL MEMORIAL

Established in 2009, the Friends of Flight 93 National Memorial is the official nonprofit partner of Flight 93 National Memorial. The Friends' aim is to inform, honor and pay tribute to the heroes of Flight 93 by supporting the Memorial with volunteers and resources. The Friends' mission is to focus on awareness, education, volunteer support, preservation and stewardship. To learn more about the Friends, make a donation to support the memorial, or become a member visit www.Flight93Friends.org.

ABOUT FLIGHT 93 NATIONAL MEMORIAL

On September 24, 2002, President Bush signed into law the Flight 93 National Memorial Act. The Act created a new national park unit to commemorate the passengers and crew of Flight 93 who, on September 11, 2001, courageously gave their lives thereby thwarting a planned attack on our nation's capital. The memorial is near Shanksville, Pennsylvania, where Flight 93 crashed with the loss of its 40 passengers and crew. For more information on Flight 93 National Memorial visit www.nps.gov/flni.

ABOUT WILD EXCELLENCE FILMS

Through the powerful medium of film, Wild Excellence Films brings attention to conservation, outdoor recreation, ecotourism, nonprofits, and State and National Parks through unique, beautiful storytelling. Husband and wife team Melissa and David Rohm have more than three decades of experience behind the lens, and their passion for the natural world is what inspired them to launch WEF. Their goal is to make cause documentaries that educate, inform, and awe audiences, encouraging people to get involved with saving wild places and the living things that inhabit them. Learn more at <http://www.wildexcellencefilms.com/>.

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