

NATIONAL CHINA GARDEN

at the

U.S. NATIONAL ARBORETUM

PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING

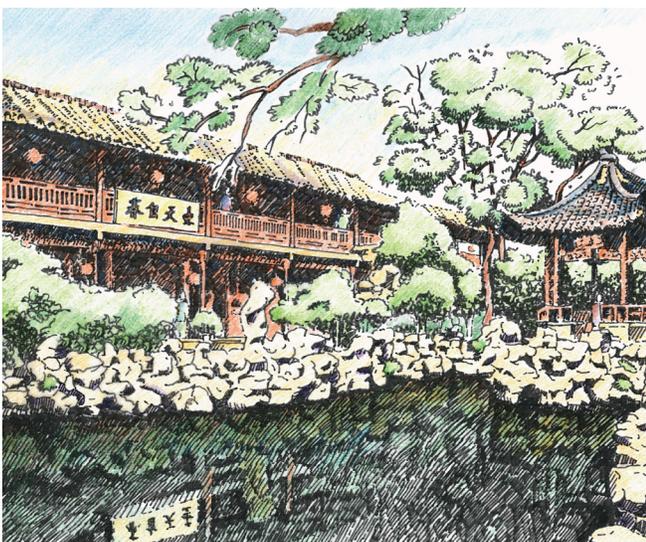
OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Agricultural Research Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (ARS), in cooperation with the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC), will be preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) to analyze potential environmental impacts resulting from the proposed National China Garden on the grounds of the U.S. National Arboretum. Concurrently, under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, ARS and NCPC will also analyze the project's potential effects on historic properties. The public is invited to **attend a joint NEPA/Section 106 scoping meeting** to learn more about the proposed project and provide comments that will help define the issues and alternatives to be analyzed.

In addition, the public may **submit written comments** on the proposed project through June 10, 2015. Comments should be directed to: *Eric Feldman, Rhodeside & Harwell, 510 King Street, Suite 300, Alexandria, VA 22314 or via email to ericf@rhodeside-harwell.com.*

WHEN **Wednesday, May 27, 2015**
6:30pm - 8:30pm
Open house format with brief presentation at 7:00pm

WHERE **National Capital Planning Commission**
Commission Chambers
401 9th Street, NW, Suite 500 (North Lobby)
Washington, DC 20004
(METRO: Gallery Place - Chinatown)



THE NATIONAL CHINA GARDEN: A CLASSICAL CHINESE GARDEN IN THE UNITED STATES

The proposed project would create the finest example of a classical Chinese garden in the U.S., featuring a harmonious balance of man-made structures, plants, water and rock formations. A collaborative effort and expression of friendship between China and the U.S., the garden is envisioned as an important cultural center, living classroom and center for the study, appreciation and practice of traditional Chinese culture. For more information on the proposed project, please visit www.nationalchinagarden.org.

If you require special accommodations or assistance to attend and/or participate in the public scoping meeting, please contact Eric Feldman at 703-683-7447 or ericf@rhodeside-harwell.com

