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JUNE 02, 2023 CAPITO ANNOUNCES NEARLY \$500,000 FOR PRESERVATION OF SHEPHERDSTOWN BATTLEFIELD

WASHINGTON, D.C. — U.S. Senator Shelley Moore Capito (R-W.Va.), a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, today announced that the Jefferson County Farmland Protection Board will receive \$492,097 for preservation of 149.6 acres at Shepherdstown Battlefield in Jefferson County, W.Va. This funding was made available through the National Park Service's (NPS) American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP), which receives support from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF). Senator Capito voted to permanently authorize LWCF through the <u>Great American Outdoors Act</u> in 2020.

"The preservation of battlefields is an important aspect of maintaining our country's history, and I'm encouraged to see NPS providing funds to do just that in West Virginia. Protecting the Shepherdstown Battlefield will help generations to come learn about West Virginia's formation in 1863, and the role our state has played in the foundation of our nation," **Senator Capito said**.

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