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Historical Happenings

Notes on Cultural Resource Management in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service



Historical Happenings provides information on the USFWS Cultural Resources Management program. Information comes from sources such as the Regional Historic Preservation Officers, websites, new sources, as well as other cultural resource management professionals.

Issues are also available on the USFWS Cultural Resources website <http://historicpreservation.fws.gov>. Submissions are encouraged and can be made via email. Please contact Eugene Marino at Eugene_Marino@fws.gov for submission guidelines.

FWS Regional News:

Washington Office: The WO archaeologist attended the National Historic Trails workshop in Kansas City in early May to discuss Heritage Tourism opportunities on Refuges. The meeting was very informative and it pointed out many ways that Cultural Resources can enhance FWS programs that are beginning to emphasize tourism. Contact Eugene Marino for more information.

Region 1— Acting Interior Secretary Lynn Scarlett presented the Secretary of the Interior’s Cooperative Conservation Award to the Cathlapotle Plankhouse Project Steering Committee at a ceremony in Washington, D.C., on Thursday, May 4, 2006. In attendance to receive the award were Region 1 Regional Historic Preservation Officer Anan Raymond, Chinook tribal representatives Sam Robinson, and Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Committee of Vancouver/Clark County Executive Director Arlene Johnson.

Region 3—The Regional Historic Preservation Officer and the Refuge Manager at Squaw Creek NWR are examining ways to better care for several historic structures located on the Refuge. Some options include working with interested local partners. See <http://historicpreservation.fws.gov> under Recent News for more information.



Example of historic structures on Squaw Creek, NWR

Region 4—The Regional Archaeologist participated in a Refuge Manager’s meeting and discussed Cultural Resources responsibilities and services. His program was well attended and appreciated. Also, he was recently interviewed for his part in excavations taking place on Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge. For more information contact Rick Kanaski.

Other Agency News

ACHP—The Preserve America Report to the President is available at <http://www.achp.gov> Please take a look at it as it features several USFWS projects.

DOI—Acting Interior Secretary Scarlett Designates Ashfall Fossil Beds A National Natural Landmark

Site Represents First National Natural Landmark Designation in More Than 18 Years

ACHP— MAY 19, 2006—Brigham City and Salt Lake City were designated among the Nation's newest *Preserve America* Communities at today's business meeting of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP).

NAGPRA—Cultural affiliation and geographic data from published notices (http://www.cr.nps.gov/nagpra/notices/index.htm#State_Reports) and

Indian Land Cessions 1784-1894 by State and County (http://www.cr.nps.gov/nagpra/online/db/land_cessions/index.htm#land_cessions).

Guidance on alleging that a museum has failed to comply with NAGPRA is located at http://www.cr.nps.gov/nagpra/civil_penalties/index.htm. Also at this site, National NAGPRA Program provides NAGPRA legal terms of art and definitions that a person should read and understand before they write an allegation, and a template (http://www.cr.nps.gov/nagpra/civil_penalties/Allegation_Letter_Template.doc) to use as a guide in writing an allegation.

Notices of Inventory Completion Database – search these notices at http://www.cr.nps.gov/nagpra/fed_notices/nagpradir/index.htm.

Notices of Intent to Repatriate Database – search these notices at http://www.cr.nps.gov/nagpra/fed_notices/nagpradir/index2.htm

Notices of Intended Disposition – table available at http://www.cr.nps.gov/nagpra/NOTICES/NID_Tble_Current.pdf

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS — the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's Draft "Policy Statement Regarding Treatment of Burial Sites, Human Remains and Funerary Objects"

The draft policy statement is available at http://www.achp.gov/FR_Notice_Human_Remains_031406.pdf. Comments are due in writing by **JUNE 28, 2006**. Mail comments to the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 809, Washington, DC 20004 or send them by fax to 202-606-8672. Comments also may be sent by e-mail to archeology@achp.gov. Please note that all responses become part of the public record once they are submitted to the ACHP. Refer any questions or inquiries to Dr. Tom McCulloch at 202-606-8505.

Legislative News

Training News

DOI—Managing Museum Property - St. Louis, MO - July 31-August 4, 2006

Contact Donald Cumberland for more information.

NAGPRA—Training sponsored by the National NAGPRA Program:

Native American Cultural Property Law, Santa Fe, NM, September 26-28, 2006

Upcoming Events, Education, and Volunteers and Friends News

Requests for Information