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## Review and Compliance Program Review Process

The Review and Compliance Program of the Office of History and Archaeology (OHA) assists federal, state, and local agencies with their preservation responsibilities as defined by state and federal laws. OHA cooperates with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation to ensure that significant historic properties are taken into consideration at the early stages of project planning.

The general office review process, in brief is as follows:

Project package received and date-stamped.

Requests sorted by type: project-based review, determinations of eligibility, environmental assessments, memorandum of agreements, MOA products, letters of agreement. Determinations are made according to which laws, regulations, ordinances and agreements apply: National Historic Preservation Act, Section 06, 36 CFR 800, Alaska Historic Preservation Act, Alaska Coastal Management Act, Coastal Zone Enforceable Policies, Certified Local Government ordinances, Programmatic Agreements with federal agencies, Memorandum of Agreements for specific projects, federal agency program alternatives, Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA).

Staff checks USGS maps and the Alaska Heritage Resources Survey (AHRs) for reported sites in the area of potential effect. If needed, seek additional information.

If request is for determinations of eligibility, the DOE committee (State Historic Preservation Officer [SHPO], archaeologist, historian, and architectural historian) review and vote to concur or not concur with the agency's determination.

Response prepared and sent. REWLOG, NATREG (for all determination of eligibility requests and National Register listings), SuRF (survey records file) and AHRs databases updated. Reports added to OHA reference library.

The State Historic Preservation Officer will respond within 30 days of receipt of the project package, If the SHPO fails to respond within 30 days of receipt of a request for review of a finding or determination, the agency official can proceed to the next step in the process based on its finding or determination. Or the agency can consult with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP\_ in lieu of the SHPO. If the SHPO re-enters the Section 106 process, the agency official shall continue the consultation without being required to reconsider previous findings or determinations [36 CFR 800.3 9(c)(4)].