Federal Historic Preservation Fund FY 2019 budget and legislation

The funding for a number of federal agencies, including the Interior Department, ends December 7th. The Interior Department’s budget includes the Historic Preservation Fund. The House of Representatives and Senate have not reached agreement on a FY 2019 Department of the Interior spending bill, although the fiscal year started last October. It is doubtful Congress will pass a budget bill for the Department of the Interior before December 7th and it is not clear if there will be another continuing resolution.

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National Park Service news

The National Center for Preservation Technology and Training (NCPTT) is accepting applications for innovative research projects that develop new technologies or adapt existing technologies to preserve cultural resources. The application deadline is January 10, 2019 for projects that will begin in August 2019. Federal agencies, states, tribes, local governments and non-profit organizations can apply for grants for research, specialized workshops or symposia that address national preservation needs, or production of videos, mobile applications, podcasts, webinars or best practices publications that provide better tools for preservation practice. Applicants are encouraged to contact NCPTT (318.356.7444 / ncptt@nps.gov) to discuss their ideas prior to submitting a proposal. More information about the grants and applying is at https://www.ncptt.nps.gov/grants/preservation-technology-and-training-grants/.

The NCPTT and National Museum of the Pacific War will host a symposium June 4-6, 2019 in Fredericksburg, Texas, on the preservation of U.S. military heritage from World War II to the Cold War. The symposium is to bring together conservators, architects, engineers, landscape architects, museum and site managers, and other cultural resource professionals to discuss state-of-the-science efforts to document, conserve, treat, and adaptively reuse sites and features of military heritage from 1939 to early 1991. Presentation and poster proposals are due February 18, 2019, and should be submitted with a biography to Debbie Smith, debbie_smith@nps.gov. More information about the conference is at https://www.ncptt.nps.gov.

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation news

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation has one more webinar in its fall 2018 Section 106 series. A new webinar “So you think you need a PA,” addressing common issues and questions regarding programmatic agreements that are to streamline Section 106 review of routine undertakings on federal lands will be offered on December 11 and 13. A description and registration instructions are at https://www.achp.gov/training/webinars. If you have any questions, contact Tanya Devonish at tdevonish@achp.gov.

Vernacular Architecture Forum seeks award nominations

The Vernacular Architecture Forum is soliciting for the two awards it annually makes to individuals and organizations for preservation projects. The Paul E. Buchanan Award recognizes contributions to the study and preservation of vernacular architecture that are not publications. The award is for the unpublished studies, documentation projects, restoration plans, National Register nominations, exhibits, media productions and public programs completed the past year. The other award is the VAF Advocacy Award for individuals and groups who have contributed to the interpretation, appreciation and protection of vernacular buildings and cultural landscapes that show initiative and action to promote and protect these resources. More information about the awards and how to make a nomination are at http://www.vernaculararchitectureforum.org. The deadline for nominations is January 4, 2019.
The group also has Ambassador and Access awards to help students attend their meetings. Their next meeting, Landscapes of Succession, will be in Philadelphia, PA, May 29-June 1, 2019. The Ambassador Awards are for undergraduate and graduate student groups with a faculty sponsor. The two Access Awards the association makes annually are for local practitioners, scholars and students who have not attended one of their meetings. The deadline to apply is January 5, 2019. More information about the awards and applying for them is available at www.vernaculararchitectureforum.org/awards.

Alaska Association for Historic Preservation news

The Alaska Association for Historic Preservation will have Swedish holiday tours of the Oscar Anderson House in Anchorage on December 8 and 9. The house in Anchorage will be decorated to reflect the Swedish holiday traditions the Anderson family would have known a century ago. For more information call 907.929.9870 / akpreservation@gmail.com.

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PUBLIC PROJECT ALERTS:

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), Kenai Hydro, LLC proposed Grant Lake Hydroelectric Project draft environmental impact statement, www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp (Docket # P-13212-005)
   Comment deadline: December 10, 2018
   Comments to: http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp or Secretary, FERC, 888 First St. NE, Washington, DC 20427.
   Contact: Kenneth Hogan, 202-502-8434 / kenneth.hogan@ferc.gov

   Comment deadline: December 2, 2018
   Comments to: nanushukeis@dowl.com or Ellen.H.Lyons@usace.army.mil
   Contact: Patrick Conway, 907.375.6938 / Patrick.Conway@oilsearch.com

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PRESERVATION CALENDAR:

December 8-9  Alaska Association for Historic Preservation, Oscar Anderson House holiday tours, Anchorage (Kathi Adkins, 907.929.9870 / akpreservation@gmail.com)

December 11, repeats December 13  Advisory Council on Historic Preservation webinar: So you think you need a PA [Programmatic Agreement], https://www.achp.gov/training/webinars (Tanya Devonish, tdevonish@achp.gov)

December 11-12  National Center for Preservation Technology and Training, Synchrotron Radiation Based Techniques for Applications in Archeology workshop, Baton Rouge, LA (Josef Hormes, hormes@lsu.edu)

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January 10  National Center for Preservation Technology and Training (NCPTT), grant application deadline (ncptt@nps.gov)

February 27-March 2  Alaska Anthropological Association annual meeting: Alaska Anthropology in the Age of Engagement: Communities, Collections and Collaboration, Nome (www.alaskaanthropology.org / alaskaanthro@gmail.com)

March 13-19  National Park Service, Historic Preservation Education Foundation, University of Southern California School of Architecture, Preserving the Recent Past 3 conference, https://www.prp3.org, Los Angeles, CA (info@prp3.org)


March 31  Alaska Association for Historic Preservation, Ten Most Endangered Historic Properties nomination deadline, www.aahp-online.net (Kathi Adkins, 907.929.9870 / akpreservation@gmail.com)

April 24  Alaska Office of History and Archaeology, Annual Workshop, Anchorage, AK (Sarah Meitl, 907.269.8720 / sarah.meitl@alaska.gov)

May 5-8  Keeping History Above Water conference, http://historyabovewater.org/2019-st-augustine, St. Augustine, FL (Leslee Keys, 904.819.6443 / lkeys@flagler.edu)
May 7-8  National Preservation Institute, Landscape Preservation: An Introduction, Anchorage, AK, www.npi.org (Jere Gibber, 703.765.0100 / jgibber@aol.com)

May 9  National Preservation Institute, Landscape Preservation: Advanced Tools for Managing Change, Anchorage, AK, www.npi.org (Jere Gibber, 703.765.0100 / jgibber@aol.com)

May 17  Association of Preservation Technology, Western Great Lakes Chapter and the Construction History Society of America, 2019 symposium: Preservation of Industrial Archaeology and Its Construction History, Chicago, IL (http://www.aptwglc.com/Annual-Symposium)

May 29-June 1  Vernacular Architecture Forum annual meeting: Landscapes of Succession, Philadelphia, PA (Michelle Weaver Jones, conference@vafweb.org / www.vernaculararchitectureforum.org)

June 4-6  National Center for Preservation Technology and Training and National Museum of the Pacific War, Preserving U.S. Military Heritage, 1939-1991 symposium, Fredericksburg, TX, https://www.ncptt.nps.gov (Debbie Smith, debbie_smith@nps.gov)

August 28-31  American Association for State and Local History with the International Coalition of Sites of Conscience, annual conference: What Are We Waiting For?, Philadelphia, PA (615.320.3203 / www.aaslh.org/conference/)

September 25-28  Alaska Historical Society and Museums Alaska, annual meetings and conference, Kodiak (www.ahsmaconference.org)