Federal Historic Preservation Fund FY 2019 budget and legislation

Congress passed and the President signed a bill that appropriates $102.66 million for the Historic Preservation Fund for FY 2019. The bill funds state programs that includes the core programs of the Alaska Office of History and Archaeology. The Administration said it will release the president’s Fiscal Year 2020 budget message, top priorities, and summary tables on March 11. The detailed FY 2020 budgets for each agency and the analytic perspectives document with the economic assumptions underlying the plan will be released the following week.
States $ 48.93* $ 49.67
Tribes 11.48 11.74
Underserved communities initiative .50 .75
Civil rights movement initiative 13.00 14.50
Historic Black colleges/universities 5.00 8.00
Save America’s Treasures grants 13.00 13.00
Historic Revitalization grants 5.00 5.00

TOTALS $ 96.91 $ 102.66

* Figures are in millions.

Alaska delegate Don Young is the ranking member of the National Parks, Forests and Public Lands Subcommittee of the National Resources Committee in the House of Representatives. The subcommittee has jurisdiction over the Historic Preservation Fund. Please let Congressman Young know about historic preservation projects the fund has assisted.

Office of History and Archaeology and Alaska Historical Commission news

The Office of History and Archaeology’s annual workshop will be April 24, 2019, at the BP Energy Center in Anchorage. The workshop will include sessions with program updates, on an archaeological survey manual, and on the Alaska roads programmatic agreement. The afternoon of the 23rd, the office is giving training on the basics of Section 106 review. This workshop will be at the Atwood Building. Please contact Sarah Meitl, 907.269.8720 / sarah.meitl@alaska.gov to register for the training or the workshop. The meeting agendas are on the OHA website at http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/oha/publiceducation/training.htm.

The Alaska Historical Commission met in Anchorage on February 25, 2019. The commission met and welcomed Lt. Governor Kevin Meyer as chair of the board. Commission members reviewed Certified Local Government (CLG) grant applications and funded preservation planning grants for the City of Nome and Matanuska-Susitna Borough, and a development grant to the City and Borough of Sitka for rehabilitation work on Sheldon Jackson School’s Fraser Hall. The members reviewed five geographic name proposals. They approved naming Mount Mary and Santa Ana Peak near Seward, Luna Lake near Sitka, and changing the officially recognized name Chenega Bay to Chenega. They did not approve a proposal to name a small lake in designated wilderness in Lake Clark National Park & Preserve. Commission members discussed the proposed state budget and want the authorization and appropriation to bring in the federal Historic Preservation Fund grant and the state matching funds, essential to the Office of History and Archaeology, restored in the capital budget. They also asked that a letter be sent to Governor Dunleavy promoting preservation of the 4th Avenue Theatre in Anchorage. For more information regarding the meeting contact Jo Antonson at jo.antonson@alaska.gov or 907.269.8714.

National Park Service news
The Historic Revitalization Subgrant Program is a new Historic Preservation Fund grant program to support the rehabilitation of historic properties and economic development of rural communities. Certified Local Governments, non-profit organizations, and state and tribal historic preservation offices can apply for funds to subgrant to rural communities in their jurisdictions (defined by the U.S. Census as areas with less than 50,000 people). The program will fund architectural and engineering services and development projects for properties listed in the National Register of Historic Places and the grants do not have to be matched. The deadline to apply has been extended to April 1, 2019. Complete application information is available at [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov), funding opportunity number P19AS00015.

The Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) program is accepting applications for consultation, documentation and repatriation grants. Museums, Indian tribes, and Native Hawaiian organizations are eligible to apply. The application deadline for consultation and documentation projects is March 8, 2019, and for repatriation projects the deadline is May 17, 2019. For more information call 202.254.2201 or email [nagpra_grants@nps.gov](mailto:nagpra_grants@nps.gov).

The Springfield Armory National Historic Site, the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training (NCPTT), and Friends of NCPTT are holding an Archeology of Firearms workshop in Springfield, Massachusetts, March 11-13, 2019. Over the past several centuries, firearms became distinctive elements of material culture and gun parts and ammunition are nearly ubiquitous in North American historical archaeological assemblages. The workshop will include discussions and demonstrations of methods for studying firearm parts and ammunition components found in archeological contexts. For more information contact Tad Britt, NCPTT, 318.521.5641 / [Tad_Britt@nps.gov](mailto:Tad_Britt@nps.gov).

The NPS American Battlefield Protection Program has opened its application period for grants. The grants can fund preservation, research, and outreach projects at any battlefield on American soil. Project can be for historical research, oral histories, archaeological surveys, site documentation and mapping, education, interpretation, strategic or preservation planning, and capacity and consensus building. Non-profit organizations, education institutions, and federal, state, tribal and local governments can apply. Matching funds are not required. The application deadline is April 8, 2019. More information can be found at [https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=312698](https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=312698) or by contacting 202.354.2037 or [abpp@nps.gov](mailto:abpp@nps.gov).

The NCPTT and National Museum of the Pacific War are hosting a symposium June 4-6, 2019, in Fredericksburg, Texas, on preservation of U.S. military heritage from World War II to the Cold War. The symposium is being designed 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 1991. More information about the conference is at [https://www.ncptt.nps.gov](https://www.ncptt.nps.gov).

The Heritage Documentation Programs—Historic American Buildings Survey, Historic American Engineering Record and Historic American Landscapes Survey—have announced their annual...
competitions. The Leicester B. Holland Prize for single-sheet measured drawings has two submission deadlines: April 30 for the entry form and June 30 for the completed entry. The deadline is July 1 for the 2019 Charles E. Peterson Prize Measured Drawings Student Competition. And the Historic American Landscapes Survey streetscapes challenge deadline is July 31. More information about these competitions is at www.nps.gov/hdp/competitions.

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation news

The council is offering two new Section 106 classes in Anchorage next fall: Section 106 Practitioner Workshop on October 8 and 9, and Section 106 Agreements Seminar on October 10. The council also has four e-learning courses available: What is Section 106; Successfully Navigating Section 106 Review: An Orientation for Applicants; Basics of NEPA and Section 106 Integration; and Coordinating NEPA and Section 106. More information is available at www.achp.gov/training.

Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm Heritage Area seeks grant applications

The Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm Heritage Area is soliciting grant applications for community projects that recognize, preserve, and interpret the cultural, scenic, and recreational resources of the area. Awards range from $300 to $24,500. Additional information is at https://www.kmtacorridor.org/grants/. Applications are due March 4, 2019.

AAHP seeks nominations for annual 10 Most Endangered Historic Properties list

The Alaska Association for Historic Preservation its compiling is annual Ten Most Endangered Historic Properties in Alaska list for 2019. Applications to nominate a property are at www.aahp-online.net/10-most-endangered. The deadline for nominations is April 30, 2019. The properties on the list can apply for a small grant from AAHP to help start rehabilitation work or serve as seed money to leverage funding from other sources.

Call for proposals for Kohklux Map: 150 Years Conference

The Yukon Historical and Museums Association of Whitehorse and the Jilkaat Kwaan Heritage Center of Klukwan are planning a conference to mark the 150th anniversary of the drawing of the Kohklux map. The Chilkat leader, Kohklux, and his wives drew the map in 1869 for American scientist George Davidson who was in the north to view a solar eclipse. The map is the oldest known map of southern Yukon and the oldest preserved map of the region drawn on paper by indigenous people. The conference will take place October 25-27, 2019, in Whitehorse. Proposals are invited that address northern mapping, Tlingit and Athapaskan place names, inter-cultural communication and exchange, cultural renewal, and other related topics. The proposal deadline is April 30, 2019. Proposals may be submitted by email to info@heritageyukon.ca or to the association at 3126 Third Avenue, Whitehorse, YT Y1A 1E7, Canada.

2019 J.M.K. Innovation Prize
This is the third year the J. M. Kaplan Fund will award ten prizes, a total of $1.75 million, to early-stage social innovators working in the environment, heritage conservation, or social justice fields. More information, including information on previous award recipients, is at https://www.jmkfund.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/JMK-Innovation-Prize-2019.pdf. The application deadline in April 30, 2019.

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PUBLIC PROJECT ALERTS:

Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Commissioner’s analysis and proposed decision for the Donlin Gold LLC pipeline right-of-way lease application, http://dog.dnr.alaska.gov/Home/Newsroom
Comment deadline: March 22, 2019
Comments to: State Pipeline Coordinator’s Section, 3651 Penland Parkway, Anchorage, AK 99508, 907.269.6479, fax 907.269.6880, spco.records@alaska.gov
Public meetings:
Bethel Cultural Center, March 4, 2019, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Aniak Community Center, March 6, 2019, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Atwood Conference Center, Anchorage, March 12, 2019, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Skwentna Roadhouse, March 13, 2019, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Southcentral Regional Land Office for support facilities and infrastructure on state lands, amending the Kuskokwim Area Plan and Land Classification Order, SC-88-001A21, http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/notice/donlin/
Comment deadline: March 29, 2019
Comments to: Department of Natural Resources, Southcentral Regional Land Office, West 7th Ave., Suite 900C, Anchorage, AK 99501, fax 907.269.8913, dnr.scro.donlin@alaska.gov
Contacts: Plan and order: Tyler Fanning, 907.269.8529 / dnr.scro.donlin@alaska.gov
Proposed applications and preliminary decisions: Christy Colles, 907.269.8557 / dnr.scro.donlin@alaska.gov

Comment deadline: March 13, 2019
Comments to: www.blm.gov/alaska, or Attn: Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Program EIS, 222 West 7th Avenue, Stop #13, Anchorage, AK 99513
Contact: Nicola Hayes, Project coordinator, 907.271.4354 / mnhayes@blm.gov

Comment deadline: May 30, 2019
Comments to: Program Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 645 G St., Suite 100-921, Anchorage, AK 99501, drafteis@comments.pebbleprojecteis.com

Public meetings

Naknek, March 25, 2019, 3:30-7:00 p.m.
Kokhanok, March 26, 2019, 3:30-7:00 p.m.
Newhalen, March 27, 2019, 3:30-7:00 p.m.
Igiugig, March 28, 2019, 3:30-7:00 p.m.
New Stuyahok, March 29, 1:00-5:00 p.m.
Nondalton, April 8, 2019, 3:30-7:00 p.m.
Dillingham, April 9, 4:00-9:00 p.m.
Homer, April 11, 3:30-9:00 p.m.
Anchorage, 12:00-8:00 p.m.

Contact: Shane McCoy, 907.753.2712 / public.affairs3@usace.army.mil

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PRESERVATION CALENDAR:

March 4  Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm National Heritage Area, grant application deadline, https://www.kmtacorridor.org/grants/ (Katherine Schake, katherineschake@kmtacorridor.org)

March 11-13  National Center for Preservation Technology and Training: Archeology of Firearms: Insights into the Human Past workshop, Springfield, MA (Tad Britt, NCPTT, 318.356.9119 / Tad_Britt@nps.gov)

March 12-14  National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers annual meeting; Preservation Action advocacy week, Washington, DC (Sharon Smith, 202.624.5465 / smith@ncshpo.org )
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 25-27  National Main Street Center and Washington State Main Street Program, Main Street Now 2019, Seattle, WA https://www.mainstreet.org/howwecanhelp/mainstreetnow/now2019, (National Main Street Center, 312.610.5613 / mainstreet@savingplaces.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 1  National Park Service, State, Tribal, Local, Plans and Grants Division, Historic Revitalization Subgrant Program application deadline, www.go.nps.gov/revitalization (State, Tribal, Local, Plans & Grants Division, 202.35.2020 / stipg@nps.gov)


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

April 29-30  National Preservation Institute, Landscape Preservation: An Introduction, Anchorage, AK, www.npi.org (Jere Gibber, 703.765.0100 / jgibber@aol.com)

April 30  Alaska Association for Historic Preservation, Ten Most Endangered Historic Properties for 2019 nomination deadline, www.aahp-online.net/10-most-endangered (Kathi Adkins, 907.929.9870 / akpreservation@gmail.com)

April 30  Yukon Historical and Museums Association (Whitehorse, Yukon) and Jikaat Kwaan Heritage Center (Klukwan, Alaska), Kohklux Map: 150 Years conference proposal deadline (conference to be held in October), Whitehorse, YT (Lianne Maitland, 867.667.4707 / info@heritageyukon.ca)

April 30, National Park Service, Heritage Documentation Programs, Leicester B. Holland Prize 2019 single-sheet measured drawing competition entry form submission deadline (www.nps.gov/hdp/competitions/holland.htm)

May 1  National Preservation Institute, Landscape Preservation: Advanced Tools for Managing Change, Anchorage, AK, www.npi.org (Jere Gibber, 703.765.0100 / jgibber@aol.com)

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 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 20-24  National Park Service archaeological prospection workshop, Marksville State Historic Site, LA (http://www.nps.gov/mwac/)

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.nepitt.nps.gov (Debbie Smith, debbie_smith@nps.gov)


June 30, National Park Service, Heritage Documentation Programs, Leicester B. Holland Prize 2019 single-sheet measured drawing competition completed entry submission deadline (www.nps.gov/hdp/competitions/holland.htm)

July 1  National Park Service, Heritage Documentation Programs, Charles E. Peterson Prize 2019 Measured Drawings Student Competition submission deadline (Mark Schara, 202.354.2166 / mark.schara@nps.gov)

July 31  National Park Service, 2019 Historic American Landscapes Survey Challenge: Historic Streetscapes, submission deadline (Chris Stevens, 202.354.2146 / Chris_Stevens@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)
October 8-9  Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, Section 106 Practitioner Workshop, Anchorage (www.achp.gov/training)

October 10  Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, Section 106 Agreements Seminar, Anchorage (www.achp.gov/training)

October 25-27  Yukon Historical and Museums Association and Jilkaat Kwaan Heritage Center: Kohklux Map: 150 Years Conference, Whitehorse, YT (Lianne Maitland, 867.667.4704 / info@heritageyukon.ca)


November 4-6  24th Conference on Cultural Heritage and New Technologies: Monumental Computations, Digital archaeology of large urban and underground infrastructures, https://www.chnt.at/call-for-sessions-round-tables/, Vienna, Austria (Börner Wolfgang, +43(0)1 4000 81176 / wolfgangboerner@stadtarchaeologie.at)