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**Federal Historic Preservation Fund FY 2020 budget**

The House of Representatives voted to fund Historic Preservation Fund programs for 2020 at $121.6 million. This is $20 million more than the 2019 appropriation for the programs. The HPF funds state programs, specifically the Alaska Office of History and Archaeology. The President’s FY 2020 budget proposal only funded the state and tribal preservation offices and reduced the appropriations for them by almost half of last year’s appropriation. The Senate Appropriations Committee is expected to work on FY 2020 spending bills after its August recess.

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Save America’s Treasures                          13.00                                      16.00
Historic revitalization                                    5.00                                        5.00

TOTALS                                  $ 102.66           $ 32.67            $121.66
* Figures are in millions.

Office of History and Archaeology and Alaska Historical Commission news

The Office of History and Archaeology is coordinating with the National Park Service and Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance to offer training for Historic Properties Specialists in October. Historic Properties Specialists are cultural resources personnel activated to advise on-scene coordinators during oil spill and hazardous materials responses. The three-day training will be offered twice, October 29-31 and November 5-7, 2019 in Anchorage. Each workshop will be capped at 40 participants. Applications to attend are due August 15, 2019. There are prerequisite online courses that need to be completed before the workshop. Those who take the training also need Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response (HAZWOPER) training. More information about the workshop and the application is at http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/oha/oilspill.htm or by sending an email to Richard VanderHoek at oha.permits@alaska.gov.

Governor Dunleavy has appointed Mark Rollins to the archaeologist seat on the Alaska Historical Commission. Mark has been an archaeologist with the Alaska Office of History and Archaeology since 2011 and is the liaison between OHA and the Federal Highway Administration and the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for project review. Mark received his M.A. in Anthropology from the University of Alaska Anchorage and his B.A. degree from the University of New Hampshire.

National Park Service news

The National Park Service is soliciting applicants for the Chief of the National Register of Historic Places/National Historic Landmarks Program in Washington D.C. The job is open for the public as well as federal employees to apply. A job description and link to apply are available at https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/541031000. The application deadline is August 12, 2019.

The NPS State, Tribal, Local, Plans & Grants Division has a Historic Preservation Fund photo contest underway. Preservation partners and recipients of HPF grants are invited to submit photos that display in-progress or completed preservation projects. The winners of NPS swag will be announced in the fall. More details an be found at www.nps.gov/orgs/1623/hpf-photo-contest.htm.

The National Park Service received more than 3,300 comments to the proposed rule changes to the National Register of Historic Places. The comment period for Tribes ended in July. The FY20 House Interior Appropriations bill urges the NPS to withdraw the proposed rule changes. At this time the next steps are unknown.

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation news
The Advisory Council has announced a “Summer of FREE-dom,” for its e-learning courses. Five classes are available free of charge until September 30, 2019. The courses include:

- Early Coordination with Indian Tribes for Infrastructure Projects (90 minutes);
- What is Section 106 (15 minutes);
- Successfully Navigating Section 106 Review (60 minutes);
- Basics of NEPA and Section 106 Integration (15 minutes);
- Coordinating NEPA and Section 106 (60-minutes).

Information about the classes and how to access them is available at [www.achp.gov/training/elearning](http://www.achp.gov/training/elearning).

Looking to the next four years, the Advisory Council invites individuals, organizations, and agencies affected by its work to help identify what the agency should pursue to carry out its duties as defined by the National Historic Preservation Act. A summary of ACHP accomplishments the past eight years and initial discussions by the ACHP membership are available as background information. Comments are requested by Monday, August 19, and should be sent to [dnull@achp.gov](mailto:dnull@achp.gov).

This fall, the Advisory Council will have two classroom classes in Anchorage: Section 106 Practitioner Workshop on October 8 and 9, and Section 106 Agreements Seminar on October 10. More information on them is at [www.achp.gov/training](http://www.achp.gov/training).

**National Trust for Historic Preservation news**

The National Trust for Historic Preservation hosted its third National Preservation Law Conference in June. The Trust has made the recording of a special session on the Antiquities Act available to view for free. Professor Mark Squillace, University of Colorado Law School, addressed attacks on the act and postulates on future impacts on the important legal precedent. The video is available at [https://savingplaces.org/30ujVe7](https://savingplaces.org/30ujVe7) or #PreservationForum @GeorgetownLaw. Other recordings from the conference are available and can be purchased. More information about the National Trust and its programs is at [www.SavingPlaces.org](http://www.SavingPlaces.org).

**Alaska Historical Society and Museums Alaska annual meetings and conference**

The annual meetings and conference of the Alaska Historical Society and Museums Alaska are in Kodiak, September 25-28, 2019. The Kodiak History Museum, assisted by other groups including the Alutiiq Museum, is hosting this year’s gathering. The Alaska Historical Society’s theme is “Facing Our History,” and Sven Haakanson, Jr., curator at the Burke Museum in Seattle, is the keynote speaker. Museums Alaska’s theme is “Critical Conversations: Diversity, Equity, Accessibility, and Inclusion” and Cinnamon Catlin-Legutko, director of the Abbe Museum in Bar Harbor, Maine is the keynote speaker. Along with three days of workshops and presentations, are tours and opportunities to explore Kodiak. Registration for the meeting is open and the complete program can be found at [www.ahsmaconference.org](http://www.ahsmaconference.org).
Sharing Our Knowledge conference of Tlingit, Haida, and Tsimshian Tribes and Clans

The biennial Clan Conference of Southeast Alaska Native people will be September 25-29, 2019, in Juneau. The conference theme is indigenous perspectives on climate change, Shukalxixs’ (calling the end back to the beginning) Goo Wila Amaniisga Na Lip Ha’lidzogm (Sm’algyax: how we take care of our world). More information is available at www.sharingourknowledge.org or by contacting David Russell-Jensen, davidrusselljensen@gmail.com or Alice Taff, alicetaff@gmail.com.

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PUBLIC PROJECT ALERTS:

   Comment deadline: October 3, 2019
   Comments to: Project docket number CP17-178-000, Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St. NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426; or www.ferc.gov, Documents and Filings, eComment or eFiling

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PRESERVATION CALENDAR:

August 15  Office of History and Archaeology, National Park Service and Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance, Historic Properties Specialists workshop application deadline, https://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/oha/oilspill.htm (Richard VanderHoek, oha.permits@alaska.gov)
August 17  Friends of Nike Site Summit, tours, www.planetreg.com/NSS-2019, Anchorage (Doris Thomas, fonss2007@gmail.com)

August 19-23  National Center for Preservation Technology and Training, 3D Photogrammetry Workshop, Moose, WY (Sarah Marie Jackson, 318.356.7444 / sarah_m_jackson@nps.gov)

August 20  Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm National Heritage Area grant application deadline (Jessica Szelag, jessicazelag@kmtacorridor.org)

August 20  University of Alaska Museum of the North and University of Denver Museum of Anthropology, Cultivating a NAGPRA Community of Practice workshop, Fairbanks (Anne Amati, 303.871.2687 / anne.amati@du.edu)

August 26-30  National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers annual meeting, http://www.nathpo.org/conferences/nathpo-conferences/, Elton, LA (202.628.8476 / info@nathpo.org)

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)

September 25-29  Sharing Our Knowledge Conference of Tlingit, Haida, and Tsimshian Tribes and Clans: Indigenous Perspectives on Climate Change, Shukalxúxs’ Goo Wila Amaniisga Na Lip Ha’lidzogm, Juneau (David Russell-Jensen, davidrusselljensen@gmail.com or Alice Taff, alicetaff@gmail.com)

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 10-12  National Trust for Historic Preservation, PastForward 2019, Denver, CO (www.PastForwardConference.org)


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)

October 29-31  Office of History and Archaeology, National Park Service and Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance, Historic Properties Specialists workshop, [https://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/oha/oilspill.htm](https://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/oha/oilspill.htm), Anchorage (Richard VanderHoek, oha.permits@alaska.gov)

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/](https://www.chnt.at/call-for-sessions-round-tables/), Vienna, Austria (Börner Wolfgang, +43(0)1 4000 81176 / wolfgangboerner@stadtarchaeologie.at)

November 5-7  Office of History and Archaeology, National Park Service and Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance, Historic Properties Specialists workshop, [https://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/oha/oilspill.htm](https://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/oha/oilspill.htm), Anchorage (Richard VanderHoek, oha.permits@alaska.gov)


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February 26-29  Alaska Anthropological Association annual meeting, Fairbanks (https://www.alaskaanthropology.org/annual-meeting/)

March 18-22  National Council on Public History annual meeting: Threads of Change, Atlanta, GA, [https://ncph.org/conference/2020-annual-meeting/](https://ncph.org/conference/2020-annual-meeting/), Atlanta, GA (317.274.2716 / ncph@iupui.edu)

March 23-25  National Preservation Institute: Section 106, An Introduction, [www.npi.org](http://www.npi.org), Anchorage (Jere Gibber, 703.765.0100 / info@nps.org)

March 26-27  National Preservation Institute: NEPA Compliance and Cultural Resources, [www.npi.org](http://www.npi.org), Anchorage (Jere Gibber, 703.765.0100 / info@nps.org)

July 22-26  National Alliance of Preservation Commissions, Forum 2020: Preservation Coast to Coast, [www.napcommissions.org](http://www.napcommissions.org), Tacoma, WA (director@napcommissions.org)