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## Federal Historic Preservation Fund FY 2021 budget

The White House announced on January 6, 2020 it plans to release President Trump's Fiscal Year 2021 budget on February 10<sup>th</sup>.

## Office of History and Archaeology and Alaska Historical Commission news

The Office of History and Archaeology and the National Park Service, Alaska Regional Office, are organizing a panel discussion at the annual meeting of the Alaska Anthropological Association in Fairbanks entitled *The Early Peopling of Alaska in connection with the Earliest Americans National Historic Landmark theme study*. The NPS ARO in partnership with OHA, has commissioned a new National Historic Landmark (NHL) theme study as part of its Earliest Americans in Alaska project. This study will identify elements of past and present research about the Late Pleistocene and Early Holocene in Alaska as they relate to specific sites vital to the nation's cultural heritage. Themes will include the place of Alaskan sites in research about human migrations into the New World, and

subsequent adaptation of early Alaskans to changing paleoenvironments. The study will incorporate emerging research on paleogeography and paleogenetics, and scholarly debate surrounding the routes and timing of population movements. This project will include an NHL nomination for the Upward Sun River site, an early archaeological site of great national importance. Comments by discussants and attendees will help guide formulation of this project.

## Fannie Quigley House listed in the National Register

The Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places added the Fannie Quigley House in the Kantishna Historic Mining Resources of Denali National Park and Preserve to the nation's catalog of significant cultural properties on December 13, 2019. The Fannie Quigley House is significant for its association with Kantishna mining in the late 1930s and early 1940s and its association with Fanny Quigley, a Klondike Gold Rush veteran and prospector who arrived in the Kantishna region in 1905. The wood-framed cabin, constructed in 1938, is one of the few remaining buildings from the Kantishna historic mining period. Fannie Quigley lived year-round in the cabin from 1938 until her death in 1944.

#### National Park Service news

The National Center for Preservation Technology and Training (NCPTT) is hosting the Alliance for Historic Landscape Preservation annual meeting, Conserving Cultural Landscapes, April 2-4, 2020 in Natchitoches, Louisiana. The conference theme is Conserving Cultural Landscapes.

## Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

The Advisory Council Chairman Aimee Jorjani announced the December 5, 2019 adoption of a new strategic plan for the Advisory Council which offers a new vision statement and cross cutting objective, and reinforces the agency's desire to expand efficiencies in review of federal projects under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

The ACHP receives direction from the Office of Management and Budget which states: "The Strategic Plan... presents the long-term objectives an agency hopes to accomplish at the beginning of each new term of an Administration by describing general and long-term goals the agency aims to achieve, what actions the agency will take to realize those goals, and how the agency will deal with challenges and risks that may hinder achieving results." The plan can be found at https://www.achp.gov/sites/default/files/2020-01/StrategicPlan2020.pdf

## Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ)

On January 10, 2020, the Council on Environmental Quality issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that would make sweeping changes to the regulations governing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The 194-page document includes: the removal of the obligation to analyze cumulative effects; limits consideration of indirect effects on the environment; narrows the scope of project types that will be subject to NEPA review by introducing a new concept "a threshold analysis" to see if NEPA should apply for privately financed projects with "minimal government funding or involvement"; allows companies proposing projects to assume a greater role in the NEPA process; and places new limits on public participation. The deadline to submit comments on the proposed rulemaking is March 10, 2020. CEQ will hold two public hearings on the rulemaking, in Denver Colorado, Feb 11, and Washington D.C. February 25.

#### National Trust for Historic Preservation:

Where Women Made History: The National Trust is asking for participation in their celebration of women in American history during this year as the United States commemorates the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of women gaining the right to vote. The National Trust is asking for submittals of a photograph and a short description of a place where a woman made history. Visit their site for details: https://savingplaces.org/where-women-made-history

Annual Grants: The National Trust for Historic Preservation is accepting applications for its annual grants program. The funding ranges from \$2,500 to \$5,000 and supports preservation planning and educational projects. Application deadlines are February 3, June 1, and October 1. Applications are available eight weeks before the deadline. The National Trust reports that past grant projects have included engineering and architectural consulting services; tours that are accessible via smart devises; and market studies to assist in prioritizing preservation objectives. For more information visit <a href="http://forum.savingplaces.org/build/funding/grant-seekers/preservation-funds">http://forum.savingplaces.org/build/funding/grant-seekers/preservation-funds</a>

or contact Grants@savingplaces.org.

## **Apply for National Fund for Sacred Places**

Historic houses of worship, from prairie churches to urban synagogues, are the bedrocks that continue to sustain us as a people, uniting us in service and celebration. However, in the face of changing demographics and inadequate resources, these sacred places need our support to keep these places as an important part of our national cultural heritage. The National Fund for Sacred Places provides training, planning grants, technical assistance, capacity-building support, and capital grants up to \$250,000 to congregations of all faiths. Apply for funding by April 22.

#### 2020 National Preservation Awards

The National Trust is now accepting nominations for National Preservation Awards. **Nominations are due Feb 3, 2020**.

Award categories:

Richard H. Driehaus Foundation National Preservation Awards: Celebrating he "best of the best" in perseveration projects.

The Louise du Pont Crowninshield Award: Honoring an individual for their contributions over time.

American Express Aspire Award: Recognizing the achievements of an emerging professional Trustee's Award for Organizational Excellence: Awarding a nonprofit organization that demonstrates sustained achievement in historic preservation.

For more information, visit <a href="https://forum.savingplaces.org/preservation-awards">https://forum.savingplaces.org/preservation-awards</a> or email <a href="mailto:awards@savingplaces.org">awards@savingplaces.org</a>

# AASHL Receives NEH Grant to Prepare for 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

AASLH received a \$150,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to develop planning and educational resources to help small historical organizations for the nation's 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2026. The 15-month grant will enable AASLH to develop and share new resources for history museums, historical societies, historic sites, and other institutions as they

prepare for the Semiquincentennial. For more information about AASLH's role in the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary planning, visit <a href="www.aaslh.org/250th">www.aaslh.org/250th</a> or contact John Marks, Senior Manager, Strategic Initiatives (marks@aaslh.org)

## U.S. Semiquincentennial Commission

The U.S. Semiquincentnnial Commission published their report to the President. You can access the report at: <a href="http://america250.org/pdf/America250\_Report\_to\_President\_12-31-2019\_S.pdf">http://america250.org/pdf/America250\_Report\_to\_President\_12-31-2019\_S.pdf</a>; a press release about this publication can be found at:

https://www.businesswire.com/news/home/20200117005391/en/Vice-President-Pence-Meets-Federal-Commission-Advance

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## **PUBLIC PROJECT ALERTS:**

Section 106 large project consultation in progress:

Alaska Stand Alone Pipeline Project

Cultural Resources Management Plan revision

Alaska LNG Project

Comments on resources of concern and impacts to historic and cultural resources Review and compliance agreement development for large projects in progress:

Pebble Project

Programmatic agreement

Ambler Industrial Access Road

Programmatic agreement

Long Lake Section, Glenn Highway Rehabilitation

Programmatic Agreement

Formerly Used Defense Sites Program

Programmatic Agreement

U. S. Coast Guard Base Kodiak

Programmatic Agreement and ICRMP

For information on how to participate in the process, or on how to review and comment on the above projects, contact Sarah Meitl, 907.269.8720 / <a href="mailto:sarah.meitl@alaska.gov">sarah.meitl@alaska.gov</a>.

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#### PRESERVATION CALENDAR:

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February 1 American Institute for Conservation, Collections Assessment Preservation Program (CAP) application deadline, <a href="https://www.culturalheritage.org/resources/collections-care/cap">https://www.culturalheritage.org/resources/collections-care/cap</a> (AIC 202.452.9545 / <a href="mailto:info@culturalheritage.org">info@culturalheritage.org</a>)

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

March 10-12 National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers annual meeting and advocacy day, Washington, DC (Ted Monoson, 202.624.5476 / monoson@ncshpo.org)

March 18-22 National Council on Public History annual meeting: Threads of Change, Atlanta, GA, <a href="https://ncph.org/conference/2020-annual-meeting/">https://ncph.org/conference/2020-annual-meeting/</a>, Atlanta, GA (317.274.2716 / ncph@iupui.edu)

March 23-25 National Preservation Institute: Section 106, An Introduction, <a href="www.npi.org">www.npi.org</a>, Anchorage (Jere Gibber, 703.765.0100 / <a href="mailto:info@npi.org">info@npi.org</a>)

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

April 2-4 Alliance for Historic Landscape Preservation annual meeting: Conserving Cultural Landscapes, <a href="http://ahlp.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/CFP-AHLP-2020.pdf">http://ahlp.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/CFP-AHLP-2020.pdf</a>, Natchitoches, LA (Kimball Erdman, <a href="https://example.com/weedu/en/weedu/

May 6-10 Vernacular Architecture Forum 2020 conference: Landscapes of Succession, <a href="http://www.vernaculararchitectureforum.org/San-Antonio-2020">http://www.vernaculararchitectureforum.org/San-Antonio-2020</a>, San Antonio, TX (Michelle Jones, <a href="mailto:conference@vafweb.org">conference@vafweb.org</a>)

May 29-30 Construction History Society of America 7<sup>th</sup> Biennial Meeting: Quarrying History, <a href="https://www.constructionhistorysociety.org/7th-biennial-meeting">https://www.constructionhistorysociety.org/7th-biennial-meeting</a>, Bloomington, IN (Melanie Feerst, <a href="melaniefeerst@gmail.com">melaniefeerst@gmail.com</a>)

July 22-26 National Alliance of Preservation Commissions, Forum 2020: Preservation Coast to Coast, <a href="www.napcommissions.org">www.napcommissions.org</a>, Tacoma, WA (<a href="director@napcommissions.org">director@napcommissions.org</a>)

September 23-26 American Association for State and Local History annual meeting: What Kind of Ancestor Will You Be?, Las Vegas, NV (AASLH, 615.320.3203 / info@aaslh.org)

October 9-10 National Center for Preservation Technology and Training and Tulane School of Architecture Preservation Studies, 8<sup>th</sup> National Forum on Historic Preservation Policy: A Critical Examination of Preservation & the 21<sup>st</sup> Century City, New Orleans, LA (Laura Blokker, lblokker@tulane.edu or National Preservation Institute, 703.765.0100 / info@npi.org)

October 28-30 National Trust for Historic Preservation, PastForward, the National Preservation Conference, Miami, FL (NTHP, 202.588.6000 / info@savingplaces.org)