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NOVEMBER IS NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

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Federal Historic Preservation Fund FY 2019 budget and legislation

The President signed the \$853 billion spending bill Congress passed to fund a number of federal agencies, including the Interior Department, through December 7. The Interior Department's budget includes the Historic Preservation Fund, and HPF funding is at the FY 2018 level.

The House and Senate had not reached agreement on a FY 2019 Department of the Interior spending bill. The House budget equaled the final FY 2018 HPF appropriation of \$96.91 million. The Senate recommended \$88.91 million.

Historic Preservation Fund:	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2019	FY 2019
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	Final	President	House	Senate
States	\$ 48.93*	\$ 26.93	\$ 48.93	\$ 48.93
Tribes	11.48	5.74	11.48	11.48
Underserved communities initiative	.50		.50	.50
Civil rights movement initiative	13.00		15.50	15.50
Historic Black colleges/universities	5.00		7.00	7.00
Save America's Treasures grants	13.00		13.00	5.00
Historic Revitalization grants	5.00		.50	.50
TOTALS	\$ 96.91	\$ 32.67	\$ 96.91	\$88.91

* Figures are in millions.

Senator Brian Schatz (Hawaii) introduced the Explore America Act of 2018 (S. 2395) earlier this year, with six cosponsors including Alaska's Dan Sullivan. The bill authorizes the provision of technical assistance under the Preserve America program, and directs the Secretary of the Interior to enter into partnerships with communities adjacent to national parks to leverage cultural heritage assets. Alaska's Representative Don Young introduced a companion bill in the House of Representatives (H.R. 5608). The Senate referred its bill to the Energy and Natural Resources Committee, and the House referred its bill to the Natural Resources Subcommittee on Federal Lands.

Alaska Historical Commission and Office of History and Archaeology news

The Alaska Historical Commission has asked Governor Walker to issue a proclamation on November 11th to recognize the impact of the influenza epidemic and World War I on Alaska 100 years ago. For additional information about the commission, contact Jo Antonson, 907.269.8714 / jo.antonson@alaska.gov.

The National Association of State Park Directors honored Alaska State Parks' Office of History and Archaeology with the 2018 Ney Landrum Park History Award for its commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the Alaska Treaty of Cession. Throughout 2017 the Office of History and Archaeology worked with public and private partners for better understanding of the history and significance of the treaty. The office assisted with events around the state to engage Alaskans in conversations about the treaty and its impacts, including at the Baranof Castle State Historic Site in Sitka where the 1867 ceremonial transfer occurred and is annually re-enacted on Alaska Day. The site is critical to Tlingit culture and heritage as well as Russian and U.S. history. The office developed a traveling exhibit and booklet on the treaty that was sent around the state, and administered 25 grants for historical projects related to the treaty.

Jay and Bella Hammond Homestead listed in National Register of Historic Places

The Jay and Bella Hammond Homestead on the north shore of Lake Clark in western Alaska was added to the National Register of Historic Places on July 30, 2018. Jay staked the homestead in 1952 and received patent to it in 1958. It is one of only two patented homesteads in the beautiful but remote Lake Clark area. Shortly after he staked it, Jay started building the first of the 23 buildings and structures at the homestead today, intending it to be the family's permanent home. His political career with the Bristol Bay Borough, Territory and State of Alaska kept the Hammonds from living full-time at the homestead until his second term as Alaska's 4th governor

ended in 1982. Jay wrote much about the homestead in his memoirs and he is buried on the property. Bella lived at the homestead until 2017. The buildings and structures show how people lived outside of Alaska's villages and towns in the late twentieth century. They reflect Jay's skills and those of skilled local craftsmen using logs and stone from the surrounding area. The Hammonds respected the graves and cabin sites of the Dena'ina who lived on their property in the early twentieth century and did not disturb them.

National Park Service news

The Secretary of the Interior annually recognizes the outstanding contribution of an employee from a federal state, tribal, and local government historic preservation office. The National Park Service is now accepting nominations for the 2018 awards. The deadline for nominations is November 30, 2018. Information on the criteria and nomination process and a list of past recipients can be requested from David Banks, 202.354.2020 / preservation_grants_info@nps.gov or david_banks@nps.gov.

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/>.

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation news

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation has announced its fall 2018 Section 106 webinars. "Planning to Involve the Public in Section 106" will be offered November 13 and 15. 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. Descriptions and registration instructions are at <https://www.achp.gov/training/webinars>. If you have any questions, contact Tanya Devonish at tdevonish@achp.gov.

The council's Office of Native American Affairs has produced two new guidance documents. One is "Types of Agreement Documents in Section 106: What They Are and When They Should Be Used." It is a clear, well organized document that puts existing ACHP guidance into one document. The second is an information paper about tribal treaty rights. These documents are available at <https://www.achp.gov/indian-tribes-and-native-hawaiians>.

National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers searching for new director

Bambi Kraus, longtime director of the National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers, accepted a job as the National Tribal Affairs Advisor for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Kraus is from Kake in southeast Alaska, where the Organized Village of Kake is a certified Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO). Melinda Young has been appointed interim director of NATHPO. She is a member of the Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians.

Alaska Association for Historic Preservation annual meeting this month

The annual meeting for the Alaska Association for Historic Preservation will be November 8 at the Historic Anchorage Hotel. The organization will announce its 2018 Historic Preservation Award recipient and its annual grant award to one of the ten most endangered historic properties. For more information call 907.929.9870 / akpreservation@gmail.com.

In other news, AAHP will have Swedish holiday tours of the Oscar Anderson House 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.

Native American Heritage Month programs in Alaska

Since 1990, November has been recognized as National Native American Heritage Month. A collaborative website, <https://nativeamericanheritagemonth.gov/> of the Library of Congress, National Endowment for the Humanities, National Gallery of Art, National Park Service, Smithsonian Institution, U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, and the National Archives and Records Administration is a great portal for information. Commemorative activities happening around Alaska include

* a month-long lecture series at Sealaska Heritage Institute in Juneau (<http://www.sealaskaheritage.org/node/892>),

* a film screening sponsored by the University of Alaska Fairbanks's Native Student Union (<https://www.explorefairbanks.com/event/free-native-american-heritage-month-film-screening/1848/>),

* a celebration of local Native artists as a First Friday event in Anchorage (<https://www.evensi.us/november-friday-native-american-heritage-month-411-4th-ave-anchorage-alaska-99501/274038408>)

* Being Good Relatives Gathering hosted by the Alaska Native Policy Center, First Alaskans Institute, in Anchorage <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/P3M9L5T>

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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)

Public meetings: November 28, 2018, 1:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m., Moose Pass Community Hall

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

U.S. Forest Service, Chugach National Forest Land Management Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement, <http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/chugach/planrevision>

Comment deadline: November 1, 2018

Comments to: www.fs.usda.gov/goto/chugach/plancomments, fax 907.743.9476, or mail Chugach National Forest, Attn: Draft Land Management Plan, 161 East 1st Ave., Door 8, Anchorage, AK 99501

Contact: Denise Downie, 907.743.9426 / dedownie@fs.fed.us

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PRESERVATION CALENDAR:

November 1 National Park Service, 2018 Underrepresented Community grant application deadline (202.354.2020 / preservation_grants_info@nps.gov)

November 5-8 National Center for Preservation Technology and Training, Advanced Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) Workshop, Marksville, LA (Tad Britt, fax 318.356.9119 / tad_britt@nps.gov)

November 8 Alaska Association for Historic Preservation annual meeting, www.aahp-online.net, Anchorage (Kathi Adkins, 907.929.9870 / akpreservation@gmail.com)

November 12-15 Cultural Heritage and New Technologies, Visual Heritage 2018, Digitize: Research – Record – Reactivate – Reconstruct symposium (Boerner Wolfgang, +43 (0)1 4000 81176 / wolfgang.boerner@stadtarchaeologie.at)

November 13, repeats November 15 Advisory Council on Historic Preservation webinar: Planning to Involve the Public in Section 106, <https://www.achp.gov/training/webinars> (Tanya Devonish, tdevonish@achp.gov)

November 13-14 U.S. International Council on Monuments and Sites (US/ICOMOS) and partners symposium: Forward Together: A Culture-Nature Journey Towards More Effective Conservation in a Changing World, San Francisco, CA (Bill Pencek, 202.463.1291 / bpencek@usicomos.org)

November 13-16 National Trust for Historic Preservation: PastForward National Preservation Conference, San Francisco, CA (<https://www.pastforwardconference.org/pastforward2018/>)

November 26-30 National Park Service: Archeological Resources Protection Act (ARPA) for Archeologists, <https://gm2.geolearning.com/geonext/doi/scheduledclassdetails4enroll.geo?&id=334672>, Shepherdstown, WV (Caven Clark, 870.365.2790 / caven_clark@nps.gov)

November 30 National Park Service: Secretary of the Interior's 2018 Historic Preservation Awards deadline (David Banks, 202.354.6968 / david_banks@nps.gov)

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)

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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 27-30 National Council on Public History conference: Repair Work, <http://ncph.org/conference/>, Hartford, CT (NCPH, 317.274.2716 / ncph@iupui.edu)

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)

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)