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Federal Historic Preservation Fund FY 2019 budget and legislation

Congress has not passed seven FY 2019 funding bills, among them the Interior Department's that includes the Historic Preservation Fund which funds the core programs of the Alaska Office of History and Archaeology. The fiscal year started in October 2018.

The National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers reported the House of Representatives voted last week on a FY 2019 funding bill (H.R. 648) for all of the departments and agencies that were closed in December and last month. That bill has \$102.66 million for the HPF; maintaining or increasing the FY 2018 appropriation for each of the program as indicated in the last column of the chart below.

		Final	President	House	Senate	
States		\$ 48.93*	\$			
26.93	\$ 48.93	\$ 48.93	\$ 49.67			
Tribes		11.48	5.74	11.48	11.48	
11.74						
Underserved communities						
initiative	.50		.50	.50	.75	
Civil rights movement						
initiative	13.00		15.50	15.50	14.50	
Historic Black						
colleges/universities	5.00		7.00	7.00	8.00	
Save America's Treasures						
grants	13.00	13.00	5.00	13.00		
Historic Revitalization						
grants	5.00		.50	.50	5.00	
TOTALS		\$ 96.91	\$ 32.67	\$ 96.91	\$88.91	\$
102.66						

* Figures are in millions.

In the new Congress, Alaska delegate Don Young will be 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. It is important for Alaskans to let Congressman Young know about historic preservation projects the fund has assisted.

Alaska Historical Commission and Office of History and Archaeology news

The Alaska Historical Commission will meet in Anchorage on February 25, 2019. The commission will review grant applications for projects from Certified Local Governments (CLGs) and consider proposals to name a lake near Sitka, a lake in Lake Clark National Park & Preserve, two peaks near Seward, and to change the officially recognized name for the community of Chenega. The commission will be given brief updates on historic preservation activities since its meeting in September 2018. The preliminary meeting agenda is available at www.dnr.alaska.gov/parks/oha. For more information regarding the meeting contact Jo Antonson at jo.antonson@alaska.gov or 907.269.8714.

The OHA'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, on the Alaska roads programmatic agreement, and on restoration of buildings at Sitka's Sheldon Jackson School National Historic Landmark. The office is exploring interest in training on the basics of Section 106 review the afternoon before the workshop.

Please let Sarah Meitl, 907.269.8720 / sarah.meitl@alaska.gov know this month if interested in Section 106 training on April 23, 2019.

National Park Service news

The National Center for Preservation Technology and Training (NCPTT) has extended the deadline to apply for research projects that develop new technologies or adapt existing

technologies to preserve cultural resources. The new deadline is February 14, 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. More information about the grants and applying for them is at <https://www.ncptt.nps.gov/grants/preservation-technology-and-training-grants/>.

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 that are to be subgranted 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 is March 1, 2019. Complete application information is available at www.grants.gov, funding opportunity number P19AS00015.

The Springfield Armory National Historic Site, the Friends of NCPTT, and the 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 firearms and firearm parts and ammunition components found in archaeological contexts. For more information contact Tad Britt, NCPTT, 318.521.5641 / Tad_Britt@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. 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>.

NATHPO selects new executive director

The National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers selected Valerie Grussing as its new executive director. Grussing worked as the Cultural Resources Coordinator for the National Marine Protected Areas Center, part of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), for eight years. She has graduate degrees in coastal resources management and anthropology. Grussing has worked with many tribes on characterizing cultural landscapes and effective tribal consultation policies.

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. More information on who is eligible to apply, what projects are considered, and how to submit a request will be provided at a webinar on February 7, 2019, at 10:30 a.m. To register for the session, email katherineschake@kmtacorridor.org. Additional information is at <https://www.kmtacorridor.org/grants/>. Applications are due March 4, 2019.

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.

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PUBLIC PROJECT ALERTS:

Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Commission'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:

McGrath Community Center, February 27, 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Tyonek Tribal Center, February 28, 2019, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

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.

Bureau of Land Management, Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Program Draft Environmental Impact Statement, <https://eplanning.blm.gov/epl-front-office/eplanning/planAndProjectSite.do?methodName=dispatchToPatternPage¤tPageId=152110>

Comment deadline: February 11, 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

Public meetings (check EIS website above for meeting times):

Fairbanks, Carlson Center, February 4

Kaktovik, Harold Kaveolook School, February 5

Utqiagvik, Inupiat Heritage Center, February 6

Fort Yukon, Community Center, February 7

Arctic Village, Community Hall, February 9

Venetie, Village Tribal Hall, February 10

Anchorage, Dena'ina Convention Center, February 11

Washington, DC, National Housing Center, February 13

Contact: Nicola Hayes, Project coordinator, 907.271.4354 / mnhayes@blm.gov

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PRESERVATION CALENDAR:

February 14 National Center for Preservation Technology and Training (NCPTT), grant application deadline (NCPTT, 318.356.7444 / ncptt@nps.gov)

February 25 Alaska Historical Commission meeting, www.dnr.alaska.gov/parks/oha, Anchorage (Jo Antonson, 907.269.8714 / jo.antonson@alaska.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 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)

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 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 14 National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers, 2019 annual meeting, Washington, DC (Ted Monoson, monoson@ncshpo.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)

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 Yukon Historical and Museums Association (Whitehorse, Yukon) and Jik'at 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)

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 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)

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)