



Historical Happenings

Notes on Cultural Resource Management in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

December

What's New at HQ?

Museum Property Policy Updated!

An updated policy for museum property was recently released (Nov 2017). The update replaces the previous, 20 year old policy. It clarifies roles and responsibilities and updates treatment of museum materials in light of new requirements and advancements. Check the policy out <https://www.fws.gov/policy/126fw1.html>

Historic Preservation Award 2017—Nominations Requested!!

The Historic Preservation Award launched late in 2016 is back for its second year. We welcome nominations for those managers and staff that go above and beyond to preserve and use our outstanding cultural resources. Contact Eugene Marino eugene_marino@fws.gov for more information. **Nominations due December 29, 2017.**

Around the Regions....

Region 5 (Northeast)

Great Dismal Swamp NWR in the news! Check out an interesting article for one of our most interesting Refuge and historic sites. <http://wtkr.com/2017/11/15/escape-through-the-swamp-the-link-between-the-great-dismal-swamp-and-the-underground-railroad/>

Other Agency News....

ACHP—New Guidance for Working for Non-federally Recognized Tribes



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Issues are also available on the USFWS Cultural Resources website <http://historicpreservation.fws.gov>. Submissions are encouraged and can be made via email. Please contact Eugene Marino at Eugene_Marino@fws.gov for submission guidelines

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation has issued new guidance on working with non-federally recognized tribes in the National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 process. The guidance fulfills the ACHP's commitment to support the U.N. Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples which applies to all indigenous peoples. The guidance encourages federal agencies to include non-federally recognized tribes in Section 106 consultations when they have important information to share and when historic properties of religious and cultural significance to them may be affected by an undertaking. The guidance also clarifies that inviting non-federally recognized tribes to participate in the process does not substitute for consultation with federally recognized Indian tribes nor does it diminish their role in consultation.

The guidance is also available online at <http://www.achp.gov/docs/Working%20with%20Non-Fed%20Rec%20tribes%20Guidance%20-%20208-11-17.pdf>

TRAINING, GRANTS, UPCOMING EVENTS, EDUCATION, AND NEWS

Upcoming FWS Events and Training

SRI Announces Coalition for Archaeological Synthesis Offers Grants

The SRI Foundation has launched a new initiative, the Coalition for Archaeological Synthesis (CfAS). The goal of the Coalition is to foster synthetic research on social science questions whose answers will have important implications for addressing contemporary social issues. The CfAS synthesis projects will proceed through repeated, intensive meetings of self-organized, multi-disciplinary working groups focused on particular synthetic topics, a model pioneered and proven by



the National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis (NCEAS).

The Coalition is composed of two types of members. Partners are organizations that govern and set the direction of the Coalition, and Associates are individual members interested in supporting the Coalition's goals. Organizations can register as a Partner through the CfAS website, as can individuals who would like to be an Associate.

CfAS has recently issued a call for proposals for two initial synthesis projects, to fund working groups that will address a substantive archaeological problem requiring synthesis, and will produce both intellectual products that will benefit the discipline and products that will inform public policy or benefit relevant publics. Funding will be provided for travel, meals, lodging, and conference facilities for working groups of no more than 8 individuals to meet face-to-face 3 times within a period of 2 years in a setting that is conducive to collaboration.

Proposals are due January 15, 2018, 5PM MST. Questions concerning this RFP should be sent to Mr. Terry Klein, Executive Director, SRI Foundation, at tklein@srifoundation.org.

This Request for Proposals (RFP) is also available at <http://www.archsynth.org/requests-for-proposals.html>.

Coalition's vision is described more fully in an article in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, at <http://www.pnas.org/content/114/42/10999.full.pdf>.

LEGISLATIVE NEWS

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VOLUNTEERS AND FRIENDS NEWS

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