Alaska Office of History & Archaeology State Historic Preservation Office

ANNUAL WORKSHOP 2017

Welcome

- New Archaeologist I Tamara Holman
- Office Move
- The Year of History & Heritage



Alaska Historical Commission Update



Lt. Governor Byron Mallott, Chair

Judy Bittner Wayne Jensen

Terrence Cole Rebecca Poulson

Alisha Drabek Jonathon Ross, Vice-chair

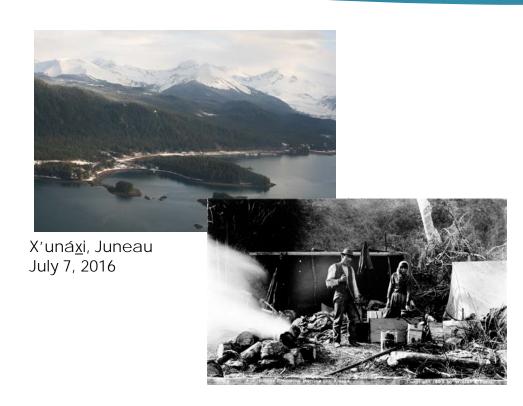
Michael Hawfield Douglas Veltre

- Met February 23, July 25, November 16, 2016
- Geographic names: reviewed 5 proposals, established committee to address how to facilitate getting Native names on maps.
- Grant review: reviewed and awarded 7 CLG grants, and
 18 Alaska Treaty of Cession project grants
- National Register nominations: determined the Alaska Road Commission Shelter Cabin (Fritz's) eligible for listing, tabled the Old Willow Community Center

Technical Updates in Historic Preservation

- HABS
- National Register Changes
- Program Comment, ACHP Updates
- #ThisPlaceMatters

National Register of Historic Places





Walrus Islands Archeological District National Historic Landmark Togiak January 11, 2017

National Register Program Technical Updates

- National Register office moving, expect to resume accepting nominations April 15, 2017
- OHA moving, expect to be in new offices July 1, 2017
- New draft Bulletin 38, Traditional Cultural Places expected to be released in late April
- Congress passed amendments to the National Historic Preservation Act regarding Federal agency submissions of National Register nominations

National Register Program Technical Updates

The amendments call for a Federal agency to show:

- SHPO given opportunity to review & comment on adequacy of nomination, significance of property, and its eligibility for the National Register. The SHPO is given 45 days to respond, but if does not this constitutes a recommendation "to not support the nomination."
- Chief elected officials of county (or equivalent) and municipal political jurisdiction in which the property is located notified and given 45 days to comment on a nomination.

Federal agency's Preservation Officer (FPO) submits to the Keeper the nomination and all comments from SHPO and local officials

The Keeper includes in the notice published in the Federal Register:

- comments and recommendation of SHPO and a declaration that the SHPIO responded
- statement from the Secretary of the Interior addressing SHPO comments that do not support the nomination

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- Add photos and information using ESRI Geoform
- Instantly appear on map



Updates from ACRA and the Coalition for American Heritage

- ACRA and the Coalition for American Heritage
- Update on Alaska Legislature's HJR 10 in support of S.33: Improved National Monument Designation Process Act
- Burr Neely, ACRA and NLURA

Curation

- Richard VanderHoek, State Archaeologist, Office of History and Archaeology
- Josh Reuther, Curator of Archaeology/Asst Professor of Anthropology, UA Museum of the North



Break! Thank you to the Alaska Association for **Historic Preservation** for sponsoring the registration and coffee.

Saving our Past, Planning for our Future: Alaska's Statewide Historic Preservation Plan

 Summer Louthan, Architectural Historian, Office of History and Archaeology

Lunch!

RECONVENE AT 1:00 P.M.

Using Districts as Management Tools

- Julie Esdale, Archaeological Districts on Fort Wainwright
- Tom Gillispie, Trail Development & Site Protection in the Tangle Lakes Archaeological District



Break

Alaska Office of History and Archaeology - OHA Report Checklist, September 2016

✓.	X	N/A	GENERAL REPORT QUALITY
			Report is well-written, well-organized, properly formatted, free of typos and grammatical errors.
			Maps, tables, and photographs are appropriate, clear, legible; adequately labeled and numbered.
			In-text and bibliographic references match, and are complete and accurate.
			Report is free of factual errors.
✓.	X	N/A	TITLE PAGES, ABSTRACT, TABLE OF CONTENTS
	- ' '		Title page present, with report title, author/company/address, lead agency, and date.
			Abstract is comprehensive (project summary, background, results, recommendations).
			Table of Contents, followed by list of Figures/Tables/ Plates (photos) with associated page number.
✓	X	N/A	INTRODUCTION & AREA OF POTENTIAL EFFECTS (APE)
	•		Description of project purpose and circumstances, including project administration and constraints
			APE is described/discussed clearly; figures showing current APE and landownership provided.
			Dates of fieldwork, names of contributing personnel (field/office) involved included/discussed.
~	X	N/A	BACKGROUND & HISTORIC CONTEXT
	~		Relevant regional and local environmental context is discussed.
			A relevant regional historic context, including (if possible) land use history, historic maps, photos.
			Relevant previous cultural resource investigations and/or previously recorded sites are discussed.
*	\mathbf{v}	N/A	RESEARCH DESIGN & METHODOLOGY
	^	14/6	Report provides a coherent and comprehensive research design.
			All field methodology is described and is appropriate to current environmental conditions.
		_	All analytical methodology is described and consistent with the project's purposes and goals.
	v	NI/A	RESULTS
	^	IVA	Special conditions or biases that may affect investigation results are identified and discussed.
	_	_	Investigated areas are labeled, described in the text, mapped, and representative photos provided.
			Number of acres investigated is provided.
			Systematic sampling units (e.g., shovel tests) are clearly described, mapped, and profiled by area.
			Site locations, addresses (buildings), boundaries, and distribution are described and mapped.
			Detailed site (sketch) maps are provided for each reported site.
			Cultural resources are described by resource type (site, building, structure, object, district).
			Cultural resource descriptions are clear, comprehensive and complete.
			AHRS numbers are assigned to cultural resources, referenced in text, Figures, Tables, and Plates.
			Construction and alteration dates are provided for buildings and structures (if known).
			For districts, associated resources are categorized as contributing/non-contributing and mapped
			accordingly.
			Deposition of artifacts is clearly described/depicted on site (sketch) maps.
	_	_	Artifacts are inventoried and described according to appropriate categories and nomenclature. Diagnostic and unique artifacts photographed or drawn. Appropriate classification references cited.
			Statistical manipulations and special analytical techniques are correctly described and applied.
			Cultural resources discussed relative to appropriate historic context and in terms of human cultural
			behavior.
			Results are related to broader theoretical, methodological, and descriptive concerns in anthropological
			archaeology, architectural history, and history and/or concerns listed in established historic context
			Complete AHRS Site Forms are referenced & provided separately from the report, as appropriate.
_	X	N/A	DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS
	· ·-		Address significance of each resource (area, period, dates, persons, affiliation, etc.) within the
			project Right-Of-Way relative to appropriate historic context.
			Discuss aspects of integrity (location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, association)
			of each cultural resource within the project Right-Of-Way.
			Apply and discuss National Register criteria and applicable criteria considerations, and provide
	V	A1/#	recommendations for each cultural resources within the project Right-Of-Way.
<u> </u>	X	N/A	
			Comprehensive summary of the project, methods, results, and recommendations is provided.
	-	_	Summarize cultural resources investigation results and recommendations.

OHA Report Checklist and Documentation Standards

AHRS: Current Updates and Issues

Jeffrey Weinberger, AHRS Manager



Break

OHA/SHPO Program Updates

Website Update

- New webpage layout
- State of Alaska's new 'look and feel'
- Mobile friendly





Homepage ->
 Designations and Incentives -> National Register of Historic Places



State Archaeologist Update



- 2016: Processed 53 Archaeological Survey permits.
- Bulk of Castle Hill collection moving to UA Museum of the North.
- New downloadable Cultural Resources Permit Application available soon on website.
- Expectation for subsurface testing with surveys, if not, text and photo why not.

Special Projects Updates – Project Archaeology Shelters with Ahtna

Tom Gillispie, Special Projects Archaeologist

Review and Compliance Update

- Review & Compliance Staff, Notable Projects in 2016
 - Shina duVall, Archaeologist and Unit Coordinator
 - ASAP, AK LNG, Donlin Gold, Chuitna Coal Mine, New and Updated PAs (USFS, NRCS, Army, National Guard)
 - Sylvia Elliott, Architectural Historian
 - Aleutian Housing Authority Lead Abatement Project within Seal Islands NHL, New PA (National Guard Armories), Comments on Telecommunications Projects on Federal Lands Program Comment, Comments on NPS Revisions to SOI Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings, Twilight Towers
 - Mckenzie Johnson, Archaeologist
 - Quintillion Arctic Fiber Optic Cable Project, Lynn Canal Fiber Optic Cable Project, PA Updates (USFS, NRCS), Akiachak Water and Sewer
 - Mark Rollins, Archaeologist and DOT&PF Liaison
 - Historic Roads Eligibility Project (Alaska Roads PA), Sterling Highway MP 45-60 Project, Haines Highway MP 3.5-25.3, Alaska Highway MP 1309 Tok River Bridge Replacement Project, Emergency Erosion Treatment on Old Glenn Highway
 - ▶ http://dot.alaska.gov/stwddes/desenviron/resources/historicproperties.shtml

Review and Compliance Update

- Review & Compliance 2016 Calendar Year Stats:
 - ~2100 individual reviews +
 - ► ~530 formal Determinations of Eligibility
 - 9 new MOAs signed
 - 4 new PAs signed

▶ Phone: 907-269-8721 or oha.revcomp@alaska.gov



- Peter Metcalfe hired by the Lt. Governor to coordinate commemoration activities in August
- Alaska Historical Commission grants
- September 2016 started commemoration at the Alaska Historical Society / Museums Alaska conference in Juneau
- Eight banner travelling exhibit and booklet
- March 30 events in Washington, D.C. and a number of Alaska communities
- News and journal articles
- http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/oha/designations/150Anniversary
- calendar of events: http://alaskahistoricalsociety.org/about-ahs/150treaty/calendar/

Saving Our Past

- ► Final thoughts
- www.surveymonkey.com/r/AKHPP

Innovative Section 106 Mitigation

- Exploring Archaeology: TCC/MatSu Field School
- Bob Sattler, Tanana Chiefs Conference

Feedback!

- Complete our Workshop evaluation survey, available in your folders or online at: www.surveymonkey.com/r/OHAworkshop2017
- All entries received by May 5th will be entered into a raffle to WIN a copy of the Survey Manual and 150th pin
- Last year Valerie won a copy of Gold Rush Wife!
- ▶ Join us now across the street at

