

Department of Defense Legacy Resource Management Program

Cultural Resources *UPDATE*

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Legacy News

Something Old, Something New

In this issue the UPDATE, aside from its usual articles and DoD news, focuses on the problem of looting. Read on for articles and links to other articles about the world-wide problem of looting and the antiquities trade.



FY 2010 Funding Season

The Legacy Program thanks all of the preproposal authors for their hard work culminating in a preproposal submittal. The final count stands at:

- 49 Cultural Resource
- 22 Integrated
- 175 Natural Resource

Pre-proposals will be reviewed in committee toward the end of August. Authors with pre-proposals continuing on to the next phase will be notified on or by September 1st.

Notification will come through the Legacy Tracker system to the email registered at www.dodlegacy.org.

NEWS

First On-Site Middle East Cultural Resource Awareness Training Provided to DoD Personnel at BRIGHTSTAR Conference

Submitted by: Serena G. Bellew, Deputy Federal Preservation Officer, OSD

On June 21, 2009, Department of Defense representatives conducted a one-day cultural resource awareness training for U.S. military personnel at the step pyramid complex of Sakkara, near Cairo, Egypt.

Members of the CENTCOM Historical/Cultural Advisory Group (CHCAG), participating in the Bright Star Final Planning conference were asked to develop an on-site training for U.S. military personnel that would enable participants to see first-hand examples of Middle Eastern archaeological features, artifacts and sites. Through cooporation with the Egyptian Supreme Council of Antiquities, CHCAG was provided an official Sakkara tour guide, whose information on the site was supplemented by training specific discussions lead by Dr. Laurie Rush (Fort Drum, NY). Examples of foot traffic erosion, surface artifacts, and topographic indicators of archaeological sites were highlighted and further discussed in relevance to situations encountered in Iraq and Afghanistan. Examples of cylinder seals and other artifacts in the Sakkara museum were also used to link the day's training to the cultural treasures of Iraq and Afghanistan.

Due to the overwhelmingly positive feedback from training participants, CHCAG has since been asked by Bright Star senior leadership to provide additional on-site training during the October exercises. Plans are now underway to expand training options and resource types to include other regional historic sites such as the WWII battlefield of El Alamein, and sites from antiquity in the Cairo and Alexandria areas.



Members of the CENTCOM Bright Start Planning Team and the CENTCOM Historical/ Cultural Advisory Group.

Included in the photo are:

- Ms. Serena Bellew, DFPO,OSD;
- Jim Zeidler, Colorado State University;
- LTC Dan Brewer, Environmental Engineer, CENTCOM; and
- Dr. Laurie Rush, Cultural Resource Manager, Ft. Drum, NY



Summer Highlight:

Kristin Fleetwood is a NCPE summer intern with the DoD Legacy Resource Management Program compiling a bibliography of Legacy-funded cultural resource management (CRM) projects initiated or completed between 1991 and 2008. To this end, she is in charge of organizing the CRM report collection housed in Legacy's office library in Arlington, VA, correcting and inputting new data into the bibliography, and contacting former project managers to further elucidate missing or ambiguous information regarding projects.

Once her work is complete, copies of Legacy CRM project reports will be transferred to the Pentagon Library.

Kristin is currently pursuing a master's degree in library science at The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where she is conducting research into the role of tribal college and university libraries' special collections in preserving Native American languages and traditional cultures. She expects to graduate in December 2009.

ARPA VIOLATIONS AND LOOTING

Throughout the summer, many articles related to looting and ARPA violations have been in the press. Most articles are related to the same case in Utah. Please see the following links for more information on any of these articles:

- e "24 Indicted in Four Corners Artifact Theft Probe." (2009, June 10). MSNBC. http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/31214404/
- Lofholm, Nancy. "Emotions run hot over artifact raids in Utah." (2009, July 7). The Denver Post. http://www.denverpost.com/newsheadlines/ci 12765729
- Auffly, Brian. "Looters move artifacts and destroy their value." (2009, June 11). Salt Lake Tribune. http://www.sltrib.com/news/ci 12565349
- Riccardi, Nicholas. "First Guilty Plea in Blanding Artifacts Case." (2009, July 7). Los Angeles Times. http://www.latimes.com/news/nationworld/nation/la-na-artifacts7-2009jul07,0,7482832.story

POTENTIAL REFERENCE RESOURCE FOR FEDERAL AND AMERICAN INDIAN LANDS

The Federal Government owns nearly 650 million acres of land - almost 30 percent of the land area of the United States. Federally-owned and managed public lands include National Parks, National Forests, and National Wildlife Refuges. These are lands that are held for all Americans. The federal agencies responsible for managing America's natural resources must meet both the public desire to protect them and the public expectation of economic growth based on them. Within the Federal Government, a number of agencies contribute to the management of natural resources associated with public lands. All of these federal agencies are partners in the production of nationalatlas.gov.

In the United States, there are only two kinds of reserved lands that are well-known: military and Indian. An Indian Reservation is land reserved for a tribe when it relinquished its other land areas to the United States through treaties. More recently, Congressional acts, Executive Orders, and administrative acts have created Reservations. There are approximately 275 Indian land areas in the United States administered as Indian Reservations (reservations, pueblos, rancherias, communities, etc.). The largest is the Navajo Reservation of some 16 million acres of land in Arizona, New Mexico, and Utah. Many of the smaller Reservations are less than 1,000 acres with the smallest less than 100 acres. On each Reservation, the local governing authority is the tribal government.

These maps were designed for use on the World Wide Web or for generating high quality color prints. Each map shows the Federal Lands and Indian Reservations overlaid on top of State boundaries, selected streams and bodies of water, and major cities for easy reference. In addition, there is a map showing Federal Lands and Indian Reservations for the entire United States.

Go To: http://www.nationalatlas.gov/printable/fedlands.html#list

PHOTO OF THE MONTH:



The UPDATE editor saw this on while wandering down Baltimore Street one June afternoon in Gettysburg, PA. The name and phone number were edited off of the sign for this publication. (You just can't make this stuff up!)

CALENDAR AUGUST:

2009 SUSTAINING
MILITARY READINESS
CONFERENCE
PHOENIX, AZ
9-14 AUGUST 2009

ACHP SECTION 106
ESSENTIALS
ANCHORAGE, AK
18-19 AUGUST 2009

ACHP SECTION 106
ADVANCED COURSE
ANCHORAGE, AK
20 AUGUST 2009

NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION OF
DEVELOPMENT
COMMUNITIES
CHICAGO, IL
29 Aug- 1 Sept 2009

SEPTEMBER:

HISTORIC
STRUCTURES
REPORTS: A
MANAGEMENT TOOL
FOR HISTORIC
PROPERTIES
TOPEKA, KS
14 SEPTEMBER 2009

NAGPRA:
DETERMINING
CULTURAL
AFFILIATION
CHICAGO, IL
14 SEPTEMBER 2009

NAGPRA: WRITING AND MANAGING A SUCCESSFUL GRANT CHICAGO, IL 15-16 SEPTEMBER 2009

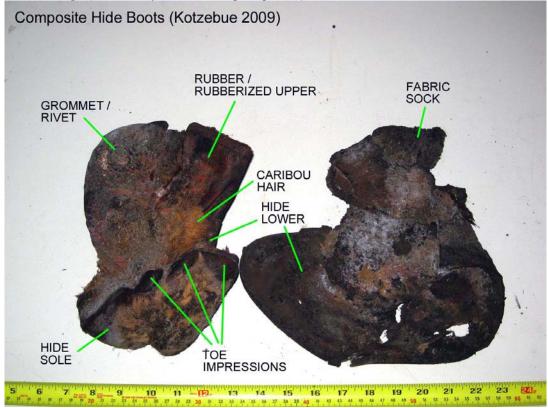
PRESERVATION
MAINTENANCE:
UNDERSTANDING AND
PRESERVING
HISTORIC BUILDINGS
TOPEKA, KS
15-16 SEPTEMBER 2009

NAGPRA AND
ARPA: APPLICATIONS
AND REQUIREMENTS
SAN FRANCISCO, CA
24-25 SEPTEMBER 2009

Question to the Masses: Hide and Rubber Boots Found in NW Alaska

Does anyone know about potential experimental military-type boots such as the ones described below? I've seen ones with rubber bottoms and leather legs (sort of an LL Bean style pack) and canvas style military winter boots. Has anyone seen experimental type boots featuring leather soles (seal skin is traditional for Inupiat Eskimo-made boots), caribou around the feet and rubber uppers, possibly around the legs? Military agencies did quite a bit of research on cold weather adaptation during the early part of the Cold War and these could be an experimental military boot. These were found in a small town in arctic Alaska and are described by one of my colleagues. READ ON...

This note provides preliminarily description of a pair of hide boots (mukluks?) found during archaeological monitoring on 9 June 2009. The boots were found in an apparent post-WW II trash dump feature, which also contained items such as crushed 55-gallon drums, broken glass, and fabric (burlap?). Both boots appear to comprise a matched set. They are quite small, perhaps made for a child, woman, or small man. The boots are manufactured of composite materials, including hide lowers and soles, rubber or rubberized uppers, and a grommet/rivet/snap upper cinch mechanism. Caribou hair adheres to one boot, suggesting hair-out caribou hide lowers. (A fabric fragment, perhaps burlap, also adheres to the same boot, but the co-placement appears fortuitous and not functional.) Toe impressions are present in one boot, and the other boot has a fabric sock extending from the upper; a sole is present only on the latter boot. It is thus far uncertain if the boots were factory-made (possibly military cold-weather footgear) or made by an individual (perhaps local).



The date of the boots as post-WW II is only a broad preliminary estimate; they quite possibly date back at least 50 years. The archaeologist is enquiring to a variety of sources for period boot manufacture examples. Certainly, the best avenue for identifying the date (and possibly even owner or maker) of the boots is with Kotzebue elders and other residents.

The hide boots are currently in frozen storage in Kotzebue, awaiting frozen storage availability under KIC or City management as per MOA stipulations regarding primary project artifact storage. The archaeologist will contact material conservators at the Anchorage Museum and the State Museum for recommendations for conservation/treatment of the hide boots.

If you have any information about the boots, please contact: Karlene Leeper, at Karlene.leeper@elmendorf.af.mil or 907-552-5057.

BOOK REVIEW:

Last month's issue of the UPDATE featured its first-ever book review. In order to continue this tradition, we will need some help.

Have you read a good book related to the field of cultural resources?

Have you read a bad book related to the field of cultural resources?

The UPDATE would love to post your review. Contact Hillori Schenker at hillori.schenker.ctr@osd.mil.



Here to Serve

If there is anything that you would like to see in future editions of the UPDATE, please contact the editor, Hillori Schenker. She can be reached at hillor.schenker.ctr@

osd.mil.

Hillori is always looking for new photos of nifty stuff, new websites that may be helpful to other CRMs, articles featuring the good stuff you've done on your installation, announcements, courses, and recipes. (Yes, she knows that is everyone's favorite article!)

NPS APPROVES PALA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS THPO

The Director of the National Park Service has formally approved the proposal of the Pala Band of Mission Indians to assume certain State Historic Preservation Officer duties within the exterior boundaries of the tribe's reservation in California. The Tribe has assumed formal responsibility for review of Federal undertakings pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. In addition, the Tribe has assumed all of the other SHPO functions set out in the Act with the exceptions of assisting in the certification of local governments and assisting in the evaluation of Investment Tax Credit rehabilitation projects. The Tribe's historic preservation officer is Ms. Shasta Gaughen.

For a complete list of tribes that have assumed SHPO functions, please see our website at http://grants.cr.nps.gov/thpo/index.cfm.

QUESTION REGARDING FORMER USMC PROPERTY

Received in an email: I have a colleague who's preparing a HABS Level II documentation of a former power plant on a Marine Corps base in Virginia. The plant originally used steam power, then was converted to coal, and finally to oil. Power generating equipment in the plant was removed or converted to accommodate each new use, so the extant equipment is solely for oil.

Has anyone else ever documented a power plant on a military installation in the United States? Does anyone know of any studies or comparative analysis of power plant facilities as they evolved over time on military installations? Was there a particular period when power plants were built on military posts, or was this a national trend? I assume that military installations needed their own power supply for security purposes, but maybe it also had to do with the logistics and technological capabilities for transmitting electricity across long distances. Any assistance you can provide will be greatly appreciated.

Please forward any information to hillori.schenker.ctr@osd.mil. Hillori will ensure the information is passed along to the person with the query!

CERCLA AND NHPA COORDINATION FOR SUPERFUND SITES

A new course offering from the National Preservation Institute (NPI) to address a growing need. Under Section 121(d)(2) of CERCLA, environmental laws such as NHPA, are considered applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements (ARARs). Although Federal agencies are not required to comply with the consultation process of an ARAR such as NHPA, EPA guidance strongly recommends that the lead agency consult with the administering agencies to ensure compliance with substantive requirements of these laws.

The course will be offered:

- November 3, 2009- in Alexandria, Virginia
- ➡ March 25, 2010- in Honolulu, Hawaii

Advance registration rate, for the November date, is available through September 22, 2009.

Synopsis: The course will teach attendees how to identify opportunities to coordinate Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) and National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) responses at Superfund remediation sites that may include cultural sites or be a historic property. Focus on how to anticipate and plan for incorporation of the Section 106 process into project management and community consultation. Learn how to determine if NHPA applies, evaluate the use of feasibility studies and risk assessments, and discuss the conclusion and resolution of the process. An agenda is available online at www.npi.org.

Instructor. Claudia Nissley, president, Nissley Environmental Consultants; specialist in Section 106, analysis of historic and cultural values, and programmatic agreements; worked as the Wyoming State Historic Preservation Officer and director, Western Office, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

Registration. A registration form is available online at www.npi.org/register.html.

THE LAST ETHNIC MARKER TO FADE FROM A CULTURE IS THE WAY WE PREPARE FOOD. TO CELEBRATE DIVERSITY AND OUR HERITAGE A RECIPE WILL BE PUBLISHED EACH MONTH.

NEXT MONTH PLEASE SEND YOUR FAVORITE **BBQ-LAST HURRAH!** RECIPE TO

HILLORI.SCHENKER.CTR@OSD.MIL

NOTE: This is a recipe easy to cook over a fire, contributed by Karleen Leeper, CRM, Elmendorf AFB.



FOR THE BEACH: Easy Chili

RECIPE

3+ cloves garlic 1 diced bell pepper

1 chopped onion to taste salt, pepper, cumin, cinnamon, chili powder

1 Anaheim Chile (fresh/ 1 15 oz. can pumpkin canned/or roasted) 1 15 oz. can corn

1 lb. fresh mushrooms OR 2 15 oz. can diced tomatoes

2 7oz.cans mushrooms 4 15 oz. can kidney/black/white/red/or other beans

1 bunch chopped parsley or cilantro

DIRECTIONS

Add first six ingredients and sauté in a stew pot. Add spices to taste. Add pumpkin, corn, tomatoes, and beans. If broth is too thick, add some water to thin. Simmer 10-15 minutes, until heated through.

Previous editions of the *UPDATE* can be found on the web

LEGACY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The Legacy program was established by Congress in 1990 to provide financial assistance to DoD to preserve our natural and cultural heritage. The program assists the DoD in protecting and enhancing resources while supporting military readiness. A Legacy project may involve regional ecosystem management initiatives, habitat preservation efforts, historic preservation projects, archaeological investigations, invasive species control, Native American consultations, and/or monitoring and predicting migratory patterns of birds and animals.

See www.dodlegacy.org for more information.

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