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NATIONAL REGISTER MAPS

USGS and the Reintroduction of Longitude and Latitude

While we realize USGS paper maps are becoming more difficult to obtain, we still require a paper USGS map to accompany each National Register nomination. For now, USGS maps are available for purchase at <http://store.usgs.gov>

Over the next few months, all SHPOs will be contacted for their opinion on the usefulness of the paper USGS maps. These comments will assist the National Register staff and a working group of SHPO representatives in evaluating alternatives to paper maps and help us move towards an entirely electronic form of National Register documentation.

Longitude and Latitude

As an option, to assist in transitioning to NPS GIS standards, and to increase the usability of the data collected in National Register nomination forms, we will now accept longitude and latitude decimal degree coordinate pairs and the source information (datum) to generate these pairs. This information can be placed on an NR Continuation Sheet. For now, these coordinate pairs and the source information will be in addition to the paper USGS map/UTM points. Generally the datum is generated from North American Datum 1983 (NAD83) or World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS84). An example for a single point may look like this: 40.834142 North, 115.758797 West NAD83; or +40.834142, -115.758797 WGS84. If you have any questions, please contact Alexis Abernathy at 202-354-2236 or Kevin Moriarty at 202-354-2237.

CEMETERIES

As a reminder, cemeteries can be individually listed in the National Register. National Register Bulletin 41, Guidelines for Evaluating and Registering Cemeteries and Burial Places provides information on a variety of cemetery types as well as how to count resources. This Bulletin is available under publications on our NR web site or by contacting Christine Messing at 202-354-2262 for a print copy. Recent cemetery nominations can also be found on our web site under "Sample Nominations."

AMENDING NR NOMINATION FORMS

Besides the information provided in the Bulletin *How to Complete the National Register Registration Form* (Bulletin 16) on pages 71-72, we'd like to clarify some points regarding amendments:

If the additional information is extensive, it may be easier to submit a new nomination form that provides more accurate or more detailed information about the historic resource. This is particularly useful when amending nominations that were listed from 1960s-1980s. Wholesale changes, including expanded periods of

significance, additional criteria or areas of significance, and new inventories based on the new period or area(s) of significance should utilize a new form.

Additional documentation can also be submitted using Continuation Sheets. This is recommended when the additional documentation is focused on one section (an updated inventory of properties in a district) or is minimal (change in contributing status of a property).

Amended nominations go through the Review Board process only when boundaries are changed (36 CFR 60.14). Property owners in affected areas (increase or decrease) need to be notified. Only property owners within the area to be added to an existing nomination need to be notified and given an opportunity to comment. Only owners of property in the newly-nominated area count towards a majority of property owner's objecting to an expansion.

All amendments must be certified by the SHPO, FPO, or THPO. This may be accomplished by submitting a new Page 1, Section 3 of the current NR nomination form or by copying Section 3 on an NR Continuation Sheet.

If you are simply updating a nomination and not changing any boundaries, only the SHPO, FPO, or THPO needs to certify the form. It does not require Review Board consideration nor does it need to go through public notification. If the additional documentation is substantial (new period of significance or criteria), a courtesy review by the Review Board may be recommended, but public notification is not required.

If you have further questions, please contact your National Register Reviewer at NPS.

NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARKS –

MAY 24-26, 2011 Agenda: <http://www.nps.gov/nhl/>

NHL Photo Contest is going on now on Flickr:
<http://www.flickr.com/groups/2011nhlphotocontest>

MULTIPLE PROPERTY COVER DOCUMENT – MID-CENTURY MODERN!

Check out our NR sample nominations page for the MPS Cover Document:

Historic Residential Subdivisions of Metropolitan Denver, 1940-1965.

MAINTAINING HISTORIC LANDSCAPES

The National Center for Preservation Training and Technology supports research on a wide variety of technical issues related to historic properties. It recently released an on-line video about landscape maintenance techniques at historic sites. Topics covered

include mowing, string trimming, mulching, and herbicide applications. See <http://ncptt.nps.gov/2011/turf-management-at-national-parks-and-other-historic-sites-2011-03/>.

AUGUST IS ARCHEOLOGY MONTH

We will be featuring non-address restricted archeological properties on our website in August. If you have good candidates please contact jeff_joeckel@nps.gov

NEW Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation Illustrated Guidelines on Sustainability for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings

<http://www.nps.gov/history/hps/tps/download/guidelines-sustainability.pdf>

NEW guidance regarding Sustainability and Historic Federal Buildings from the ACHP

<http://www.achp.gov/docs/SustainabilityAndHP.pdf>

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