



TO: Participants in Cultural Resources Workshop

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SUBJECT: Preparations for July 11-13 Workshop

Thank you again for your commitment to help the Department of Defense's (DoD) Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program (SERDP), Environmental Security Technology Certification Program (ESTCP) and the Legacy Resource Management Program (Legacy) develop a strategic plan to guide investments over the next 5 years in the area of cultural resources. The rapidly approaching **Cultural Resources Workshop** will be held **July 11-13, 2006** at the Marriot SEA-TAC Hotel in Seattle, Washington.

Purpose and Process for Workshop

Purpose - To strategically guide future investments by SERDP, ESTCP, and Legacy in support of cultural resources management at DoD sites, the workshop objectives include:

1. Identify and prioritize the needs associated with cultural resources management across DoD;
2. Examine the current state of practice across DoD for cultural resources management;
3. Identify the current state of the art for cultural resources management relevant to DoD's requirements; and
4. Identify the gaps in knowledge, technology, and management for cultural resources that limit both the transition of emerging technologies and the implementation or development of new management approaches.

Process - Background papers have been prepared to communicate the state of the science, art, knowledge, and management associated with cultural resources in the following areas: identification/evaluation, mitigation/treatment, management, knowledge management, landscapes, traditional cultural properties, underwater archaeology, and the recent past. Presentations at the workshop of content the proceedings papers, as well as overviews of current policy/implementation issues for each of the Services and past investments in cultural resources by SERDP, ESTCP, and Legacy, will set the stage for follow-on breakout group

discussions by participants. Participants will build on the information provided by the background papers and identify and prioritize gaps in knowledge and technology during breakout sessions. The session will be facilitated by two chairs, one DoD and one non-DoD, with discussions documented by a rapporteur. Following each breakout session, the larger group will reconvene to review and discuss findings.

Read-Ahead Materials

The enclosed technical background papers previously described are enclosed. Titles and authors for these background papers are listed below. Hard copies of the papers, including all presentations, will be provided at the workshop.

- Perspectives in Identification/Evaluation
(Lynne Sebastian, PhD, SRI Foundation)
- Perspectives in Mitigation/Treatment
(Ray Luce, PhD, Historic Preservation Division, GA)
- Perspectives in Management
(Christopher Hamilton, PhD, Fort Benning, GA)
- Perspectives in Knowledge Management
(Deidre McCarthy, National Park Service, DC)
- Perspectives in Landscapes
(Cari Goetheus, Clemson University, SC)
- Perspectives in Traditional Cultural Properties
(Sherry Hutt, PhD, National Park Service, DC)
- Perspectives in Underwater Archaeology
(Bob Neyland, PhD, Naval Historical Center, DC)
- Perspectives in Recent History
(Wayne Donaldson, Office of Historic Preservation, CA)

Final Logistical Notes

Seattle Marriot SEA-TAC Hotel
3201 South 176th Street, Seattle, Washington 98188
206-241-2000
<http://marriott.com/property/propertypage/SEAWA>

Attire will be business casual. Registration will be available for workshop participants beginning at 0700 on July 11 in the conference area of the SEA-TAC Hotel. Breakout session assignments will be distributed then. In addition, please note that breakfasts and lunches will be provided to all participants on Tuesday and Wednesday, as well as breakfast on Thursday.

If you are flying into the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, you can catch the complimentary hotel shuttle on the on the 3rd floor parking garage, follow signs that say **Courtesy Vehicles**. Anyone needing to catch the shuttle after MIDNIGHT will need to call the hotel at (206) 241-2000, for the shuttle service.

Parking is available at a reduced rate of \$6 for day use and \$8 for overnight use at the hotel. Please be sure to mention the SERDP workshop when parking your vehicle during the day, and when you check into your room.

For additional information about SERDP, ESTCP, Legacy, and DoD please visit the following sites:

- www.serdp.org
- www.estcp.org
- www.dodlegacy.org
- <https://www.denix.osd.mil/denix/Public/Library/NCR/toc.html>

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