



Preserve America Summit Implementation **One-Year Progress Report**

Explore improvements to the program structure of the federal preservation program through creation of an independent review panel.

Lead Agency/Agencies: Advisory Council on Historic Preservation and Department of the Interior

Summit Recommendation Progress: The ACHP recommended that major preservation partners jointly convene a time-limited, independent review panel including representatives from federal, state, tribal, and local governments, business community, the non-profit sector, and academia to evaluate the current federal historic preservation program and make recommendations.

Ten panelists were selected and invited to participate. They are: **Susan Barnes**, president and chief executive officer, the Landmark Group of Companies, and ACHP vice chair; **Philip Grone**, a director at Cisco Systems and former Deputy Undersecretary of Defense for Installations and Environment, Department of Defense; **Daniel P. Jordan**, president, Thomas Jefferson Foundation, and trustee of the National Trust for Historic Preservation; **Frank G. Matero**, professor of architecture, chair of the graduate program in historic preservation at the Graduate School of Fine Arts, and director of the Architectural Conservation Laboratory at the University of Pennsylvania; **Richard Moe**, president, National Trust for Historic Preservation; **David Morgan**, former Kentucky State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO); **Brian Patterson**, council member of the Oneida Indian Nation, and chairman of the United South and Eastern Tribes; **Joseph P. Riley, Jr.**, mayor, Charleston, S.C.; **Jay D. Vogt**, South Dakota SHPO, and president of the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers; and **Douglas P. Wheeler**, partner, Hogan & Hartson. (Panel members are participating in their personal capacities and not as representatives of their respective agencies or organizations.)

The panel has met twice, in May and June, and is convening via conference calls over the summer. The final product from the panel will be a report on recommended ways to improve the structure of the federal preservation program.

Next Actions: The panel is finalizing a survey that will be used to seek the views of stakeholders. The next face-to-face meeting will be in September.

Important Links:

News Release on Panel Formation www.preserveamerica.gov/news050208.html

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