

Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission

June 20, 2012

Agenda Item: 11a

Information

Topic: Heritage Programs Report

Presented by: Roger Roper

Pacific Northwest Preservation Field School

OPRD's Frenchglen Hotel will be one of the subjects of this year's historic preservation training. Two week-long sessions will be conducted at the hotel in late August. Work includes siding replacement and repairs to windows and the porch. Two additional weeks of training will be conducted on the nearby historic Sod House Ranch, which is owned by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The Frenchglen Hotel was constructed in 1924 then enlarged in 1938 by the Civilian Conservation Corps. It was acquired by State Parks in 1972 and was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1984. The State Historic Preservation Office offers scholarships for OPRD staff to attend and enhance their traditional building skills.

The Field School is a unique partnership that has been providing hands-on preservation training to participants and restoration benefits to historic buildings since 1995. The Field School is coordinated through the University of Oregon's historic preservation program, in partnership with the National Park Service and both SHPOs and state park departments from Washington, Idaho, and Oregon.

Cultural Resource Impacts from Large Energy Projects

In recent years, a number of large energy projects have required a significant amount of attention from SHPO staff to address the cultural resource compliance needs. The vast scope of the projects, some hundreds of miles long, require a huge effort by all parties and considerable coordination between the proponents, regulatory agencies, land managers, local governments, tribes, and interested parties.

These big projects typically involve a large number of archaeological sites, and often there are historic trails affected as well (the Oregon Trail, for example). While the projects can often be adjusted to avoid impacts, that is not always the case so there are usually "adverse effects" that have to be mitigated. SHPO helps everyone work through this process, balancing the goals of preservation and the need for procedural accuracy with the desire to keep the projects on a viable timeline. Listed below are some of the recent large projects:

- Ruby Natural Gas Pipeline (Wyoming to Oregon); completed in 2011
89 miles in southern Oregon; 179 archaeological sites
- Boardman to Hemingway (Idaho) Transmission Line; construction: 2013-2016
260 miles; 250-foot right-of-way; archaeological survey not yet completed
- Cascade Crossing Transmission Line (Boardman to Salem); construction: 2014-2017
215 miles; 250-foot right-of-way; archaeological survey not yet completed
- Brush Canyon Wind Farm (Wasco and Sherman counties)
76,090 acres (119 square miles); 35 archaeological sites

Prior Action by Commission: None

Action Requested: None

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Heritage Programs has recently awarded grants under one of its five heritage grant programs: Preserving Oregon grants. This program typically provides a total of about \$250,000 per biennium in lottery funds with an average of 20 grants per biennium. Grantees must match their grants at least one-to-one. There are two grant rounds per biennium; this is the second round of awards. Thirteen grants were awarded in the first round in the fall of 2011.

Preserving Oregon grants are for actual restoration work on designated historic buildings or for important archaeological projects. Priority is given to projects undertaken by local governments or non-profit organizations, as opposed to private property owners, who have access tax incentives to help support their restoration efforts.

Recently awarded grants:

- Preserving Oregon Grants (Round 2)
 - 7 grants
 - \$76,300
 - For historic building restoration

Further details about the specific grants are provided on the attached reports.

Prior Action by Commission: Sept. 19, 2007, approval of Heritage Programs' overall grant program, in lieu of individual grant approvals.

Action Requested: None

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Grantee	Project Description	Grant Amount	Match Amount	Project Total
Amphibious Forces Memorial Museum	Stabilize and paint LCI 713 to protect it until full funding can be raised to make the permanent repairs.	\$11,500	\$11,500	\$23,000
Friends of Mildred Knipe Memorial Park Assoc	Replace the metal roof, remove failing ceiling, modify rafters for new roof, restore six windows, and replicate front door with transom.	\$7,500	\$7,545	\$15,090
Hardman Community Center	Repair the foundation of the IOOF Lone Balm Lodge Hall.	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$3,000
Oregon Department of Transportation, Public Transit	Restore the exterior of the Railway Express Agency Depot in Salem.	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$946,400
Port Of Cascade Locks	Replace roof at House 2 at Port of Cascade Locks.	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$13,000
Springfield	Repoint and make some brick repairs at the Pacific Power & Lighting Building in Springfield.	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$60,000
Whiteside Theater Foundation	Repair the Whiteside Theater's fire escape and repair a damaged structural column, to achieve a permanent Certificate of Occupancy.	\$9,800	\$9,800	\$19,600
Number of Grants:	7	\$76,300	\$76,345	\$152,645