

## Heritage Resources

**A. Investigations on public land.** The state will continue to protect heritage resources of local, regional, or statewide importance by encouraging and recommending heritage resource investigations on public lands. Such investigation will be conducted according to professionally accepted standards and practices established by the Chief of the Office of History and Archaeology, Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation.

**B. Surveys for Heritage Resources Prior to Land Disposals or Other Authorizations.** The Office of History and Archaeology should be contacted and surveys or inventories should be conducted prior to project implementation on state lands to be affected by land offerings or other DNR authorizations in areas the Office of History and Archaeology determines have high potential to contain important heritage resource sites and for which there is inadequate information to identify and protect the sites.

**C. Evaluating Heritage Resources.** Those heritage resources discovered through survey or known from records already on file with the state must be evaluated for their significance and for research and preservation potential. This will be achieved by:

1. continued consultation with appropriate agencies, private groups, and concerned professionals; and
2. using established federal, state, and local guidelines and regulations to evaluate significance.

**D. Heritage Resources Adjacent to Recreation Facilities.** Recreation facilities should not be placed adjacent to heritage sites where they might subject the sites to vandalism or unintentional damage by increased public use unless the project includes heritage interpretation and resource protection.

**E. Protect Heritage Resources.** Developed facilities will not be located near known heritage resource sites if adverse impacts are likely to occur.

**F. Roles of Other Land Managers.** The local government, federal government, and Native corporations also have cooperative roles in protecting heritage resources and should continue to work together toward this goal. These other agencies' roles include:

1. the federal government identifies, evaluates, and protects heritage resources on federal lands;
2. CBJ participates in inventory and preservation planning efforts through the federal Historic Preservation Fund Certified Local Government program;
3. CBJ conducts inventories and surveys on lands within the borough; reviews development proposals for heritage resource concerns; applies special building design standards within the Downtown Historic District;
4. the local Historical Commission reviews and makes recommendations for the National Register of Historic Places and reviews all heritage resource issues; and
5. Native corporations identify and protect heritage resources on lands managed by the regional and village corporations.

Land managers provide information on heritage resources on their lands to the State Office of History and Archaeology. Data from all sources is entered into the Alaska Heritage Resources Survey, an inventory of reported historic and prehistoric sites, which is available to land managers for use in management decisions.