



ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION

**Briefing on the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory
Commission Uranium Recovery
Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Comments**

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PRESERVING AMERICA'S HERITAGE

NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT OF 1966

- ▶ Establishes federal agency preservation responsibilities (Section 110)
- ▶ Requires historic preservation review and federal, state, local, and tribal involvement in undertakings (Section 106)
- ▶ Established the National Register of Historic Places and the criteria for significance

ACHP INVOLVEMENT

- ▶ ACHP oversees the Section 106 regulations and participates in some reviews
- ▶ Section 106 reviews for NRC uranium recovery projects have the potential for controversy and impacts to sites important to Indian tribes

RECENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- ▶ Improved Section 106 review process
- ▶ Established NRC policies and guidance that help improve the NRC Section 106 review process
- ▶ Demonstrated commitment to provide Section 106 training to NRC staff

CHALLENGES

- ▶ Timing
- ▶ Meeting the “Reasonable and Good Faith” Identification Standard in the Section 106 Review Process

RECOMMENDATIONS

- ▶ Implementation of ACHP's Recommendations on the proposed Final Tribal Policy Statement
- ▶ Development of NRC Pre-filing Process
- ▶ Advancement of Support for NRC Staff Involved in Section 106 Reviews
- ▶ Training

CONCLUSION

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