



## Preserve America Summit Implementation 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); **Teresa Pasqua**, Acoma Pueblo; **Ellen P. Moyer**, mayor, Annapolis, MD; **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 met face-to-face several times and also convened by conference call. A survey of stakeholders was completed in the spring.

**Next Actions:** The panel has completed its report and delivered an executive summary to the Chairman of the ACHP and the Deputy Secretary of the Interior. The full report will be presented by the panel to the ACHP at its meeting in February. The ACHP will consider and take action on the findings in the report.

### **Important Links:**

The executive summary and a news release about its findings have been posted at <http://www.preserveamerica.gov/news090201.html>,

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