

## STATE OF WASHINGTON

## **Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation**

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Stephenie Warren 280 Madison Avenue North Bainbridge Island, Washington 98110



Dear Ms. Warren:

I am delighted to inform you that the **Camp Major Hopkins** at 900 Park Avenue on Bainbridge Island, is being reviewed for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places and the Washington Heritage Register by the Washington State Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. You are cordially invited to attend the meeting of the Advisory Council on Tuesday, September 27th, 2005, starting at 9:30am at the General O.O. Howard House, 750 Anderson Street, in Vancouver, Washington. You are welcome to observe or participate in the process. The National Register of Historic Places is a federal listing of historic properties throughout the United States worthy of recognition. The Washington Heritage Register is our state's listing of significant historic properties.

Having a property listed in one or both of these registers is an honor. There are other potential benefits to having a property listed in one or both of these registers. For commercial properties there is a federal tax credit program for rehabilitation, and also in some communities offer the special valuation program at the local level.

Listing of a property does not impose federal or state restrictive covenants or easements nor will it result in a taking. However, listing in the National Register of Historic Places and/or the Washington Heritage Register does assure protective review of a property should a federal or state action have a potential adverse effect to the property's historic values.



Enclosed is information that explains in greater detail the results of listing a property in the National Register of Historic Places. It also describes the rights and procedures should a property owner wish to object to having a property listed in the National Register.

Owners of private properties nominated to the National Register of Historic Places have an opportunity to concur or object to listing in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and 36 CFR Part 60. Any owner or partial owner of private property who chooses to object to listing is required to submit to the Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation a <u>notarized</u> statement certify that the party is the sole or partial owner of the private property and objects to listing. If you choose to object to listing of your property, the <u>notarized</u> objection must be submitted to the Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation, 1063 S. Capitol Way, Suite 106, Olympia, WA 98501 no less than 5 days before the scheduled review meeting.

Because there are a number of properties being considered at this meeting, please RSVP our office as to your attendance, and we will inform you of the approximate time that the nomination will be heard. Please contact Zee Hill at (360) 586-3077. Should you have any further questions about this nomination process please contact Michael Houser, Architectural Historian at (360) 586-3076.

Please accept my sincere congratulations on being a part of preserving our state's rich heritage.

Sincerely,

Allyson Brooks, Ph.D.

State Historic Preservation Officer

Enclosure

## THE RESULTS OF LISTING IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Eligibility for federal tax provisions. If a property is listed in the National Register, certain federal tax provisions apply. The Tax Reform Act of 1986 revised the historic preservation tax incentives authorized by Congress in earlier statutes, and established a 20 percent investment tax credit with a full adjustment to basis for rehabilitating historic commercial, industrial, and rental residential buildings. A ten percent investment tax credit is available for non-historic commercial or industrial buildings built before 1936. The Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980 provides federal tax deductions for charitable contributions for conservation purposes of partial interests in historically important land areas or structures. Whether these provisions are advantageous to a property owner is dependent upon the particular circumstances of the property and the owner. Because the tax aspects outlined above are complex, individuals should consult legal counsel or a local Internal Revenue Service office for assistance for more complete guidance. For further information, please refer to 36 CFR 67.

Consideration in planning for federally funded, licensed, or assisted projects.

Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act requires that all federal agencies allow the federal Advisory Council on Historic Preservation to have an opportunity to comment on all projects which may affect historic properties listed on or eligible for listing on the National Register. The federal Advisory Council on Historic Preservation is a different body and has different responsibilities than the State Advisory Council on Historic Preservation referred to elsewhere. For further information, please refer to 36 CFR 800.

<u>Consideration in issuing a surface coal mining permit</u>. The Surface Mining and Control Act of 1977 requires a consideration of historic values in the decision to issue a surface coal mining permit. For further information, please refer to 30 CFR 700.

<u>Qualification for federal historic preservation grants</u>. Congress may appropriate funds to the Historic Preservation Fund or other accounts at levels sufficient to offer matching grants to the owners of properties listed in the National Register. Such matching grants are not available at the present time.

**Special Valuation.** In 1985 the Washington State Legislature determined that the preservation of the states historic resources was an important goal and allowed "special valuation" for certain historic properties within the state. Under the program, rehabilitation costs, which must equal to at least 25% of the assessed value of a structure prior to rehabilitation, are subtracted from the assessed value of the property for a ten-year period. Only communities which are State approved Certified Local Governments (CLG"S) can offer the Special Valuation Program for owners of historic properties. Check with your local planning department to see if your project qualifies.

**Special Consideration with regard to Building Code Requirements.** Under Section 3403.5 of the Uniform Building Code, and the Washington State Historic Building Code Chapter 51-19 WAC, allows National Register properties, and other certified historic buildings are eligible to be considered for waivers of certain normal code requirements in the interest of preserving the integrity of the property. Contact your local building official for further details.



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Dear Ms. Warren:

I am delighted to inform you that the **Camp Major Hopkins** on **Bainbridge Island** has been submitted for placement onto the National Register of Historic Places. However, before a property or properties within the jurisdiction of the Certified Local Government may be considered by the State to be nominated to the National Register, per the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Title 1: section 101, c2A) and the State of Washington CLG Requirements & Procedures (Amended 2002, IVA), the Certified Local Government is <u>required</u> to comment on the nomination.

As such, your local preservation commission and elected official, after reasonable opportunity for public comment, is asked to fill out the attached form as to whether or not the subject property, in its opinion, meets the criteria of the National Register. The form must be received by OAHP five days in advance of the State Advisory Council meeting to assure that the property will be reviewed at the scheduled meeting.

You are also cordially invited to attend the Governor's Advisory Council on Historic Preservation meeting on Monday, September 26, 2005, in Vancouver, WA at the General Howard House. You are welcome to observe or participate in the process.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns over the CLG review process or the nomination of this resource.

Sincerely,

Michael Houser

Architectural Historian, DAHP

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