

Hopkins/Yeomalt Camp  
BLD13666MIS-B

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August 30, 2007

**Mark Hinkley**  
**Building Official**  
City of Bainbridge Island, WA

**SUBJECT: YEOMALT CABIN REHABILITATION: BLD13666MIS-B**

Dear Mark,

Enclosed find a copy of a review of our plans by the State's Historical Architect, Stephen Mathison.

Stephanie Warren, Sarah Lee and the historic preservation commission will no doubt appreciate a copy of this as it is their first officially "listed" historic building.

We understand that historic listed properties have priority with City plan review.

This project, being on the National Historic Register, is eligible for variations from the building code in order to retain its historic character.

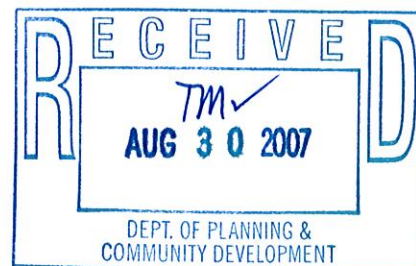
I believe these plans respect the history while enhancing the public health and safety in the building's use. Those two things have been our primary concern.

Please keep us posted as to plan review progress and let us know - as soon as you can - when you anticipate plan review and permit issuance will be.

All the best, respectfully,

Jerry  
Encl.: Letter from DAHP, 8/27/07

cc: **HP Commission**  
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August 27, 2007

Mr. Gerald Elfendahl  
Yeomalt Cabin Restoration Steering Committee  
Bainbridge Island Metro Park & Recreation District  
c/o 7823 Westerly Lane NE  
Bainbridge Island, Washington 98110

In future correspondence please refer to:

Log: 082707-11-WSHS

Property: Yeomalt Cabin

Re: Rehabilitation

Dear Mr. Elfendahl:

Thank you for contacting the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP). The above referenced project has been reviewed on behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer under provisions of the Heritage Capital Grant Program and the Governor's Executive Order 05-05. My review is based upon documentation contained in your communication.

In my opinion, the current project as proposed meets the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and will not have a negative impact on the National Register listed property. In answer to your question regarding potential inclusion of indirect heating in the floor, it would be acceptable under the Secretary's Standards and, because it would likely be less visible, would probably be preferable to alternative methods for heating and insulating the structure. If additional information on the project becomes available, or if any archaeological resources are uncovered during construction, please halt work in the area of discovery and contact the appropriate Native American Tribes and DAHP for further consultation.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment. Should you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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**From:** Gerald Elfendahl [gelfenda@earthlink.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 08, 1970 3:41 PM  
**To:** Recipient List Suppressed  
**Subject:** YEOMALT CABIN - NEW YEAR'S UPDATE!

Dear Team Yeomalt Friends,

New Years Eve marked a major milestone in Yeomalt Cabin restoration!

The cabin was placed back onto its new foundation and logs and gently slid tightly up against the restored chimney.

Last month, the 25 ton chimney was lifted a foot, gently pushed into vertical alignment, and had a substantial new foundation poured beneath to hard pan.

There was a photo of the cabin on in the Bremerton SUN on New Year's Day. Try taking a look at: <http://www.kitsapsun.com/photos/galleries/>

If you live on the Island, keep an eye on BITV - cable TV 12 - for Cathy Bellefeuille's video updates. Cathy is doing a great job documenting the progress and reported, "The cabin lowering went till dark. It's down now. A corner still needs to be tweaked. They were very happy with the project. It was a long very fun exciting day in spite of the freezing wind, . . . (Some) would have written an exciting description of how the building started to crack, pop and even sing as it settled down onto its new logs and the old flashing crackled against the chimney."

Thanks, too, to Joel Sackett, photographer, and Robert Weschker, video, for also recording the work.

It is difficult not to use the term "we" when describing these public cabin restoration actions. So many have contributed in so many different ways to this historic preservation effort.

"We" at this point is our extraordinary house mover, Jeff Monroe, Quilcene, and ace log craftsmen, Terry Creasey and Miguel Chavez, Creasey Log Homes, Monroe. Their skills are remarkable. So, too, has been the foundation work performed by historic preservation carpenter Mike Brundige, Rolling Bay. This able professional team would not have been assembled without assistance of Park District project manager Roger Bellieu.

The project is still a fair ways from being done. However, we are almost over the highest hurdle. There will be many opportunities for volunteer services and in-kind donations in coming weeks. And donations can always be sent to: Yeomalt Cabin Fund, c/o BI Park Foundation, POB 10010, B. Is., WA 98110.

We thank former Scouts and friends of the late-Richard Cleven, James West Fellow and Silver Beaver Scout leader for remembering him recently with memorial cabin fund donations.

If some of you are missing your fir tree-shaped, fund progress thermometer at Ace Hardware, it is doing double duty and this month. Its back side is now a banner announcing:

"Tenth annual, Helpline benefit, Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial SING OUT, Jan. 24 at Fil-Am Hall" with traditional Black gospel style choir singing workshop, soul food dinner and concert!

Come join the choir! We certainly have plenty of reasons to SING!!

All best, respectfully,

Gerald Elfendahl for Team Yeomalt  
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