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Secretary of the Interior's Standards: Review Guidelines for Boards and Commissions

Seminar Overview

The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties can assist architectural review board and commission members with effective preservation planning in historic districts and with landmarks. Learn how the standards can serve as a practical guide to rehabilitation practices. Discuss how to achieve local and regional preservation goals through the use of state and federal tax credits.

Agenda

- Background and purposes of the Secretary's Standards
- Standards for Preservation
- Standards for Rehabilitation
- Standards for Restoration
- Standards for Reconstruction
- Standards for Cultural Landscapes
- Documentation Standards for HABS, HAER, and HALS
- Frequently used terms
- Overview of rehab tax credits—federal, state, local, and federal non-historic
- Standards as mandated federal regulations
- Standards as model guidelines (Good Professional Practice)
- Case studies
- Special Problems—ADA, building codes, life safety codes, variances, problems with additions and infill construction
- National Preservation Service Self-Test in the Use of the Standards
- Discussion of specific issues raised by participants (identified either before or during course)
- Examples of ways the Standards can be used in community situations without federal involvement