



Preserving America's Heritage

**Tribal Historic Preservation Officers/Cultural Resource Managers
Questionnaire Regarding Section 106 Issues
Related to the
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009**

1. Federal agencies will have an increase in project activities as a result of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). Which agencies now have the greatest impact on historic properties of religious and cultural significance to your tribe and/or have the greatest impact on your Section 106 workload?
2. What does the THPO/Tribe anticipate will be the greatest challenges in handling the increased workload from ARRA? Have federal agencies met with or contacted you about undertakings under ARRA that will be subject to Section 106 reviews to discuss possible Section 106 compliance strategies?
3. Which federal agencies do you believe would most benefit from ACHP assistance in developing program alternatives for coordinating ARRA reviews?
4. If federal agencies were able to allocate administrative funds to THPOs or Indian tribes for use in Section 106 reviews, how would your office most likely use them? (e.g. staff, contractors, travel, surveys, etc.)
5. How can the ACHP best assist THPOs and Indian tribes in responding to the workload surge resulting from ARRA? (e.g., background materials on ARRA programs; development of Section 106 guidance; negotiation of program alternatives; training for ARRA grant and loan applicants; developing partnerships with agencies, etc.)
6. Do you have any other suggestions about how the ACHP could assist THPOs and Indian tribes at this time?

**PLEASE return this completed questionnaire via e-mail to
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by **Tuesday, May 26, 2009.****

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