ACHP Consultation
Proposed Program Comment for
Department of the Army Vietnam War Era
Historic Housing, Associated Buildings and
Structures, and Landscape Features (1963-
1975)
AGENDA

Overview

Timeline

Program Comment Highlights

Written Comments
Overview

What is a Program Comment?

- Federal agencies may request that the ACHP issue a Program Comment on a category of undertakings in lieu of conducting individual reviews of each individual undertaking (36 CFR Part 800.14(e))

What is Being Considered?

- The Army requested a Program Comment for repetitive and recurring management actions that runs through 2055 for Army Family Housing built between 1963 and 1975
- Applies to Army Installations only, does not occur on Tribal Lands (36 CFR 800.16(x))
Timeline

- November 2021 – June 2022: Army conducted consultation
- Friday August 26: Army submitted the request triggering the ACHP consultation and review period
- September 12 and 15: ACHP Consultations with Tribes, THPOs, and NHOs
- September 13 and 19: ACPH Consultation with SHPOs
- **September 30: Deadline for written comments**
- October 1-12: ACHP Staff, ACHP Membership, and the Army coordinate on any comments, edits, changes to the Program Comment
- October 12: Final version of the PC provided to ACHP Membership
- Wednesday October 26: ACHP Membership Decision at the Fall Business Meeting
Property Type and Undertaking

**Family Housing**
- Constructed between 1963-1975
- Suburban neighborhood setting
- Approximately 7,519 units
- Located in 22 Army installations in 16 states
- Eligible under Criterion A for association with the Vietnam War

**Management Actions**
- Maintenance,
- Repair,
- Rehabilitation,
- Renovation,
- Abatement of hazardous materials,
- Mothballing,
- Cessation of maintenance,
- Demolition,
- New construction,
- Lease, transfer, conveyance,
- Use of modern industry standard building materials and methods
Army Historic Housing

Army Vietnam War Era Housing
1963-1975: 7,519 homes on 22 Army installations in 16 states

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Sample Property Types

Fort Riley, KS – 1963
Fort Campbell, TN – 1963
Fort Detrick, MD – 1965
Fort Gordon, GA – 1966
Fort Benning, GA – 1969
Fort Carson, CO – 1970
Fort Jackson, SC – 1972
Fort Bragg, NC – 1974-1975
Fort Benning, GA – 1975

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**Built in Processes**

**Properties of Particular Importance (POPI)**

- Army will identify these properties within 6 months of Program Comment Implementation
- High degree of integrity,
- Represents particularly important historical aspects of the Army Vietnam War Era housing program, that
- Represents particularly important building types or methods of construction

**Cessation of Maintenance and Demolition Review for POPI**

- Establishes criteria for cessation of maintenance and/or demolition
- Provides a 30-day comment period
- Outlines a process for objections

**Annual Report and Meeting**

- Mitigation measure status updates
- List of properties of particular importance proposed for demolition
- Identification of any implementation issues
Considerations for Ground Disturbing Activities

- Ground disturbing activities will occur within Army Installations on previously disturbed areas.
- NAGPRA provisions and 43 CFR 10 will be followed as appropriate, if Native American or Native Hawaiian human remains, funerary objects, sacred objects, and cultural patrimony may be affected by or are discovered.
- 36 CFR 800.3 – 800.7 and/or appropriate agreement documents will be followed, if a previously known NRHP eligible archeological property will be adversely affected.
- 36 CFR 800.13 will be followed in the event of the discovery of a NRHP eligible archeological property or human remains of non-Native American and non-Native Hawaiian origin.
Mitigation Measures

- Research on Vietnam War Era Housing Program
- Installation Level Documentation
- Public Education
- Tax Credit Information to Privatized Housing Partners
Provide Comments by Friday September 30

https://www.achp.gov/army/vietnam_war_era_housing_pc

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