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## Preservation Planning: The Parts of the Plan

*"A preservation plan is a strategy for protecting places of cultural and historical importance to a community for the purpose of promoting and reinforcing a shared sense of identity and belonging."*

### 1. Statement of Values

State what is important to your community and why. It all begins here with what matters.

### 2. History of the Community

Tell the story of who you are as a community and where you come from. This summary of your community's history provides background information for people who are not from your community and provides context for the following discussion of cultural resources.

### 3. Description of known resources

Describe the nature, character and location of cultural resources as they are currently known. It is important to identify the places that relate to your community's history and culture so that these places can be considered for preservation. Without this no one will know where these places are in relation to things that may disturb them.

### 4. Evaluation of resources

Assess which cultural resources are important and justify your decision. Not all places are historic and not all historic places deserve to be considered for preservation. This is where you make the decision about what is worthy of preservation. Be clear about the standards you use.

### 5. Assessment of current and future threats.

Describe the problem that you are trying to solve. Assess the nature and location of the threats to cultural resources now and in the foreseeable future. Explain what will happen if steps are not taken to resolve the problem.

### 6. Recommendations to address threats and preserve cultural resources.

Identify your preservation goals. Explain how these goals will be achieved and what measures will be used to achieve them. You know what you value and why, you know where the cultural resources are located, you have evaluated these and determined what is important, you understand the threat to these resources, and these are the measures that are recommended to achieve your preservation goals.

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## Preservation Planning Resources

### Preservation Contacts

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### Local Government Planning Departments

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26339 Eklutna Village Road  
Chugiak, AK 99567  
907 688-6021  
907 688-6021 (fax)

Knik Tribal Council  
P.O. Box 871565  
Wasilla  
AK 99654-  
907-373-7991  
Fax: 373-2161

Chickaloon Village Traditional Council  
P.O. Box 1105  
Chickaloon  
AK 99674-1105  
907-745-0707  
Fax: 745-7154

### Museums and Historical Societies

Alaska Native Heritage Center  
8800 Heritage Center Drive  
Anchorage, AK 99506  
Telephone: (907) 330-8000

Talkeetna Historical Society  
Physical location: Corner of First Alley & Village Airstrip  
Mailing address: PO Box 76, Talkeetna, AK 99676  
Telephone: (907) 733-2487; Fax: 733-2484

Colony House Museum / Palmer Historical Society  
Physical location: 316 East Elmwood Ave., a block from the Palmer Visitor's Center  
Mailing address: P.O. Box 1925, Palmer, AK 99645-1925  
Telephone: (907) 745-3703 (Historical Society)

**Dorothy Page Museum and Old Wasilla Townsite Park**

Physical location: 323 Main Street

Mailing address: 323 Main Street, Wasilla, AK 99654

Telephone: (907) 373-9071; Fax: 373-9072

**Knik Museum**

Physical location: Mile 13.9 Knik Road

Mailing address: 300 N. Boundary Street, Suite B, Wasilla, AK 99654

Telephone: (907) 376-2005; FAX 373-9072

**Eklutna Historical Park**

Physical location: 3 blocks west of Glenn Highway at Eklutna exit, (about 30 minutes north of Anchorage).

Mailing address: 16515 Centerfield Drive, Suite 201, Eagle River, AK 99577

Telephone: (907) 696-2828 or (907) 688-6026. FAX (907) 696-2845

**Internet Sites**

**Certified Local Government Program, NPS**

<http://www.cr.nps.gov/hps/clg/>

**National Park Service, Tribal Preservation Program**

<http://www.cr.nps.gov/hps/tribal/grants.htm>

**National Register of Historic Places**

<http://www.cr.nps.gov/nr/>

**National Alliance of Preservation Commissions**

<http://www.sed.uqa.edu/psa/programs/napc/napc.htm>

**Cook Inlet Tribal Council**

<http://www.citci.com/>

**Alaska Native Resources**

<http://www.alaskanativeresources.com/>