

NOTICE OF REVISED DOCUMENTATION OF A NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK NOMINATION

The National Park Service is pleased to announce that revised documentation of the National Historic Landmark Harry S Truman Historic District, Independence, Missouri, has been completed. The public is invited to comment on the revised documentation and boundary revision of this National Historic Landmark, as explained below in ["Procedures for National Historic Landmark Designation."](#)

The boundaries are being revised as follow:

The Harry S Truman Historic District is composed of a 153-acre, crescent-shaped area extending from, and including, the Truman Presidential Library on U.S. Highway 24. The boundary extends westwardly to approximately River Boulevard; then generally bounded to the south by West Lexington and West Kansas Avenues. The eastern extent is approximately bounded by South Lynn Street. The boundary then curves northwardly generally along North Spring, North Pleasant, and North Delaware Streets, ultimately terminating at the Truman Presidential Library. Three additional discontiguous parcels include: the Missouri Pacific Railroad Depot at 1111 West Pacific Avenue, 131 East Farmer Street, and 409 North Liberty Street. For a more detailed boundary of the revised historic district please visit:

www.nps.gov/history/nhl/Fall10Noms/Truman.pdf. You can also view a paper copy at the depositories listed below, or at two public meetings scheduled for September 22, 2010.

National Historic Landmark designation follows three steps: study and preparation of a nomination; review of the nomination by the National Park System Advisory Board; and a decision by the Secretary of the Interior on the Board's recommendations. This announcement provides notification of the Board's upcoming review of the study of the Harry S Truman Historic District. National Historic Landmark designation is a distinction awarded by the Secretary of the Interior to historic properties found to possess exceptional significance to the nation as a whole. This finding is based on an evaluative process established under criteria and procedures in the National Historic Landmarks Program regulations (36 CFR 65), described below.

The Landmarks Committee of the National Park System Advisory Board will evaluate this property at a meeting to be held on Tuesday through Thursday, November 2-4, 2010, beginning at 12:30 P.M. in the 2nd Floor Board Room of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, 1785 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC, 20036. The Landmarks Committee evaluates the studies of historic properties being nominated for National Historic Landmark designation in order to advise the full National Park System Advisory Board at their next meeting, and will recommend to the full Board those properties that the Committee finds meet the criteria of the National Historic Landmarks Program.

Facilities to accommodate the public at these meetings are limited and time limits will need to be placed on any public comment to be offered. Anyone who wishes to be present, either as a speaker or as an interested observer, must accordingly make arrangements in advance with the staff of the National Historic Landmarks Program at the address specified below.

Interested parties have the 60 days from the date of this notice to submit their views in writing, if they so desire. Comments and recommendations on the study are invited and will be submitted to the Landmarks Committee. Those comments, along with the nomination study and a report of the findings of the Landmarks Committee, will be presented to the full Advisory Board for review at their next meeting. Comments already received will be part of the official record. The Board will, at that time, make recommendations to the Secretary of the Interior for his decision about Landmark designation.

EFFECTS OF NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK DESIGNATION

Under Federal law and regulations, National Historic Landmark designation does not change the legal right of a private property owner to take any action with respect to a Landmark property that may otherwise legally be taken. It does not require that the owner of property within a Landmark provide public access to that property. It also does not indicate an interest in acquisition of the property by the National Park Service.

Properties designated as National Historic Landmarks are listed in the National Register upon their designation, if they have not already been so listed. The National Register is the nationwide inventory of historic and prehistoric properties in public and private hands. The Register lists properties of state, local, and national significance. National Historic Landmarks possess national significance, and are designated by the Secretary of the Interior.

The National Register was designed to be and is administered as a planning tool. Federal agencies undertaking a project having an effect on a listed or eligible property must provide the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation a reasonable opportunity to comment pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended. The Advisory Council has adopted procedures concerning, *inter alia*, their commenting responsibility in 36 CFR Part 800.

If a property is listed in the National Register, certain special Federal income tax provisions may apply. The Tax Reform Act of 1986 revises the historic preservation tax incentives authorized by Congress in the Tax Reform Act of 1976, the Tax Recovery Act of 1978, the Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980, the Economic Recovery Tax Act of 1981, and the Tax Reform Act of 1984, and as of January 1, 1987, provides for a 20 percent investment tax credit with a full adjustment to basis for rehabilitating historic commercial, industrial, and rental residential buildings. The Tax Treatment Extension Act of 1980 provides Federal tax deductions for charitable contributions or for

conservation purposes of partial interests in historically important land areas or structures.

The following additional provisions of law apply only to Landmark properties:

Section 110(f) of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 USC 470 *et seq.*), requiring that a Federal agency take certain steps should it be involved in an undertaking that may directly and adversely affect a National Historic Landmark, and afford the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation an opportunity to comment on such undertaking. The Advisory Council has adopted regulations governing this review process in 36 CFR Part 800.

Section 9 of the Mining in the National Parks Act of 1976 (90 Stat. 1342, 16 USC 1980), which directs the Secretary of the Interior to submit to the Advisory Council a report on any surface mining activity which the Secretary has determined may destroy a National Historic Landmark in whole or in part, and to request the Advisory Council's advice on alternative measures to mitigate or abate such activity.

PROCEDURES FOR NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK DESIGNATION

At this time, interested parties have 60 days to submit their views in writing, if they so desire. Private owners may concur in or object to designation of properties nominated for National Historic Landmark status. Should a majority of private owners of a nominated property with multiple owners object by notarized statements to National Historic Landmark designation of that property, the Secretary may not designate the property. In that case, the Secretary reviews the nomination and makes a determination as to the eligibility of the property for National Historic Landmark designation.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

More information about the procedures and criteria of this program, as well as copies of the National Historic Landmarks Program Regulations, are available from the National Historic Landmarks Program, National Park Service, Historical Documentation Programs (2280), 1849 C Street NW, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 354-2216, [Attn.: Ms. Patty Henry] or online at www.nps.gov/history/nhl.

Copies of the revised nomination study of the Harry S Truman Historic District will be mailed to interested parties upon request to the above address. They will also be available for the public to consult during regular business hours at: Harry S Truman National Historic Site Visitor Center, 223 North Main Street, Independence, Missouri, 64050 [Contact: Supt. Larry Villalva]; and City Hall, City of Independence, Community Development Division, 111 East Maple, Independence, Missouri, 64050 [Contact: Ms. Wendy Shay]. Two public meetings are scheduled to be held on September 22, 2010, at the Harry S Truman National Historic Site Visitor Center from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. and

from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Copies of the revised nomination study, including the boundaries, will also be available at these public meetings.

Individuals who wish to comment on, concur in, or object to, the proposed revised nomination and boundary revision are advised to write to Mr. J. Paul Loether, Chief, National Register of Historic Places and National Historic Landmarks Program, at the National Park Service address above. Any owner who wishes to object to the designation must indicate this objection, and also the fact and extent of ownership, in a notarized statement.