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Arizona

Project 7: multiple sites

Current Projects and Partners 2012

1. **Poston Elementary School, Unit 1, Colorado River Relocation Center National Historic Landmark Nomination** - Colorado River Indian Tribes
2. **Japanese American Internment in Arizona Oral History Website Project** - Arizona State University/Office of Research and Sponsored Projects Administration
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Recent Successes

Fort Apache and T.R. Roosevelt School Designated a National Historic Landmark

On May 12, 2012, the White Mountain Apache Tribe dedicated the National Historic Landmark plaque for Fort Apache and Theodore Roosevelt School, which Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar designated as a Landmark on March 6. The celebration was held as part of the tribe's annual "Gathering of the People" celebration. Participating in the event were Brad Traver, superintendent of Petrified Forest National Park, and Lysa Wegman-French of the Heritage Partnerships Program, which provided assistance on the Landmark nomination project.

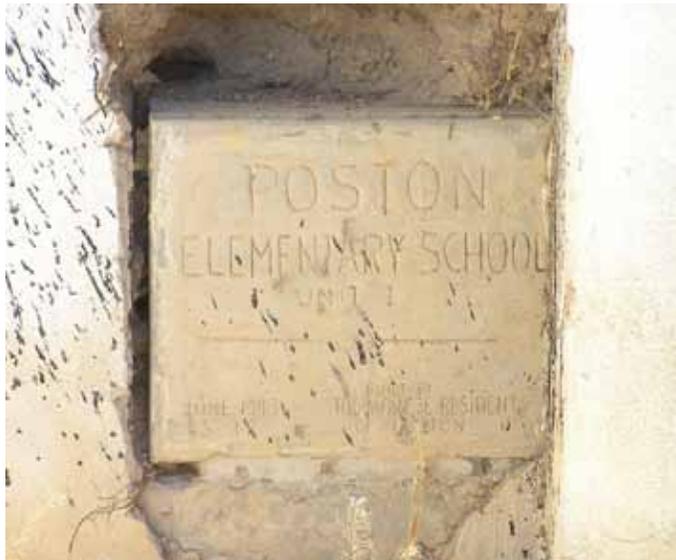
Fort Apache was established in 1870 as a key U.S. Army fort in the Apache Wars, and became the Theodore Roosevelt Indian boarding school in 1923. The fort played a fundamental role in the "Apache Wars," using troops and supplies to subjugate and police the Western and Chiricahua Apache Nations. With Geronimo's surrender to General Nelson A. Miles in 1886, it was from Fort Apache that most Chiricahua Apache were rounded up and excluded from their homeland for 26 years as prisoners of war. The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) inherited the fort

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Projects and Partners 2012 (cont.)

5. **Saving Our Stories: Oral Histories and Digitization of Former Poston Detainees and Staff** - Poston Community Alliance
6. **1956 Grand Canyon TWA-United Airlines Mid-Air Collision Site National Historic Landmark Nomination** - Grand Canyon National Park
7. **African American Soldiers in the West, 1866-1891, Multiple Property Documentation** - Organization of American Historians

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Commemorative inscription – Poston Elementary School Unit 1

Fort Apache and T.R. Roosevelt School (cont.)

for use as the Theodore Roosevelt School, which was a day and boarding school for the White Mountain Apache, as well as the Navajo and other tribes of the Southwest. While many historic forts can tell the story of U.S. Army and Indian wars in the West, Fort Apache tells a much more complex story of the relationship between the U.S. government and American Indians. In announcing the Landmark designation of the site, White Mountain Apache Tribal Chairman Ronnie Lupe said, “Fort Apache has always been the main meeting ground between our Apache people and outsiders, the first place people have come when visiting our beautiful land. We want this NHL designation to be a reminder that we have always welcomed government officials and private individuals into our territory. Some of these individuals and many of the Federal policies they were there to implement caused harm to our people and our lands, but we are ready to move forward by adding to public knowledge about what happened at and through Fort Apache and TR School.”



Fort Apache Officers' Row,
White Mountain Apache Tribe photo

ABOUT US

The Heritage Partnerships Program of the National Park Service (NPS) Intermountain Region includes several programs that provide technical and financial assistance to partner organizations to encourage the preservation of our Nation's most significant places. Through these activities, which are funded through National Recreation and Preservation (NR&P) Programs, the NPS works collaboratively with partners to extend the core mission of the National Park Service beyond the boundaries of our national parks. These programs include: National Historic Landmarks, Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS), Historic American Engineering Record (HAER), and Historic American Landscapes Survey (HALS) documentation programs, and the Japanese American Confinement Sites Grant Program.

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NPS "Water in the West" Online Travel Itinerary includes Historic Dams in Arizona

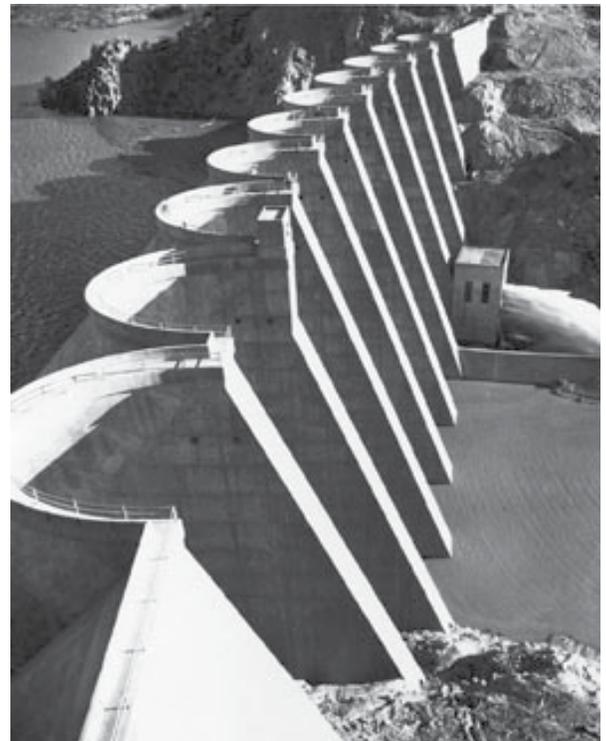
In partnership with the Bureau of Reclamation (BOR), the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers, and the NPS Heritage Education Services, Heritage Partnerships Program staff added a new segment to the NPS Discover Our Shared Heritage Travel Itinerary. Titled *Bureau of Reclamation Historic Dams and Water Projects:*

Managing Water in the West, the online itinerary focuses on 25 BOR dams that are eligible to be listed or are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Separate essays, all researched and written by Heritage Partnership staff member Shirl Kasper, explain the mission of the Bureau, its engineering achievements, and the crucial importance of water in the arid American West. The dams and their associated reservoirs and canals, built in the 20th century for irrigation and hydroelectric power, dramatically transformed life in the West. Featured in the itinerary are four water projects in Arizona: Hoover Dam, Bartlett Dam, Parker Dam, and the Laguna Dam District.

Launched in February 2012, the Historic Dams travel itinerary not only includes essays, but also photographs, maps, and lesson plans that highlight the challenges and complexities of constructing these historic water projects. Today as in the past, BOR projects have a sweeping impact on irrigation and municipal and industrial water supplies, hydroelectric power, navigation, flood control, and recreational opportunity. The itinerary is just one piece of the growing online travel series, which supports historic preservation, promotes public awareness of history, and encourages visits to historic places throughout the country.



The recently opened Hoover Dam Bypass Bridge, in background, diverts traffic around the crest of Hoover Dam, Bureau of Reclamation photo



Built in the midst of the Great Depression, Bartlett Dam's hollow buttresses and thin arches saved on concrete and freight costs. Bureau of Reclamation photo

Current Projects

1. Poston Elementary School Unit 1, Colorado River Relocation Center National Historic Landmark Nomination

Project Partner: Colorado River Indian Tribes

HPP Contact: Alex Hernandez

Location: Colorado River Relocation Center (Poston), La Paz County, AZ

Project Goal: Create a successful National Historic Landmark nomination that will demonstrate the high level of physical integrity and national significance of this property, resulting in a designation by the Secretary of the Interior.

HPP Role: Provide advice and guidance to authors of the nomination.



Poston Elementary School

2. Japanese American Internment in Arizona Oral History Website Project

Project Partner: Arizona State University/Office of Research and Sponsored Projects Administration

HPP Contact: Kara Miyagishima, Alex Hernandez

Location: Colorado River Relocation Center (Poston), La Paz County, AZ and Gila River Relocation Center, Pinal County, AZ

Project Goal: To process, edit, and post online 85 oral history interviews conducted with Japanese Americans confined at Arizona's Gila River and Poston relocation centers, as well as with non-interned Japanese Americans living in Arizona during World War II.

HPP Role: Award NPS funding through a Japanese American Confinement Sites Grant, monitor the project, and provide assistance.



Sargeant Kazuo Komoto, veteran of Guadalcanal and New Georgia, shows his medal, the Purple Heart, to his younger brother, Susumu, while visiting his parents at the Gila River Relocation Center near Phoenix, Arizona - Oct. 31, 1943, WRA photograph

3. Poston Preservation Project-Barrack Relocation and Rehabilitation

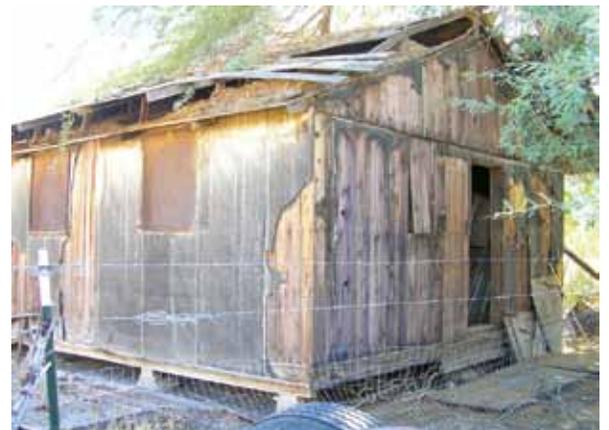
Project Partner: Poston Community Alliance

HPP Contact: Kara Miyagishima, Alex Hernandez

Location: Colorado River Relocation Center (Poston), La Paz County, AZ

Project Goal: Relocate and rehabilitate a Poston barrack that is currently in the nearby community of Parker.

HPP Role: Award NPS funding through a Japanese American Confinement Sites Grant, monitor the project, and provide assistance.



Poston Barrack, currently situated in the community of Parker

4. Poston's Mothers and Babies: A Film that Captures Domestic Life in Camp

Project Partner: Poston Community Alliance
HPP Contact: Kara Miyagishima
Location: Colorado River Relocation Center (Poston), La Paz County, AZ

Project Goal: Produce a documentary film focused on mothers who raised their children at the Colorado River Relocation Center (Poston).

HPP Role: Award NPS funding through a Japanese American Confinement Sites Grant, monitor the project, and provide assistance.

5. Saving Our Stories: Oral Histories and Digitization of former Poston Detainees and Staff

Project Partner: Poston Community Alliance
HPP Contact: Kara Miyagishima
Location: Colorado River Relocation Center (Poston), La Paz County, AZ

Project Goal: Conduct, digitize, and transcribe 60 oral history interviews of former detainees and staff of the Colorado River Relocation Center (Poston).

HPP Role: Award NPS funding through a Japanese American Confinement Sites Grant, monitor the project, and provide assistance.

6. 1956 Grand Canyon TWA-United Airlines Mid-Air Collision Site National Historic Landmark Nomination

Project Partner: Grand Canyon National Park
HPP Contact: Lysa Wegman-French
Location: Coconino County, Grand Canyon National Park

Project Goal: Create a successful National Historic Landmark nomination that will demonstrate the high level of physical integrity and national significance of this property, resulting in designation by the Secretary of the Interior.

HPP Role: Provide advice and guidance to authors of the nomination.



TWA/United Airlines mid-air collision site

7. African American Soldiers in the West, 1866-1891

Project Partner: Organization of American Historians
HPP Contact: Lysa Wegman-French
Location: Western United States, including Arizona

Project Goal: Complete a National Register Multiple Property Documentation Form that will document the history and significance of the men known popularly as the Buffalo Soldiers, and identify properties associated with that history, including sites in Arizona.

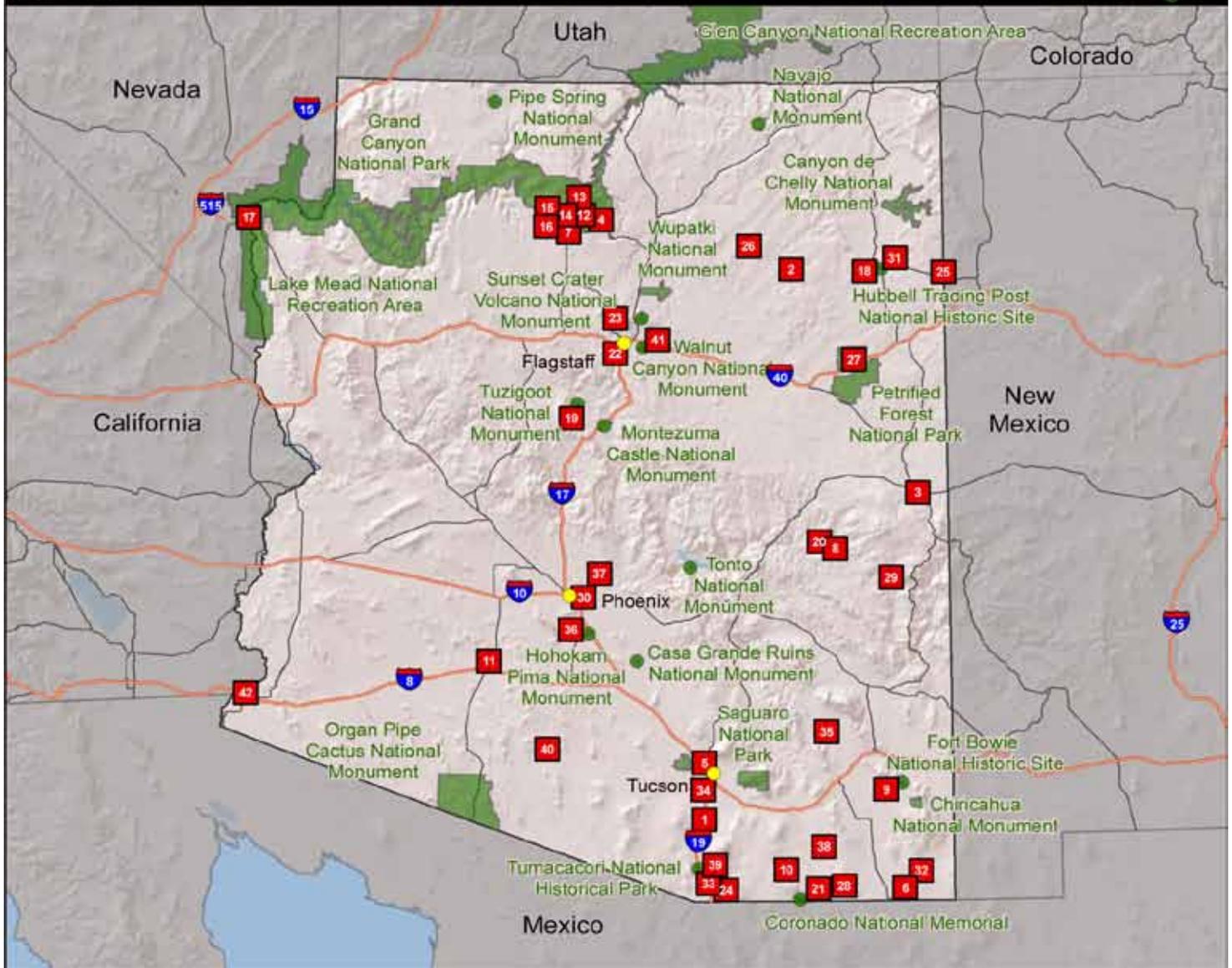
HPP Role: Provide funding for the project, as well as expertise, guidance and advice regarding National Register and National Historic Landmarks guidelines.



10th Cavalry Buffalo Soldiers

National Historic Landmarks (NHL) Intermountain Region Arizona

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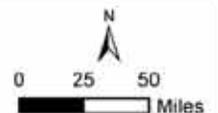
■ National Historic Landmarks

● Cities

— Interstates

■ National Parks

— Major Highways



Landmarks

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| 1 Air Force Facility Missile Site 8 (Titan II ICBM Site 571- 7) | 15 Grand Canyon Power House | 30 Pueblo Grande Ruin and Irrigation Sites |
| 2 Awatovi Ruins | 16 Grand Canyon Village | 31 Sage Memorial Hospital School of Nursing, Ganado Mission |
| 3 Casa Malpais Site | 17 Hoover Dam | 32 San Bernardino Ranch |
| 4 Mary Jane Colter Buildings | 18 Hubbell Trading Post | 33 San Cayetano de Calabazas |
| 5 Desert Laboratory | 19 Jerome Historic District | 34 San Xavier Del Bac Mission |
| 6 Double Adobe Site | 20 Kinishba Ruins | 35 Sierra Bonita Ranch |
| 7 El Tovar | 21 Lehner Mammoth-Kill Site | 36 Snaketown |
| 8 Fort Apache/TR Roosevelt School | 22 Lowell Observatory | 37 Taliesin West |
| 9 Fort Bowie & Apache Pass | 23 C. Hart Merriam Base Camp Site | 38 Tombstone Historic District |
| 10 Fort Huachuca | 24 Mission Los Santos Angeles De Guevavi | 39 Tumacacori Museum |
| 11 Gatlin Site | 25 Navajo Nation Council Chamber | 40 Ventana Cave |
| 12 Grand Canyon Depot | 26 Old Oraibi | 41 Winona Site |
| 13 Grand Canyon Lodge | 27 Painted Desert Inn | 42 Yuma Crossing and Associated Sites |
| 14 Grand Canyon Park Operations Building | 28 Phelps Dodge General Office Building | |
| | 29 Point of Pines Sites | |