

Fiscal Year 2025 Technical Preservation Services (TPS) Annual Work Plan – Guidance, Publications, Training, and Outreach

Tax Incentives Administrative Program Guidance

- Phased projects and documentation requirements for [HPCA applications](#) (new)
- [Preliminary Consultations](#) (to be revised)
- [“White-box” condition in secondary tenant spaces that were historically finished and for which a tenant has yet to be identified](#) (to be revised)
- Part 1 Preliminary determinations of individual eligibility (PDILs) and required level of documentation in [HPCA applications](#) (new)

Guidance on the Interpretation and Application of the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation

- Use of Luxury Vinyl Tile/Plank (LVT/LVP) replacement flooring (new)
- Solar window film (new)
- Furring-out exterior walls for insulation (new)
- [Atriums/courtyards/lightwells](#) (to be revised)
- [Interpreting the Standards \(ITS\) Bulletins](#), multi-year project to begin converting and updating the hard-copy publication series to a web-based format, allowing for updated and new guidance and many more project examples than possible with the printed series (to be implemented in phases, based on subject topic)

Training/Education

- On-demand recorded webinar on [Preservation Brief 16: The Use of Substitute Materials on Historic Building Exteriors](#) (Brief revised Oct 2023)
- Webinar training on new [Preservation Brief 51: Building Codes for Historic and Existing Buildings: Planning and Maximizing their Application](#) (Brief issued June 2024)
- On-demand recorded training webinars from the presentations given at the September 2023 in-person advanced training for frequent tax incentives program-users and reprised in a series of webinars in spring 2024. The training focuses on how the NPS and SHPOs review [Historic Preservation Certification Applications \(HPCA\)](#) so that applicants may better anticipate questions and avoid incomplete applications, applications being put on hold for more information, additional conditions of approval, problematic treatment issues that can hold up review of your projects, and the main reasons projects go awry at the Part 3 project completion stage.
- New training (currently in development) on the interpretation and application of the [Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation](#), to either first be presented in an in-person format, as was done last year for the training on the tax incentives program for frequent program users, or virtually.

Other Guidance and Technical Preservation Information

- New Preservation Brief on adapting historic buildings to be more resilient to wildfire risks (underway)
- Updated [Preservation Brief 24: Heating, Ventilating, and Cooling Historic Buildings: Problems and Recommended Approaches](#) (underway)
- Updated [Preservation Brief 32: Making Historic Properties Accessible](#) (underway)
- Updated/new [Preservation Briefs](#) on historic and replacement windows (scope/timeline TBD)
- Updated [Preservation Brief 2: Repointing Mortar Joints in Historic Masonry Buildings](#) (tent.)
- New Preservation Brief on historic buildings and fire protection (tent.)

Other

- New *Case-Study Snapshots* series, a new e-newsletter intended to illustrate the flexibility inherent in the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation* and how they have been used and applied to all kinds of historic rehabilitation projects and circumstances. These case studies will highlight projects involving topics such as the preservation of existing, and the creation of new, affordable and market-rate housing; the adaptive reuse and conversion of buildings to new uses; creative and innovative reuses of difficult-to-adapt buildings and property types; retrofit of historic buildings to be more sustainable, energy efficient, and resilient; economic development and community revitalization through historic rehabilitation; accessibility; and other rehabilitation issues and challenges (launched Sept 4, 2024)
- Revised brochure on the [Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives Program](#)

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