

National Park Service
American Battlefield Protection Program

Annual Report on the Programmatic Agreement

Regarding the Preservation Planning Grants,
Battlefield Land Acquisition Grants, Battlefield Interpretation Grants,
and Battlefield Restoration Grants

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I. Overview

The National Park Service American Battlefield Protection Program (NPS ABPP or Program) entered into a Programmatic Agreement (Agreement) with the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers (NCSHPO) and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) on September 28, 2016. The signatories executed this Agreement in order to fulfill and expedite the NPS ABPP's obligations, pursuant to the regulation 36 CFR Part 800, in awarding Preservation Planning Grants (PPG) and Battlefield Land Acquisition Grants (BLAG). Program staff identified minor technical errors in the FY2018 and FY2019 Annual Reports that were correct in Amendment One accepted December 1, 2020. On December 13, 2022, the signatories executed Amendment Two to this Agreement to update processes for PPGs and BLAGs and establish new procedures for the more recently created Battlefield Interpretation Grants (BIG) and Battlefield Restoration Grants (BARE).

This report fulfills Stipulation XV – Annual Reporting of the Agreement, requiring the NPS ABPP to provide an annual report for Fiscal Year 2023 (October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023) to NCSHPO and ACHP, and to any Tribal government requesting a copy. This report also provides a summary of significant issues, initiatives, goals, and challenges identified by the Program in FY2023.

II. NPS ABPP Goals and Initiatives for Fiscal Year 2024

The information in this section fulfills Stipulation XV.A.3 of the Agreement: “A report, as appropriate, identifying any issues, initiatives or goals the NPS will address in the coming year with regard to its ABPP Grant Programs, and any guidance or assistance that the ACHP or NCSHPO may provide to help make compliance activities more effective and efficient.”

1. Preservation Planning Grants

- A. Continue to respect and strengthen Indigenous connections to sites of armed conflict**
Building on NPS ABPP's efforts in FY2022 to encourage applicants to explore underrepresented stories and perspectives of armed conflict and expand the diversity of the applicant pool, the Program will conduct targeted outreach to encourage Tribal communities to submit grant applications and/or partner with co-applicants, as appropriate. NPS ABPP encourages Tribes to participate in grant undertakings beyond the formal compliance process in order to influence and shape indigenous narratives to the degree that Tribal communities desire and find appropriate.

- B. Initiate outreach efforts to engage Black American connections to sites of armed conflict**
Building on NPS ABPP's efforts in FY2022 to encourage applicants to explore underrepresented stories and perspectives of armed conflict and expand the diversity of the applicant pool, the Program will conduct targeted outreach to Historically Black

Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) to encourage Black communities, including nonprofit organizations, to submit grant applications and/or partner with co-applicants.

2. Battlefield Land Acquisition Grants

A. Provide evergreen resources for BLAG applicants

In FY2023, NPS ABPP developed and delivered a webinar to clarify the roles and responsibilities of pass-through entities in the BLAG program. This webinar was intended to satisfy needs identified by participants in FY2021 listening sessions as part of the Program's easement initiative. To ensure that this information is accessible to potential future applicants, and easily available even for those who attended the live webinar, in FY2024 the Program will work to capture and record the presentation to make this a standing resource available on our website.

B. Provide guidance for easement requirements

In FY2023, NPS ABPP completed a project, undertaken in collaboration with NCSHPO in FY2021, to better align existing practices, expectations, and requirements of BLAG easements with the legal capacities and organizational priorities of SHPO offices. As a result, the Program has finalized a suite of policy documents, including a checklist of standard requirements for all easements, mandatory clauses to be included in easements granted by nonprofit or private entities to nonprofit organizations, and qualifications for nonprofit easement holders. Though these documents were added to the FY2024 Notice of Funding Opportunity, in order to ensure complete accessibility and provide a thorough explanation of the applicability of this guidance, in FY2024 NPS ABPP will create a prominent landing page for these resources on the Program website.

C. Clarify real property appraisal requirements

In FY2024, NPS ABPP will coordinate with the Department of the Interior Appraisal and Valuation Services Office (AVSO) to present a webinar on the appraisal and appraisal review requirements for all Federal real property acquisitions, including requirements for all BLAG awards. In particular, the webinar will address the process and product compliance with "Yellow Book" standards. While these program requirements do not affect Section 106 processes directly, the appraisal process does reflect a form of consultation associated with the resources on the subject property and represents a significant compliance matter for the acquisition.

D. Implement consistent post-award monitoring policies and procedures

In FY2024 NPS ABPP will continue to implement post-award monitoring policies and procedures and work closely with recipients to ensure compliance with the terms of awards as described in grant agreements. GrantSolutions provides regular automated email reminders of reporting periods to recipients and assists NPS ABPP with project tracking and report submission and review. The Program has noted a significant improvement in the receipt of annual interim reports for BLAG awards. Further attention to the submission and content of these reports helps ensure recipients consistently provide copies of the final executed preservation instruments in a timely manner, which in turn,

ensures that the Program can verify federal interest in these acquisitions are protected in perpetuity, per federal regulation, and completing the reporting requirements of Stipulation XIV.A.1 of this Agreement. Submittal of the final executed instruments is a requirement in BLAG grant agreements.

3. Battlefield Interpretation Grants

A. Increase outreach and awareness of grant availability

In FY2023, BIG's third year of availability, NPS ABPP received two eligible applications, a notable decrease from the ten received in FY2022. Therefore, in FY2024 the Program will strive to expand and increase outreach efforts, particularly to under-resourced and new, potential applicants.

4. Battlefield Restoration Grants

A. Increase outreach and awareness of grant availability

In FY2023, BARE's second year of availability, NPS ABPP received zero applications in response to the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) though it was posted for 120 days and extended for an additional 30 days. Therefore, in FY2024 the Program will strive to expand and increase outreach efforts, particularly to under-resourced and new, potential applicants.

B. Review and implement potential changes to site eligibility

For the initial opportunity in FY2022, NPS ABPP included a cautious interpretation of the authorizing statute regarding eligible sites being protected under a BLAG instrument. In FY2023, the Program began to consider expansion, however administrative changes encouraged the continuation of the initial interpretation for the second year. With the performance of the second NOFO cited above, NPS ABPP will reconsider the site eligibility for FY2024.

5. General

A. Complete Section 106 process for all fiscal year grant undertakings

A goal for the Program in FY2024 is to identify, address, and close all consultations for undertakings of grant awards of that year. This will include identification of awards requiring initiation or continuation of tribal consultation, as well as those requiring closing out of consultations for which the Program had received SHPO and THPO recommendations but had not yet issued formal effects determination letters. The one note is that the BLAG deadline is rolling, if awards are made towards the end of the fiscal year this may not be able to be fully achieved all FY2024 awards.

B. Develop protocols with Federally recognized tribes

NPS ABPP will continue efforts to clarify and codify Section 106 protocols with Federally recognized tribes. While the Agreement cites findings from July 2016 consultations with certain Tribes that a “project by project, government-to-government consultation for grant projects” meets regulatory requirements, the Program notes that the multi-state/site nature of projects, particularly under the Preservation Planning and Battlefield Interpretation grant programs, places an enormous administrative burden on staff. NPS ABPP continues to invite Tribes to consult and to develop protocols that confirm Tribal areas of interest and clarify types of grant undertaking for which individual Tribes wishes to consult.

C. Expand program capacity for compliance activities

NPS ABPP notes the increasing complexity and volume of compliance activities deriving from four authorized grant programs. To that end, the Program will continue to work to fill the vacant Program Archeologist position in Fiscal Year 2024. The position will coordinate compliance for PPGs, assist with compliance for the other three grant programs, and provide technical assistance to potential applicants, recipients, and their partners, SHPOs, THPOs, and, as appropriate, to NPS units and FPOs at other federal agencies for undertakings with the potential to affect historic properties at sites of armed conflict for which NPS ABPP does not serve as the lead federal agency.

III. Issues to be Addressed by Agreement Signatories

The information in this section fulfills Stipulation XV.A.4 of the Agreement: “A discussion identifying any problems the NPS encountered in carrying out the terms of this agreement that need to be addressed by the signatories through amendments or development of guidance documents.”

1. Preservation Planning Grants

The NPS ABPP did not encounter any major issues in carrying out the Agreement terms for Preservation Planning Grants in FY2023, and refined program specific processes to enhance the efficiency of Section 106 review for this grant opportunity. The following items are included for awareness and may benefit from further discussion with the Agreement signatories:

A. Implementation of a supplemental approach to the Section 106 process per the second amendment to the Agreement

During FY2023, NPS ABPP implemented a supplemental approach to the Section 106 process for PPGs, per our interpretation of the second amendment to the Agreement. For FY2023 Awards, NPS ABPP interpreted Stipulation III.A.2.a. as a “three-step” Programmatic Condition, that allows projects to proceed without Section 106

Consultation when 1) members of the project staff meet the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards, 2) project work appears to meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties, and 3) the applicable SHPO/HPO has the opportunity to review and comment on grant products during the project's period of performance. This Programmatic Condition is considered distinct from the Programmatic Exclusions listed in Stipulation III.A.1. NPS ABPP welcomes comments from signatories on this interpretation and its implementation.

B. Online Initiation of Section 106 Consultation

NPS ABPP is utilizing state specific web-based portals with SHPOs, when available, to upload documentation for Section 106 consultation.

C. New Onboarding Process for PPG awards

NPS ABPP has initiated a new procedure in our award process for separate calls or virtual meetings with recipients to discuss Section 106 matters, including the identification of Additional Consulting Parties, separate from a review of the terms and conditions of the grant award.

2. Battlefield Land Acquisition Grants

The NPS ABPP has updated the summary of issues identified in our FY2022 Annual Report which would benefit from further guidance and discussions with the Agreement signatories:

A. Implementation of new Section 106 process per the second amendment to the Agreement

During FY2023, the new Section 106 process was implemented per the second amendment to the NPS ABPP Programmatic Agreement. This new process has increased processing time for Section 106 materials, requiring multiple rounds of review and additional communication between the Program, applicants, and sub-applicants. Throughout FY2023, NPS ABPP has seen a great willingness and thorough consideration of Program feedback from applicant and sub-applicants but notes the increase in intricacy of the process. NPS ABPP welcomes comments from signatories on suggested processing and execution strategies to better streamline review feedback and communication.

B. Protecting conservation values under pre-award activities

NPS ABPP considers potential effects to historic properties, both foreseeable/proposed and actual, during the entire award process, beginning with the application stage. The Program includes a prohibition of activities with the potential to affect historic properties until NPS has completed the Section 106 compliance process as a condition of all BLAG grant agreements. NPS ABPP introduced a requirement in the BLAG Notice of Funding Opportunity to address potential threats to the integrity of properties proposed for

acquisition beginning with the potential applicant's intention to acquire a property with BLAG assistance: namely, BLAG applications must include documentation of the seller's written commitment to refrain from activities with the potential to affect historic properties as part of the commitment to sell an interest in the property.

IV. Additional Information

The information in this section fulfills Stipulation XV.A.5 of the Agreement: "Any other information the NPS ABPP wishes to provide that might improve the effectiveness of this agreement."

A. Updates to the NPS ABPP Programmatic Database

NPS ABPP is continuing to work with a database design team to overhaul the existing program database for all four grant opportunities. Enhanced functionality will allow program staff to track projects more efficiently, facilitate data analysis, and augment the Program's ability to assess preservation outcomes and ongoing needs in the battlefield preservation community of practice. In FY2023, the database team worked to revise its design, refine organizations and contacts, and integrate project data from GrantSolutions. In the coming year, the team will continue to review its design and functionality, as well as build modules for reports and queries.

B. Updates to the NPS ABPP Geodatabase

In FY2023 the Program worked with the NPS Cultural Resources GIS team to develop and publish a webapp of all NPS ABPP battlefield boundaries and to expand public access to and utility of the map data for partners with limited GIS capacity. The Cultural Resource GIS team is also continuing to collect datasets of all tracts that have been acquired through past Battlefield Land Acquisition Grants. In FY2024, NPS ABPP and the Cultural Resources GIS team will continue to collaborate to create an additional webapp for internal use.

C. NPS ABPP Website

In FY2023 NPS ABPP continued to update and reorganize the program website to make information regarding grant cycles and requirements more accessible and comprehensive. This has involved refreshing the "Resources" page to include all recorded webinars, highlight the newly amended PA, organize existing reports and manually, in addition to featuring the new Geodatabase battlefield boundaries webapp map.

To encourage a new audience of grant applicants and share recent recipient's successes, NPS ABPP has published 37 web articles about grant funded projects. In FY2023 the Program published 11 articles about PPG funded projects, 27 articles regarding BLAG funded projects, and 3 articles about BIG funded projects.

V. NPS ABPP Grants Awarded During Fiscal Year 2023

1. Preservation Planning Grants

In FY2023 the NPS awarded 10 PPGs totaling \$1,212,066.50 to seven nonprofits, one institution of higher education (private), one state government agency, and one local government to support preservation projects in at least 10 states.

Under Stipulation III.A.1 of the Agreement, activities for which there is no potential to cause effect (No Effect) to historic properties constitute programmatic exclusions from Section 106 review, including:

- (a) Historical research/overviews;
- (b) GPS/GIS mapping;
- (c) Survey and Inventory with no ground disturbance (i.e., pedestrian survey, shovel testing and test unit excavation, and the use of remote sensing techniques for the purposes of protecting, preserving, and documenting archaeologically significant deposits, sites, and features);
- (d) NHL/NRHP/state register nomination, update, or boundary expansion (excluded from Section 106 review, but will receive SHPO review through the NRHP process);
- (e) Preservation plans without treatment recommendations;
- (f) Heritage tourism interpretive plan;
- (g) Strategic/organizational/administrative planning (when no ground disturbance or alternation to structures or buildings are planned);
- (h) Viewshed analysis;
- (i) Educational activities, such as museum exhibit plans, videos/brochures/guides, and web-based interpretation, all with sensitive locations redacted; and
- (j) Advocacy and support, such as administrative support, press and media outreach, public outreach, meetings and strategic advocacy.

The Program determined that three of the awarded PPGs met the definition of a programmatic exclusion, and three met the requirements of the “three-step” Programmatic Condition, requiring no further consultation. The NPS has completed consultations for the other four projects with all appropriate by-right consulting parties.

The following list of PPGs is organized alphabetically by the state where the project will take place and includes the relevant programmatic exclusion/condition from Section 106 consultation, if applicable:

Alaska:

Recipient:	Ships of Exploration and Discovery
Project Title:	Capturing the carnage of War: Remote Operate Vehicle Survey of Submerged Attu Battlefield
Award Amount:	\$69,733.00
Section 106 Status:	Programmatic exclusion 1(b) and 1(c)

Connecticut:

Recipient: Ridgefield Historical Society
Project Title: Battle of Ridgefield Phase II Project
Award Amount: \$117,714.00
Section 106 Status: Consultation completed.

Florida:

Recipient: Gulf Archaeology Research Institute
Project Title: The Battle of Micanopy
Award Amount: \$131,450.00
Section 106 Status: Consultation completed.

Hawaii:

Recipient: Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum
Project Title: Interpreting America's WWII Aviation Battlefield
Award Amount: \$140,043.85
Section 106 Status: Programmatic condition 2(a)

Maryland:

Recipient: Maryland Historical Trust
Project Title: Reconstructing the Revolution-Era Cultural Landscapes of the Washington-Rochambeau Military Encampments
Award Amount: \$68,189.00
Section 106 Status: Programmatic condition 2(a)

Maine:

Recipient: Trustees of Dartmouth College
Project Title: Conflict and Contestation in Colonial Maine: Archaeological Investigations at Damariscove and Pemaquid
Award Amount: \$149,858.00
Section 106 Status: Programmatic exclusions 1(a) and 1(j)

North Carolina:

Recipient: North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources
Project Title: Searching for Spaces and Places 1781: General Greene Outmaneuvers General Cornwallis
Award Amount: \$142,340.00
Section 106 Status: Programmatic condition 2(a)

New York:

Recipient: The Fort Ticonderoga Association
Project Title: Uncovering Liberty Hill: An American Soldiers' Camp at Ticonderoga
Award Amount: \$147,151.00
Section 106 Status: Consultation completed.

Pennsylvania:

Recipient: East Pikeland Township
Project Title: Continental Powder Works at French Creek - Phase II Archeological Survey
Award Amount: \$124,587.65
Section 106 Status: Consultation completed.

Multiple States:

Recipient: American Battlefield Trust
Project Title: Documenting American Indian Battlefields of the Great Sioux War of 1876-1877
Award Amount: \$121,000.00
Section 106 Status: Programmatic exclusions 1(a), 1(b), and 1(j)

2. Battlefield Land Acquisition Grants

In FY2023 the NPS awarded 31 BLAGs, totaling \$18.7 million, for the acquisition of 1,417.54 acres in nine different states. Thirty of these awards will use preservation easements to protect Federal interests in the acquired properties, while one will record a preservation letter of agreement in lieu of an easement. BLAG grant agreements require recordation of the preservation easement or preservation letter of agreement with the property deed. The Program has not received the final recorded preservation instruments for any of the BLAGs awarded in FY2023.

In accordance with the Programmatic Agreement, as amended (and prior to execution of Amendment Two), applicants or sub-applicants initiated Section 106 consultations with SHPOs and other by-right consulting parties prior to submitting a BLAG application. Upon receipt of sufficient documentation from the applicant or sub-applicant, NPS initiated consultation with Federally recognized tribes with an identified area of interest in the project area. NPS ABPP policy is to share the bureau's final determination of effect for BLAG undertakings with all consulting parties after review and acceptance of the draft easement. (If an interest acquired by a state agency is to be protected by a preservation letter of agreement executed and recorded with the deed, then NPS will make a final determination of effect prior to co-signing the preservation letter of agreement.)

NPS has concluded Section 106 consultations with final determinations of effect for two BLAGs awarded in FY2023. Consultations for the remaining 29 projects are ongoing, with status indicated below.

Georgia:

Chickamauga Battlefield (White Tract)

Recipient: Georgia Department of Natural Resources
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 4.08 acres
Award Amount: \$172,133.16
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; easement accepted.

Maryland:

Antietam Battlefield (SHAF Tract)

Recipient: Washington County
Subrecipient: Save Historic Antietam Foundation/American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 0.92 acres
Award Amount: \$122,600.56
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; final determination complete; easement recorded.

Mississippi:

Brices Cross Roads Battlefield (Howell Tract)

Recipient: Mississippi Department of Archives and History
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 94.5 acres
Award Amount: \$367,926.00
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; awaiting draft easement.

Chickasaw Bayou Battlefield (Buford Tract)

Recipient: Mississippi Department of Archives and History
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 3.06 acres
Award Amount: \$136,740.00
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; awaiting draft easement.

Chickasaw Bayou Battlefield (Jones Tract)

Recipient: Mississippi Department of Archives and History
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 3.07 acres
Award Amount: \$42,635.00
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; awaiting draft easement.

Chickasaw Bayou Battlefield (DeFrance, D. Sanderfoot, M. Sanderfoot, & Uzzle Tracts)

Recipient: Mississippi Department of Archives and History
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 1.5 acres
Award Amount: \$231,805.00
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; Phase I Survey Scope of Work under review by consulting parties.

Chickasaw Bayou Battlefield (Shiers Tract)

Recipient: Mississippi Department of Archives and History
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 1.08 acres
Award Amount: \$88,167.50
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; awaiting draft easement.

Chickasaw Bayou Battlefield (Wilson Tract)

Recipient: Mississippi Department of Archives and History
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 2.91 acres
Award Amount: \$61,550.00
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; awaiting draft easement.

North Carolina:

Wyse Fork Battlefield (McQuiston-Malloy Tracts)

Recipient: North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 86.36 acres
Award Amount: \$257,605.00
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; awaiting draft easement.

Pennsylvania:

Gettysburg Battlefield (8th Ohio Tract)

Recipient: Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 0.63 acres
Award Amount: \$756,650.25
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation not initiated; awaiting draft easement.

South Carolina:

Charleston Harbor Battlefield (MUSC Tract)

Recipient: Town of James Island
Subrecipient: South Carolina Battleground Preservation Trust
Interest Acquired: 1.58 acres
Award Amount: \$1,772,130.00
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; awaiting draft easement.

Hobkirk Hill Battlefield (Conder Tract)

Recipient: Kershaw County
Subrecipient: South Carolina Battleground Preservation Trust
Interest Acquired: 1.72 acres
Award Amount: \$78,647.37
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; awaiting draft easement.

Tennessee:

Franklin Battlefield (Williams Tract)

Recipient: City of Franklin
Subrecipient: Franklin's Charge
Interest Acquired: 0.87 acres
Award Amount: \$1,980,050.00
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; awaiting draft easement.

Virginia:

Brandy Station Battlefield (Spillman Tract)

Recipient: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation

Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 94.5 acres
Award Amount: \$2,440,495.00
Instrument: Preservation letter of agreement
Section 106 Status: Property acquisition pending; consultation initiation; awaiting draft preservation letter of agreement.

Cedar Mountain Battlefield (Dixon/Pegram's Battery Tract)

Recipient: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 44.75 acres
Award Amount: \$257,757.10
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; easement accepted.

Cedar Mountain Battlefield (Proctor II Tract)

Recipient: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 7.36 acres
Award Amount: \$429,372.50
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation not initiated; awaiting draft easement.

Chaffin's Farm Battlefield (Haskins Farm Tract)

Recipient: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
Subrecipient: Capital Region Land Conservancy
Interest Acquired: 49.09 acres
Award Amount: \$660,500.00
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; easement accepted.

Chancellorsville Battlefield (Dowdall's Tavern/Grenn Tract)

Recipient: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 42.19 acres
Award Amount: \$536,277.00
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; awaiting draft easement.

Chancellorsville Battlefield (Siegen Forest Tract)

Recipient: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 168.88 acres
Award Amount: \$655,070.85
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Less-than fee acquisition; consultation initiated; easement accepted.

Cold Harbor Battlefield (Bosher Tract)

Recipient: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 7.11 acres
Award Amount: \$173,859.11
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; awaiting draft easement.

Dinwiddie Court House Battlefield (Gilchrist Tract)

Recipient: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 8.0 acres
Award Amount: \$44,448.00
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; awaiting draft easement.

Malvern Hill Battlefield (New Market Road Tract)

Recipient: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
Subrecipient: Capital Area Land Conservancy
Interest Acquired: 41.0 acres
Award Amount: \$605,750.00
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; easement accepted.

Manassas II Battlefield (Mauler Tract)

Recipient: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 3.11 acres
Award Amount: \$268,259.00
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; awaiting draft easement.

Piedmont Battlefield (Shifflet Tract)

Recipient: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
Subrecipient: Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation
Interest Acquired: 141.0 acres
Award Amount: \$459,807.90
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; easement accepted.

Ream's Station I & II Battlefield (Phillips Tract)

Recipient: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 101.0 acres
Award Amount: \$163,251.69
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; awaiting draft easement.

Ream's Station II Battlefield (Davis Tract)

Recipient: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 3.0 acres
Award Amount: \$153,464.87
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; awaiting draft easement.

Seven Pines Battlefield (Carter Tract)

Recipient: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 11.78 acres
Award Amount: \$184,156.87
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; awaiting draft easement.

Trevilian Station Battlefield (Lee Tract)

Recipient: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 98.7 acres
Award Amount: \$325,615.00
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; awaiting draft easement.

Winchester II Battlefield (McCann Tract)

Recipient: Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation
Subrecipient: Shenandoah Valley Battlefields Foundation
Interest Acquired: 144.62 acres
Award Amount: \$3,882,644.81
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; consultation initiated; awaiting draft easement.

West Virginia:

Shepherdstown Battlefield (Aspen Pool Tract)

Recipient: Jefferson County Farmland Protection Board
Subrecipient: NA
Interest Acquired: 149.6 acres
Award Amount: \$492,097.00
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Less-than fee acquisition; consultation initiated; easement accepted.

Shepherdstown Battlefield (Far Away Farm Tract)

Recipient: Jefferson County Historic Landmarks Commission
Subrecipient: American Battlefield Trust
Interest Acquired: 121.9 acres
Award Amount: \$972,291.47
Instrument: Easement
Section 106 Status: Property acquired; final determination complete; easement accepted.

3. Battlefield Interpretation Grant Awards

In FY2023 NPS ABPP awarded two Battlefield Interpretation Grants to an institution of higher education in New Jersey and a nonprofit for a project in New York. These grant projects totaled \$489,200.00. The Program determined that the four scoping grant projects would have No Effect on historic properties, and therefore did not require consultation. For the two implementation projects, the Program initiated consultation with the appropriate State Historic Preservation Officers (SHPOs), Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (THPOs), as well as by-right and other interested consulting parties.

Under Stipulation III.A.1 of Amendment 2 of the Agreement, in FY2023 select grant activities for which there is no potential to cause effect (No Effect) to historic properties, will now constitute programmatic exclusions from Section 106 review.

New Jersey:

Recipient: Kean University
Battlefield: Connecticut Farms (NJ200, NJ201), Springfield (NJ216)
Project Title: The Turning Point at 250
Grant Type: Scoping
Award Amount: \$42,825
Section 106 Status: Consultation initiated.

New York:

Recipient: American Battlefield Trust
Battlefield: Bennington (NY219), New Town (NY203), Oriskany (NY218)
Project Title: A Digital Tour of New York' Revolutionary War Battlefields
Grant Type: Implementation
Award Amount: \$74,508.00
Section 106 Status: Programmatic exclusions (f) and (i).

4. Battlefield Restoration Grants

In FY2023 NPS ABPP received zero applications in response to the Notice of Funding Opportunity and therefore awarded zero dollars. The NOFO was posted for 120 days and extended for an additional 30 days.

VI. Additional Resources

Links to additional sources of information can be found on NPS ABPP's website at <https://www.nps.gov/abpp>. GrantSolutions is an independent Financial Assistance management system and can be accessed using <https://home.grantsolutions.gov/>. Links to published GeoDatabases can be found in the NPS's Data Store of Integrated Resource Management Applications at <https://irma.nps.gov/DataStore/Collection/Profile/7874>.