

Sample Letter of Determination to SHPO

[Insert name of Tribe/TDHE]

[Insert date]

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Subject: NAHASA Repair Program, (Location), AK
Section 106 Compliance

Dear Ms. Bittner:

This is to request your views concerning the identification of historic properties for the purpose of compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

The [Insert name of Tribe/TDHE] intends to use Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) funds, authorized by Title I of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996, to rehabilitate ____ units of single family housing in the community of _____.

Enclosed is a *HUD Section 106 Review and Compliance* checklist (which includes information about proposed work) and a location map for each property to be rehabilitated. Also, enclosed are photographs of those properties that are more than 50 years of age, as well as those buildings for which the date of construction is not known.

Given the nature and scope of the activities being proposed, the area of potential effect for the undertakings is defined as the boundary of each building.

The architectural styles of the buildings are unremarkable. Of the ____ units being rehabilitated, ____ are less than 50 years of age. For the remaining units, key features of the buildings include:

_____, which are common throughout Alaska. We have consulted the tribe about the significance of these buildings, and their conclusions are: (e.g. information about changes and additions, any comments on the architectural styles, whether or not the buildings are related to persons or events of historic importance).

As noted in the *Checklist*, no foundation work or underground utility work is planned. (Note: If such work is planned, specify the units where ground-disturbing

activities will occur. The *Checklist* requests a description of the work being proposed.)

On the bases of the age of the buildings, the architectural features, and the fact that ground disturbing activities will not occur, it is **[Insert Tribe/TDHE's name]** determination that no historic properties will be affected by the undertaking [pursuant to Section 800.4(d)(1)]. We are requesting your concurrence with these findings.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact **[Insert contact name]** at **[insert phone #]**.

Sincerely,

Enclosures