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# NASA Procedural Requirements

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## Preface

### P.1 Purpose

a. This NASA Procedural Requirement (NPR) implements applicable requirements for the Cultural Resources Management (CRM) Program under NASA Policy Directive (NPD) 8500.1, NASA Environmental Management, in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (NHPA), as amended, 16 U.S.C. 470 et seq.; its implementing regulations (Protection of Historic Properties, 36 C.F.R. Part 800); the Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979, 16 U.S.C. 470; Executive Order (Exec. Order No.) 13287; Preserve America, and the National Environmental Policy Act of 1970 (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. 4321 and 4331-35; and its Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations.40 C.F.R. Part 1501.

b. This NPR establishes requirements, roles, and responsibilities for Native American Consultation (NAC) in accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 25 U.S.C. 3001 et seq. and its Final Rule (43 C.F.R. Part 10); the American Indian Religious Freedom Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 1996 and 1996a; Religious Freedom Restoration Act, 42 U.S.C. §2000bb - 42 U.S.C. § 2000bb-4; Exec. Order No. 13007, Indian Sacred Sites; Exec. Order No. 13175, Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments; and other laws, regulations, and Exec. Orders related to cultural resources.

c. NASA is committed to be a steward of cultural resources, and implementation of this NPR will ensure preservation of their significance to NASA's mission, communities, and the history of our Nation in accordance with The Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Federal Agency Historic Preservation Programs Pursuant to the National Historic Preservation Act, 63 Federal Register (Fed. Reg.) 20496 (April 24, 1998).

### P.2 Applicability

a. This NPR applies to NASA Headquarters and all Centers, including Component Facilities and to the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL), a Federally Funded Research and Development Center (FFRDC), other contractors; grant recipients; and licensees or parties to agreements only to the extent specified or referenced in the appropriate contracts, grants, or agreements.

b. NASA Mission Directorates will reference this NPR in policy and guidance affecting NASA's cultural resources, including the requirement to fund programs and projects to meet NHPA compliance requirements.

c. NASA institutional and support offices will reference this NPR in policy and guidance documents that involve or affect NASA's cultural resources and will support the Cultural Resources Management Program through appropriate public outreach and events.

d. In this NPR, the language "shall" denotes a mandatory action, "may" or "can" denote discretionary privilege or permission, "should" denotes good practice that is recommended but not required, "will" denotes expected outcome, and "are/is" denotes descriptive material.

e. In this NPR, all document citations are assumed to be the latest version, unless otherwise noted.

### **P.3 Authority**

- a. The National Aeronautics and Space Act, 51 U.S.C. § 20113(a)
- b. National Historic Preservation Act, 16 U.S.C. 470 et seq. (1966)
- c. Archaeological Resources Protection Act, 16 U.S.C. § 470aa-470mm (1979)
- d. Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 25 U.S.C. 3001 et seq. (1990)
- e. Federally Recognized Indian Tribe List Act, 25 U.S.C. 479a (1994)
- f. Religious Freedom Restoration Act, 42 U.S.C. § 2000bb-42 U.S.C. § 2000bb-4 (1993)
- g. National Environmental Policy Act, 42 U.S.C. § 4321 and §§ 4331-4335 (1970)
- h. American Indian Religious Freedom Act, 42 U.S.C. (1996)
- i. Protection and Enhancement of the Cultural Environment, Exec. Order No. 11593, 3 C.F.R. 8921, 1971-1975 Comp., p. 559 (1971)
- j. Environmental Effects Abroad of Major Federal Actions, Exec. Order No. 12114, 44 FR 1957, 3 C.F.R., Comp., p. 356 (1979)
- k. Indian Sacred Sites, Exec. Order No. 13007, 3 C.F.R., 1996 Comp., p. 196 (1996)
- l. Protection of Historic Properties (The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's Regulations for Implementing Section 106 of NHPA), 36 C.F.R. pt. 800
- m. Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments, Exec. Order No. 13175, 65 Fed. Reg. 67249, p. 67249-67252 (2000)
- n. Preserve America, Executive Order No. 13287, 68 Fed. Reg. 43, p. 10635-10638 (2003)
- o. Federal Real Property Asset Management, Executive Order No. 13327, 73 Fed. Reg. 2167, p. 2167-2168 (2004)
- p. Locating Federal Facilities on Historic Properties, Executive Order 13006, 61 Fed. Reg. 35736, p. 35736 (1996)
- q. NPD 8500.1, NASA Environmental Management

### **P.4 Applicable Documents and Forms**

- a. National Register of Historic Places, 36 C.F.R. pt. 60 (1981)
- b. Procedures for State, Tribal, and Local Government Historic Preservation Programs, 36 C.F.R. pt. 61 (1999)
- c. National Historic Landmarks Program, 36 C.F.R. pt. 65 (1983). Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties, 36 C.F.R. pt. 68 (1995)
- d. Curation of Federally-Owned and Administered Archaeological Collections, 36 C.F.R. pt. 79 (1990)
- e. Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act Regulations, 43 C.F.R. pt. 10 (1995)
- f. Presidential Memorandum, Government-to-Government Relations with Native American Tribal Governments, Fed. Reg. Doc. 94-10877, May 4, 1994
- g. Presidential Memorandum, Tribal Consultation, Fed. Reg., Nov. 9, 2009, pp. 57879-57882
- h. Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Federal Agency Historic Preservation, 63 Federal Register Doc. 20496 (1998)
- i. NPD 1000.0, Strategic Management and Governance Handbook
- j. NPD 1000.3, The NASA Organization
- k. NPD 1440.6, NASA Records Management
- l. NPD 8500.1, NASA Environmental Management
- m. NPD 8800.14, Policy for Real Estate Management
- n. NPD 8820.2, Design and Construction of Facilities
- o. NPR 1441.1, NASA Records Retention Schedules
- p. NPR 4200.1, NASA Equipment Management Procedural Requirements

- q. NPR 4310.1, Identification and Disposition of NASA Artifacts
- r. NPR 7120.5, NASA Space Flight Program and Project Management Requirements
- s. NPR 8553.1, NASA Environmental Management System
- t. NPR 8800.15, Real Estate Management Program
- u. NPR 8820.2, Facility Project Requirements
- v. NPR 8820.2, Design and Construction of Facilities
- w. Statement of Federal Financial Accounting Standards No. 29, Heritage Assets and Stewardship Land, July 7, 2005

## **P.5 Measurement/Verification**

- a. For Agency-level requirements, metrics are to be developed to reflect existing and future reporting requirements of Congress, the Office of Management and Budget, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the Department of the Interior, and other external oversight agencies, as needed.
- b. The NASA Headquarters Environmental Management Division (EMD) conducts an Environmental Functional Review (EFR), including an audit of the Environmental Management System, in accordance with NPR 8553.1 every three years.

## **P.6 Cancellation**

NASA Interim Directive (NID 8500-80), Cultural Resource Management Policy, dated Sept. 21, 2009.

/S/

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