SRS: COLD WAR PRESERVATION PROGRAM UPDATE





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Purpose

 To provide an update on the SRS Cold War Preservation Program and to fulfill a Strategic & Legacy Management (S&LM) 2015 Work Plan topic.



Driven by the National Historic Preservation Act



President Lyndon B. Johnson signs NHPA, 1966

Fostered the system by which federal agencies... survey and identify

districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects significant in American history, architecture, archeology, engineering, and culture, and

use this information to plan projects so that, where possible, historic places are preserved.





40th Anniversary

National Historic Preservation Act

Preservation of Modern History 1950 to 1989



Program developed as part of the Site's Fiftieth Anniversary



SRS recognized the Site's Cold War facilities and equipment as potentially significant and began its Cold War inventory as required
under the NHPA.

Programmatic Agreement



Developed with State Historic Preservation Office, Advisory Council, and local stakeholders

For the identification and treatment of resources and artifacts that date from the Site's selection to the end of the Cold War.

- We identify facilities for preservation
- We write histories
- We collect and manage artifacts
- We provide public outreach

Program Objectives: Resource Identification 2014



A Area Conceptual Plan Created by Voorhees, Walker, Foley & Smith, 1952

Administration Building after Completion



220 Cold War resources identified as significant as well as the Site Layout

Considered a National Register-eligible Cold War historic district

No new Cold War resources such as buildings or structures were identified in 2014

Program Objectives: Documentation 2014

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- Separations study titled "Bringing it to Form" finalized and accepted by SHPO in September 2014

- Research and development study just starting.

- Thematic studies available at University of SC Aiken Government document Library or online at:

http://shpo.sc.gov/research/ Pages/conreps.aspx

Program Objectives: Curation 2015



315-M = Curation!

Accepted several artifacts, including a collection of aerial photographs and a large collection of Tank models

Inventory and cataloging of document boxes continue

Currently assessing conditions and creating priority list of artifacts for conservation

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Program Objectives: Public Outreach in 2014





- Partnered with SRNS Communications Team to share historic photographs through social media program, "Throwback Thursdays"
- Hosted seven tours of Curation Facility (75 visitors) Included the Veterans Curation Lab, SRS Mentoring groups and SRS interns. New tours in the works.
- Organized four Heritage Tourism meetings for preservation community within the CSRA
- Arranged tour of Plant Vogtle for Historic Preservation group

Program Objective: Compliance 2014



- Ensure DOE is in compliance with NHPA in terms of current undertakings
- Maintain up to date training in safety and security
- Maintain Historic Preservation Advisory Team Meetings on a Quarterly basis
- Working on Cultural Resources Management Plan update

Program Objectives: 2015



- Move forward on R & D Study oral history, documentation, and research
- Begin internship program for photographic negative curation
- Engage new partners in Heritage Tourism quarterly meetings
- Work with SRS Heritage Foundation
- Provide assistance to DOE in meeting compliance requirements