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STATE OF VERMONT
GRANT ACCEPTANCE FORM

GRANT SUMMARY: This grant from the National Park Service to Department of Housing and Community Affairs-Division for Historic Preservation is for the Barns Census Project which involves documenting 5000 barns throughout the state. Photos and information on the barns will be put into a central GIS database and will be available to the public through the internet.

TITLE: Preserve America Grant- Barns Census project

FEDERAL CATALOG No.: 15-929

GRANTOR / DONOR: National Park Service
Historic Preservation Grants Division
1201 I(eye) Street NW
6th Floor ((org. Code 2256)
Washington DC 20005

DATE: 4/21/08

DEPARTMENT: Housing and Community Affairs

GRANT / DONATION: This project will involve recruiting volunteers across the state from school children through adults to identify and document historic barns and outbuildings. There will be a GIS mapping data base created which will be accessible to the public on the web.

AMOUNT / VALUE: \$150,000.00

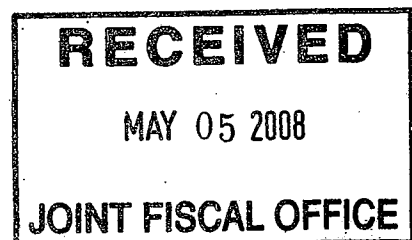
POSITIONS REQUESTED: None

GRANT PERIOD: 11/01/07 to 10/31/09

COMMENTS: The grant award material and explanatory information on two alternatives for how DHCA will raise the required match.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT: *JL*
SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION
SENT TO JOINT FISCAL OFFICE:

(INITIAL) *SJY* 4/23/08
(INITIAL) *JPM* 4/23/08
DATE: *4/30/08*



**STATE OF VERMONT
REQUEST FOR GRANT ACCEPTANCE
(use additional sheets as needed)**

FORM AA-1
(Rev. 9-90)

1. **Agency:** Commerce and Community Development
 2. **Department:** Housing and Community Affairs - Division for Historic Preservation
 3. **Program:** Barn Census Project
 4. **Legal Title of Grant:** Preserve America
 5. **Federal Catalog No.:** 15-929
 6. **Grantor and Office Address:**

National Park Service
 Historic Preservation Grants Division
 1201 I (Eye) Street, NW
 6th Floor (Org. Code 2256)
 Washington, D.C. 20005

7. **Grant Period:** From: 11/1/2007 To: 10/31/2009

8. **Purpose of Grant:** (attach additional sheets if needed)
 The project will recruit volunteers across Vermont to identify historic barns and other agricultural outbuildings in their communities. It will develop a web-based barn form that volunteers will use to record basic information about the barns as well as a photo. The Division and the University of Vermont will receive the forms via the internet and compile them in a GIS (Geographic Information System) mapping database. People will be able to access the database on the web, including at www.vermontvacation.com, and use it to learn about barns in their community and across the state.

9. **Impact on Existing Programs if Grant is not Accepted:**
 Continued lack of readily available and current information on historic barns and other agricultural outbuildings, icons of Vermont's rural landscape. Missed opportunities for creative ideas for enhancing barn preservation in Vermont. Missed opportunities for heritage tourism in rural parts of the state.

10. **Budget Information:**

	(1st State FY) FY 2008	(2nd State FY) FY 2009	(3rd State FY) FY 2010
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EXPENDITURES:

Personal Services	\$ 37,000.00	\$ 186,700.00	\$ 54,500.00
Operating Expenses	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 23,300.00	\$ 3,000.00
Grants	\$	\$	\$
TOTAL	\$ 52,000.00	\$ 210,000.00	\$ 57,500.00

REVENUES:

State Funds:

Cash *	\$	\$	\$
In-Kind (Agency grant administration)	\$ 2,000.00	\$	\$

Federal Funds:

(Direct Costs)	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 24,000.00
(Statewide Indirect)	\$	\$	\$
(Department Indirect)	\$	\$	\$

Other Funds:

(source) Grants *	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 18,500.00
In-kind	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 15,000.00

\$ 52,000.00	\$ 210,000.00	\$ 57,500.00
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*If \$40,000 is approved by Legislature, Grants line will decrease by \$40k and State Funds Cash line will increase by \$40k. No net change.

Appropriation Nos.

Amounts

\$
\$
\$

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11. Will grant monies be spent by one or more personal service contracts?

YES NO

If YES, signature of appointing authority here indicates intent to follow current guidelines on bidding.

X

Ken Horn

12a. Please list any requested Limited Service positions:

Titles	Number of Positions
	0
TOTAL Positions	

12b. Equipment and space for these positions:

- Is presently available.
- Can be obtained with available funds.

13. Signature of Appointing Authority

I certify that no funds have been expended or committed in anticipation of Joint Fiscal Committee approval of this grant.

Ken Horn 4/16/08
 (Signature) (Date)
SECRETARY, ACUD
 (Title)

14. Action by Governor:

- Approved
- Rejected

[Signature] 4/30/08
 (Signature) (Date)

15. Secretary of Administration:

- Request to JFO
- Information to JFO

Ronda P McCallis 4/23/08
 (Signature) (Date)

16. Action by Joint Fiscal Committee:

(Dates)

- Request to be placed on JFC agenda
- Approved (not placed on agenda in 30 days)
- Approved by JFC
- Rejected by JFC
- Approved by Legislature

(Signature) (Date)

Barn Census Project**Notes on Form AA-1 Budget Information- Expenditures and Revenues****Expenditures**

Personal Services:	Consultants Fees	\$203,200
	Volunteers	75,000
Operating Expenses	Travel	16,800
	Office Supplies	2,000
	Equipment	14,000
	Other	8,500
		<hr/> \$319,500

Revenues**Plan A (If Legislature approves use of \$40,000 of recaptured Barn Grant funds for Barn Census)**

State Funds	Cash	\$40,000
	(Recaptured funds)	
	In-kind	2,000
	(Grant administration)	
Federal funds	Preserve America Grant	150,000
Other Funds	Grants	48,500
	In-kind	79,000
	(Volunteers, Reprinting booklet, Preservation Education Institute)	
		<hr/> \$319,500

Plan B (If use of \$40,000 in recaptured Barn Grant funds is not approved, and instead, the \$40,000 is raised through grants - as shown in submitted AA-1 Budget)

State Funds	Cash	\$ 0
	In-kind	2,000
	(Grant administration)	
Federal funds	Preserve America Grant	150,000
Other Funds	Grants	88,500
	In-kind	79,000
	(Volunteers, Reprinting booklet, Preservation Education Institute)	
		<hr/> \$319,500

STATE OF VERMONT
Department of Finance and Management
MEMO

TO: Mike Smith, Secretary of Administration and Jim Reardon, Commissioner of Finance and Management
FROM: Toni Hartrich, Budget and Management Analyst
DATE: 4/23/08
SUBJECT: Grant Acceptance Request from the Department of Housing and Community Affairs

Enclosed is the Department of Housing and Community Affairs request for acceptance of a grant of \$150,000.00 from the National Park Service for Barns Census Project. This project includes in-kind support from the state of \$2,000, either a match of \$40,000 from recaptured State Barns grants (if the legislature approves this use of these funds in the Capital Bill) or an increase in other grants match of \$40,000, (if the recaptured barn grants funds are not in the final capital bill) local in-kind of \$79,000 and an additional \$48,500 in other grants for a total of \$169,500 in local and state match. There are no limited service positions related to this grant. There will be personal service contracts related to this grant.

I am recommending approval of this grant request.

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*Agency of Commerce &
Community Development*

MEMO

TO: Michael Smith, Secretary of Administration

FROM: Julie Kelliher, Department Counsel, Department of Housing and Community Affairs

DATE: April 15, 2008

RE: Grant Acceptance Request for Barn Census Project

Attached please find a Request for Grant Acceptance Form AA-1 from the Division for Historic Preservation for the Barn Census Project. The Division received a \$150,000 grant for the project from the National Park Service through the Preserve America program. The Barn Census is a statewide inventory of historic barns that will be carried out by community volunteers who will send information and photographs of the barns into a central GIS (Geographic Information System) database via the internet. The information and photos will be available to the public through the Division's Historic Sites and Structures database and through the state's tourism website, www.vermontvacation.com. The Census is expected to generate new interest and ideas for preserving barns, an icon of Vermont's history and landscape. We expect to identify 5000 barns across the entire state.

Included with the AA-1 form are copies of some background materials that give more detail on the project:

- Notes on the AA-1 Budget
- The Division's Preserve America grant application for the project
- The ACCD Project Approval Form for the Barn Census project
- The National Park Service grant contract for the project with required supplemental forms
- A one-page handout summarizing the Barn Census
- A pending matching grant application to the National Trust for Historic Preservation
- The media release from the Governor's press conference announcing the project

The Preserve America grant requires a 50% matching share, cash and in-kind, that will be developed over the course of the project. The largest segment of the required match will come from the donated time of the Barn Census volunteers. Already several hundred people have expressed interest in



participating, and that's before we have started recruitment efforts. In the 2009 Capital Budget, the Administration requested approval to spend \$40,000 of recaptured funds from the Division's Barn Grant program for the Barn Census Project. The Capital bill is still in the Legislature and it is not yet clear if this expenditure will be allowed. If it is not, additional fundraising will fill the gap in cash match. A \$10,000 grant to the National Trust for Historic Preservation is pending. (This grant request, which was encouraged by the Trust, is twice the \$5,000 identified in the original project budget.) We are working on financial partnerships with several large agriculture-related businesses. And we are applying to foundations for additional grants. To respect the 50/50 match terms of the grant agreement, we plan to draw the federal money only at the rate at which the match is developed and in-hand.

In addition, project costs may be reduced below the original estimate due to a change in the Division's database partner for the project. We are now planning to partner with the University of Vermont Graduate Program in Historic Preservation to host the database and website, with student assistance, which will reduce costs and provide a rich educational experience for the students. The Program's Director, Tom Visser, is a recognized expert on barns.

The value of the in-kind volunteer match is also expected to increase above the budgeted \$75,000. The original estimate was based on the Vermont minimum wage which has increased since the time of the grant. We are also working on mechanisms for documenting a higher value for volunteer time donated by people with expertise related to the project.

Please note that while the ACCD Approval Form notes that the Survey Director would be hired as a limited service employee, we now plan to secure those services through contract, as originally outlined in the grant application. No new state positions will be created in this project.

The changes in funding and database partner have delayed the launch of the Barn Census, but we hope to begin the project in May, pending approvals in the Grant Acceptance process. The Division is receiving many inquiries from people who are eager to get the Census underway, and we would especially like to begin training for volunteers before schools recess for the summer. Please contact me at 828-5245 or Nancy Boone at 828-3045 if we can answer any questions or provide additional information.

Thank you very much for your assistance.



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Agency of Commerce &
Community Development

March 5, 2008

Hampton Tucker
Historic Preservation Grants Division
National Park Service
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Washington, D. C. 20005

Re: Grant Agreement for Barn Census Project No. 50-07-PA-3074

Dear Mr. Tucker:

Enclosed please find two signed copies of the Grant Agreement for the Barn Census project, a completed SF-424 Application for Federal Assistance, a completed SF-424B Non-Construction Assurances form, and a completed DI-2010 Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters, Drug-Free Workplace Requirements and Lobbying form.

The person in our office who is responsible for drawing funds in Smart-Link for both the Barn Census project and the previously awarded Digital Downtowns project is Lucie MacAskill. Her phone number is 802-828-5213, e-mail address lucie.macaskill@state.vt.us, and mailing address, Department of Housing and Community Affairs, National Life Building, 6th floor, Montpelier, VT 05620-0201. We access Smart-Link now for other National Park Service projects and wonder if you need another 1199 form to initiate Smart-Link access for these projects. If so, please let us know and we will provide it.

The public response to announcement of the Barn Census project has been enthusiastic and we are busily preparing to begin the project. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nancy E. Boone".


Nancy E. Boone
State Architectural Historian / Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

Enclosures



Standard Form SF 424 Application for Federal Assistance

OMB Approval No. 0348-0043

APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE (SF 424)		2. DATE SUBMITTED	Applicant Identifier
1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION: <input type="checkbox"/> Application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction	3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE	State Application Identifier SAI Exempt	
	4. Date received by Fed. Agency	Federal Identifier 27-07-PA-3074	
5. APPLICANT INFORMATION			
Vermont Division for Historic Preservation		Organizational Unit:	
Address National Life Building, Floor 2 National Life Drive Montpelier, VT 05620-1202		Contact: Nancy E. Boone, State Architectural Historian (802) 828-3045 e-mail: nancy.boone@state.vt.us	
6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN): 036000247 DUNS NUMBER 135459159	7. TYPE OF APPLICANT: (enter appropriate letter): <u>A</u> A. State H. Independent School Dist. B. County I. State Controlled Institution of Higher Learning C. Municipal J. Private University D. Township K. Indian Tribe E. Interstate L. Individual F. Intermunicipal M. Profit Organization G. Special District N. Other (Specify) <u>Non-Profit</u>		
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision	9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY: National Park Service		
10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER: <u>1 5 - 9 2 9</u> TITLE: Save America's Treasures	11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT: 2007 Preserve America Grant Barn Census Project		
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (cities, counties, states, etc.)			
13. PROPOSED PROJECT:		14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF: <u>Vermont 01</u>	
Start Date 11/1/2007	Ending Date 10/31/2009	a. Applicant <u>Vermont 01</u>	b. Project <u>Vermont 01</u>
15. ESTIMATED FUNDING		16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?	
a. Federal	\$ 150,000	a. YES. THIS PREAPPLICATION/APPLICATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS FOR REVIEW ON:	
b. Applicant	\$ 169,500	DATE	
c. State	\$	b. NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PROGRAM IS NOT COVERED BY E.O. 12372	
d. Local	\$	OR PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED BY STATE FOR REVIEW	
e. Other	\$	17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?	
f. Program Income	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes If "Yes" attach an explanation.	
g. TOTAL	319,500	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
To the best of my knowledge and belief, all data in this application/preapplication are true and correct, the document has been duly authorized by the governing body of the applicant and the applicant will comply with the attached assurances if the assistance is awarded			
a. Typed Name of Authorized Representative Jane Lendway		b. Title State Historic Preservation Officer	c. Telephone 802-828-3042
d. Signature of Authorized Representative 		e. Date Signed 03/05/08	



United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

1849 C Street, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Preserve America Grant Agreement No. 50-07-PA-3074

Upon signature of both parties below, the National Park Service (NPS) will have obligated with this Grant Agreement the amount of \$150,000.00 appropriated from the Historic Preservation Fund for the Preserve America Grant Program by Public Law 110-5, which provides Fiscal Year 2007 appropriations to the Department of the Interior. The term of this grant agreement is:

Beginning Date: November 1, 2007

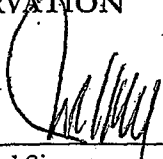
Ending Date: October 31, 2009

In accepting this grant for the project entitled "Barn Census Project," evidenced by signature below, the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, agrees to comply with Department of the Interior regulations and requirements governing Federal grants stipulated in Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-102 (Administrative Requirements for Grants to State and Local Governments; see 43 CFR 12.42-12.92); Circular A-87 (Cost Principles for Grants to State and Local Governments); and Circular A-133 (Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations). These requirements are hereby incorporated by reference into this grant agreement. In accordance with 18 U.S.C. 1913, none of these funds may be used for lobbying purposes as defined in the special conditions contained on the following pages. These special conditions are also hereby incorporated into this grant award. The terms and conditions of this grant award shall be extended to subrecipients and subcontractors.

In witness thereof, the parties have executed this grant agreement as of the date entered below:

VERMONT DIVISION FOR HISTORIC
PRESERVATION

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE



Authorized Signature

Chief, Historic Preservation Grants Division

11/31/08

Date signed

Date signed

Attachments:

- SF 424 Application for Federal Assistance
- Budget Changes/Special Grant Conditions



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Agency of Commerce &
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June 27, 2007

Mr. Hampton Tucker, Chief
Historic Preservation Grants Division
Preserve America Grants
National Park Service
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Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Tucker:

I am pleased to add my support for the Division for Historic Preservation's *Preserve America* grant application for the Barn Census Project.

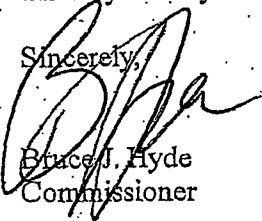
National Geographic Traveler ranked Vermont sixth in the world on its "Index of Destination Stewardship," ahead of many of the world's best known destinations. This is due to Vermont's vast cultural heritage and cultural integrity, historic buildings and archaeological sites, and quality of management and outlook.

Six weeks ago Vermont was honored with a Destination Award from the World Travel and Tourism Council for Vermont downtowns, which are also *Preserve America* communities. One of the ways that Vermont distinguishes itself from other states is through its "sense of place." Vermont has developed an award-winning Downtown program that is a model for other states and now recognized internationally. The state has adopted so-called "smart growth" policies and legislation in order to manage and protect this traditional settlement pattern.

The dairy industry is dwindling and while some farms are being adapted to diversified or specialty farming, barns are falling into disrepair across the state. A barn census will give communities and the state baseline information on the number of barns and their condition. With this information, the Agency of Agriculture, Division of Historic Preservation, Department of Tourism and Marketing, and the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board will better be able to collaborate in supporting viable agriculture, the continued use of farm buildings, cultural heritage tourism and protection of prime agricultural land.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Bruce J. Hyde
Commissioner





FY 2007 *Preserve America*
Historic Preservation Fund Grants to Preserve and Promote America's Heritage and Cultural Assets

APPLICATION FORM

Please follow the Guidelines and Application Instructions to complete this application. Applicants must submit one (1) signed original and seven (7) copies – a total of 8 – complete application packages, plus one (1) additional photocopy of this page. See additional mailing instructions on the last page of the application form.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Project Title (10 words or less): **Barn Census Project**

Applicant Organization: **Vermont Division for Historic Preservation**

Contact Person: **Nancy E. Boone**

Title: **State Architectural Historian**

Address: **National Life Building, Floor 2, National Life Drive**

City: **Montpelier**

State: **Vermont**

Zip Code: **05620-1202**

Telephone **(802) 828-3045**

FAX Number **(802) 828-3206**

E-mail: **nancy.boone@state.vt.us**

EIN Number: **036000247**

DUNS Number: **135459159**

Applicant's Congressional District(s): **Vermont**

U.S. Representative(s): **Vermont**

Type of Applicant (Select all that apply)

- Preserve America* Community
- Preserve America* Neighborhood
- SHPO

- THPO
- CLG (must be in the process of applying for *Preserve America* designation or already designated)

Project Category: (Select only one)

- Research/Documentation
- Interpretation/Education

- Marketing
- Planning

Training

Amount Requested	Federal Share	\$ 150,000
	Matching Share	\$ 169,500
	Total Costs	\$ 319,500

Is your community in a designated National Heritage Area?

No Yes If so, which NHA _____

Does your community have an active grant or financial assistance through the NHA? No Yes

Is your Resolution of Support included? Yes No N/A

(Note: all cities, counties, towns, neighborhoods, and THPOs must include a resolution of support from their city/town/county councils or appropriate governing body.)

Has your community received a Preserve America grant?

No Yes If so, what is the status? **SHPO awarded grant June 2007 for "Digital Downtowns: GIS Databases for Historic Downtowns"**

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL (Original copy must have an original signature and be in ink.)

Signature Jane Lendway

Date June 28, 2007

Print Name and Title: **Jane Lendway, State Historic Preservation Officer**

2. PROJECT SUMMARY

A. Briefly summarize your project emphasizing the primary objectives and results.

(Your summary must fit in the space provided. Use at least a 10-point font.)

With Vermont's history being inexorably linked with agricultural practices, barns survive today as both a firm connection to our cultural heritage, and as an integral part of our working landscape. As visitors and residents alike can attest, there is perhaps no greater symbol of what is quintessentially "Vermont", than the barn. Each year millions of people from all parts of the country and from around the world visit Vermont. Whether they are traveling to one of our internationally recognized *Preserve America Communities* or to an outdoor recreation area, these travelers will inevitably encounter barns along their way. These agricultural corridors create visual and cultural links between well-kept historic downtowns and pristine natural environments, and are vital to our understanding of each. However, with fewer than 1,000 working farms left in the state, many barns are disappearing. Vermont's state grant program for repair of historic barns was the first in the nation, but remains small. The goal of the Barn Census Project is to carry out, for the first time, a statewide census of Vermont's barns and make that information available for heritage tourism opportunities and future restoration efforts. The reconnaissance level survey will be conducted by volunteers organized in a highly visible model public effort akin to Earth Day or bird census activities.

All of Vermont's compact downtown areas, including those in the 16 *Preserve America Communities* benefit from their surrounding agricultural landscape. The barns which dot this landscape are a reminder of Vermont's rural and agricultural heritage balanced with the steady development of downtown cores. The two spaces evolved together; one could not exist without the other. This project will develop census methodology, data collection and storage systems and recruit and train volunteers who will conduct Census surveys of the barns in their towns. The project will use field surveys collected through a web interface, and a customized GIS (Geographic Information System) database that may be updated with additional information in real-time. This comprehensive Census will result in a greater understanding of the number and types of barns existing in Vermont, as well as a determination of current physical conditions. On a larger scale the Census will create a heightened awareness of these threatened historic resources and will inspire creative solutions for barn preservation.

3. PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND BUDGET

Applicants are strongly encouraged to provide answers in the spaces provided.

A. Describe the historic resources affected by the project, including whether they are listed in the National Register of Historic Places and/or designated at the State or local level.

The historic resources that will be affected by this project are the historic barns and other agricultural outbuildings in the state. The vast majority are no longer on working farms, and often are only minimally used, and therefore in danger of being lost. Barns evolved over time. Early Vermont settlers practiced small-scale agriculture, which provided enough food for their families with little excess, and their barns were compact. As markets were established, the farmer had the ability to produce surplus that could be sold or traded. Barns increased in size and orientation accordingly. During the mid to late part of the 19th century, with access to even greater markets created by the railroad, farmers shifted to raising milking cows and shipping butter, cheese and later fluid milk. This greater demand for dairy products encouraged the farmer to grow the size of his herd, which in turn further increased the size of the farm barn. During the early 20th century health regulations again transformed the barn, this time dictating a ground level cow stable set on a concrete floor with hay storage in a large loft above. In addition to the size, orientation and layout of barns, changing agricultural practices required auxiliary buildings around the farm for the storage of grains and cow fodder, smoking of meats, stables for horses, carpentry and blacksmith shops, milking parlors and equipment sheds. The barn in Vermont has taken on a number of forms and designs, each a representation of its own time, technology, and the ever changing markets which the Vermont farmer has sought to tap.

While some of these resources have been included in the National Register and state surveys, either as individual structures or as related structures, these listings are usually lacking in detailed information and photos, or are simply outdated. The vast uncounted majority of Vermont barns have not been surveyed.

Project Objectives

- **How will the proposed project enhance heritage tourism in the community and help preserve its historic resources and cultural assets?**

Tourism is the second largest sector of the Vermont economy. This project will enhance the general understanding and appreciation of the state's agricultural heritage, increasing the link between downtown centers and the agricultural landscapes that surround them. With the goal of expanding barn preservation efforts as one of the anticipated outcomes of this project, there will be opportunities to highlight these important buildings. As tourists travel around the state they will have the chance, through such things as thematic itineraries, barn tours, interpretive sites or simply through visual exploration, to better understand the history of the place they are visiting. Efforts to preserve, adaptively re-use, or continue to use barns, which will spring from the statewide Census and the growing interest in Vermont's barns, will enhance the heritage tourism experience. Vermont's 16 *Preserve America Communities* are home to many historic barns. This project will serve them, and, since they are widely disbursed throughout the state, many other communities on travel routes in between.

The *Preserve America Communities* are all part of the Vermont Downtown Program and are inherently organized to put community-based plans into action and achieve specific goals. By providing a link between the rural community and the business community, through farmers markets and connecting farmers to local restaurants, the *Preserve America Communities* are already fostering the preservation of agricultural heritage. This project seeks to take advantage of this unique relationship in order to further preserve these important historic resources. The first step in effectively planning for the conscious preservation of these resources is the establishment of a systematic inventory. The Census will further help preserve barns by fostering interest in the resource through broad based volunteer involvement at the local level where most decision making happens.

The use of GIS based computer technology will play a major role in integrating the Census into existing databases and mapping projects. Through the linking of statewide property tax databases and E-911 address points, the location of barns and information about them will be available for heritage tourism planning efforts, including access through the state's interactive tourism website, www.VermontVacation.com. Vermont has been on the cutting edge of new mapping technologies and this project will be in keeping with that effort.

- **Describe how the project meets the goals of the local or statewide preservation plan, heritage tourism plan, or other plan(s) that address heritage tourism and cultural resources. Identify the specific goal(s) and plan(s) and state when they were developed and adopted by the community.**

"Keeping Vermont a Special World: The Vermont Historic Preservation Plan", October 1997, VT Division for Historic Preservation

The first goal of the statewide Preservation Plan states that "Vermont's citizens and communities will know about and value the state's historic and archeological resources." This project is in keeping with this standard as it seeks to ascertain specific information about Vermont's barns for the benefit of citizens and visitors alike. The plan further promotes making inventory information "useful and more accessible to individuals and the public" through "innovative computer technologies." Data collected will be integrated into GIS based mapping applications, making it available to a broad audience and for a variety of uses.

The second goal of the Preservation Plan states that "Statewide and community policies and actions will recognize historic and archeological resources as important community assets for economic and community development and encourage re-investment and re-use of existing buildings and infrastructure." The Barn Census will focus public attention on barns, and will inspire creative ideas for reinvestment for their continued use or re-use. As an existing piece of our built landscape, barns are a valuable asset to both the working farm and the understanding of our agricultural heritage. The Barn Census inventory will be invaluable to the goals of preservation, community development, and heritage tourism.

- Describe the public-private partnerships involved in the project and how these partnerships will sustain and continue to support the resource(s) after the grant project is complete? Describe/list all entities that are involved with, or affected by, the project. Attach evidence of involvement from partner organizations such as letters of support that specifically state confirmation of their contribution(s). See Supplemental Information in the guidelines for more information regarding partnership documentation.

PARTNER	CONTRIBUTION
• Save Vermont Barns Program (Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association)	Assist with collecting data/database management, barn conference, coordinating volunteers
• Preserve America Communities/Vermont Downtown Program	Link farms with downtowns by publicizing the project and promoting heritage tourism through special events and collateral materials
• Preservation Trust of Vermont	Granting of funds and support with publicizing
• Preservation Education Institute	Host barn conference and provide workshops/demonstrations on how barns were built, etc
• Vermont Housing and Conservation Board	Reprint the publication <i>Taking Care of Your Old Barn</i> as part of census materials
• Vermont Department of Tourism	Highlight barns to out of state and international audience through state tourism website
• University of Vermont	Provide interns to assist with census gathering
• Vermont Division for Historic Preservation	Manage Barn Census project. Plan historic site markers for significant farms
• Vermont Department of Agriculture	Provide a direct link to farms via publications and existing networks

- Explain how will the public be actively involved in the project?

The public will be integral to this project's success, as community volunteers will carry out the Census. Under the guidance of Census staff and volunteer Census coordinators, the public will have an active role in gathering and submitting data about the barns in their communities. Many of the partner organizations themselves serve public interests and their connection with the project will further create broad-based public involvement. School groups will also be invited and encouraged to participate. Furthermore, when the Census has been completed, it is hoped that many local preservation and heritage tourism efforts will follow.

- C. Project Activities --** Describe the project activities necessary to achieve the Project Objectives? List and describe all tasks and products. All grant activities must be accomplished within the grant period (generally 1 to 2 years).

- Organize Partnerships – confirm responsibilities and tasks of each
- Circulate RFPs for Census Director and web-based survey computer consultant
- Develop web-based survey computer software and hardware
- Develop and print field notebook for census gathering
- Organize and hold spring Barn Conference/Census Kick-off
- Prepare Census coordinators/interns for spring Census drive
- Hold multi-weekend Census drives with volunteers and supervisors around the state
- Gather collected data via internet survey website and store on a secure server
- Integrate data into the existing historic resources database maintained by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation and make available through www.VermontVacation.com, the state's interactive tourism website.
- Analyze and tabulate data to determine baseline documentation for the status of barns in Vermont and publish that data in a useful format for the public
- Hold Wrap-up Meeting to conclude the Barn Census Project and present results of survey and ideas for next steps including education programs, heritage tourism projects, historic preservation planning and other local and statewide efforts to maintain and preserve barns

D. **Timeline** -- Show a timeline for all of the above listed activities. The timeline may be attached as a separate page.

(See Attached Sheet)

E. **Personnel & Consultant Qualifications** -- List the project personnel that will administer and any consultants that will be hired to complete the project. Describe their responsibilities and the percentage of time each will dedicate to the project. Describe the criteria that will be used to competitively select consultants for their services. **All Federal grants require consultants to be competitively selected** (please see page 3 the guidelines for more information).

The selection process for the Survey Director, Assistant, and Computer Consultant will follow state and federal procurement practices. In formulating the RFP for the Computer Consultants, the Division will seek input from the computer technology and legal staff at the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, the Designated Downtowns, GIS staff at Regional Planning Commissions, and the Vermont Geographic Information Center. The RFP will be circulated on the State of Vermont Bid website as well as to known computer consultants who might be qualified to offer a proposal.

(See Attached Sheet for detailed information)

D. TIMELINE Barn Census

October - November '07

- Organize Partnerships – confirm responsibilities and tasks of each
- Circulate RFPs for Census Director and web-based survey computer consultant

December '07 - May '08

- Hire Director
- Develop web-based survey computer software and hardware
- Develop and print field notebook for census gathering

February – May '08

- Prepare census coordinators/interns for Spring census drive
- Organize and hold spring Barn Conference/Census Kick-off

May '08 - July '09

- Hold multi-weekend census drives with volunteers and supervisors around the state
- Gather collected data via internet survey website and store on a secure server
- Integrate all collected census data into existing historic sites and structures database maintained by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation and make available through www.VermontVacation.com ; the state's interactive tourism website

July – September '09

- Analyze and tabulate data to determine baseline documentation for the status of barns in Vermont and publish that data in a useful format for the public
- Hold celebratory wrap-up for participants, including ideas for next steps, including education programs, heritage tourism projects, historic preservation planning, and other local and statewide efforts to maintain and preserve barns in Vermont

E. PERSONNEL AND CONSULTANT QUALIFICATIONS

Barn Census

Nancy E. Boone
State Architectural Historian
Vermont Division for Historic Preservation

Project Administrator
.1 FTE

Suzanne Jamele
National Register Specialist
Vermont Division for Historic Preservation

Project Administrator
.1 FTE

Annette Lynch, President
Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association

Web master
.4 FTE

Judy Hayward, Director
Preservation Education Institute

Conference/Workshop Organizer

Diane Ford
Department Accountant
Agency of Commerce and Community
Development

Accounting and contracting
for project grant
.125 FTE

Volunteers

Community surveyors
Have interest in and enthusiasm for barns.

Conduct Barn Census
4.79 FTE

Consultants

Survey Director and Assistant Director
(To be selected through RFP process)
Must meet 36CFR61 professional
qualifications and have experience with survey work,
be skilled at working with the public, organizing
volunteers, carrying out projects over an extended
period. Additional Qualifications: Database and GIS
experience, familiarity with Vermont and agricultural
history.

Survey Director
.75 FTE

Assistant
.5 FTE

Computer Consultant
(To be selected through RFP process)
Consultant team expertise and experience in:
Geographic Information Systems (GIS); database
development; cultural resource inventories; web
interface development; training

Technical development and
implementation of web interface
for collecting survey data and
photos and integrating it in
databases
100 days

F. What are the sources of the non-federal match?

List the **secured** sources and amounts of the required dollar-for-dollar non-Federal match, which can be cash, donated services, or use of equipment. Federal appropriations or other Federal grants may not be used for match, except Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) grants from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. All non-Federal match must be used during the grant period to execute the project. If the match is **not secured**, explain how it will be raised.

Vermont Division for Historic Preservation Barn Grant Allocation <i>(FY08 State Legislative Appropriation to the Division for Historic Preservation's Barn Grant Program. Funds to be issued over a two-year period in two allotments of \$20,000 each.) (FY08 operating budget)</i>		\$40,000
		\$2,000
Preservation Trust of Vermont <i>(Cash donation from a variety of non-federal sources, including possible online auction of barn related artwork.)</i>		\$29,500
National Trust for Historic Preservation <i>(Granting through the Preservation Services Fund.)</i>		\$5,000
Save Vermont Barns Program <i>(Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association has received a non-federal preservation grant to operate a statewide barn conservancy known as Save Vermont Barns It is a 50/50 matching grant with \$7,000 being granted and \$7,000 being made up with donated services.)</i>		\$14,000
Vermont Housing Conservation Board Publication <i>(Vermont Housing Conservation Board will re-print the popular booklet entitled, Taking Care of Your Old Barn, to be used as outreach and education. 1000 copies.)</i>	In-Kind Donation	\$2,500
Volunteer Hours <i>(Anticipated volunteer time calculated at 2 hours per barn at \$7.53 per hour, the Vermont minimum wage, for an estimated 5,000 barns over two year period.)</i>	In-Kind Donation	\$75,000
Preservation Education Institute Barn Conference <i>(Preservation Education Institute will hold a barn conference and Census kick-off in order to train volunteer organizers and conduct outreach and education.)</i>	In-Kind Donation	\$1,500

G. Budget -- Outline the project budget in the form below; add additional lines in a category as needed.

- The budget must be clear, and all work elements must be eligible, reasonable, and directly relevant to the project.
- Each cost item must clearly show how the total charge for that item was determined (example: hours x hourly rate = total cost).
- All major costs must be listed, and all cost items should be explained in the narrative of the application.
- The budget must include at least the minimum required match (e.g., if applying for a \$30,000 grant, the budget must describe a total of \$60,000 in costs/work).
- All non-Federal match must be cash expended or services donated during the grant period (generally 1 to 2 years) and not before.
- If you have any questions about cost categories, or how to formulate some of your budget items, please email NPS_PreserveAmerica@nps.gov.

1. Personnel: Provide the names and titles of key project personnel. Include only the percentage of time used on the project. Please note that grant funds may not be used to pay Federal employee salaries; nor may Federal salaries be used as match/cost share. Please consult page 3 of the guidelines for more information on allowable personnel costs.

Name/Title of Position and % of time spent on this Project	Wage or Salary	Federal Grant Funds	Match /Cost Share (if any)	Total
-Nancy Boone, Project Co-Administrator (VT State Employee)	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A
-Suzanne Jamele, Project Co-Administrator (VT state Employee)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
-Community Surveyors 4.79FTE	\$7.53/hr (VT wage)	0	\$75,000	\$75,000
Subtotal		\$ 0	\$ 75,000	\$75,000

2. Fringe Benefits: If more than one rate is used, list each rate and the wage or salary base.

Rate	Salary or Wage Base	Federal Grant Funds	Match / Cost Share (if any)	Total
% of	\$	\$	\$	\$
Subtotal		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

3. Consultant Fees: Include payments for professional and technical consultants participating in the project. Please consult page 3 of the guidelines for more information on allowable consultant costs.

Name and Type of Consultant	# of Days	Rate of Compensation	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share (if any)	Total
-Computer Consultant	100	\$ 500/day	\$ 50,000	\$ 0	\$50,000
-Survey Director (.75FTE)	390	200/day	8,500	69,500	78,000
-Survey Assistant (.5FTE)	260	120/day	26,200	5,000	31,200
-Web Manager	212.5	160/day	20,000	14,000	34,000
-Preservation Education Institute (training/conference)	41.66	240/day	8,500	1,500	10,000
Subtotal			\$113,200	\$ 90,000	\$ 203,200

4. Travel and Per Diem: Indicate the number of persons traveling, the total days they will be in travel status, and the total subsistence and transportation costs.

From/To	# of People	# of Travel Days	Subsistence Costs (Lodging and Per Diem)	Transportation Costs (Airfare and Mileage)	Federal Grant Funds	Match/ Cost Share (if any)	Total
Office to Field	4	195	0	\$16,800 @ state mileage rate	\$ 16,800	\$ 0	\$16,800
Subtotal					\$ 16,800	\$ 0	\$ 16,800

5. Office Supplies and Materials: Include consumable supplies and materials to be used in the project and any items of expendable equipment, i.e., equipment costing less than \$5000 or with an estimated useful life of less than two years. Equipment costing more than that should be listed in Equipment - Category 0.

Item	Cost	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share (if any)	Total
- printing of Census data notebook	\$2,000	\$ 2,000	\$	\$ 2,000
Subtotal		\$ 2,000	\$	\$ 2,000

6. Equipment: List all equipment items in excess of \$5000. Items worth less than \$5000 or that have a useful life of less than two years must be listed in Supplies and Materials - Category 5.

Item	Cost	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share (if any)	Total
-Computer server for storage of data	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 0	\$ 10,000
-laptop computers (2)	4,000	4,000	0	4,000
Subtotal		\$ 14,000	\$ 0	\$ 14,000

7. Other (Specify)

Item	Cost	Federal Grant Funds	Match / Cost Share (if any)	Total
-Barn Census T-shirts for volunteers and promotion (1000)	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$ 0	\$6,000
-Update and reprint "Taking Care of Your Old Barn"	\$2,500	0	\$2,500	\$2,500
Subtotal		\$6,000	\$2,500	\$8,500

BUDGET SUMMARY
Enter category totals here

Category	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share	Total
1. Personnel	\$ 0	\$ 75,000 (volunteers)	\$ 75,000
2. Fringe Benefits	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
3. Consultant Fees	\$ 113,200	\$ 90,000	\$203,200
4. Travel and Per Diem	\$ 16,800	\$0	\$ 16,800
5. Supplies and Materials	\$ 0	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
6. Equipment	\$ 14,000	\$ 0	\$ 14,000
7. Other	\$6,000	\$2,500	\$8,500
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	\$ 150,000	\$ 169,500	\$ 319,500



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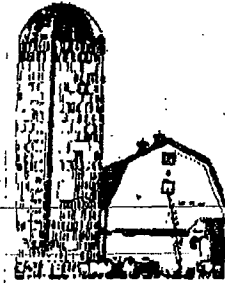
On June 27, 2007, at the monthly meeting of the Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, Nancy Boone presented the possibility of a Preserve America Grant that would allow the Division for Historic Preservation and other preservation partners to create a Barn Census project to identify and evaluate all barns in Vermont over a two year period. The Council enthusiastically endorsed this project!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Beth Boepple', written over a horizontal line.

Beth Boepple, Chair
Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

MOUNT HOLLY BARN PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION, INC.

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June 25, 2007

Hampton Tucker
Historic Preservation Grants Division
Preserve America Grants
National Park Service
1201 Eye Street, NW
6th Floor (ORG. 2256)
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Tucker:

The Mount Holly Barn Preservation Association (MHBPA) pioneered a model to inventory, evaluate and preserve historic barns at the local level. We developed the prototype in Mt. Holly, starting with a survey conducted by volunteers, evaluation by a barn restoration expert, and group applications to the Division for Historic Preservation's Barn Grant program to fund restoration. We now wholeheartedly support the Barn Census project as a way to bring that model to other communities statewide, and eventually beyond. The aim is to use the information gathered by the Project to implement programs of stabilization, repair, and maintenance.

Working with the Preservation Trust of Vermont, the Division for Historic Preservation, and other key barn preservationists in the state, we aim to help foster involvement, excitement, and action in saving our historic barns. MHBPA has launched Save Vermont Barns Project with a web site www.savevermontbarns.org to be used by Vermont towns to conduct town-wide surveys. The Project is designed so that standardized data collected by towns can be expanded with new information, condition reports, more photos, etc. as local communities work to preserve their resources.

The MHBPA and the Save Vermont Barns project would be happy to work with the Division to design and operate a state-wide barn database/server that would meet the needs of the Division and the goals of Save Vermont Barns.

Yours truly,


Annette Lynch

Board President, Mount Holly Barn Preservation Assn.

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Agency of Commerce &
Community Development

June 27, 2007

Mr. Hampton Tucker, Chief
Historic Preservation Grants Division
Preserve America Grants
National Park Service
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Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Tucker:

I am pleased to add my support for the Division for Historic Preservation's *Preserve America* grant application for the Barn Census Project.

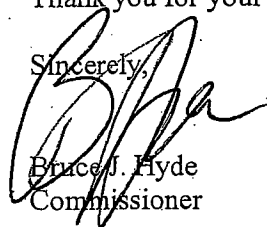
National Geographic Traveler ranked Vermont sixth in the world on its "Index of Destination Stewardship," ahead of many of the world's best known destinations. This is due to Vermont's vast cultural heritage and cultural integrity, historic buildings and archaeological sites, and quality of management and outlook.

Six weeks ago Vermont was honored with a Destination Award from the World Travel and Tourism Council for Vermont downtowns, which are also *Preserve America* communities. One of the ways that Vermont distinguishes itself from other states is through its "sense of place." Vermont has developed an award-winning Downtown program that is a model for other states and now recognized internationally. The state has adopted so-called "smart growth" policies and legislation in order to manage and protect this traditional settlement pattern.

The dairy industry is dwindling and while some farms are being adapted to diversified or specialty farming, barns are falling into disrepair across the state. A barn census will give communities and the state baseline information on the number of barns and their condition. With this information, the Agency of Agriculture, Division of Historic Preservation, Department of Tourism and Marketing, and the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board will better be able to collaborate in supporting viable agriculture, the continued use of farm buildings, cultural heritage tourism and protection of prime agricultural land.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Bruce J. Hyde
Commissioner





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Hampton Tucker, Chief
Historic Preservation Grants Division

Dear Mr. Tucker,

The barn is an emblematic symbol of the Vermont landscape and the connection we have to our agricultural history and sense of tradition. Barns are the most visible feature of the Vermont landscape reflecting the rich farming heritage of the state and its working landscape.

Tourism has a significant economic impact on the state and agritourism is a rapidly expanding industry in Vermont. People travel from many areas of the nation and world to experience the unique cultural heritage and way of life Vermonters hold dear.

We fully support the Barn Census project initiated by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation. A statewide census of Vermont's barns is an important first step to plan for the conscientious preservation and rehabilitation of these historic resources.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anson Tebbetts".

Anson Tebbetts, Deputy Secretary
Vermont Agency of Agriculture



**Vermont
Housing &
Conservation
Board**

June 26, 2007

Hampton Tucker, Chief,
Historic Preservation Grants Division
Preserve America Grants
National Park Service
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Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Tucker:

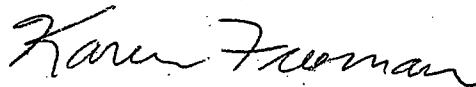
On behalf of the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board, I am writing to enthusiastically endorse the Division for Historic Preservation's *Preserve America* grant application for the Barn Census Project.

This first ever, systematic statewide barn inventory is critical to effectively preserving Vermont's historic agricultural resources. The Barn Census project will not only provide detailed, up-to-date information, but will involve community members, resulting in broad-based involvement and increased interest in barn preservation. This comprehensive statewide project will support the collaborative efforts of the Housing and Conservation Board, Agency of Agriculture, and the Departments of Historic Preservation, and Tourism and Marketing to support viable agriculture, the continued use of farm buildings, cultural heritage tourism and protection of prime agricultural land.

Agriculture is central to Vermont's economy, landscape, and rural character. Vermont's compact downtown areas surrounded by working farmland and historic farmsteads reflect the unique character of the state. Vermont's historic barns, as core features of most farms and agricultural communities, play an invaluable role in the delivery of a range of public policy objectives including economic development, improving the quality of life, creating a better and more sustainable environment, education, and cultural resource protection.

Historic farm buildings and agricultural fields underpin sustainable tourism and the promotion of the state's agricultural heritage, increasing the link between people and the landscape. Funds used through this project to develop census methodology and systems, train volunteers and establish baseline documentation will leverage efforts as part of a larger rural and agricultural heritage development initiative for the state.

Sincerely,



Karen Freeman
Director, Conservation Partnerships and Training
Vermont Housing and Conservation Board



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ACCD PROJECT APPROVAL FORM

Department: Housing & Community Affairs
Division: Historic Preservation
Making Request: Nancy Boone
Date: January 28, 2008

Describe briefly the project (if statutory please cite):

~~A statewide census of barns conducted by volunteers on several highly publicized census weekends. Volunteers will record basic information about the barns in their communities and send it along with photos into a central database, which will eventually be accessible on www.vermontvacation.com. We expect to record 5,000 barns, and the work will fulfill the Division's statutory obligation to inventory historic buildings.~~

ACCD Staff Involvement and Project Lead: Nancy Boone will manage the project, with help from Sue Jamele. The project budget includes funding for a .75 FTE coordinator, to be hired as a limited service employee for 1 ½ years.

Costs: \$314,000

Has your business manager been notified? yes

Sources of Funding: Preserve America Grant (federal)- \$150,000 awarded
Barn grant program (state)- \$40,000 requested for FY09/10
National Trust for Historic Preservation - \$10,000 application
Other foundation grants- \$20,000 application
In-kind from UVM, Preservation Education Institute, VHCB,
and Census volunteers - \$94,000

Space Required: 1 desk space

IT Requirements: Database server pending with UVM

Other Requirements: none

Sustainability: The data will eventually be added to the DHP historic structures database and accessible to the public on the web through that system

When will it begin? Spring 2008 **End?** Fall 2009 **Report Required?** yes

What is the Dept./Division/Agency's responsibility?

Oversee project and grant administration of grants received

Any other Department or Agency involved?

Support from Tourism and Marketing, Agency of Agriculture, VHCB

How does this serve the Agency Mission?

The Division preserves and protects, and assists the public in preserving and protecting, Vermont's historic and archeological resources. This volunteer Census will generate new interest and ideas for preserving barns, an icon of Vermont's history and landscape.

Can this project serve other Agencies Missions? The Agency of Agriculture is very interested in the results of the Census.

Supervisor's Approval: NEB for June lending Date: 1-31/08

Commissioner Approval: _____ Date: _____

Supervisor's approval must be received for all new initiatives or substantive changes in initiatives that will require more than 8 hours of an Agency staff member's time that is different than customary duties of the position. Additionally, commissioner approval must be received for any new project that will require more than 40 hours of an Agency staff member's time that is different than the customary duties of the position. This would include becoming a member of a new committee, writing and/or executing a grant program or initiating a new project. Involvement in VtShares or writing an EPA grant would be good examples. Once approved, a copy must be sent to the Deputy Secretary and a copy should be on file in the approving authority's files.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

October 17, 2007

Contact: David Mace (802) 828-5229

Vermont Nets Federal Grant To Inventory Barns

\$150,000 Preserve America Grant Will Help Barn Preservation Efforts

COLCHESTER – The Vermont Division for Historic Preservation has been awarded a \$150,000 federal grant to carry out the first state-wide inventory of Vermont's barns to further efforts to preserve them.

In a ceremony at the Farmhouse Center, which received a state barn preservation grant last winter, Governor Jim Douglas on Wednesday announced the Preserve America grant that will help fund the Vermont Barn Census.

“By involving Vermonters in a developing a state-wide inventory of our barns, we can help strengthen our efforts to preserve these iconic structures as part of our working landscape,” Governor Douglas said.

The project will recruit volunteers and students from Vermont's schools in all 251 towns to identify barns and other agricultural outbuildings in their communities during several weekends in the spring and fall of 2008, and the spring of 2009.

These volunteers will take photographs and notes in the field, and then submit the data to develop a web-based barn survey form that will be developed by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation.

Save Vermont Barns, a program of the Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association, will compile the information in a database that the public can access via the web to learn about barns in their community and across the state.

“We know that our state's rich agricultural heritage and working landscape draws visitors to Vermont,” Governor Douglas said. “And preserving barns is an important part of strengthening both our tourism and agricultural industries.”

The state's Barn Program grants, administered by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, provides owners of agricultural buildings with matching funding of up to \$10,000 for a variety of capital repairs.

Eligible projects include repairs to roofs, foundations, walls, sills and overall stabilization.

The owners of the Farmhouse Center initially considered demolishing their barn, which was built around 1845, but decided to restore it instead and received a \$10,000 state barn preservation grant last winter to help repair its sills and roof.

The Farmhouse Center now hosts several programs including creative adult job training education; horse training, therapeutic riding, and summer equestrian camps for children, including those with emotional and behavioral challenges.

“This historic setting really helps reinforce the Farmhouse Center’s focus on Vermont’s agricultural heritage and connection to the earth, and we’re pleased that the state will be taking stock of our historic barns with this grant to improve efforts to preserve them,” said Joan Powell, the center’s owner.

The grant comes from the federal Preserve America program, which is administered by the National Park Service and whose Honorary Chairwoman is First Lady Laura Bush.

The program recognizes the importance of historic resources in communities across the country. Eighteen towns in Vermont have been designated as special Preserve America Communities.

A kickoff conference for the Vermont Barn Census is planned for the spring of 2008, and a wrap-up celebration for the fall of 2009.

For more information, visit www.historicvermont.org/ or www.preserveamerica.gov/

VERMONT BARN CENSUS

A Project of the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, UVM Graduate Program in Historic Preservation, the Preservation Education Institute, Preservation Trust of Vermont, and Save Vermont Barns

How many barns are there in Vermont? What kind of condition are they in? Are we losing significant numbers each year? What can be done to preserve these icons of our history and landscape? The goal of the Vermont Barn Census is to carry out, for the first time, a state-wide census of Vermont's barns that will lay the foundation for further efforts to preserve them.

The project will recruit volunteers in all of Vermont's 251 towns to identify barns and other agricultural outbuildings in their communities. The project will develop a web-based barn form that volunteers will use to record basic information about the barns as well as a photo. The Division and the University of Vermont will receive the forms via the internet and compile them in a GIS (Geographic Information System) mapping database. People will be able to access the database on the web and use it to learn about barns in their community and across the state.

The Barn Census will occur mainly over several highly publicized weekends in the summer and fall of 2008 and spring and fall of 2009. Students from elementary to high school will be welcomed to participate. Volunteers will take a photo and some notes about barn features, history, use and condition in the field, and then submit the data over the web. Local coordinators will help organize and support teams of volunteers who will be recognizable by their Barn Census logo T-shirts. People can survey one barn or many. A kickoff conference will be held in the spring of 2008, and a wrap-up celebration in the fall of 2009. Following the announcement of the Preserve America grant for the project, we have already heard from hundreds of people who want to participate.

The project is the initiative of a group of partners concerned with the disappearance of Vermont's agricultural heritage: Vermont Division for Historic Preservation; Preservation Trust of Vermont; Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association; UVM Graduate Program in Historic Preservation; the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board; and the Preservation Education Institute. We expect to identify over 5,000 barns in the Barn Census.

We are starting a mailing list and will keep you informed. Please e-mail debra.sayers@state.vt.us to get on the mailing list for the Vermont Barn Census. You can also check the Division for Historic Preservation's website at www.historicvermont.org and the Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association website at www.savevermontbarns.org.



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Grant Application

Grants from the Johanna Favrot Fund for Historic Preservation are available to public agencies and nonprofit organizations. Individuals and for-profit businesses may apply only if the project for which funding is requested involves a National Historic Landmark.

Applications should be prepared after reading the grant eligibility requirements, guidelines and criteria, and after consulting with the National Trust regional office serving your state.

Enter information or "not applicable" in the space provided for a response. Please limit your response to the space provided.

Incomplete, faxed, or handwritten applications will not be considered. Applications cannot be submitted electronically. Refer to the CHECKLIST on the last page for a complete list of required application materials.

Completed applications must be postmarked by **February 1.**

APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. Name of Applicant: Vermont Division for Historic Preservation

Address: National Life Building, 2nd floor

City: Montpelier

State: VT

Zip: 05620-0201

E-Mail Address: nancy.boone@state.vt.us

Telephone: 802-828-3045

Fax: 802-828-3206

Website: www.historicvermont.org

2. Contact (individual responsible for project):

Name: Nancy E. Boone

Title: Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

Address: National Life Building, 2nd floor

City: Montpelier

State: VT

Zip: 05620-0201

E-Mail Address: nancy.boone@state.vt.us

Daytime Telephone: 802-828-3045

Fax: 802-828-3206

3. Applicant's National Trust Forum membership number: 072029465

PLEASE NOTE: Membership in National Trust Forum is required in order to receive a grant.

4. The applicant is: a nonprofit organization a public agency
 a for-profit business an individual

If the applicant is a nonprofit, has the organization been classified as a tax-exempt organization pursuant to Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code?

YES NO If no, what is the organization's current tax status? _____

5. Organization's mission statement (if the applicant is a business, state the nature of the business).

The Division for Historic Preservation is a public agency which fosters community development in Vermont through preservation of the heritage of the building environment. The Division preserves and protects, and assists the public in preserving and protecting, Vermont's historic and archeological resources.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Project refers to the specific activity for which National Trust funding is being requested, e.g., feasibility study, workshop, fundraising plan.

6. Name of Project: Barn Census

7. Date(s) project will occur: Spring 2008 to Fall 2009

8. Project Location:

City: Statewide

County: _____

State: _____

City's Population: _____

9. Project Summary (50 words or less).

The Barn Census is a statewide census of barns conducted by volunteers in a model public effort akin to bird census activities. The Census will result in a greater understanding of the number and types of barns existing in Vermont, as well as a determination of current physical conditions. It will create heightened awareness of these threatened historic resources and will inspire creative solutions for barn preservation. This grant would fund the project's web interface.

10. If the project involves a historic resource (site, building, ship, etc.), please complete the following:

Name of site/historic district: N/A

Street Address(es) of site(s): _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Date(s) of construction: _____

Building Style: _____

Architect/Builder (if known): _____

Is the project site recognized for its architectural/cultural/historical significance by any of the designation programs listed below? Check "eligible" if the site has not been designated, but has been determined eligible for designation by your state historic preservation office.

	Yes	No	Eligible	Year Listed
National Historic Landmark	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Individually Listed in National Register of Historic Places	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Contributing Property to National Register Historic District	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
State Designation Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Local Designation Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

11. If applicant does not own the property, describe the owner's involvement with the project and include a letter of consent from the owner.

N/A

12. Describe the project site and discuss the significance of the building and its interior (architectural/cultural/historical).

The historic resources that will be affected by this project are the historic barns and other agricultural outbuildings of Vermont. Barns evolved in form and design, each a representation of its own time, technology, and the ever changing markets which farmers sought to tap - first local diversified trade, then sheep farming for the wool market, stock breeding, and finally dairying for butter, cheese and fluid milk. Barns became larger and more specialized, from the 30x40 gabled English barns to Bank Barns with a hay/stock/manure floor hierarchy, to gambrel-roofed ground stable barns with washable concrete floors and sanitary milk houses. Auxiliary buildings provided dedicated space for storage of grains and cow fodder, smoking of meats, stables for horses, shelter for chicken, pig, and mink production, carpentry and blacksmith shops, milking parlors and equipment sheds.

13. Describe the site's current use.

With only about 1,000 working farms left in Vermont, the vast majority of the state's barns no longer have an agricultural purpose. They often are only minimally used, and therefore in danger of being lost. With Vermont's history being inexorably linked with agricultural practices, barns survive today as both a firm connection to our cultural heritage, and as an integral part of our working landscape. As visitors and residents alike can attest, there is perhaps no greater symbol of what is quintessentially "Vermont", than the barn. The state's agricultural corridors create visual and cultural links between well-kept historic downtowns and pristine natural environments, and are vital to our understanding of each.

14. Detailed Project Description. Describe the project's purpose, schedule, and anticipated outcomes. Describe any products that will result from this project (publications, architectural drawings, etc):

How many barns are there in Vermont? What kind of condition are they in? Are we losing significant numbers each year? What can be done to preserve these icons of our history and landscape? ~~The goal of the Vermont Barn Census is to carry out, for the first time, a state-wide census of Vermont's barns that will lay the foundation for further efforts to preserve them. The Favrot Fund grant request would fund a key part of the project - development of the web interface that will receive information about the barns, serve it up to the public on the web, and showcase information and ideas about barn preservation.~~

The project will recruit volunteers in all of Vermont's 251 towns to identify barns and other agricultural outbuildings in their communities. The project will develop a web-based barn form that volunteers will use to record basic information about the barns as well as a photo. The Division and the University of Vermont will receive the forms via the internet and compile them in a GIS (Geographic Information System) mapping database. People will be able to access the database on the web and use it to learn about barns in their community and across the state.

The Barn Census will occur mainly over several highly publicized weekends in the spring and fall of 2008 and 2009. Students from elementary to high school will be welcomed to participate. Volunteers will take a photo and some notes about barn features, history, use and condition in the field, and then submit the data over the web. Local coordinators will help organize and support teams of volunteers who will be recognizable by their Barn Census logo T-shirts. People can survey one barn or many. A kickoff conference will be held in the spring of 2008, ~~and a wrap-up celebration in the fall of 2009.~~ Following the announcement of the Preserve America grant for the project, we have already heard from hundreds of people who want to participate.

The project is the initiative of a group of partners concerned with the disappearance of Vermont's agricultural heritage: Vermont Division for Historic Preservation; Preservation Trust of Vermont; Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association; UVM Graduate Program in Historic Preservation; the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board; and the Preservation Education Institute. We expect to identify over 5,000 barns in the Barn Census.

PLEASE NOTE: Any documents or plans for restoration work that result from this project must comply with the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties*. If it is anticipated that the proposed project will not meet the Standards, please explain.

15. Explain how the proposed project will contribute to the preservation or recapture of an authentic sense of place.

The Barn census will involve people in looking at, thinking about, and talking about rural heritage in their communities and the buildings that exemplify that heritage and define Vermont's special sense of place. We expect that this intense focus will lead to more creative ideas about how to use agricultural buildings that no longer serve an agricultural purpose. And we expect that the communities' desire and commitment to preserve them will rise through this intense interaction with local heritage, adding determination to good ideas.

16. Describe future plans for the project beyond the scope of this grant proposal (e.g., how consultant recommendations will be implemented, how education programs will be institutionalized, how publications will be distributed, etc.).

The Barn Census website will showcase preservation ideas and case studies for barns and other agricultural outbuildings, as they develop, to inform and inspire others.

Tourism is the second largest sector of the Vermont economy. This project will enhance understanding and appreciation of the state's agricultural heritage. With the goal of expanding barn preservation efforts as one of the anticipated outcomes of this project, there will be opportunities to highlight these important buildings. As tourists travel around the state they will have the chance, through such things as thematic itineraries, barn tours, interpretive sites or simply through visual exploration, to better understand the history of the place they are visiting.

17. Have any of the following partners been involved in this project?

- State historic preservation office (SHPO), local preservation commission or CLG
- Statewide or local preservation organization
- National Trust regional office
- Other cosponsoring/cooperating organizations

If any of these partners have been involved, please identify the contact person with whom you worked on the project and describe the partner's involvement.

PARTNER	CONTRIBUTION
• Preservation Trust of Vermont-	Organizational support and publicizing, Ann Cousins, Eric Gilbertson, Paul Bruhn
• Preservation Education Institute-	Host barn conference and provide workshops, Executive Director Judy Havward

18. Describe the applicant's ability and commitment to carry out the proposed plans or activity if assistance is awarded.

The applicant is the State Historic Preservation Office, a state agency, with very capable and experienced staff. The Barn Census is one of the Division's top priority initiatives for 2008 and 2009. The Division for Historic Preservation has the oldest barn preservation grant program in the country.

19. Describe the consultant services and skills needed to carry out the project.

Consultant services needed for this project require skills in web development and implementation in a cultural resources context, and Geographic Information System (GIS) databases and mapping.

20. Has consultant(s) been chosen?

- Yes (please provide the consultant's name and contact information below, and attach his or her resume)
 No (please discuss with the National Trust regional office)

Several consultants with expertise in web development and implementation in the cultural resources context have been identified as possible consultants for this project.

PLEASE NOTE: Grant funds will not be disbursed until the National Trust has approved the qualifications of the personnel selected to conduct the project. Favrot Fund grants cannot be used to pay staff salaries. Board members of the application organization cannot serve as consultants unless appropriate conflict of interest procedures are followed and documented. If consultant services exceed \$25,000, a competitive bid process is required if National Trust funding is received.

21. Has the applicant received National Trust financial assistance in the last two years? Yes No
If yes, provide the name of the project and the year the grant was awarded.

PLEASE NOTE: Applicants are not eligible to receive funding if final reports on previous grants have not been submitted. No more than three grants will be awarded in any two-year period to a single grantee. Only one grant will be awarded per organization in any grant round. Only one grant will be awarded for a particular project phase.

22. How will support for the project from the Favrot Fund and the National Trust be acknowledged?

We would acknowledge support from the Favrot Fund in all press releases, on the Barn Census website itself, on the Division's website, at conferences, and every other opportunity we could find.

PROJECT BUDGET

The project budget pertains to the proposed Favrot Fund grant-funded activity only. Please be sure the budget balances – the total income amount must equal the total expense amount.

Grants from the Favrot Fund must be matched on at least a 1:1 cash basis. Attach evidence of anticipated or confirmed sources of funding and other support. Staff time, overhead costs and donated services or materials cannot be used as a match. Matching funds must come from non-National Trust sources.

With the exception of publication projects, materials and services (such as printing, photographs, telephone and supplies) costs may not exceed 10 percent of the budget of the grant-funded portion of the project.

INCOME

Project income should equal or exceed the project expenses.

Favrot Fund grant (amount requested from the National Trust) \$10,000

Matching funds (identify sources and note if funding is anticipated or secured)

Preserve America (secured) \$74,000

*total grant awarded \$150,000 \$ _____

_____ \$ _____
 _____ \$ _____
 _____ \$ _____

Total Project Income: \$84,000

EXPENSES

Sample categories have been provided. Please use "other" spaces to add categories relevant to your project.

Consultant fee/honorarium \$84,000

Travel/per diem \$ _____

Printing costs \$ _____

Photography costs \$ _____

Mailing and postage \$ _____

Supplies \$ _____

Other (specify): _____

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

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_____ \$ _____

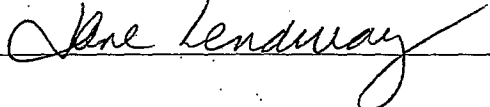
Total Project Expenses: \$84,000

CERTIFICATION

Acting as a duly authorized representative of the applicant, I am submitting this request for a grant from the Johanna Favrot Fund for Historic Preservation.

Name: Jane Lendway

Title: State Historic Preservation Officer

Signature: 

Date: February 1, 2008

CHECKLIST

- Please read the application form carefully and contact your National Trust regional office for clarification.
- Requested information or "not applicable" should be entered in the space provided.
- Incomplete, faxed or handwritten applications will not be considered.
- Materials submitted will not be returned.
- Please do not use plastic covers or binders; assemble applications and attachments in a manila folder or clip.
- Submission of videos and oversized documents is discouraged.
- Please keep attachments to a minimum.

The following materials must be submitted in order for your application to be considered:

- Two (2) signed copies of the completed application
- Four (4) different digital images at a minimum of 300 dpi, identified by project name and location and dated. Photos must include at least one overall exterior view of the property. Please include photo credit information.
- Two (2) different 4" x 6" or larger photographic prints of the project site identified by project name and location and dated. Please include photo credit information.
- Applicant's articles of incorporation (nonprofit organizations)
- A list of applicant's current board of directors (nonprofit organizations)
- Applicant's Internal Revenue Service determination letter of tax-exempt status. If tax-exempt status has not been fully approved by the IRS, please provide evidence of filing for certification and letter of opinion from an attorney concerning the applicant's tax status (nonprofit organizations)
- Documentation that the applicant is part of a state, regional, county or local government (public agencies)
- Resume(s) of consultant(s) being considered for the project
- Resume(s) of personnel administering the project
- Evidence of secured or pending matching funds
- Up to three letters of endorsement
- Letter of consent from property owner (if the applicant does not own the property)

Mail the completed application and attachments to the National Trust regional office serving your state. A list of National Trust regional offices appears at the front of this document, and can also be found at http://www.nationaltrust.org/regional_offices/index.html or by calling 202-588-6197. The review process is usually completed within three months of the deadline and applicants are notified in writing.



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The Division for Historic Preservation is a state government agency, and is part of the Department of Housing and Community Affairs, in the Agency of Commerce and Community Development.



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EMPLOYMENT

State Architectural Historian / Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Agency of Commerce and Community Development, State of Vermont. October 2007 to present.

Serve as Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer. Public policy on historic preservation issues. Liaison with other government agencies and private and non-profit organizations. Special projects. Public presentations. ~~Conferences and workshops.~~ Grants. Publications.

State Architectural Historian, Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Agency of Commerce and Community Development, State of Vermont. 1997 to 2007.

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Director, The Courthouse Project, Vermont Judicial History Society, Montpelier, Vermont. 1998 to 2003.

Development of traveling exhibit on the history and architecture of Vermont's 15 county courthouses, and individual exhibits about each one. Research, writing, design. Production of public events, dramatizations of historic trials, lectures, etc. in conjunction with county exhibits.

Architecture Section Chief, Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Agency of Commerce and Community Development, State of Vermont. 1980 to 1997.

Management of State Historic Preservation Office programs related to historic buildings, districts and communities: Rehabilitation Investment Tax Credits; Act 250 and federal project review; Historic Preservation and Barn Grants; Planning; Technical Assistance; National

Register of Historic Places; and, Survey and Publications. Personnel administration . Budgeting and reporting. Grants.

Adjunct Professor, University of Vermont, Graduate Program in Historic Preservation.
Historic Preservation Contemporary Practice, Spring 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 2001, 2002.

Senior Field Architectural Historian, Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, Agency of Development and Community Affairs, State of Vermont. November 1979 to November 1980.

Historic Architecture Surveyor, Valley Regional Planning Agency, Derby, Connecticut.
Summer 1978.

Preservation Intern, New York Landmarks Conservancy, New York City. September 1977 to May 1978.

Grants person, Midtown East Citizens' Association, Green Bay, Wisconsin. March 1977 to August 1977.

Community Liaison, Vermont Bicentennial Commission, Bennington. Summer 1974.

Other Work Experience: waitress, clerk, assembly-line operator, swimming instructor.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Developer of vacant historic building in Bethel, Vermont for 5 units of affordable housing. Design, specifications, bidding, financing, management. Project won Preservation Trust of Vermont Honor Award, 1991.

Property Manager of 6 rental units.

Planning Commissioner, City of Montpelier, Vermont, 1992 to 1997.

Member, Vermont Access Board, June 1996 - present.

Executive Board, Leetes Island Community Association, Guilford, Connecticut, 1999 - 2003.

EDUCATION

Columbia University Graduate School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation, Master of Science degree in Historic Preservation, October 1980.

Preservation planning focus with coursework in community preservation, building construction and technology, architectural history, conservation of building materials, real estate development.

and finance, publication production. Thesis: A Preservation Plan for the Quinnipiac River Historic District, New Haven, Connecticut.

University of Wisconsin - Green Bay, Bachelor of Arts degree in Humanism and Cultural Change. May 1975. Summa Cum Laude.

Senior Honors Thesis: A Preservation Plan for Main Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin.
Minor concentration in Environmental Sciences.

Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont. September 1971 to May 1973.

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Boone, Nancy E. and Sherman, Michael, "Designed to Cure: Civil War Hospitals in Vermont", Vermont History, Vol. 69, Nos. 1 and 2, Vermont Historical Society, Winter/Spring 2001, pp. 173-200.

Boone, Nancy E. et al, Locating Telecommunications Towers in Historic Buildings, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Washington, D.C., 2000.

AWARDS

Montpelier (VT) Heritage Group Lifetime Achievement Award, 2004
Environmental Excellence Award for Excellence in Environmental Streamlining, Federal Highway Administration, 2003
Preservation Trust of Vermont Honor Award, 1991

MEMBERSHIPS

National Trust for Historic Preservation
Vermont Historical Society
Montpelier Heritage Group
Shelburne Museum

PERSONAL

Born April 9, 1953.

References available upon request.



STATE OF VERMONT
JOINT FISCAL OFFICE

MEMORANDUM

To: James Reardon, Commissioner of Finance & Management
From: Nathan Lavery, Fiscal Analyst
Date: June 4, 2008
Subject: JFO #2325

No Joint Fiscal Committee member has requested that the following item be held for review:

JFO #2325 — \$150,000 grant from the National Park Service to the Department of Housing and Community Affairs - Division for Historic Preservation. These grant funds will be used for the Barns Census Project which involves identifying and documenting 5,000 historic barns and outbuildings throughout the state. Information on the barns will be put into a central GIS database and will be available to the public through the internet.

[JFO received 05/05/08]

In accordance with 32 V.S.A. §5, the requisite 30 days having elapsed since this item was submitted to the Joint Fiscal Committee, the Governor's approval may now be considered final. We ask that you inform the Secretary of Administration and your staff of this action.

cc: Linda Morse, Administrative Assistant
Kevin Dorn, Secretary
John Hall, Commissioner

Here is the signature page from the
signed grant agreement +
The Barn Census
project. Thank you.



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United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Preserve America Grant Agreement No. 50-07-PA-3074

Upon signature of both parties below, the National Park Service (NPS) will have obligated with this Grant Agreement the amount of **\$150,000.00** appropriated from the Historic Preservation Fund for the Preserve America Grant Program by Public Law 110-5, which provides Fiscal Year 2007 appropriations to the Department of the Interior. The term of this grant agreement is:

Beginning Date: November 1, 2007


Ending Date: October 31, 2009

In accepting this grant for the project entitled "Barn Census Project," evidenced by signature below, the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, agrees to comply with Department of the Interior regulations and requirements governing Federal grants stipulated in Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-102 (Administrative Requirements for Grants to State and Local Governments; see 43 CFR 12.42-12.92); Circular A-87 (Cost Principles for Grants to State and Local Governments); and Circular A-133 (Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations). These requirements are hereby incorporated by reference into this grant agreement. In accordance with 18 U.S.C. 1913, none of these funds may be used for lobbying purposes as defined in the special conditions contained on the following pages. These special conditions are also hereby incorporated into this grant award. The terms and conditions of this grant award shall be extended to subrecipients and subcontractors.

In witness thereof, the parties have executed this grant agreement as of the date entered below:

**VERMONT DIVISION FOR HISTORIC
PRESERVATION**

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE



Authorized Signature



Chief, Historic Preservation Grants Division

1/31/08

Date signed

3/7/08

Date signed

Attachments:

- SF 424 Application for Federal Assistance
- Budget Changes/Special Grant Conditions



STATE OF VERMONT
JOINT FISCAL OFFICE

MEMORANDUM

To: Representative Helen Head

From: Nathan Lavery

Date: May 7, 2008

Subject: JFO #2325 (Barn Census Project grant)

Representatives Michael Obuchowski and Shap Smith asked that I forward to you a copy of the enclosed request and cover memo. They are requesting you provide them with your observations regarding the enclosed item.

cc: Rep. Michael Obuchowski
Rep. Shap Smith
Stephen Klein



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To: Joint Fiscal Committee Members

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The Joint Fiscal Office has reviewed this submission and determined that all appropriate forms bearing the necessary approvals are in order.

In accordance with the procedures for processing such requests, we ask you to review the enclosed and notify the Joint Fiscal Office (Nathan Lavery at 802/828-1488; nlavery@leg.state.vt.us or Stephen Klein at 802/828-5769; sklein@leg.state.vt.us) if you have questions or would like this item held for legislative review. Unless we hear from you to the contrary by May 22 we will assume that you agree to consider as final the Governor's acceptance of this request.

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STATE OF VERMONT
GRANT ACCEPTANCE FORM

GRANT SUMMARY: This grant from the National Park Service to Department of Housing and Community Affairs-Division for Historic Preservation is for the Barns Census Project which involves documenting 5000 barns throughout the state. Photos and information on the barns will be put into a central GIS database and will be available to the public through the internet.

TITLE: Preserve America Grant- Barns Census project

FEDERAL CATALOG No.: 15-929

GRANTOR / DONOR: National Park Service
Historic Preservation Grants Division
1201 I(eye) Street NW
6th Floor ((org. Code 2256)
Washington DC 20005

DATE: 4/21/08

DEPARTMENT: Housing and Community Affairs

GRANT / DONATION: This project will involve recruiting volunteers across the state from school children through adults to identify and document historic barns and outbuildings. There will be a GIS mapping data base created which will be accessible to the public on the web.

AMOUNT / VALUE: \$150,000.00

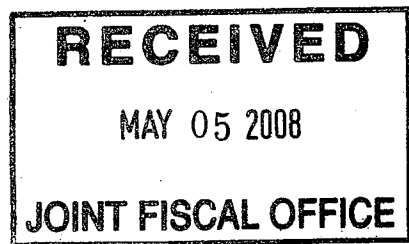
POSITIONS REQUESTED: None

GRANT PERIOD: 11/01/07 to 10/31/09

COMMENTS: The grant award material and explanatory information on two alternatives for how DHCA will raise the required match.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT:
SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION
SENT TO JOINT FISCAL OFFICE:

JK (INITIAL) Szy 4/23/08
(INITIAL) RPM 4/23/08
DATE: 4/30/08



**STATE OF VERMONT
REQUEST FOR GRANT ACCEPTANCE
(use additional sheets as needed)**

FORM AA-1
(Rev. 9-90)

1. **Agency:** Commerce and Community Development
 2. **Department:** Housing and Community Affairs - Division for Historic Preservation
 3. **Program:** Barn Census Project
 4. **Legal Title of Grant:** Preserve America
 5. **Federal Catalog No.:** 15-929
 6. **Grantor and Office Address:**

National Park Service
 Historic Preservation Grants Division
 1201 I (Eye) Street, NW
 6th Floor (Org. Code 2256)
 Washington, D.C. 20005

7. **Grant Period:** From: 11/1/2007 To: 10/31/2009

8. **Purpose of Grant:** (attach additional sheets if needed)
 The project will recruit volunteers across Vermont to identify historic barns and other agricultural outbuildings in their communities. It will develop a web-based barn form that volunteers will use to record basic information about the barns as well as a photo. The Division and the University of Vermont will receive the forms via the internet and compile them in a GIS (Geographic Information System) mapping database. People will be able to access the database on the web, including at www.vermontvacation.com, and use it to learn about barns in their community and across the state.

9. **Impact on Existing Programs if Grant is not Accepted:**
 Continued lack of readily available and current information on historic barns and other agricultural outbuildings, icons of Vermont's rural landscape. Missed opportunities for creative ideas for enhancing barn preservation in Vermont. Missed opportunities for heritage tourism in rural parts of the state.

10. Budget Information:	(1st State FY) FY 2008	(2nd State FY) FY 2009	(3rd State FY) FY 2010
EXPENDITURES:			
Personal Services	\$ 37,000.00	\$ 186,700.00	\$ 54,500.00
Operating Expenses	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 23,300.00	\$ 3,000.00
Grants	\$	\$	\$
TOTAL	\$ 52,000.00	\$ 210,000.00	\$ 57,500.00
REVENUES:			
<u>State Funds:</u>			
Cash *	\$	\$	\$
In-Kind (Agency grant administration)	\$ 2,000.00	\$	\$
<u>Federal Funds:</u>			
(Direct Costs)	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 24,000.00
(Statewide Indirect)	\$	\$	\$
(Department Indirect)	\$	\$	\$
<u>Other Funds:</u>			
(source) Grants *	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 18,500.00
In-kind	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
	\$ 52,000.00	\$ 210,000.00	\$ 57,500.00

*If \$40,000 is approved by Legislature, Grants line will decrease \$40k and State Funds Cash line will increase by \$40k. No net change.

Appropriation Nos.	Amounts
	\$
	\$
	\$

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11. Will grant monies be spent by one or more personal service contracts?

YES NO

If YES, signature of appointing authority here indicates intent to follow current guidelines on bidding.

X

Ken Horn

12a. Please list any requested Limited Service positions:

Titles	Number of Positions
	0
TOTAL Positions	

12b. Equipment and space for these positions:

- Is presently available.
- Can be obtained with available funds.

13. Signature of Appointing Authority

I certify that no funds have been expended or committed in anticipation of Joint Fiscal Committee approval of this grant.

Ken Horn *4/16/08*
 (Signature) (Date)

SECRETARY, ACWD
 (Title)

14. Action by Governor:

- Approved
- Rejected

[Signature] *4/30/08*
 (Signature) (Date)

15. Secretary of Administration:

- Request to JFO
- Information to JFO

Ronda P McCloud *4/23/08*
 (Signature) (Date)

16. Action by Joint Fiscal Committee:

(Dates)

- Request to be placed on JFC agenda
- Approved (not placed on agenda in 30 days)
- Approved by JFC
- Rejected by JFC
- Approved by Legislature

 (Signature) (Date)

Barn Census Project**Notes on Form AA-1 Budget Information- Expenditures and Revenues****Expenditures**

Personal Services:	Consultants Fees	\$203,200
	Volunteers	75,000
Operating Expenses	Travel	16,800
	Office Supplies	2,000
	Equipment	14,000
	Other	8,500
		<u>\$319,500</u>

Revenues**Plan A (If Legislature approves use of \$40,000 of recaptured Barn Grant funds for Barn Census)**

State Funds	Cash	\$40,000
	(Recaptured funds)	
	In-kind	2,000
	(Grant administration)	
Federal funds	Preserve America Grant	150,000
Other Funds	Grants	48,500
	In-kind	79,000
	(Volunteers, Reprinting booklet, Preservation Education Institute)	
		<u>\$319,500</u>

Plan B (If use of \$40,000 in recaptured Barn Grant funds is not approved, and instead, the \$40,000 is raised through grants - as shown in submitted AA-1 Budget)

State Funds	Cash	\$ 0
	In-kind	2,000
	(Grant administration)	
Federal funds	Preserve America Grant	150,000
Other Funds	Grants	88,500
	In-kind	79,000
	(Volunteers, Reprinting booklet, Preservation Education Institute)	
		<u>\$319,500</u>

STATE OF VERMONT
Department of Finance and Management
MEMO

TO: Mike Smith, Secretary of Administration and Jim Reardon, Commissioner of Finance and Management
FROM: Toni Hartrich, Budget and Management Analyst
DATE: 4/23/08
SUBJECT: Grant Acceptance Request from the Department of Housing and Community Affairs

Enclosed is the Department of Housing and Community Affairs request for acceptance of a grant of \$150,000.00 from the National Park Service for Barns Census Project. This project includes in-kind support from the state of \$2,000, either a match of \$40,000 from recaptured State Barns grants (if the legislature approves this use of these funds in the Capital Bill) or an increase in other grants match of \$40,000, (if the recaptured barn grants funds are not in the final capital bill) local in-kind of \$79,000 and an additional \$48,500 in other grants for a total of \$169,500 in local and state match. There are no limited service positions related to this grant. There will be personal service contracts related to this grant.

I am recommending approval of this grant request.

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*Agency of Commerce &
Community Development*

MEMO

TO: Michael Smith, Secretary of Administration

FROM: Julie Kelliher, Department Counsel, Department of Housing and Community Affairs

DATE: April 15, 2008

RE: Grant Acceptance Request for Barn Census Project

Attached please find a Request for Grant Acceptance Form AA-1 from the Division for Historic Preservation for the Barn Census Project. The Division received a \$150,000 grant for the project from the National Park Service through the Preserve America program. The Barn Census is a statewide inventory of historic barns that will be carried out by community volunteers who will send information and photographs of the barns into a central GIS (Geographic Information System) database via the internet. The information and photos will be available to the public through the Division's Historic Sites and Structures database and through the state's tourism website, www.vermontvacation.com. The Census is expected to generate new interest and ideas for preserving barns, an icon of Vermont's history and landscape. We expect to identify 5000 barns across the entire state.

Included with the AA-1 form are copies of some background materials that give more detail on the project:

- Notes on the AA-1 Budget
- The Division's Preserve America grant application for the project
- The ACCD Project Approval Form for the Barn Census project
- The National Park Service grant contract for the project with required supplemental forms
- A one-page handout summarizing the Barn Census
- A pending matching grant application to the National Trust for Historic Preservation
- The media release from the Governor's press conference announcing the project

The Preserve America grant requires a 50% matching share, cash and in-kind, that will be developed over the course of the project. The largest segment of the required match will come from the donated time of the Barn Census volunteers. Already several hundred people have expressed interest in



participating, and that's before we have started recruitment efforts. In the 2009 Capital Budget, the Administration requested approval to spend \$40,000 of recaptured funds from the Division's Barn Grant program for the Barn Census Project. The Capital bill is still in the Legislature and it is not yet clear if this expenditure will be allowed. If it is not, additional fundraising will fill the gap in cash match. A \$10,000 grant to the National Trust for Historic Preservation is pending. (This grant request, which was encouraged by the Trust, is twice the \$5,000 identified in the original project budget.) We are working on financial partnerships with several large agriculture-related businesses. And we are applying to foundations for additional grants. To respect the 50/50 match terms of the grant agreement, we plan to draw the federal money only at the rate at which the match is developed and in-hand.

In addition, project costs may be reduced below the original estimate due to a change in the Division's database partner for the project. We are now planning to partner with the University of Vermont Graduate Program in Historic Preservation to host the database and website, with student assistance, which will reduce costs and provide a rich educational experience for the students. The Program's Director, Tom Visser, is a recognized expert on barns.

The value of the in-kind volunteer match is also expected to increase above the budgeted \$75,000. The original estimate was based on the Vermont minimum wage which has increased since the time of the grant. We are also working on mechanisms for documenting a higher value for volunteer time donated by people with expertise related to the project.

Please note that while the ACCD Approval Form notes that the Survey Director would be hired as a limited service employee, we now plan to secure those services through contract, as originally outlined in the grant application. No new state positions will be created in this project.

The changes in funding and database partner have delayed the launch of the Barn Census, but we hope to begin the project in May, pending approvals in the Grant Acceptance process. The Division is receiving many inquiries from people who are eager to get the Census underway, and we would especially like to begin training for volunteers before schools recess for the summer. Please contact me at 828-5245 or Nancy Boone at 828-3045 if we can answer any questions or provide additional information.

Thank you very much for your assistance.



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Agency of Commerce &
Community Development

March 5, 2008

Hampton Tucker
Historic Preservation Grants Division
National Park Service
1201 I (Eye) Street, NW
6th Floor (Org. Code 2256)
Washington, D. C. 20005

Re: Grant Agreement for Barn Census Project No. 50-07-PA-3074

Dear Mr. Tucker:

Enclosed please find two signed copies of the Grant Agreement for the Barn Census project, a completed SF-424 Application for Federal Assistance, a completed SF-424B Non-Construction Assurances form, and a completed DI-2010 Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters, Drug-Free Workplace Requirements and Lobbying form.

The person in our office who is responsible for drawing funds in Smart-Link for both the Barn Census project and the previously awarded Digital Downtowns project is Lucie MacAskill. Her phone number is 802-828-5213, e-mail address lucie.macaskill@state.vt.us, and mailing address, Department of Housing and Community Affairs, National Life Building, 6th floor, Montpelier, VT 05620-0201. We access Smart-Link now for other National Park Service projects and wonder if you need another 1199 form to initiate Smart-Link access for these projects. If so, please let us know and we will provide it.

The public response to announcement of the Barn Census project has been enthusiastic and we are busily preparing to begin the project. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nancy E. Boone".

Nancy E. Boone
State Architectural Historian / Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

Enclosures



Standard Form SF 424 Application for Federal Assistance

OMB Approval No. 0348-0043

APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE (SF 424)		2. DATE SUBMITTED	Applicant Identifier
1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION: <input type="checkbox"/> Application <input type="checkbox"/> Construction <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction		3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE	State Application Identifier SAI Exempt
		4. Date received by Fed. Agency	Federal Identifier 27-07-PA-3074

5. APPLICANT INFORMATION		Organizational Unit:	
Vermont Division for Historic Preservation		Contact:	
Address National Life Building, Floor 2 National Life Drive Montpelier, VT 05620-1202		Nancy E. Boone, State Architectural Historian (802) 828-3045 e-mail: nancy.boone@state.vt.us	
6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN): 036000247	7. TYPE OF APPLICANT: (enter appropriate letter): <u>A</u> A. State H. Independent School Dist. B. County I. State Controlled Institution of Higher Learning C. Municipal J. Private University D. Township K. Indian Tribe E. Interstate L. Individual F. Intermunicipal M. Profit Organization G. Special District N. Other (Specify) <u>Non-Profit</u>		
DUNS NUMBER 135459159			
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision	9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY: National Park Service		
10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER: <u>1 5 - 9 2 9</u> TITLE: Save America's Treasures	11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT: 2007 Preserve America Grant Barn Census Project		
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (cities, counties, states, etc.)			

13. PROPOSED PROJECT:		CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF: <u>Vermont 01</u>	
Start Date 11/1/2007	Ending Date 10/31/2009	Applicant <u>Vermont 01</u>	Project <u>Vermont 01</u>

15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:		16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?	
a. Federal	\$ 150,000	a. YES. THIS PREAPPLICATION/APPLICATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS FOR REVIEW ON: _____ DATE b. NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PROGRAM IS NOT COVERED BY E.O. 12372 OR PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED BY STATE FOR REVIEW	
b. Applicant	\$ 169,500		
c. State	\$		
d. Local	\$		
e. Other	\$		
f. Program Income			
g. TOTAL	319,500	17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes If "Yes" attach an explanation. <input type="checkbox"/> No	

To the best of my knowledge and belief, all data in this application/preapplication are true and correct, the document has been duly authorized by the governing body of the applicant and the applicant will comply with the attached assurances if the assistance is awarded.

a. Typed Name of Authorized Representative Jane Lendway	b. Title State Historic Preservation Officer	c. Telephone 802-828-3042
d. Signature of Authorized Representative 		e. Date Signed 03/05/08



United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

1849 C Street, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Preserve America Grant Agreement No. 50-07-PA-3074

Upon signature of both parties below, the National Park Service (NPS) will have obligated with this Grant Agreement the amount of \$150,000.00 appropriated from the Historic Preservation Fund for the Preserve America Grant Program by Public Law 110-5, which provides Fiscal Year 2007 appropriations to the Department of the Interior. The term of this grant agreement is:

Beginning Date: November 1, 2007

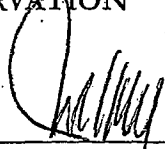
Ending Date: October 31, 2009

In accepting this grant for the project entitled "Barn Census Project," evidenced by signature below, the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, agrees to comply with Department of the Interior regulations and requirements governing Federal grants stipulated in Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-102 (Administrative Requirements for Grants to State and Local Governments; see 43 CFR 12.42-12.92); Circular A-87 (Cost Principles for Grants to State and Local Governments); and Circular A-133 (Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations). These requirements are hereby incorporated by reference into this grant agreement. In accordance with 18 U.S.C. 1913, none of these funds may be used for lobbying purposes as defined in the special conditions contained on the following pages. These special conditions are also hereby incorporated into this grant award. The terms and conditions of this grant award shall be extended to subrecipients and subcontractors.

In witness thereof, the parties have executed this grant agreement as of the date entered below:

VERMONT DIVISION FOR HISTORIC
PRESERVATION

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE



Authorized Signature

Chief, Historic Preservation Grants Division

11/31/08

Date signed

Date signed

Attachments:

- SF 424 Application for Federal Assistance
- Budget Changes/Special Grant Conditions



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Agency of Commerce &
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June 27, 2007

Mr. Hampton Tucker, Chief
Historic Preservation Grants Division
Preserve America Grants
National Park Service
1201 "Eye" Street NW, 6th Floor (ORG. 2256)
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Tucker:

I am pleased to add my support for the Division for Historic Preservation's *Preserve America* grant application for the Barn Census Project.

National Geographic Traveler ranked Vermont sixth in the world on its "Index of Destination Stewardship," ahead of many of the world's best known destinations. This is due to Vermont's vast cultural heritage and cultural integrity, historic buildings and archaeological sites, and quality of management and outlook.

Six weeks ago Vermont was honored with a Destination Award from the World Travel and Tourism Council for Vermont downtowns, which are also *Preserve America* communities. One of the ways that Vermont distinguishes itself from other states is through its "sense of place." Vermont has developed an award-winning Downtown program that is a model for other states and now recognized internationally. The state has adopted so-called "smart growth" policies and legislation in order to manage and protect this traditional settlement pattern.

The dairy industry is dwindling and while some farms are being adapted to diversified or specialty farming, barns are falling into disrepair across the state. A barn census will give communities and the state baseline information on the number of barns and their condition. With this information, the Agency of Agriculture, Division of Historic Preservation, Department of Tourism and Marketing, and the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board will better be able to collaborate in supporting viable agriculture, the continued use of farm buildings, cultural heritage tourism and protection of prime agricultural land.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Hyde".

Bruce J. Hyde
Commissioner





FY 2007 *Preserve America*
Historic Preservation Fund Grants to Preserve and Promote America's Heritage and Cultural Assets

APPLICATION FORM

Please follow the Guidelines and Application Instructions to complete this application. Applicants must submit one (1) signed original and seven (7) copies – a total of 8 – complete application packages, plus one (1) additional photocopy of this page. See additional mailing instructions on the last page of the application form.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Project Title (10 words or less): **Barn Census Project**

Applicant Organization: **Vermont Division for Historic Preservation**

Contact Person: **Nancy E. Boone**

Title: **State Architectural Historian**

Address: **National Life Building, Floor 2, National Life Drive**

City: **Montpelier**

State: **Vermont**

Zip Code: **05620-1202**

Telephone **(802) 828-3045**

FAX Number **(802) 828-3206**

E-mail: **nancy.boone@state.vt.us**

EIN Number: **036000247**

DUNS Number: **135459159**

Applicant's Congressional District(s): **Vermont**

U.S. Representative(s): **Vermont**

Type of Applicant (Select all that apply)

- Preserve America* Community
- Preserve America* Neighborhood
- SHPO

- THPO
- CLG (must be in the process of applying for *Preserve America* designation or already designated)

Project Category: (Select only one)

- Research/Documentation
- Interpretation/Education

- Marketing
- Planning

- Training

Amount Requested	Federal Share	\$ 150,000
	Matching Share	\$ 169,500
	Total Costs	\$ 319,500

Is your community in a designated National Heritage Area?

No **Yes** If so, which NHA _____

Does your community have an active grant or financial assistance through the NHA? **No** **Yes**

Is your Resolution of Support included? **Yes** **No** **N/A**

(Note: all cities, counties, towns, neighborhoods, and THPOs must include a resolution of support from their city/town/county councils or appropriate governing body.)

Has your community received a Preserve America grant?

No **Yes** If so, what is the status? **SHPO awarded grant June 2007 for "Digital Downtowns: GIS Databases for Historic Downtowns"**

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL (Original copy must have an original signature and be in ink.)

Signature Jane Lendway Date June 28, 2007

Print Name and Title: **Jane Lendway, State Historic Preservation Officer**

2. PROJECT SUMMARY

A. Briefly summarize your project emphasizing the primary objectives and results.

(Your summary must fit in the space provided. Use at least a 10-point font.)

With Vermont's history being inexorably linked with agricultural practices, barns survive today as both a firm connection to our cultural heritage, and as an integral part of our working landscape. As visitors and residents alike can attest, there is perhaps no greater symbol of what is quintessentially "Vermont", than the barn. Each year millions of people from all parts of the country and from around the world visit Vermont. Whether they are traveling to one of our internationally recognized *Preserve America Communities* or to an outdoor recreation area, these travelers will inevitably encounter barns along their way. These agricultural corridors create visual and cultural links between well-kept historic downtowns and pristine natural environments, and are vital to our understanding of each. However, with fewer than 1,000 working farms left in the state, many barns are disappearing. Vermont's state grant program for repair of historic barns was the first in the nation, but remains small. The goal of the Barn Census Project is to carry out, for the first time, a statewide census of Vermont's barns and make that information available for heritage tourism opportunities and future restoration efforts. The reconnaissance level survey will be conducted by volunteers organized in a highly visible model public effort akin to Earth Day or bird census activities.

All of Vermont's compact downtown areas, including those in the 16 *Preserve America Communities* benefit from their surrounding agricultural landscape. The barns which dot this landscape are a reminder of Vermont's rural and agricultural heritage balanced with the steady development of downtown cores. The two spaces evolved together; one could not exist without the other. This project will develop census methodology, data collection and storage systems and recruit and train volunteers who will conduct Census surveys of the barns in their towns. The project will use field surveys collected through a web interface, and a customized GIS (Geographic Information System) database that may be updated with additional information in real-time. This comprehensive Census will result in a greater understanding of the number and types of barns existing in Vermont, as well as a determination of current physical conditions. On a larger scale the Census will create a heightened awareness of these threatened historic resources and will inspire creative solutions for barn preservation.

3. PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND BUDGET

Applicants are strongly encouraged to provide answers in the spaces provided.

A. Describe the historic resources affected by the project, including whether they are listed in the National Register of Historic Places and/or designated at the State or local level.

The historic resources that will be affected by this project are the historic barns and other agricultural outbuildings in the state. The vast majority are no longer on working farms, and often are only minimally used, and therefore in danger of being lost. Barns evolved over time. Early Vermont settlers practiced small-scale agriculture, which provided enough food for their families with little excess, and their barns were compact. As markets were established, the farmer had the ability to produce surplus that could be sold or traded. Barns increased in size and orientation accordingly. During the mid to late part of the 19th century, with access to even greater markets created by the railroad, farmers shifted to raising milking cows and shipping butter, cheese and later fluid milk. This greater demand for dairy products encouraged the farmer to grow the size of his herd, which in turn further increased the size of the farm barn. During the early 20th century health regulations again transformed the barn, this time dictating a ground level cow stable set on a concrete floor with hay storage in a large loft above. In addition to the size, orientation and layout of barns, changing agricultural practices required auxiliary buildings around the farm for the storage of grains and cow fodder, smoking of meats, stables for horses, carpentry and blacksmith shops, milking parlors and equipment sheds. The barn in Vermont has taken on a number of forms and designs, each a representation of its own time, technology, and the ever changing markets which the Vermont farmer has sought to tap.

While some of these resources have been included in the National Register and state surveys, either as individual structures or as related structures, these listings are usually lacking in detailed information and photos, or are simply outdated. The vast uncounted majority of Vermont barns have not been surveyed.

Project Objectives

- **How will the proposed project enhance heritage tourism in the community and help preserve its historic resources and cultural assets?**

Tourism is the second largest sector of the Vermont economy. This project will enhance the general understanding and appreciation of the state's agricultural heritage, increasing the link between downtown centers and the agricultural landscapes that surround them. With the goal of expanding barn preservation efforts as one of the anticipated outcomes of this project, there will be opportunities to highlight these important buildings. As tourists travel around the state they will have the chance, through such things as thematic itineraries, barn tours, interpretive sites or simply through visual exploration, to better understand the history of the place they are visiting. Efforts to preserve, adaptively re-use, or continue to use barns, which will spring from the statewide Census and the growing interest in Vermont's barns, will enhance the heritage tourism experience. Vermont's 16 *Preserve America Communities* are home to many historic barns. This project will serve them, and, since they are widely disbursed throughout the state, many other communities on travel routes in between.

The *Preserve America Communities* are all part of the Vermont Downtown Program and are inherently organized to put community-based plans into action and achieve specific goals. By providing a link between the rural community and the business community, through farmers markets and connecting farmers to local restaurants, the *Preserve America Communities* are already fostering the preservation of agricultural heritage. This project seeks to take advantage of this unique relationship in order to further preserve these important historic resources. The first step in effectively planning for the conscious preservation of these resources is the establishment of a systematic inventory. The Census will further help preserve barns by fostering interest in the resource through broad based volunteer involvement at the local level where most decision making happens.

The use of GIS based computer technology will play a major role in integrating the Census into existing databases and mapping projects. Through the linking of statewide property tax databases and E-911 address points, the location of barns and information about them will be available for heritage tourism planning efforts, including access through the state's interactive tourism website, www.VermontVacation.com. Vermont has been on the cutting edge of new mapping technologies and this project will be in keeping with that effort.

- **Describe how the project meets the goals of the local or statewide preservation plan, heritage tourism plan, or other plan(s) that address heritage tourism and cultural resources. Identify the specific goal(s) and plan(s) and state when they were developed and adopted by the community.**

"Keeping Vermont a Special World: The Vermont Historic Preservation Plan", October 1997, VT Division for Historic Preservation

The first goal of the statewide Preservation Plan states that "Vermont's citizens and communities will know about and value the state's historic and archeological resources." This project is in keeping with this standard as it seeks to ascertain specific information about Vermont's barns for the benefit of citizens and visitors alike. The plan further promotes making inventory information "useful and more accessible to individuals and the public" through "innovative computer technologies." Data collected will be integrated into GIS based mapping applications, making it available to a broad audience and for a variety of uses.

The second goal of the Preservation Plan states that "Statewide and community policies and actions will recognize historic and archeological resources as important community assets for economic and community development and encourage re-investment and re-use of existing buildings and infrastructure." The Barn Census will focus public attention on barns, and will inspire creative ideas for reinvestment for their continued use or re-use. As an existing piece of our built landscape, barns are a valuable asset to both the working farm and the understanding of our agricultural heritage. The Barn Census inventory will be invaluable to the goals of preservation, community development, and heritage tourism.

- Describe the public-private partnerships involved in the project and how these partnerships will sustain and continue to support the resource(s) after the grant project is complete? Describe/list all entities that are involved with, or affected by, the project. Attach evidence of involvement from partner organizations such as letters of support that specifically state confirmation of their contribution(s). See Supplemental Information in the guidelines for more information regarding partnership documentation.

PARTNER	CONTRIBUTION
• Save Vermont Barns Program (Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association)	Assist with collecting data/database management, barn conference, coordinating volunteers
• Preserve America Communities/Vermont Downtown Program	Link farms with downtowns by publicizing the project and promoting heritage tourism through special events and collateral materials
• Preservation Trust of Vermont	Granting of funds and support with publicizing
• Preservation Education Institute	Host barn conference and provide workshops/demonstrations on how barns were built, etc
• Vermont Housing and Conservation Board	Reprint the publication <i>Taking Care of Your Old Barn</i> as part of census materials
• Vermont Department of Tourism	Highlight barns to out of state and international audience through state tourism website
• University of Vermont	Provide interns to assist with census gathering
• Vermont Division for Historic Preservation	Manage Barn Census project. Plan historic site markers for significant farms
• Vermont Department of Agriculture	Provide a direct link to farms via publications and existing networks

- Explain how will the public be actively involved in the project?

The public will be integral to this project's success, as community volunteers will carry out the Census. Under the guidance of Census staff and volunteer Census coordinators, the public will have an active role in gathering and submitting data about the barns in their communities. Many of the partner organizations themselves serve public interests and their connection with the project will further create broad-based public involvement. School groups will also be invited and encouraged to participate. Furthermore, when the Census has been completed, it is hoped that many local preservation and heritage tourism efforts will follow.

- C. **Project Activities** -- Describe the project activities necessary to achieve the Project Objectives? List and describe all tasks and products. All grant activities must be accomplished within the grant period (generally 1 to 2 years).

- Organize Partnerships – confirm responsibilities and tasks of each
- Circulate RFPs for Census Director and web-based survey computer consultant
- Develop web-based survey computer software and hardware
- Develop and print field notebook for census gathering
- Organize and hold spring Barn Conference/Census Kick-off
- Prepare Census coordinators/interns for spring Census drive
- Hold multi-weekend Census drives with volunteers and supervisors around the state
- Gather collected data via internet survey website and store on a secure server
- Integrate data into the existing historic resources database maintained by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation and make available through www.VermontVacation.com, the state's interactive tourism website.
- Analyze and tabulate data to determine baseline documentation for the status of barns in Vermont and publish that data in a useful format for the public
- Hold Wrap-up Meeting to conclude the Barn Census Project and present results of survey and ideas for next steps including education programs, heritage tourism projects, historic preservation planning and other local and statewide efforts to maintain and preserve barns

D. **Timeline** -- Show a timeline for all of the above listed activities. The timeline may be attached as a separate page.

(See Attached Sheet)

E. **Personnel & Consultant Qualifications** -- List the project personnel that will administer and any consultants that will be hired to complete the project. Describe their responsibilities and the percentage of time each will dedicate to the project. Describe the criteria that will be used to competitively select consultants for their services. **All Federal grants require consultants to be competitively selected** (please see page 3 the guidelines for more information).

The selection process for the Survey Director, Assistant, and Computer Consultant will follow state and federal procurement practices. In formulating the RFP for the Computer Consultants, the Division will seek input from the computer technology and legal staff at the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, the Designated Downtowns, GIS staff at Regional Planning Commissions, and the Vermont Geographic Information Center. The RFP will be circulated on the State of Vermont Bid website as well as to known computer consultants who might be qualified to offer a proposal.

(See Attached Sheet for detailed information)

D. TIMELINE Barn Census

October - November '07

- Organize Partnerships – confirm responsibilities and tasks of each
- Circulate RFPs for Census Director and web-based survey computer consultant

December '07 - May '08

- Hire Director
- Develop web-based survey computer software and hardware
- Develop and print field notebook for census gathering

February – May '08

- Prepare census coordinators/interns for Spring census drive
- Organize and hold spring Barn Conference/Census Kick-off

May '08 - July '09

- Hold multi-weekend census drives with volunteers and supervisors around the state
- Gather collected data via internet survey website and store on a secure server
- Integrate all collected census data into existing historic sites and structures database maintained by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation and make available through www.VermontVacation.com , the state's interactive tourism website

July – September '09

- Analyze and tabulate data to determine baseline documentation for the status of barns in Vermont and publish that data in a useful format for the public
- Hold celebratory wrap-up for participants, including ideas for next steps, including education programs, heritage tourism projects, historic preservation planning, and other local and statewide efforts to maintain and preserve barns in Vermont

E. PERSONNEL AND CONSULTANT QUALIFICATIONS

Barn Census

Nancy E. Boone
State Architectural Historian
Vermont Division for Historic Preservation

Project Administrator
.1 FTE

Suzanne Jamele
National Register Specialist
Vermont Division for Historic Preservation

Project Administrator
.1 FTE

Annette Lynch, President
Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association

Web master
.4 FTE

Judy Hayward, Director
Preservation Education Institute

Conference/Workshop Organizer

Diane Ford
Department Accountant
Agency of Commerce and Community
Development

Accounting and contracting
for project grant
.125 FTE

Volunteers

Community surveyors
Have interest in and enthusiasm for barns.

Conduct Barn Census
4.79 FTE

Consultants

Survey Director and Assistant Director
(To be selected through RFP process)
Must meet 36CFR61 professional
qualifications and have experience with survey work,
be skilled at working with the public, organizing
volunteers, carrying out projects over an extended
period. Additional Qualifications: Database and GIS
experience, familiarity with Vermont and agricultural
history.

Survey Director
.75 FTE

Assistant
.5 FTE

Computer Consultant
(To be selected through RFP process)
Consultant team expertise and experience in:
Geographic Information Systems (GIS); database
development; cultural resource inventories; web
interface development; training

Technical development and
implementation of web interface
for collecting survey data and
photos and integrating it in
databases
100 days

F. What are the sources of the non-federal match?

List the **secured** sources and amounts of the required dollar-for-dollar non-Federal match, which can be cash, donated services, or use of equipment. Federal appropriations or other Federal grants may not be used for match, except Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) grants from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. All non-Federal match must be used during the grant period to execute the project. If the match is **not secured**, explain how it will be raised.

Vermont Division for Historic Preservation Barn Grant Allocation <i>(FY08 State Legislative Appropriation to the Division for Historic Preservation's Barn Grant Program. Funds to be issued over a two-year period in two allotments of \$20,000 each.) (FY08 operating budget)</i>		\$40,000
Preservation Trust of Vermont <i>(Cash donation from a variety of non-federal sources, including possible online auction of barn related artwork.)</i>		\$2,000
National Trust for Historic Preservation <i>(Granting through the Preservation Services Fund.)</i>		\$29,500
Save Vermont Barns Program <i>(Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association has received a non-federal preservation grant to operate a statewide barn conservancy known as Save Vermont Barns It is a 50/50 matching grant with \$7,000 being granted and \$7,000 being made up with donated services.)</i>		\$5,000
Vermont Housing Conservation Board Publication <i>(Vermont Housing Conservation Board will re-print the popular booklet entitled, Taking Care of Your Old Barn, to be used as outreach and education. 1000 copies.)</i>	In-Kind Donation	\$14,000
Volunteer Hours <i>(Anticipated volunteer time calculated at 2 hours per barn at \$7.53 per hour, the Vermont minimum wage, for an estimated 5,000 barns over two year period.)</i>	In-Kind Donation	\$2,500
Preservation Education Institute Barn Conference <i>(Preservation Education Institute will hold a barn conference and Census kick-off in order to train volunteer organizers and conduct outreach and education.)</i>	In-Kind Donation	\$75,000
		\$1,500

G. Budget -- Outline the project budget in the form below; add additional lines in a category as needed.

- The budget must be clear, and all work elements must be eligible, reasonable, and directly relevant to the project.
- Each cost item must clearly show how the total charge for that item was determined (example: hours x hourly rate = total cost).
- All major costs must be listed, and all cost items should be explained in the narrative of the application.
- The budget must include at least the minimum required match (e.g., if applying for a \$30,000 grant, the budget must describe a total of \$60,000 in costs/work).
- All non-Federal match must be cash expended or services donated during the grant period (generally 1 to 2 years) and not before.
- If you have any questions about cost categories, or how to formulate some of your budget items, please email NPS_PreserveAmerica@nps.gov.

1. **Personnel:** Provide the names and titles of key project personnel. Include only the percentage of time used on the project. Please note that grant funds may not be used to pay Federal employee salaries, nor may Federal salaries be used as match/cost share. Please consult page 3 of the guidelines for more information on allowable personnel costs.

Name/Title of Position and % of time spent on this Project	Wage or Salary	Federal Grant Funds	Match /Cost Share (if any)	Total
-Nancy Boone, Project Co-Administrator (VT State Employee)	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A
-Suzanne Jamele, Project Co-Administrator (VT state Employee)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
-Community Surveyors 4.79FTE	\$7.53/hr (VT wage)	0	\$75,000	\$75,000
Subtotal		\$ 0	\$ 75,000	\$75,000

2. **Fringe Benefits:** If more than one rate is used, list each rate and the wage or salary base.

Rate	Salary or Wage Base	Federal Grant Funds	Match / Cost Share (if any)	Total
% of	\$	\$	\$	\$
Subtotal		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

3. **Consultant Fees:** Include payments for professional and technical consultants participating in the project. Please consult page 3 of the guidelines for more information on allowable consultant costs.

Name and Type of Consultant	# of Days	Rate of Compensation	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share (if any)	Total
-Computer Consultant	100	\$ 500/day	\$ 50,000	\$ 0	\$50,000
-Survey Director (.75FTE)	390	200/day	8,500	69,500	78,000
-Survey Assistant (.5FTE)	260	120/day	26,200	5,000	31,200
-Web Manager	212.5	160/day	20,000	14,000	34,000
-Preservation Education Institute (training/conference)	41.66	240/day	8,500	1,500	10,000
Subtotal			\$113,200	\$ 90,000	\$ 203,200

4. **Travel and Per Diem:** Indicate the number of persons traveling, the total days they will be in travel status, and the total subsistence and transportation costs.

From/To	# of People	# of Travel Days	Subsistence Costs (Lodging and Per Diem)	Transportation Costs (Airfare and Mileage)	Federal Grant Funds	Match/ Cost Share (if any)	Total
Office to Field	4	195	0	\$16,800 @ state mileage rate	\$ 16,800	\$ 0	\$16,800
Subtotal					\$ 16,800	\$ 0	\$ 16,800

5. **Office Supplies and Materials:** Include consumable supplies and materials to be used in the project and any items of expendable equipment, i.e., equipment costing less than \$5000 or with an estimated useful life of less than two years. Equipment costing more than that should be listed in Equipment - Category 6.

Item	Cost	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share (if any)	Total
- printing of Census data notebook	\$2,000	\$ 2,000	\$	\$ 2,000
Subtotal		\$ 2,000	\$	\$ 2,000

6. Equipment: List all equipment items in excess of \$5000. Items worth less than \$5000 or that have a useful life of less than two years must be listed in Supplies and Materials - Category 5.

Item	Cost	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share (if any)	Total
-Computer server for storage of data	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 0	\$ 10,000
-laptop computers (2)	4,000	4,000	0	4,000
Subtotal		\$ 14,000	\$ 0	\$ 14,000

7. Other (specify)

Item	Cost	Federal Grant Funds	Match / Cost Share (if any)	Total
-Barn Census T-shirts for volunteers and promotion (1000)	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$ 0	\$6,000
-Update and reprint "Taking Care of Your Old Barn"	\$2,500	0	\$2,500	\$2,500
Subtotal		\$6,000	\$2,500	\$8,500

BUDGET SUMMARY

Enter category totals here

Category	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share	Total
1. Personnel	\$ 0	\$ 75,000 (volunteers)	\$ 75,000
2. Fringe Benefits	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
3. Consultant Fees	\$ 113,200	\$ 90,000	\$203,200
4. Travel and Per Diem	\$ 16,800	\$0	\$ 16,800
5. Supplies and Materials	\$ 0	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
6. Equipment	\$ 14,000	\$ 0	\$ 14,000
7. Other	\$6,000	\$2,500	\$8,500
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	\$ 150,000	\$ 169,500	\$ 319,500



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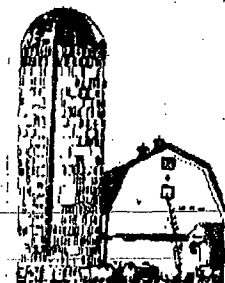
On June 27, 2007, at the monthly meeting of the Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, Nancy Boone presented the possibility of a Preserve America Grant that would allow the Division for Historic Preservation and other preservation partners to create a Barn Census project to identify and evaluate all barns in Vermont over a two year period. The Council enthusiastically endorsed this project!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Beth Boepple", written over a horizontal line.

Beth Boepple, Chair
Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

MOUNT HOLLY BARN PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION, INC.

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June 25, 2007

Hampton Tucker
Historic Preservation Grants Division
Preserve America Grants
National Park Service
1201 Eye Street, NW
6th Floor (ORG. 2256)
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Tucker:

The Mount Holly Barn Preservation Association (MHBPA) pioneered a model to inventory, evaluate and preserve historic barns at the local level. We developed the prototype in Mt. Holly, starting with a survey conducted by volunteers, evaluation by a barn restoration expert, and group applications to the Division for Historic Preservation's Barn Grant program to fund restoration. We now wholeheartedly support the Barn Census project as a way to bring that model to other communities statewide, and eventually beyond. The aim is to use the information gathered by the Project to implement programs of stabilization, repair, and maintenance.

Working with the Preservation Trust of Vermont, the Division for Historic Preservation, and other key barn preservationists in the state, we aim to help foster involvement, excitement, and action in saving our historic barns. MHBPA has launched Save Vermont Barns Project with a web site www.savevermontbarns.org to be used by Vermont towns to conduct town-wide surveys. The Project is designed so that standardized data collected by towns can be expanded with new information, condition reports, more photos, etc. as local communities work to preserve their resources.

The MHBPA and the Save Vermont Barns project would be happy to work with the Division to design and operate a state-wide barn database/server that would meet the needs of the Division and the goals of Save Vermont Barns.

Yours truly,


Annette Lynch

Board President, Mount Holly Barn Preservation Assn.



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June 27, 2007

Mr. Hampton Tucker, Chief
Historic Preservation Grants Division
Preserve America Grants
National Park Service
1201 "Eye" Street NW, 6th Floor (ORG. 2256)
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Tucker:

I am pleased to add my support for the Division for Historic Preservation's *Preserve America* grant application for the Barn Census Project.

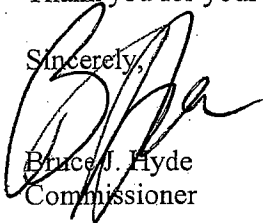
National Geographic Traveler ranked Vermont sixth in the world on its "Index of Destination Stewardship," ahead of many of the world's best known destinations. This is due to Vermont's vast cultural heritage and cultural integrity, historic buildings and archaeological sites, and quality of management and outlook.

Six weeks ago Vermont was honored with a Destination Award from the World Travel and Tourism Council for Vermont downtowns, which are also *Preserve America* communities. One of the ways that Vermont distinguishes itself from other states is through its "sense of place." Vermont has developed an award-winning Downtown program that is a model for other states and now recognized internationally. The state has adopted so-called "smart growth" policies and legislation in order to manage and protect this traditional settlement pattern.

The dairy industry is dwindling and while some farms are being adapted to diversified or specialty farming, barns are falling into disrepair across the state. A barn census will give communities and the state baseline information on the number of barns and their condition. With this information, the Agency of Agriculture, Division of Historic Preservation, Department of Tourism and Marketing, and the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board will better be able to collaborate in supporting viable agriculture, the continued use of farm buildings, cultural heritage tourism and protection of prime agricultural land.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Bruce J. Hyde
Commissioner





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Hampton Tucker, Chief
Historic Preservation Grants Division

Dear Mr. Tucker,

The barn is an emblematic symbol of the Vermont landscape and the connection we have to our agricultural history and sense of tradition. Barns are the most visible feature of the Vermont landscape reflecting the rich farming heritage of the state and its working landscape.

Tourism has a significant economic impact on the state and agritourism is a rapidly expanding industry in Vermont. People travel from many areas of the nation and world to experience the unique cultural heritage and way of life Vermonters hold dear.

We fully support the Barn Census project initiated by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation. A statewide census of Vermont's barns is an important first step to plan for the conscientious preservation and rehabilitation of these historic resources.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anson Tebbetts".

Anson Tebbetts, Deputy Secretary
Vermont Agency of Agriculture



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Hampton Tucker, Chief,
Historic Preservation Grants Division
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National Park Service
1201 "Eye" Street, NW
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Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Tucker:

On behalf of the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board, I am writing to enthusiastically endorse the Division for Historic Preservation's *Preserve America* grant application for the Barn Census Project.

This first ever, systematic statewide barn inventory is critical to effectively preserving Vermont's historic agricultural resources. The Barn Census project will not only provide detailed, up-to-date information, but will involve community members, resulting in broad-based involvement and increased interest in barn preservation. This comprehensive statewide project will support the collaborative efforts of the Housing and Conservation Board, Agency of Agriculture, and the Departments of Historic Preservation, and Tourism and Marketing to support viable agriculture, the continued use of farm buildings, cultural heritage tourism and protection of prime agricultural land.

Agriculture is central to Vermont's economy, landscape, and rural character. Vermont's compact downtown areas surrounded by working farmland and historic farmsteads reflect the unique character of the state. Vermont's historic barns, as core features of most farms and agricultural communities, play an invaluable role in the delivery of a range of public policy objectives including economic development, improving the quality of life, creating a better and more sustainable environment, education, and cultural resource protection.

Historic farm buildings and agricultural fields underpin sustainable tourism and the promotion of the state's agricultural heritage, increasing the link between people and the landscape. Funds used through this project to develop census methodology and systems, train volunteers and establish baseline documentation will leverage efforts as part of a larger rural and agricultural heritage development initiative for the state.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen Freeman". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Karen Freeman
Director, Conservation Partnerships and Training
Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

ACCD PROJECT APPROVAL FORM

Department: Housing & Community Affairs
Division: Historic Preservation
Making Request: Nancy Boone
Date: January 28, 2008

Describe briefly the project (if statutory please cite):

A statewide census of barns conducted by volunteers on several highly publicized census weekends. ~~Volunteers will record basic information about the barns in their communities and send it along with photos into a central database, which will eventually be accessible on www.vermontvacation.com.~~ We expect to record 5,000 barns, and the work will fulfill the Division's statutory obligation to inventory historic buildings.

ACCD Staff Involvement and Project Lead: Nancy Boone will manage the project, with help from Sue Jamele. The project budget includes funding for a .75 FTE coordinator, to be hired as a limited service employee for 1 ½ years.

Costs: \$314,000

Has your business manager been notified? yes

Sources of Funding: Preserve America Grant (federal)- \$150,000 awarded
Barn grant program (state)- \$40,000 requested for FY09/10
National Trust for Historic Preservation - \$10,000 application
Other foundation grants- \$20,000 application
In-kind from UVM, Preservation Education Institute, VHCB,
and Census volunteers - \$94,000

Space Required: 1 desk space

IT Requirements: Database server pending with UVM

Other Requirements: none

Sustainability: The data will eventually be added to the DHP historic structures database and accessible to the public on the web through that system

When will it begin? Spring 2008 **End?** Fall 2009 **Report Required?** yes

What is the Dept./Division/Agency's responsibility?

Oversee project and grant administration of grants received

Any other Department or Agency involved?

Support from Tourism and Marketing, Agency of Agriculture, VHCB

How does this serve the Agency Mission?

The Division preserves and protects, and assists the public in preserving and protecting, Vermont's historic and archeological resources. This volunteer Census will generate new interest and ideas for preserving barns, an icon of Vermont's history and landscape.

Can this project serve other Agencies Missions? The Agency of Agriculture is very interested in the results of the Census.

Supervisor's Approval: NEB for June lending Date: 1-31/08

Commissioner Approval: _____ Date: _____

Supervisor's approval must be received for all new initiatives or substantive changes in initiatives that will require more than 8 hours of an Agency staff member's time that is different than customary duties of the position. Additionally, commissioner approval must be received for any new project that will require more than 40 hours of an Agency staff member's time that is different than the customary duties of the position. This would include becoming a member of a new committee, writing and/or executing a grant program or initiating a new project. Involvement in VtShares or writing an EPA grant would be good examples. Once approved, a copy must be sent to the Deputy Secretary and a copy should be on file in the approving authority's files.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

October 17, 2007

Contact: David Mace (802) 828-5229

Vermont Nets Federal Grant To Inventory Barns

\$150,000 Preserve America Grant Will Help Barn Preservation Efforts

COLCHESTER – The Vermont Division for Historic Preservation has been awarded a \$150,000 federal grant to carry out the first state-wide inventory of Vermont's barns to further efforts to preserve them.

In a ceremony at the Farmhouse Center, which received a state barn preservation grant last winter, Governor Jim Douglas on Wednesday announced the Preserve America grant that will help fund the Vermont Barn Census.

“By involving Vermonters in a developing a state-wide inventory of our barns, we can help strengthen our efforts to preserve these iconic structures as part of our working landscape,” Governor Douglas said.

The project will recruit volunteers and students from Vermont's schools in all 251 towns to identify barns and other agricultural outbuildings in their communities during several weekends in the spring and fall of 2008, and the spring of 2009.

These volunteers will take photographs and notes in the field, and then submit the data to develop a web-based barn survey form that will be developed by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation.

Save Vermont Barns, a program of the Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association, will compile the information in a database that the public can access via the web to learn about barns in their community and across the state.

“We know that our state's rich agricultural heritage and working landscape draws visitors to Vermont,” Governor Douglas said. “And preserving barns is an important part of strengthening both our tourism and agricultural industries.”

The state's Barn Program grants, administered by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, provides owners of agricultural buildings with matching funding of up to \$10,000 for a variety of capital repairs.

Eligible projects include repairs to roofs, foundations, walls, sills and overall stabilization.

The owners of the Farmhouse Center initially considered demolishing their barn, which was built around 1845, but decided to restore it instead and received a \$10,000 state barn preservation grant last winter to help repair its sills and roof.

The Farmhouse Center now hosts several programs including creative adult job training education; horse training, therapeutic riding, and summer equestrian camps for children, including those with emotional and behavioral challenges.

“This historic setting really helps reinforce the Farmhouse Center’s focus on Vermont’s agricultural heritage and connection to the earth, and we’re pleased that the state will be taking stock of our historic barns with this grant to improve efforts to preserve them,” said Joan Powell, the center’s owner.

The grant comes from the federal Preserve America program, which is administered by the National Park Service and whose Honorary Chairwoman is First Lady Laura Bush.

The program recognizes the importance of historic resources in communities across the country. Eighteen towns in Vermont have been designated as special Preserve America Communities.

A kickoff conference for the Vermont Barn Census is planned for the spring of 2008, and a wrap-up celebration for the fall of 2009.

For more information, visit www.historicvermont.org/ or www.preserveamerica.gov/

VERMONT BARN CENSUS

A Project of the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, UVM Graduate Program in Historic Preservation, the Preservation Education Institute, Preservation Trust of Vermont, and Save Vermont Barns

How many barns are there in Vermont? What kind of condition are they in? Are we losing significant numbers each year? What can be done to preserve these icons of our history and landscape? The goal of the Vermont Barn Census is to carry out, for the first time, a state-wide census of Vermont's barns that will lay the foundation for further efforts to preserve them.

The project will recruit volunteers in all of Vermont's 251 towns to identify barns and other agricultural outbuildings in their communities. The project will develop a web-based barn form that volunteers will use to record basic information about the barns as well as a photo. The Division and the University of Vermont will receive the forms via the internet and compile them in a GIS (Geographic Information System) mapping database. People will be able to access the database on the web and use it to learn about barns in their community and across the state.

The Barn Census will occur mainly over several highly publicized weekends in the summer and fall of 2008 and spring and fall of 2009. Students from elementary to high school will be welcomed to participate. Volunteers will take a photo and some notes about barn features, history, use and condition in the field, and then submit the data over the web. Local coordinators will help organize and support teams of volunteers who will be recognizable by their Barn Census logo T-shirts. People can survey one barn or many. A kickoff conference will be held in the spring of 2008, and a wrap-up celebration in the fall of 2009. Following the announcement of the Preserve America grant for the project, we have already heard from hundreds of people who want to participate.

The project is the initiative of a group of partners concerned with the disappearance of Vermont's agricultural heritage: Vermont Division for Historic Preservation; Preservation Trust of Vermont; Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association; UVM Graduate Program in Historic Preservation; the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board; and the Preservation Education Institute. We expect to identify over 5,000 barns in the Barn Census.

We are starting a mailing list and will keep you informed. Please e-mail debra.sayers@state.vt.us to get on the mailing list for the Vermont Barn Census. You can also check the Division for Historic Preservation's website at www.historicvermont.org and the Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association website at www.savevermontbarns.org.



NATIONAL TRUST
for HISTORIC PRESERVATION®

JOHANNA FAVROT FUND FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION Grant Application

Grants from the Johanna Favrot Fund for Historic Preservation are available to public agencies and nonprofit organizations. Individuals and for-profit businesses may apply only if the project for which funding is requested involves a National Historic Landmark.

Applications should be prepared after reading the grant eligibility requirements, guidelines and criteria, and after consulting with the National Trust regional office serving your state.

Enter information or "not applicable" in the space provided for a response. Please limit your response to the space provided.

Incomplete, faxed, or handwritten applications will not be considered. Applications cannot be submitted electronically. Refer to the CHECKLIST on the last page for a complete list of required application materials.

Completed applications must be postmarked by **February 1.**

APPLICANT INFORMATION

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Telephone: 802-828-3045

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Website: www.historicvermont.org

2. Contact (individual responsible for project):

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Title: Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

Address: National Life Building, 2nd floor

City: Montpelier

State: VT

Zip: 05620-0201

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Daytime Telephone: 802-828-3045

Fax: 802-828-3206

3. Applicant's National Trust Forum membership number: 072029465

PLEASE NOTE: Membership in National Trust Forum is required in order to receive a grant.

4. The applicant is:

a nonprofit organization

a public agency

a for-profit business

an individual

If the applicant is a nonprofit, has the organization been classified as a tax-exempt organization pursuant to Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code?

YES NO If no, what is the organization's current tax status? _____

5. Organization's mission statement (if the applicant is a business, state the nature of the business).

The Division for Historic Preservation is a public agency which fosters community development in Vermont through preservation of the heritage of the building environment. The Division preserves and protects, and assists the public in preserving and protecting, Vermont's historic and archeological resources.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Project refers to the specific activity for which National Trust funding is being requested, e.g., feasibility study, workshop, fundraising plan.

6. Name of Project: Barn Census

7. Date(s) project will occur: Spring 2008 to Fall 2009

8. Project Location:

City: Statewide

County: _____

State: _____

City's Population: _____

9. Project Summary (50 words or less).

The Barn Census is a statewide census of barns conducted by volunteers in a model public effort akin to bird census activities. The Census will result in a greater understanding of the number and types of barns existing in Vermont, as well as a determination of current physical conditions. It will create heightened awareness of these threatened historic resources and will inspire creative solutions for barn preservation. This grant would fund the project's web interface.

10. If the project involves a historic resource (site, building, ship, etc.), please complete the following:

Name of site/historic district: N/A

Street Address(es) of site(s): _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Date(s) of construction: _____

Building Style: _____

Architect/Builder (if known): _____

Is the project site recognized for its architectural/cultural/historical significance by any of the designation programs listed below? Check "eligible" if the site has not been designated, but has been determined eligible for designation by your state historic preservation office.

	Yes	No	Eligible	Year Listed
National Historic Landmark	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Individually Listed in National Register of Historic Places	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Contributing Property to National Register Historic District	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
State Designation Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Local Designation Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

11. If applicant does not own the property, describe the owner's involvement with the project and include a letter of consent from the owner.

N/A

12. Describe the project site and discuss the significance of the building and its interior (architectural/cultural/historical).

The historic resources that will be affected by this project are the historic barns and other agricultural outbuildings of Vermont. Barns evolved in form and design, each a representation of its own time, technology, and the ever changing markets which farmers sought to tap - first local diversified trade, then sheep farming for the wool market, stock breeding, and finally dairying for butter, cheese and fluid milk. Barns became larger and more specialized, from the 30x40 gabled English barns to Bank Barns with a hay/stock/manure floor hierarchy, to gambrel-roofed ground stable barns with washable concrete floors and sanitary milk houses. Auxiliary buildings provided dedicated space for storage of grains and cow fodder, smoking of meats, stables for horses, shelter for chicken, pig, and mink production, carpentry and blacksmith shops, milking parlors and equipment sheds.

13. Describe the site's current use.

With only about 1,000 working farms left in Vermont, the vast majority of the state's barns no longer have an agricultural purpose. They often are only minimally used, and therefore in danger of being lost. With Vermont's history being inexorably linked with agricultural practices, barns survive today as both a firm connection to our cultural heritage, and as an integral part of our working landscape. As visitors and residents alike can attest, there is perhaps no greater symbol of what is quintessentially "Vermont", than the barn. The state's agricultural corridors create visual and cultural links between well-kept historic downtowns and pristine natural environments, and are vital to our understanding of each.

14. Detailed Project Description. Describe the project's purpose, schedule, and anticipated outcomes. Describe any products that will result from this project (publications, architectural drawings, etc).

How many barns are there in Vermont? What kind of condition are they in? Are we losing significant numbers each year? What can be done to preserve these icons of our history and landscape? ~~The goal of the Vermont Barn Census is to carry out, for the first time, a state-wide census of Vermont's barns that will lay the foundation for further efforts to preserve them. The Favrot Fund grant request would fund a key part of the project - development of the web interface that will receive information about the barns, serve it up to the public on the web, and showcase information and ideas about barn preservation.~~

The project will recruit volunteers in all of Vermont's 251 towns to identify barns and other agricultural outbuildings in their communities. The project will develop a web-based barn form that volunteers will use to record basic information about the barns as well as a photo. The Division and the University of Vermont will receive the forms via the internet and compile them in a GIS (Geographic Information System) mapping database. People will be able to access the database on the web and use it to learn about barns in their community and across the state.

The Barn Census will occur mainly over several highly publicized weekends in the spring and fall of 2008 and 2009. Students from elementary to high school will be welcomed to participate. Volunteers will take a photo and some notes about barn features, history, use and condition in the field, and then submit the data over the web. Local coordinators will help organize and support teams of volunteers who will be recognizable by their Barn Census logo T-shirts. People can survey one barn or many. A kickoff conference will be held in the spring of 2008, ~~and a wrap-up celebration in the fall of 2009.~~ Following the announcement of the Preserve America grant for the project, we have already heard from hundreds of people who want to participate.

The project is the initiative of a group of partners concerned with the disappearance of Vermont's agricultural heritage: Vermont Division for Historic Preservation; Preservation Trust of Vermont; Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association; UVM Graduate Program in Historic Preservation; the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board; and the Preservation Education Institute. We expect to identify over 5,000 barns in the Barn Census.

PLEASE NOTE: Any documents or plans for restoration work that result from this project must comply with the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties*. If it is anticipated that the proposed project will not meet the Standards, please explain.

15. Explain how the proposed project will contribute to the preservation or recapture of an authentic sense of place.

The Barn census will involve people in looking at, thinking about, and talking about rural heritage in their communities and the buildings that exemplify that heritage and define Vermont's special sense of place. We expect that this intense focus will lead to more creative ideas about how to use agricultural buildings that no longer serve an agricultural purpose. And we expect that the communities' desire and commitment to preserve them will rise through this intense interaction with local heritage, adding determination to good ideas.

16. Describe future plans for the project beyond the scope of this grant proposal (e.g., how consultant recommendations will be implemented, how education programs will be institutionalized, how publications will be distributed, etc.).

The Barn Census website will showcase preservation ideas and case studies for barns and other agricultural outbuildings, as they develop, to inform and inspire others.

Tourism is the second largest sector of the Vermont economy. This project will enhance understanding and appreciation of the state's agricultural heritage. With the goal of expanding barn preservation efforts as one of the anticipated outcomes of this project, there will be opportunities to highlight these important buildings. As tourists travel around the state they will have the chance, through such things as thematic itineraries, barn tours, interpretive sites or simply through visual exploration, to better understand the history of the place they are visiting.

17. Have any of the following partners been involved in this project?

- State historic preservation office (SHPO), local preservation commission or CLG
- Statewide or local preservation organization
- National Trust regional office
- Other cosponsoring/cooperating organizations

If any of these partners have been involved, please identify the contact person with whom you worked on the project and describe the partner's involvement.

PARTNER	CONTRIBUTION
• Preservation Trust of Vermont-	Organizational support and publicizing, Ann Cousins, Eric Gilbertson, Paul Bruhn
• Preservation Education Institute-	Host barn conference and provide workshops, Executive Director Judy Havward

18. Describe the applicant's ability and commitment to carry out the proposed plans or activity if assistance is awarded.

The applicant is the State Historic Preservation Office, a state agency, with very capable and experienced staff. The Barn Census is one of the Division's top priority initiatives for 2008 and 2009. The Division for Historic Preservation has the oldest barn preservation grant program in the country.

19. Describe the consultant services and skills needed to carry out the project.

Consultant services needed for this project require skills in web development and implementation in a cultural resources context, and Geographic Information System (GIS) databases and mapping.

20. Has consultant(s) been chosen?

- Yes (please provide the consultant's name and contact information below, and attach his or her resume)
 No (please discuss with the National Trust regional office)

Several consultants with expertise in web development and implementation in the cultural resources context have been identified as possible consultants for this project.

PLEASE NOTE: Grant funds will not be disbursed until the National Trust has approved the qualifications of the personnel selected to conduct the project. Favrot Fund grants cannot be used to pay staff salaries. Board members of the application organization cannot serve as consultants unless appropriate conflict of interest procedures are followed and documented. If consultant services exceed \$25,000, a competitive bid process is required if National Trust funding is received.

21. Has the applicant received National Trust financial assistance in the last two years? Yes No
If yes, provide the name of the project and the year the grant was awarded.

PLEASE NOTE: Applicants are not eligible to receive funding if final reports on previous grants have not been submitted. No more than three grants will be awarded in any two-year period to a single grantee. Only one grant will be awarded per organization in any grant round. Only one grant will be awarded for a particular project phase.

22. How will support for the project from the Favrot Fund and the National Trust be acknowledged?

We would acknowledge support from the Favrot Fund in all press releases, on the Barn Census website itself, on the Division's website, at conferences, and every other opportunity we could find.

PROJECT BUDGET

The project budget pertains to the proposed Favrot Fund grant-funded activity only. Please be sure the budget balances – the total income amount must equal the total expense amount.

Grants from the Favrot Fund must be matched on at least a 1:1 cash basis. Attach evidence of anticipated or confirmed sources of funding and other support. Staff time, overhead costs and donated services or materials cannot be used as a match. Matching funds must come from non-National Trust sources.

With the exception of publication projects, materials and services (such as printing, photographs, telephone and supplies) costs may not exceed 10 percent of the budget of the grant-funded portion of the project.

INCOME

Project income should equal or exceed the project expenses.

EXPENSES

Sample categories have been provided. Please use "other" spaces to add categories relevant to your project.

Favrot Fund grant (<i>amount requested from the National Trust</i>)	\$10,000	Consultant fee/honorarium	\$84,000
Matching funds (<i>identify sources and note if funding is anticipated or secured</i>)		Travel/per diem	\$ _____
Preserve America (secured)	\$74,000	Printing costs	\$ _____
* total grant awarded \$150,000	\$ _____	Photography costs	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____	Mailing and postage	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____	Supplies	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____	Other (specify): _____	\$ _____
	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____
	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____
	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____
Total Project Income:	\$84,000	Total Project Expenses:	\$84,000

DECLARATION

Acting as a duly authorized representative of the applicant, I am submitting this request for a grant from the Johanna Favrot Fund for Historic Preservation.

Name: Jane Lendway

Title: State Historic Preservation Officer

Signature: _____

Jane Lendway

Date: February 1, 2008

CHECKLIST

- Please read the application form carefully and contact your National Trust regional office for clarification.
- Requested information or "not applicable" should be entered in the space provided.
- Incomplete, faxed or handwritten applications will not be considered.
- Materials submitted will not be returned.
- Please do not use plastic covers or binders; assemble applications and attachments in a manila folder or clip.
- Submission of videos and oversized documents is discouraged.
- Please keep attachments to a minimum.

The following materials must be submitted in order for your application to be considered:

- Two (2)** signed copies of the completed application
- Four (4)** different digital images at a minimum of 300 dpi, identified by project name and location and dated. Photos must include at least one overall exterior view of the property. Please include photo credit information.
- Two (2)** different 4" x 6" or larger photographic prints of the project site identified by project name and location and dated. Please include photo credit information.
- Applicant's articles of incorporation (nonprofit organizations)
- A list of applicant's current board of directors (nonprofit organizations)
- Applicant's Internal Revenue Service determination letter of tax-exempt status. If tax-exempt status has not been fully approved by the IRS, please provide evidence of filing for certification and letter of opinion from an attorney concerning the applicant's tax status (nonprofit organizations)
- Documentation that the applicant is part of a state, regional, county or local government (public agencies)
- Resume(s) of consultant(s) being considered for the project
- Resume(s) of personnel administering the project
- Evidence of secured or pending matching funds
- Up to three letters of endorsement
- Letter of consent from property owner (if the applicant does not own the property)

Mail the completed application and attachments to the National Trust regional office serving your state. A list of National Trust regional offices appears at the front of this document, and can also be found at http://www.nationaltrust.org/regional_offices/index.html or by calling 202-588-6197. The review process is usually completed within three months of the deadline and applicants are notified in writing.



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*Agency of Commerce &
Community Development*

The Division for Historic Preservation is a state government agency, and is part of the Department of Housing and Community Affairs, in the Agency of Commerce and Community Development.



NANCY E. BOONE

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Phone (802) 828-3045 E-mail nancy.boone@state.vt.us

EMPLOYMENT

State Architectural Historian / Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Agency of Commerce and Community Development, State of Vermont. October 2007 to present.

Serve as Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer. Public policy on historic preservation issues. Liaison with other government agencies and private and non-profit organizations. Special projects. Public presentations. Conferences and workshops. Grants. Publications.

State Architectural Historian, Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Agency of Commerce and Community Development, State of Vermont. 1997 to 2007.

Public policy on historic preservation issues. Liaison with other government agencies and private and non-profit organizations. Special projects. Public presentations. Conferences and workshops. Grants. Publications.

Director, The Courthouse Project, Vermont Judicial History Society, Montpelier, Vermont. 1998 to 2003.

Development of traveling exhibit on the history and architecture of Vermont's 15 county courthouses, and individual exhibits about each one. Research, writing, design. Production of public events, dramatizations of historic trials, lectures, etc. in conjunction with county exhibits.

Architecture Section Chief, Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Agency of Commerce and Community Development, State of Vermont. 1980 to 1997.

Management of State Historic Preservation Office programs related to historic buildings, districts and communities: Rehabilitation Investment Tax Credits; Act 250 and federal project review; Historic Preservation and Barn Grants; Planning; Technical Assistance; National

Register of Historic Places; and, Survey and Publications. Personnel administration . Budgeting and reporting. Grants.

Adjunct Professor, University of Vermont, Graduate Program in Historic Preservation.
Historic Preservation Contemporary Practice, Spring 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 2001, 2002.

Senior Field Architectural Historian, Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, Agency of Development and Community Affairs, State of Vermont. November 1979 to November 1980.

Historic Architecture Surveyor, Valley Regional Planning Agency, Derby, Connecticut.
Summer 1978.

Preservation Intern, New York Landmarks Conservancy, New York City. September 1977 to May 1978.

Grants person, Midtown East Citizens' Association, Green Bay, Wisconsin. March 1977 to August 1977.

Community Liaison, Vermont Bicentennial Commission, Bennington. Summer 1974.

Other Work Experience: waitress, clerk, assembly-line operator, swimming instructor.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Developer of vacant historic building in Bethel, Vermont for 5 units of affordable housing. Design, specifications, bidding, financing, management. Project won Preservation Trust of Vermont Honor Award, 1991.

Property Manager of 6 rental units.

Planning Commissioner, City of Montpelier, Vermont, 1992 to 1997.

Member, Vermont Access Board, June 1996 - present.

Executive Board, Leetes Island Community Association, Guilford, Connecticut, 1999 - 2003.

EDUCATION

Columbia University Graduate School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation, Master of Science degree in Historic Preservation, October 1980.

Preservation planning focus with coursework in community preservation, building construction and technology, architectural history, conservation of building materials, real estate development

and finance, publication production. Thesis: A Preservation Plan for the Quinnipiac River Historic District, New Haven, Connecticut.

University of Wisconsin - Green Bay, Bachelor of Arts degree in Humanism and Cultural Change. May 1975. Summa Cum Laude.

Senior Honors Thesis: A Preservation Plan for Main Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin.
Minor concentration in Environmental Sciences.

Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont. September 1971 to May 1973.

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Boone, Nancy E. and Sherman, Michael, "Designed to Cure: Civil War Hospitals in Vermont", Vermont History, Vol. 69, Nos. 1 and 2, Vermont Historical Society, Winter/Spring 2001, pp. 173-200.

Boone, Nancy E. et al, Locating Telecommunications Towers in Historic Buildings, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Washington, D.C., 2000.

AWARDS

Montpelier (VT) Heritage Group Lifetime Achievement Award, 2004
Environmental Excellence Award for Excellence in Environmental Streamlining, Federal Highway Administration, 2003
Preservation Trust of Vermont Honor Award, 1991

MEMBERSHIPS

National Trust for Historic Preservation
Vermont Historical Society
Montpelier Heritage Group
Shelburne Museum

PERSONAL

Born April 9, 1953.

References available upon request.

JFO #

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STATE OF VERMONT
GRANT ACCEPTANCE FORM

GRANT SUMMARY: This grant from the National Park Service to Department of Housing and Community Affairs-Division for Historic Preservation is for the Barns Census Project which involves documenting 5000 barns throughout the state. Photos and information on the barns will be put into a central GIS database and will be available to the public through the internet.

TITLE: Preserve America Grant- Barns Census project

FEDERAL CATALOG No.: 15-929

GRANTOR / DONOR: National Park Service
Historic Preservation Grants Division
1201 I(eye) Street NW
6th Floor ((org. Code 2256)
Washington DC 20005

DATE: 4/21/08

DEPARTMENT: Housing and Community Affairs

GRANT / DONATION: This project will involve recruiting volunteers across the state from school children through adults to identify and document historic barns and outbuildings. There will be a GIS mapping data base created which will be accessible to the public on the web.

AMOUNT / VALUE: \$150,000.00

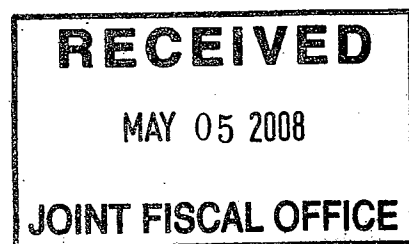
POSITIONS REQUESTED: None

GRANT PERIOD: 11/01/07 to 10/31/09

COMMENTS: The grant award material and explanatory information on two alternatives for how DHCA will raise the required match.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT:
SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION
SENT TO JOINT FISCAL OFFICE:

JX (INITIAL) Sy 4/22/08
(INITIAL) JPM 4/23/08
DATE: 4/30/08



STATE OF VERMONT
REQUEST FOR GRANT ACCEPTANCE
 (use additional sheets as needed)

FORM AA-1
 (Rev. 9-90)

1. **Agency:** Commerce and Community Development
 2. **Department:** Housing and Community Affairs - Division for Historic Preservation
 3. **Program:** Barn Census Project
 4. **Legal Title of Grant:** Preserve America
 5. **Federal Catalog No.:** 15-929
 6. **Grantor and Office Address:**

National Park Service
 Historic Preservation Grants Division
 1201 I (Eye) Street, NW
 6th Floor (Org. Code 2256)
 Washington, D.C. 20005

7. **Grant Period:** From: 11/1/2007 To: 10/31/2009

8. **Purpose of Grant:** (attach additional sheets if needed)
 The project will recruit volunteers across Vermont to identify historic barns and other agricultural outbuildings in their communities. It will develop a web-based barn form that volunteers will use to record basic information about the barns as well as a photo. The Division and the University of Vermont will receive the forms via the internet and compile them in a GIS (Geographic Information System) mapping database. People will be able to access the database on the web, including at www.vermontvacation.com, and use it to learn about barns in their community and across the state.

9. **Impact on Existing Programs if Grant is not Accepted:**
 Continued lack of readily available and current information on historic barns and other agricultural outbuildings, icons of Vermont's rural landscape. Missed opportunities for creative ideas for enhancing barn preservation in Vermont. Missed opportunities for heritage tourism in rural parts of the state.

10. Budget Information:	(1st State FY) FY 2008	(2nd State FY) FY 2009	(3rd State FY) FY 2010
EXPENDITURES:			
Personal Services	\$ \$37,000.00	\$ \$186,700.00	\$ \$54,500.00
Operating Expenses	\$ \$15,000.00	\$ \$23,300.00	\$ \$3,000.00
Grants	\$	\$	\$
TOTAL	\$ \$52,000.00	\$ \$210,000.00	\$ \$57,500.00
REVENUES:			
<u>State Funds:</u>			
Cash *	\$	\$	\$
In-Kind (Agency grant administration)	\$ \$2,000.00	\$	\$
<u>Federal Funds:</u>			
(Direct Costs)	\$ \$26,000.00	\$ \$100,000.00	\$ \$24,000.00
(Statewide Indirect)	\$	\$	\$
(Department Indirect)	\$	\$	\$
<u>Other Funds:</u>			
(source) Grants *	\$ \$10,000.00	\$ \$60,000.00	\$ \$18,500.00
In-kind	\$ \$14,000.00	\$ \$50,000.00	\$ \$15,000.00
	\$ \$52,000.00	\$ \$210,000.00	\$ \$57,500.00

*If \$40,000 is approved by Legislature, Grants line will decrease t \$40k and State Funds Cash line will increase by \$40k. No net change.

Appropriation Nos.	Amounts
	\$
	\$
	\$

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11. Will grant monies be spent by one or more personal service contracts?

YES NO

If YES, signature of appointing authority here indicates intent to follow current guidelines on bidding.

X Ken Horn

12a. Please list any requested Limited Service positions:

Titles	Number of Positions
	0
TOTAL Positions	

12b. Equipment and space for these positions:

- Is presently available.
- Can be obtained with available funds.

13. Signature of Appointing Authority

I certify that no funds have been expended or committed in anticipation of Joint Fiscal Committee approval of this grant.

Ken Horn 4/16/08
 (Signature) (Date)

SECRETARY, ACWD
 (Title)

14. Action by Governor:

- Approved
- Rejected

[Signature] 4/30/08
 (Signature) (Date)

15. Secretary of Administration:

- Request to JFO
- Information to JFO

Ronda P McLean 4/23/08
 (Signature) (Date)

16. Action by Joint Fiscal Committee:

(Dates)

- Request to be placed on JFC agenda
- Approved (not placed on agenda in 30 days)
- Approved by JFC
- Rejected by JFC
- Approved by Legislature

 (Signature) (Date)

Barn Census Project**Notes on Form AA-1 Budget Information- Expenditures and Revenues****Expenditures**

Personal Services:	Consultants Fees	\$203,200
	Volunteers	75,000
Operating Expenses	Travel	16,800
	Office Supplies	2,000
	Equipment	14,000
	Other	8,500
		<u>\$319,500</u>

Revenues**Plan A (If Legislature approves use of \$40,000 of recaptured Barn Grant funds for Barn Census)**

State Funds	Cash	\$40,000
	(Recaptured funds)	
	In-kind	2,000
	(Grant administration)	
Federal funds	Preserve America Grant	150,000
Other Funds	Grants	48,500
	In-kind	79,000
	(Volunteers, Reprinting booklet, Preservation Education Institute)	
		<u>\$319,500</u>

Plan B (If use of \$40,000 in recaptured Barn Grant funds is not approved, and instead, the \$40,000 is raised through grants - as shown in submitted AA-1 Budget)

State Funds	Cash	\$ 0
	In-kind	2,000
	(Grant administration)	
Federal funds	Preserve America Grant	150,000
Other Funds	Grants	88,500
	In-kind	79,000
	(Volunteers, Reprinting booklet, Preservation Education Institute)	
		<u>\$319,500</u>

STATE OF VERMONT
Department of Finance and Management
MEMO

TO: Mike Smith, Secretary of Administration and Jim Reardon, Commissioner
of Finance and Management
FROM: Toni Hartrich, Budget and Management Analyst
DATE: 4/23/08
SUBJECT: Grant Acceptance Request from the Department of Housing and
Community Affairs

Enclosed is the Department of Housing and Community Affairs request for acceptance of a grant of \$150,000.00 from the National Park Service for Barns Census Project. This project includes in-kind support from the state of \$2,000, either a match of \$40,000 from recaptured State Barns grants (if the legislature approves this use of these funds in the Capital Bill) or an increase in other grants match of \$40,000, (if the recaptured barn grants funds are not in the final capital bill) local in-kind of \$79,000 and an additional \$48,500 in other grants for a total of \$169,500 in local and state match. There are no limited service positions related to this grant. There will be personal service contracts related to this grant.

I am recommending approval of this grant request.

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Agency of Commerce &
Community Development

MEMO

TO: Michael Smith, Secretary of Administration

FROM: Julie Kelliher, Department Counsel, Department of Housing and Community Affairs

DATE: April 15, 2008

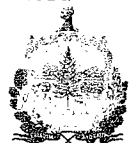
RE: Grant Acceptance Request for Barn Census Project

Attached please find a Request for Grant Acceptance Form AA-1 from the Division for Historic Preservation for the Barn Census Project. The Division received a \$150,000 grant for the project from the National Park Service through the Preserve America program. The Barn Census is a statewide inventory of historic barns that will be carried out by community volunteers who will send information and photographs of the barns into a central GIS (Geographic Information System) database via the internet. The information and photos will be available to the public through the Division's Historic Sites and Structures database and through the state's tourism website, www.vermontvacation.com. The Census is expected to generate new interest and ideas for preserving barns, an icon of Vermont's history and landscape. We expect to identify 5000 barns across the entire state.

Included with the AA-1 form are copies of some background materials that give more detail on the project:

- Notes on the AA-1 Budget
- The Division's Preserve America grant application for the project
- The ACCD Project Approval Form for the Barn Census project
- The National Park Service grant contract for the project with required supplemental forms
- A one-page handout summarizing the Barn Census
- A pending matching grant application to the National Trust for Historic Preservation
- The media release from the Governor's press conference announcing the project

The Preserve America grant requires a 50% matching share, cash and in-kind, that will be developed over the course of the project. The largest segment of the required match will come from the donated time of the Barn Census volunteers. Already several hundred people have expressed interest in



participating, and that's before we have started recruitment efforts. In the 2009 Capital Budget, the Administration requested approval to spend \$40,000 of recaptured funds from the Division's Barn Grant program for the Barn Census Project. The Capital bill is still in the Legislature and it is not yet clear if this expenditure will be allowed. If it is not, additional fundraising will fill the gap in cash match. A \$10,000 grant to the National Trust for Historic Preservation is pending. (This grant request, which was encouraged by the Trust, is twice the \$5,000 identified in the original project budget.) We are working on financial partnerships with several large agriculture-related businesses. And we are applying to foundations for additional grants. To respect the 50/50 match terms of the grant agreement, we plan to draw the federal money only at the rate at which the match is developed and in-hand.

In addition, project costs may be reduced below the original estimate due to a change in the Division's database partner for the project. We are now planning to partner with the University of Vermont Graduate Program in Historic Preservation to host the database and website, with student assistance, which will reduce costs and provide a rich educational experience for the students. The Program's Director, Tom Visser, is a recognized expert on barns.

The value of the in-kind volunteer match is also expected to increase above the budgeted \$75,000. The original estimate was based on the Vermont minimum wage which has increased since the time of the grant. We are also working on mechanisms for documenting a higher value for volunteer time donated by people with expertise related to the project.

Please note that while the ACCD Approval Form notes that the Survey Director would be hired as a limited service employee, we now plan to secure those services through contract, as originally outlined in the grant application. No new state positions will be created in this project.

The changes in funding and database partner have delayed the launch of the Barn Census, but we hope to begin the project in May, pending approvals in the Grant Acceptance process. The Division is receiving many inquiries from people who are eager to get the Census underway, and we would especially like to begin training for volunteers before schools recess for the summer. Please contact me at 828-5245 or Nancy Boone at 828-3045 if we can answer any questions or provide additional information.

Thank you very much for your assistance.



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March 5, 2008

Hampton Tucker
Historic Preservation Grants Division
National Park Service
1201 I (Eye) Street, NW
6th Floor (Org. Code 2256)
Washington, D. C. 20005

Re: Grant Agreement for Barn Census Project No. 50-07-PA-3074

Dear Mr. Tucker:

Enclosed please find two signed copies of the Grant Agreement for the Barn Census project, a completed SF-424 Application for Federal Assistance, a completed SF-424B Non-Construction Assurances form, and a completed DI-2010 Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters, Drug-Free Workplace Requirements and Lobbying form.

The person in our office who is responsible for drawing funds in Smart-Link for both the Barn Census project and the previously awarded Digital Downtowns project is Lucie MacAskill. Her phone number is 802-828-5213, e-mail address lucie.macaskill@state.vt.us, and mailing address, Department of Housing and Community Affairs, National Life Building, 6th floor, Montpelier, VT 05620-0201. We access Smart-Link now for other National Park Service projects and wonder if you need another 1199 form to initiate Smart-Link access for these projects. If so, please let us know and we will provide it.

The public response to announcement of the Barn Census project has been enthusiastic and we are busily preparing to begin the project. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nancy E. Boone".

Nancy E. Boone
State Architectural Historian / Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

Enclosures



Standard Form SF 424 Application for Federal Assistance

OMB Approval No. 0348-0043

APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE (SF 424)		2. DATE SUBMITTED	Applicant Identifier
1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION: <input type="checkbox"/> Application <input type="checkbox"/> Construction <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction		3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE	State Application Identifier SAI Exempt
		4. Date received by Fed. Agency	Federal Identifier 27-07-PA-3074

5. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Vermont Division for Historic Preservation	Organizational Unit:
Address National Life Building, Floor 2 National Life Drive Montpelier, VT 05620-1202	Contact: Nancy E. Boone, State Architectural Historian (802) 828-3045 e-mail: nancy.boone@state.vt.us

6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN): 036000247 DUNS NUMBER 135459159	7. TYPE OF APPLICANT: (enter appropriate letter): <u>A</u> A. State H. Independent School Dist. B. County I. State Controlled Institution of Higher Learning C. Municipal J. Private University D. Township K. Indian Tribe E. Interstate L. Individual F. Intermunicipal M. Profit Organization G. Special District N. Other (Specify) <u>Non-Profit</u>
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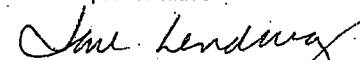
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision	9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY: National Park Service
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10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER: <u>1 5 - 9 2 9</u> TITLE: Save America's Treasures	11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT: 2007 Preserve America Grant Barn Census Project
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (cities, counties, states, etc.)	

13. PROPOSED PROJECT:	14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF: <u>Vermont 01</u>		
Start Date 11/1/2007	Ending Date 10/31/2009	a. Applicant: <u>Vermont 01</u>	b. Project: <u>Vermont 01</u>

15. ESTIMATED FUNDING		16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?	
a. Federal	\$ 150,000	a. YES. THIS PREAPPLICATION/APPLICATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS FOR REVIEW ON: DATE	
b. Applicant	\$ 169,500	b. NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PROGRAM IS NOT COVERED BY E.O. 12372 OR PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED BY STATE FOR REVIEW	
c. State	\$		
d. Local	\$		
e. Other	\$		
f. Program Income		17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?	
g. TOTAL	319,500	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes If "Yes" attach an explanation.	

To the best of my knowledge and belief, all data in this application/preapplication are true and correct, the document has been duly authorized by the governing body of the applicant and the applicant will comply with the attached assurances if the assistance is awarded.

a. Typed Name of Authorized Representative Jane Lendway	b. Title State Historic Preservation Officer	c. Telephone 802-828-3042
d. Signature of Authorized Representative 		e. Date Signed 03/05/08



United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Preserve America Grant Agreement No. 50-07-PA-3074

Upon signature of both parties below, the National Park Service (NPS) will have obligated with this Grant Agreement the amount of \$150,000.00 appropriated from the Historic Preservation Fund for the Preserve America Grant Program by Public Law 110-5, which provides Fiscal Year 2007 appropriations to the Department of the Interior. The term of this grant agreement is:

Beginning Date: November 1, 2007

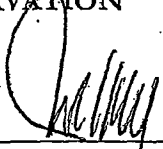
Ending Date: October 31, 2009

In accepting this grant for the project entitled "Barn Census Project," evidenced by signature below, the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, agrees to comply with Department of the Interior regulations and requirements governing Federal grants stipulated in Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-102 (Administrative Requirements for Grants to State and Local Governments; see 43 CFR 12.42-12.92); Circular A-87 (Cost Principles for Grants to State and Local Governments); and Circular A-133 (Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations). These requirements are hereby incorporated by reference into this grant agreement. In accordance with 18 U.S.C. 1913, none of these funds may be used for lobbying purposes as defined in the special conditions contained on the following pages. These special conditions are also hereby incorporated into this grant award. The terms and conditions of this grant award shall be extended to subrecipients and subcontractors.

In witness thereof, the parties have executed this grant agreement as of the date entered below:

VERMONT DIVISION FOR HISTORIC
PRESERVATION

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE



Authorized Signature

Chief, Historic Preservation Grants Division

1/31/08

Date signed

Date signed

Attachments:

- SF 424 Application for Federal Assistance
- Budget Changes/Special Grant Conditions



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Agency of Commerce &
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June 27, 2007

Mr. Hampton Tucker, Chief
Historic Preservation Grants Division
Preserve America Grants
National Park Service
1201 "Eye" Street NW, 6th Floor (ORG. 2256)
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Tucker:

I am pleased to add my support for the Division for Historic Preservation's *Preserve America* grant application for the Barn Census Project.

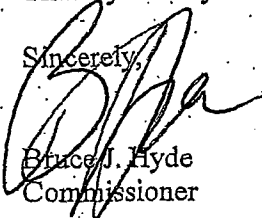
National Geographic Traveler ranked Vermont sixth in the world on its "Index of Destination Stewardship," ahead of many of the world's best known destinations. This is due to Vermont's vast cultural heritage and cultural integrity, historic buildings and archaeological sites, and quality of management and outlook.

Six weeks ago Vermont was honored with a Destination Award from the World Travel and Tourism Council for Vermont downtowns, which are also *Preserve America* communities. One of the ways that Vermont distinguishes itself from other states is through its "sense of place." Vermont has developed an award-winning Downtown program that is a model for other states and now recognized internationally. The state has adopted so-called "smart growth" policies and legislation in order to manage and protect this traditional settlement pattern.

The dairy industry is dwindling and while some farms are being adapted to diversified or specialty farming, barns are falling into disrepair across the state. A barn census will give communities and the state baseline information on the number of barns and their condition. With this information, the Agency of Agriculture, Division of Historic Preservation, Department of Tourism and Marketing, and the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board will better be able to collaborate in supporting viable agriculture, the continued use of farm buildings, cultural heritage tourism and protection of prime agricultural land.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Bruce J. Hyde
Commissioner





FY 2007 Preserve America
Historic Preservation Fund Grants to Preserve and Promote America's Heritage and Cultural Assets

APPLICATION FORM

Please follow the Guidelines and Application Instructions to complete this application. Applicants must submit one (1) signed original and seven (7) copies - a total of 8 - complete application packages, plus one (1) additional photocopy of this page. See additional mailing instructions on the last page of the application form.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Project Title (10 words or less): Barn Census Project

Applicant Organization: Vermont Division for Historic Preservation

Contact Person: Nancy E. Boone

Title: State Architectural Historian

Address: National Life Building, Floor 2, National Life Drive

City: Montpelier

State: Vermont

Zip Code: 05620-1202

Telephone (802) 828-3045

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EIN Number: 036000247

DUNS Number: 135459159

Applicant's Congressional District(s): Vermont

U.S. Representative(s): Vermont

Type of Applicant (Select all that apply)

- Preserve America Community
Preserve America Neighborhood
SHPO

- THPO
CLG (must be in the process of applying for Preserve America designation or already designated)

Project Category: (Select only one)

- Research/Documentation
Interpretation/Education
Marketing
Planning
Training

Table with 3 columns: Amount Requested, Federal Share, Matching Share, Total Costs. Values: \$150,000, \$169,500, \$319,500.

Is your community in a designated National Heritage Area?

No Yes If so, which NHA

Does your community have an active grant or financial assistance through the NHA? No Yes

Is your Resolution of Support included? Yes No N/A

(Note: all cities, counties, towns, neighborhoods, and THPOs must include a resolution of support from their city/town/county councils or appropriate governing body.)

Has your community received a Preserve America grant?

No Yes If so, what is the status? SHPO awarded grant June 2007 for "Digital Downtowns: GIS Databases for Historic Downtowns"

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL (Original copy must have an original signature and be in ink.)

Signature Jane Lendway Date June 28, 2007

Print Name and Title: Jane Lendway, State Historic Preservation Officer

2. PROJECT SUMMARY

A. Briefly summarize your project emphasizing the primary objectives and results.

(Your summary must fit in the space provided. Use at least a 10-point font.)

With Vermont's history being inexorably linked with agricultural practices, barns survive today as both a firm connection to our cultural heritage, and as an integral part of our working landscape. As visitors and residents alike can attest, there is perhaps no greater symbol of what is quintessentially "Vermont", than the barn. Each year millions of people from all parts of the country and from around the world visit Vermont. Whether they are traveling to one of our internationally recognized *Preserve America Communities* or to an outdoor recreation area, these travelers will inevitably encounter barns along their way. These agricultural corridors create visual and cultural links between well-kept historic downtowns and pristine natural environments, and are vital to our understanding of each. However, with fewer than 1,000 working farms left in the state, many barns are disappearing. Vermont's state grant program for repair of historic barns was the first in the nation, but remains small. The goal of the Barn Census Project is to carry out, for the first time, a statewide census of Vermont's barns and make that information available for heritage tourism opportunities and future restoration efforts. The reconnaissance level survey will be conducted by volunteers organized in a highly visible model public effort akin to Earth Day or bird census activities.

All of Vermont's compact downtown areas, including those in the 16 *Preserve America Communities* benefit from their surrounding agricultural landscape. The barns which dot this landscape are a reminder of Vermont's rural and agricultural heritage balanced with the steady development of downtown cores. The two spaces evolved together; one could not exist without the other. This project will develop census methodology, data collection and storage systems and recruit and train volunteers who will conduct Census surveys of the barns in their towns. The project will use field surveys collected through a web interface, and a customized GIS (Geographic Information System) database that may be updated with additional information in real-time. This comprehensive Census will result in a greater understanding of the number and types of barns existing in Vermont, as well as a determination of current physical conditions. On a larger scale the Census will create a heightened awareness of these threatened historic resources and will inspire creative solutions for barn preservation.

3. PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND BUDGET

Applicants are strongly encouraged to provide answers in the spaces provided.

A. Describe the historic resources affected by the project, including whether they are listed in the National Register of Historic Places and/or designated at the State or local level.

The historic resources that will be affected by this project are the historic barns and other agricultural outbuildings in the state. The vast majority are no longer on working farms, and often are only minimally used, and therefore in danger of being lost. Barns evolved over time. Early Vermont settlers practiced small-scale agriculture, which provided enough food for their families with little excess, and their barns were compact. As markets were established, the farmer had the ability to produce surplus that could be sold or traded. Barns increased in size and orientation accordingly. During the mid to late part of the 19th century, with access to even greater markets created by the railroad, farmers shifted to raising milking cows and shipping butter, cheese and later fluid milk. This greater demand for dairy products encouraged the farmer to grow the size of his herd, which in turn further increased the size of the farm barn. During the early 20th century health regulations again transformed the barn, this time dictating a ground level cow stable set on a concrete floor with hay storage in a large loft above. In addition to the size, orientation and layout of barns, changing agricultural practices required auxiliary buildings around the farm for the storage of grains and cow fodder, smoking of meats, stables for horses, carpentry and blacksmith shops, milking parlors and equipment sheds. The barn in Vermont has taken on a number of forms and designs, each a representation of its own time, technology, and the ever changing markets which the Vermont farmer has sought to tap.

While some of these resources have been included in the National Register and state surveys, either as individual structures or as related structures, these listings are usually lacking in detailed information and photos, or are simply outdated. The vast uncounted majority of Vermont barns have not been surveyed.

Project Objectives

- **How will the proposed project enhance heritage tourism in the community and help preserve its historic resources and cultural assets?**

Tourism is the second largest sector of the Vermont economy. This project will enhance the general understanding and appreciation of the state's agricultural heritage, increasing the link between downtown centers and the agricultural landscapes that surround them. With the goal of expanding barn preservation efforts as one of the anticipated outcomes of this project, there will be opportunities to highlight these important buildings. As tourists travel around the state they will have the chance, through such things as thematic itineraries, barn tours, interpretive sites or simply through visual exploration, to better understand the history of the place they are visiting. Efforts to preserve, adaptively re-use, or continue to use barns, which will spring from the statewide Census and the growing interest in Vermont's barns, will enhance the heritage tourism experience. Vermont's 16 *Preserve America Communities* are home to many historic barns. This project will serve them, and, since they are widely disbursed throughout the state, many other communities on travel routes in between.

The *Preserve America Communities* are all part of the Vermont Downtown Program and are inherently organized to put community-based plans into action and achieve specific goals. By providing a link between the rural community and the business community, through farmers markets and connecting farmers to local restaurants, the *Preserve America Communities* are already fostering the preservation of agricultural heritage. This project seeks to take advantage of this unique relationship in order to further preserve these important historic resources. The first step in effectively planning for the conscious preservation of these resources is the establishment of a systematic inventory. The Census will further help preserve barns by fostering interest in the resource through broad based volunteer involvement at the local level where most decision making happens.

The use of GIS based computer technology will play a major role in integrating the Census into existing databases and mapping projects. Through the linking of statewide property tax databases and E-911 address points, the location of barns and information about them will be available for heritage tourism planning efforts, including access through the state's interactive tourism website, www.VermontVacation.com. Vermont has been on the cutting edge of new mapping technologies and this project will be in keeping with that effort.

- **Describe how the project meets the goals of the local or statewide preservation plan, heritage tourism plan, or other plan(s) that address heritage tourism and cultural resources. Identify the specific goal(s) and plan(s) and state when they were developed and adopted by the community.**

"Keeping Vermont a Special World: The Vermont Historic Preservation Plan", October 1997, VT Division for Historic Preservation

The first goal of the statewide Preservation Plan states that "Vermont's citizens and communities will know about and value the state's historic and archeological resources." This project is in keeping with this standard as it seeks to ascertain specific information about Vermont's barns for the benefit of citizens and visitors alike. The plan further promotes making inventory information "useful and more accessible to individuals and the public" through "innovative computer technologies." Data collected will be integrated into GIS based mapping applications, making it available to a broad audience and for a variety of uses.

The second goal of the Preservation Plan states that "Statewide and community policies and actions will recognize historic and archeological resources as important community assets for economic and community development and encourage re-investment and re-use of existing buildings and infrastructure." The Barn Census will focus public attention on barns, and will inspire creative ideas for reinvestment for their continued use or re-use. As an existing piece of our built landscape, barns are a valuable asset to both the working farm and the understanding of our agricultural heritage. The Barn Census inventory will be invaluable to the goals of preservation, community development, and heritage tourism.

- Describe the public-private partnerships involved in the project and how these partnerships will sustain and continue to support the resource(s) after the grant project is complete? Describe/list all entities that are involved with, or affected by, the project. Attach evidence of involvement from partner organizations such as letters of support that specifically state confirmation of their contribution(s). See Supplemental Information in the guidelines for more information regarding partnership documentation.

PARTNER	CONTRIBUTION
• Save Vermont Barns Program (Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association)	Assist with collecting data/database management, barn conference, coordinating volunteers
• Preserve America Communities/Vermont Downtown Program	Link farms with downtowns by publicizing the project and promoting heritage tourism through special events and collateral materials
• Preservation Trust of Vermont	Granting of funds and support with publicizing
• Preservation Education Institute	Host barn conference and provide workshops/demonstrations on how barns were built, etc
• Vermont Housing and Conservation Board	Reprint the publication <i>Taking Care of Your Old Barn</i> as part of census materials
• Vermont Department of Tourism	Highlight barns to out of state and international audience through state tourism website
• University of Vermont	Provide interns to assist with census gathering
• Vermont Division for Historic Preservation	Manage Barn Census project. Plan historic site markers for significant farms
• Vermont Department of Agriculture	Provide a direct link to farms via publications and existing networks

- Explain how will the public be actively involved in the project?

The public will be integral to this project's success, as community volunteers will carry out the Census. Under the guidance of Census staff and volunteer Census coordinators, the public will have an active role in gathering and submitting data about the barns in their communities. Many of the partner organizations themselves serve public interests and their connection with the project will further create broad-based public involvement. School groups will also be invited and encouraged to participate. Furthermore, when the Census has been completed, it is hoped that many local preservation and heritage tourism efforts will follow.

- C. Project Activities --** Describe the project activities necessary to achieve the Project Objectives? List and describe all tasks and products. All grant activities must be accomplished within the grant period (generally 1 to 2 years).

- Organize Partnerships – confirm responsibilities and tasks of each
- Circulate RFPs for Census Director and web-based survey computer consultant
- Develop web-based survey computer software and hardware
- Develop and print field notebook for census gathering
- Organize and hold spring Barn Conference/Census Kick-off
- Prepare Census coordinators/interns for spring Census drive
- Hold multi-weekend Census drives with volunteers and supervisors around the state
- Gather collected data via internet survey website and store on a secure server
- Integrate data into the existing historic resources database maintained by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation and make available through www.VermontVacation.com, the state's interactive tourism website.
- Analyze and tabulate data to determine baseline documentation for the status of barns in Vermont and publish that data in a useful format for the public
- Hold Wrap-up Meeting to conclude the Barn Census Project and present results of survey and ideas for next steps including education programs, heritage tourism projects, historic preservation planning and other local and statewide efforts to maintain and preserve barns

D. **Timeline** -- Show a timeline for all of the above listed activities. The timeline may be attached as a separate page.

(See Attached Sheet)

E. **Personnel & Consultant Qualifications** -- List the project personnel that will administer and any consultants that will be hired to complete the project. Describe their responsibilities and the percentage of time each will dedicate to the project. Describe the criteria that will be used to competitively select consultants for their services. **All Federal grants require consultants to be competitively selected** (please see page 3 the guidelines for more information).

The selection process for the Survey Director, Assistant, and Computer Consultant will follow state and federal procurement practices. In formulating the RFP for the Computer Consultants, the Division will seek input from the computer technology and legal staff at the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, the Designated Downtowns, GIS staff at Regional Planning Commissions, and the Vermont Geographic Information Center. The RFP will be circulated on the State of Vermont Bid website as well as to known computer consultants who might be qualified to offer a proposal.

(See Attached Sheet for detailed information)

D. TIMELINE Barn Census

October - November '07

- Organize Partnerships – confirm responsibilities and tasks of each
- Circulate RFPs for Census Director and web-based survey computer consultant

December '07 - May '08

- Hire Director
- Develop web-based survey computer software and hardware
- Develop and print field notebook for census gathering

February – May '08

- Prepare census coordinators/interns for Spring census drive
- Organize and hold spring Barn Conference/Census Kick-off

May '08 - July '09

- Hold multi-weekend census drives with volunteers and supervisors around the state
- Gather collected data via internet survey website and store on a secure server
- Integrate all collected census data into existing historic sites and structures database maintained by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation and make available through www.VermontVacation.com , the state's interactive tourism website

July – September '09

- Analyze and tabulate data to determine baseline documentation for the status of barns in Vermont and publish that data in a useful format for the public
- Hold celebratory wrap-up for participants, including ideas for next steps, including education programs, heritage tourism projects, historic preservation planning, and other local and statewide efforts to maintain and preserve barns in Vermont

E. PERSONNEL AND CONSULTANT QUALIFICATIONS

Barn Census

Nancy E. Boone
State Architectural Historian
Vermont Division for Historic Preservation

Project Administrator
.1 FTE

Suzanne Jamele
National Register Specialist
Vermont Division for Historic Preservation

Project Administrator
.1 FTE

Annette Lynch, President
Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association

Web master
.4 FTE

Judy Hayward, Director
Preservation Education Institute

Conference/Workshop Organizer

Diane Ford
Department Accountant
Agency of Commerce and Community
Development

Accounting and contracting
for project grant
.125 FTE

Volunteers

Community surveyors
Have interest in and enthusiasm for barns.

Conduct Barn Census
4.79 FTE

Consultants

Survey Director and Assistant Director
(To be selected through RFP process)
Must meet 36CFR61 professional
qualifications and have experience with survey work,
be skilled at working with the public, organizing
volunteers, carrying out projects over an extended
period. Additional Qualifications: Database and GIS
experience, familiarity with Vermont and agricultural
history.

Survey Director
.75 FTE

Assistant
.5 FTE

Computer Consultant
(To be selected through RFP process)
Consultant team expertise and experience in:
Geographic Information Systems (GIS); database
development; cultural resource inventories; web
interface development; training

Technical development and
implementation of web interface
for collecting survey data and
photos and integrating it in
databases
100 days

F. What are the sources of the non-federal match?

List the **secured** sources and amounts of the required dollar-for-dollar non-Federal match, which can be cash, donated services, or use of equipment. Federal appropriations or other Federal grants may not be used for match, except Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) grants from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. All non-Federal match must be used during the grant period to execute the project. If the match is **not secured**, explain how it will be raised.

Vermont Division for Historic Preservation Barn Grant Allocation <i>(FY08 State Legislative Appropriation to the Division for Historic Preservation's Barn Grant Program. Funds to be issued over a two-year period in two allotments of \$20,000 each.)</i> <i>(FY08 operating budget)</i>	\$40,000 ----- \$2,000
Preservation Trust of Vermont <i>(Cash donation from a variety of non-federal sources, including possible online auction of barn related artwork.)</i>	\$29,500
National Trust for Historic Preservation <i>(Granting through the Preservation Services Fund.)</i>	\$5,000
Save Vermont Barns Program <i>(Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association has received a non-federal preservation grant to operate a statewide barn conservancy known as Save Vermont Barns It is a 50/50 matching grant with \$7,000 being granted and \$7,000 being made up with donated services.)</i>	\$14,000
Vermont Housing Conservation Board Publication <i>(Vermont Housing Conservation Board will re-print the popular booklet entitled, Taking Care of Your Old Barn, to be used as outreach and education. 1000 copies.)</i>	In-Kind Donation \$2,500
Volunteer Hours <i>(Anticipated volunteer time calculated at 2 hours per barn at \$7.53 per hour, the Vermont minimum wage, for an estimated 5,000 barns over two year period.)</i>	In-Kind Donation \$75,000
Preservation Education Institute Barn Conference <i>(Preservation Education Institute will hold a barn conference and Census kick-off in order to train volunteer organizers and conduct outreach and education.)</i>	In-Kind Donation \$1,500

G. Budget -- Outline the project budget in the form below; add additional lines in a category as needed.

- The budget must be clear, and all work elements must be eligible, reasonable, and directly relevant to the project.
- Each cost item must clearly show how the total charge for that item was determined (example: hours x hourly rate = total cost).
- All major costs must be listed, and all cost items should be explained in the narrative of the application.
- The budget must include at least the minimum required match (e.g., if applying for a \$30,000 grant, the budget must describe a total of \$60,000 in costs/work).
- All non-Federal match must be cash expended or services donated during the grant period (generally 1 to 2 years) and not before.
- If you have any questions about cost categories, or how to formulate some of your budget items, please email NPS_PreserveAmerica@nps.gov.

1. Personnel: Provide the names and titles of key project personnel. Include only the percentage of time used on the project. Please note that grant funds may not be used to pay Federal employee salaries, nor may Federal salaries be used as match/cost share. Please consult page 3 of the guidelines for more information on allowable personnel costs.

Name/Title of Position and % of time spent on this Project	Wage or Salary	Federal Grant Funds	Match /Cost Share (if any)	Total
-Nancy Boone, Project Co-Administrator (VT State Employee)	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A
-Suzanne Jamele, Project Co-Administrator (VT state Employee)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
-Community Surveyors 4.79FTE	\$7.53/hr (VT wage)	0	\$75,000	\$75,000
Subtotal		\$ 0	\$ 75,000	\$75,000

2. Fringe Benefits: If more than one rate is used, list each rate and the wage or salary base.

Rate	Salary or Wage Base	Federal Grant Funds	Match / Cost Share (if any)	Total
% of	\$	\$	\$	\$
Subtotal		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

3. Consultant Fees: Include payments for professional and technical consultants participating in the project. Please consult page 3 of the guidelines for more information on allowable consultant costs.

Name and Type of Consultant	# of Days	Rate of Compensation	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share (if any)	Total
-Computer Consultant	100	\$ 500/day	\$ 50,000	\$ 0	\$50,000
-Survey Director (.75FTE)	390	200/day	8,500	69,500	78,000
-Survey Assistant (.5FTE)	260	120/day	26,200	5,000	31,200
-Web Manager	212.5	160/day	20,000	14,000	34,000
-Preservation Education Institute (training/conference)	41.66	240/day	8,500	1,500	10,000
Subtotal			\$113,200	\$ 90,000	\$ 203,200

4. Travel and Per Diem: Indicate the number of persons traveling, the total days they will be in travel status, and the total subsistence and transportation costs.

From/To	# of People	# of Travel Days	Subsistence Costs (Lodging and Per Diem)	Transportation Costs (Airfare and Mileage)	Federal Grant Funds	Match/ Cost Share (if any)	Total
Office to Field	4	195	0	\$16,800 @ state mileage rate	\$ 16,800	\$ 0	\$16,800
Subtotal					\$ 16,800	\$ 0	\$ 16,800

5. Office Supplies and Materials: Include consumable supplies and materials to be used in the project and any items of expendable equipment, i.e., equipment costing less than \$5000 or with an estimated useful life of less than two years. Equipment costing more than that should be listed in Equipment - Category 0.

Item	Cost	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share (if any)	Total
- printing of Census data notebook	\$2,000	\$ 2,000	\$	\$ 2,000
Subtotal		\$ 2,000	\$	\$ 2,000

6. Equipment: List all equipment items in excess of \$5000. Items worth less than \$5000 or that have a useful life of less than two years must be listed in Supplies and Materials - Category 5.

Item	Cost	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share (if any)	Total
-Computer server for storage of data	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 0	\$ 10,000
-laptop computers (2)	4,000	4,000	0	4,000
Subtotal		\$ 14,000	\$ 0	\$ 14,000

7. Other (Specify)

Item	Cost	Federal Grant Funds	Match / Cost Share (if any)	Total
-Barn Census T-shirts for volunteers and promotion (1000)	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$ 0	\$6,000
-Update and reprint "Taking Care of Your Old Barn"	\$2,500	0	\$2,500	\$2,500
Subtotal		\$6,000	\$2,500	\$8,500

BUDGET SUMMARY
Enter category totals here

Category	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share	Total
1. Personnel	\$ 0	\$ 75,000 (volunteers)	\$ 75,000
2. Fringe Benefits	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
3. Consultant Fees	\$ 113,200	\$ 90,000	\$203,200
4. Travel and Per Diem	\$ 16,800	\$0	\$ 16,800
5. Supplies and Materials	\$ 0	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
6. Equipment	\$ 14,000	\$ 0	\$ 14,000
7. Other	\$6,000	\$2,500	\$8,500
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	\$ 150,000	\$ 169,500	\$ 319,500



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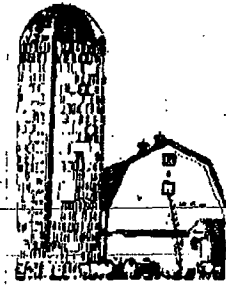
On June 27, 2007, at the monthly meeting of the Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, Nancy Boone presented the possibility of a Preserve America Grant that would allow the Division for Historic Preservation and other preservation partners to create a Barn Census project to identify and evaluate all barns in Vermont over a two year period. The Council enthusiastically endorsed this project!

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Beth Boepple, Chair
Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

MOUNT HOLLY BARN PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION, INC.

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June 25, 2007

Hampton Tucker
Historic Preservation Grants Division
Preserve America Grants
National Park Service
1201 Eye Street, NW
6th Floor (ORG. 2256)
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Tucker:

The Mount Holly Barn Preservation Association (MHBPA) pioneered a model to inventory, evaluate and preserve historic barns at the local level. We developed the prototype in Mt. Holly, starting with a survey conducted by volunteers, evaluation by a barn restoration expert, and group applications to the Division for Historic Preservation's Barn Grant program to fund restoration. We now wholeheartedly support the Barn Census project as a way to bring that model to other communities statewide, and eventually beyond. The aim is to use the information gathered by the Project to implement programs of stabilization, repair, and maintenance.

Working with the Preservation Trust of Vermont, the Division for Historic Preservation, and other key barn preservationists in the state, we aim to help foster involvement, excitement, and action in saving our historic barns. MHBPA has launched Save Vermont Barns Project with a web site www.savevermontbarns.org to be used by Vermont towns to conduct town-wide surveys. The Project is designed so that standardized data collected by towns can be expanded with new information, condition reports, more photos, etc. as local communities work to preserve their resources.

The MHBPA and the Save Vermont Barns project would be happy to work with the Division to design and operate a state-wide barn database/server that would meet the needs of the Division and the goals of Save Vermont Barns.

Yours truly,


Annette Lynch

Board President, Mount Holly Barn Preservation Assn.



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*Agency of Commerce &
Community Development*

June 27, 2007

Mr. Hampton Tucker, Chief
Historic Preservation Grants Division
Preserve America Grants
National Park Service
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Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Tucker:

I am pleased to add my support for the Division for Historic Preservation's *Preserve America* grant application for the Barn Census Project.

National Geographic Traveler ranked Vermont sixth in the world on its "Index of Destination Stewardship," ahead of many of the world's best known destinations. This is due to Vermont's vast cultural heritage and cultural integrity, historic buildings and archaeological sites, and quality of management and outlook.

Six weeks ago Vermont was honored with a Destination Award from the World Travel and Tourism Council for Vermont downtowns, which are also *Preserve America* communities. One of the ways that Vermont distinguishes itself from other states is through its "sense of place." Vermont has developed an award-winning Downtown program that is a model for other states and now recognized internationally. The state has adopted so-called "smart growth" policies and legislation in order to manage and protect this traditional settlement pattern.

The dairy industry is dwindling and while some farms are being adapted to diversified or specialty farming, barns are falling into disrepair across the state. A barn census will give communities and the state baseline information on the number of barns and their condition. With this information, the Agency of Agriculture, Division of Historic Preservation, Department of Tourism and Marketing, and the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board will better be able to collaborate in supporting viable agriculture, the continued use of farm buildings, cultural heritage tourism and protection of prime agricultural land.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Bruce J. Hyde
Commissioner





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Hampton Tucker, Chief
Historic Preservation Grants Division

Dear Mr. Tucker,

The barn is an emblematic symbol of the Vermont landscape and the connection we have to our agricultural history and sense of tradition. Barns are the most visible feature of the Vermont landscape reflecting the rich farming heritage of the state and its working landscape.

Tourism has a significant economic impact on the state and agritourism is a rapidly expanding industry in Vermont. People travel from many areas of the nation and world to experience the unique cultural heritage and way of life Vermonters hold dear.

We fully support the Barn Census project initiated by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation. A statewide census of Vermont's barns is an important first step to plan for the conscientious preservation and rehabilitation of these historic resources.

Sincerely,

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Anson Tebbetts, Deputy Secretary
Vermont Agency of Agriculture



**Vermont
Housing &
Conservation
Board**

June 26, 2007

Hampton Tucker, Chief,
Historic Preservation Grants Division
Preserve America Grants
National Park Service
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Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Tucker:

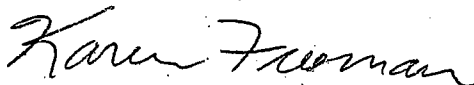
On behalf of the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board, I am writing to enthusiastically endorse the Division for Historic Preservation's *Preserve America* grant application for the Barn Census Project.

This first ever, systematic statewide barn inventory is critical to effectively preserving Vermont's historic agricultural resources. The Barn Census project will not only provide detailed, up-to-date information, but will involve community members, resulting in broad-based involvement and increased interest in barn preservation. This comprehensive statewide project will support the collaborative efforts of the Housing and Conservation Board, Agency of Agriculture, and the Departments of Historic Preservation, and Tourism and Marketing to support viable agriculture, the continued use of farm buildings, cultural heritage tourism and protection of prime agricultural land.

Agriculture is central to Vermont's economy, landscape, and rural character. Vermont's compact downtown areas surrounded by working farmland and historic farmsteads reflect the unique character of the state. Vermont's historic barns, as core features of most farms and agricultural communities, play an invaluable role in the delivery of a range of public policy objectives including economic development, improving the quality of life, creating a better and more sustainable environment, education, and cultural resource protection.

Historic farm buildings and agricultural fields underpin sustainable tourism and the promotion of the state's agricultural heritage, increasing the link between people and the landscape. Funds used through this project to develop census methodology and systems, train volunteers and establish baseline documentation will leverage efforts as part of a larger rural and agricultural heritage development initiative for the state.

Sincerely,



Karen Freeman
Director, Conservation Partnerships and Training
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ACCD PROJECT APPROVAL FORM

Department: Housing & Community Affairs
Division: Historic Preservation
Making Request: Nancy Boone
Date: January 28, 2008

Describe briefly the project (if statutory please cite):

A statewide census of barns conducted by volunteers on several highly publicized census weekends. ~~Volunteers will record basic information about the barns in their communities and send it along with photos into a central database, which will eventually be accessible on www.vermontvacation.com.~~ We expect to record 5,000 barns, and the work will fulfill the Division's statutory obligation to inventory historic buildings.

ACCD Staff Involvement and Project Lead: Nancy Boone will manage the project, with help from Sue Jamele. The project budget includes funding for a .75 FTE coordinator, to be hired as a limited service employee for 1 ½ years.

Costs: \$314,000

Has your business manager been notified? yes

Sources of Funding: Preserve America Grant (federal)- \$150,000 awarded
Barn grant program (state)- \$40,000 requested for FY09/10
National Trust for Historic Preservation - \$10,000 application
Other foundation grants- \$20,000 application
In-kind from UVM, Preservation Education Institute, VHCB,
and Census volunteers - \$94,000

Space Required: 1 desk space

IT Requirements: Database server pending with UVM

Other Requirements: none

Sustainability: The data will eventually be added to the DHP historic structures database and accessible to the public on the web through that system

When will it begin? Spring 2008 **End?** Fall 2009 **Report Required?** yes

What is the Dept./Division/Agency's responsibility?

Oversee project and grant administration of grants received

Any other Department or Agency involved?

Support from Tourism and Marketing, Agency of Agriculture, VHCB

How does this serve the Agency Mission?

The Division preserves and protects, and assists the public in preserving and protecting, Vermont's historic and archeological resources. This volunteer Census will generate new interest and ideas for preserving barns, an icon of Vermont's history and landscape.

Can this project serve other Agencies Missions? The Agency of Agriculture is very interested in the results of the Census.

Supervisor's Approval: NEB for gene lending Date: 1-31/08

Commissioner Approval: _____ Date: _____

Supervisor's approval must be received for all new initiatives or substantive changes in initiatives that will require more than 8 hours of an Agency staff member's time that is different than customary duties of the position. Additionally, commissioner approval must be received for any new project that will require more than 40 hours of an Agency staff member's time that is different than the customary duties of the position. This would include becoming a member of a new committee, writing and/or executing a grant program or initiating a new project. Involvement in VtShares or writing an EPA grant would be good examples. Once approved, a copy must be sent to the Deputy Secretary and a copy should be on file in the approving authority's files.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

October 17, 2007

Contact: David Mace (802) 828-5229

Vermont Nets Federal Grant To Inventory Barns

\$150,000 Preserve America Grant Will Help Barn Preservation Efforts

COLCHESTER – The Vermont Division for Historic Preservation has been awarded a \$150,000 federal grant to carry out the first state-wide inventory of Vermont's barns to further efforts to preserve them.

In a ceremony at the Farmhouse Center, which received a state barn preservation grant last winter, Governor Jim Douglas on Wednesday announced the Preserve America grant that will help fund the Vermont Barn Census.

“By involving Vermonters in a developing a state-wide inventory of our barns, we can help strengthen our efforts to preserve these iconic structures as part of our working landscape,” Governor Douglas said.

The project will recruit volunteers and students from Vermont's schools in all 251 towns to identify barns and other agricultural outbuildings in their communities during several weekends in the spring and fall of 2008, and the spring of 2009.

These volunteers will take photographs and notes in the field, and then submit the data to develop a web-based barn survey form that will be developed by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation.

Save Vermont Barns, a program of the Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association, will compile the information in a database that the public can access via the web to learn about barns in their community and across the state.

“We know that our state's rich agricultural heritage and working landscape draws visitors to Vermont,” Governor Douglas said. “And preserving barns is an important part of strengthening both our tourism and agricultural industries.”

The state's Barn Program grants, administered by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, provides owners of agricultural buildings with matching funding of up to \$10,000 for a variety of capital repairs.

Eligible projects include repairs to roofs, foundations, walls, sills and overall stabilization.

The owners of the Farmhouse Center initially considered demolishing their barn, which was built around 1845, but decided to restore it instead and received a \$10,000 state barn preservation grant last winter to help repair its sills and roof.

The Farmhouse Center now hosts several programs including creative adult job training education; horse training, therapeutic riding, and summer equestrian camps for children, including those with emotional and behavioral challenges.

“This historic setting really helps reinforce the Farmhouse Center’s focus on Vermont’s agricultural heritage and connection to the earth, and we’re pleased that the state will be taking stock of our historic barns with this grant to improve efforts to preserve them,” said Joan Powell, the center’s owner.

The grant comes from the federal Preserve America program, which is administered by the National Park Service and whose Honorary Chairwoman is First Lady Laura Bush.

The program recognizes the importance of historic resources in communities across the country. Eighteen towns in Vermont have been designated as special Preserve America Communities.

A kickoff conference for the Vermont Barn Census is planned for the spring of 2008, and a wrap-up celebration for the fall of 2009.

For more information, visit www.historicvermont.org/ or www.preserveamerica.gov/

VERMONT BARN CENSUS

A Project of the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, UVM Graduate Program in Historic Preservation, the Preservation Education Institute, Preservation Trust of Vermont, and Save Vermont Barns

How many barns are there in Vermont? What kind of condition are they in? Are we losing significant numbers each year? What can be done to preserve these icons of our history and landscape? The goal of the Vermont Barn Census is to carry out, for the first time, a state-wide census of Vermont's barns that will lay the foundation for further efforts to preserve them.

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The Barn Census will occur mainly over several highly publicized weekends in the summer and fall of 2008 and spring and fall of 2009. Students from elementary to high school will be welcomed to participate. Volunteers will take a photo and some notes about barn features, history, use and condition in the field, and then submit the data over the web. Local coordinators will help organize and support teams of volunteers who will be recognizable by their Barn Census logo T-shirts. People can survey one barn or many. A kickoff conference will be held in the spring of 2008, and a wrap-up celebration in the fall of 2009. Following the announcement of the Preserve America grant for the project, we have already heard from hundreds of people who want to participate.

The project is the initiative of a group of partners concerned with the disappearance of Vermont's agricultural heritage: Vermont Division for Historic Preservation; Preservation Trust of Vermont; Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association; UVM Graduate Program in Historic Preservation; the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board; and the Preservation Education Institute. We expect to identify over 5,000 barns in the Barn Census.

We are starting a mailing list and will keep you informed. Please e-mail debra.sayers@state.vt.us to get on the mailing list for the Vermont Barn Census. You can also check the Division for Historic Preservation's website at www.historicvermont.org and the Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association website at www.savevermontbarns.org.



NATIONAL TRUST
for HISTORIC PRESERVATION®

JOHANNA FAVROT FUND FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Grant Application

Grants from the Johanna Favrot Fund for Historic Preservation are available to public agencies and nonprofit organizations. Individuals and for-profit businesses may apply only if the project for which funding is requested involves a National Historic Landmark.

Applications should be prepared after reading the grant eligibility requirements, guidelines and criteria, and after consulting with the National Trust regional office serving your state.

Enter information or "not applicable" in the space provided for a response. Please limit your response to the space provided.

Incomplete, faxed, or handwritten applications will not be considered. Applications cannot be submitted electronically. Refer to the CHECKLIST on the last page for a complete list of required application materials.

Completed applications must be postmarked by **February 1.**

APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. Name of Applicant: Vermont Division for Historic Preservation

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E-Mail Address: nancy.boone@state.vt.us

Telephone: 802-828-3045

Fax: 802-828-3206

Website: www.historicvermont.org

2. Contact (individual responsible for project):

Name: Nancy E. Boone

Title: Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

Address: National Life Building, 2nd floor

City: Montpelier

State: VT

Zip: 05620-0201

E-Mail Address: nancy.boone@state.vt.us

Daytime Telephone: 802-828-3045

Fax: 802-828-3206

3. Applicant's National Trust Forum membership number: 072029465

PLEASE NOTE: Membership in National Trust Forum is required in order to receive a grant.

4. The applicant is: a nonprofit organization a public agency
 a for-profit business an individual

If the applicant is a nonprofit, has the organization been classified as a tax-exempt organization pursuant to Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code?

YES NO If no, what is the organization's current tax status? _____

5. Organization's mission statement (if the applicant is a business, state the nature of the business).

The Division for Historic Preservation is a public agency which fosters community development in Vermont through preservation of the heritage of the building environment. The Division preserves and protects, and assists the public in preserving and protecting, Vermont's historic and archeological resources.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Project refers to the specific activity for which National Trust funding is being requested, e.g., feasibility study, workshop, fundraising plan.

6. Name of Project: Barn Census

7. Date(s) project will occur: Spring 2008 to Fall 2009

8. Project Location:

City: Statewide

County: _____

State: _____

City's Population: _____

9. Project Summary (50 words or less).

The Barn Census is a statewide census of barns conducted by volunteers in a model public effort akin to bird census activities. The Census will result in a greater understanding of the number and types of barns existing in Vermont, as well as a determination of current physical conditions. It will create heightened awareness of these threatened historic resources and will inspire creative solutions for barn preservation. This grant would fund the project's web interface.

10. If the project involves a historic resource (site, building, ship, etc.), please complete the following:

Name of site/historic district: N/A

Street Address(es) of site(s): _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Date(s) of construction: _____

Building Style: _____

Architect/Builder (if known): _____

Is the project site recognized for its architectural/cultural/historical significance by any of the designation programs listed below? Check "eligible" if the site has not been designated, but has been determined eligible for designation by your state historic preservation office.

	Yes	No	Eligible	Year Listed
National Historic Landmark	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Individually Listed in National Register of Historic Places	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Contributing Property to National Register Historic District	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
State Designation Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Local Designation Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

11. If applicant does not own the property, describe the owner's involvement with the project and include a letter of consent from the owner.

N/A

12. Describe the project site and discuss the significance of the building and its interior (architectural/cultural/historical).

The historic resources that will be affected by this project are the historic barns and other agricultural outbuildings of Vermont. Barns evolved in form and design, each a representation of its own time, technology, and the ever changing markets which farmers sought to tap - first local diversified trade, then sheep farming for the wool market, stock breeding, and finally dairying for butter, cheese and fluid milk. Barns became larger and more specialized, from the 30x40 gabled English barns to Bank Barns with a hay/stock/manure floor hierarchy, to gambrel-roofed ground stable barns with washable concrete floors and sanitary milk houses. Auxiliary buildings provided dedicated space for storage of grains and cow fodder, smoking of meats, stables for horses, shelter for chicken, pig, and mink production, carpentry and blacksmith shops, milking parlors and equipment sheds.

13. Describe the site's current use.

With only about 1,000 working farms left in Vermont, the vast majority of the state's barns no longer have an agricultural purpose. They often are only minimally used, and therefore in danger of being lost. With Vermont's history being inexorably linked with agricultural practices, barns survive today as both a firm connection to our cultural heritage, and as an integral part of our working landscape. As visitors and residents alike can attest, there is perhaps no greater symbol of what is quintessentially "Vermont", than the barn. The state's agricultural corridors create visual and cultural links between well-kept historic downtowns and pristine natural environments, and are vital to our understanding of each.

14. Detailed Project Description. Describe the project's purpose, schedule, and anticipated outcomes. Describe any products that will result from this project (publications, architectural drawings, etc):

How many barns are there in Vermont? What kind of condition are they in? Are we losing significant numbers each year? What can be done to preserve these icons of our history and landscape? The goal of the Vermont Barn Census is to carry out, for the first time, a state-wide census of Vermont's barns that will lay the foundation for further efforts to preserve them. The Favrot Fund grant request would fund a key part of the project - development of the web interface that will receive information about the barns, serve it up to the public on the web, and showcase information and ideas about barn preservation.

The project will recruit volunteers in all of Vermont's 251 towns to identify barns and other agricultural outbuildings in their communities. The project will develop a web-based barn form that volunteers will use to record basic information about the barns as well as a photo. The Division and the University of Vermont will receive the forms via the internet and compile them in a GIS (Geographic Information System) mapping database. People will be able to access the database on the web and use it to learn about barns in their community and across the state.

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The project is the initiative of a group of partners concerned with the disappearance of Vermont's agricultural heritage: Vermont Division for Historic Preservation; Preservation Trust of Vermont; Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association; UVM Graduate Program in Historic Preservation; the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board; and the Preservation Education Institute. We expect to identify over 5,000 barns in the Barn Census.

PLEASE NOTE: Any documents or plans for restoration work that result from this project must comply with the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties*. If it is anticipated that the proposed project will not meet the Standards, please explain.

15. Explain how the proposed project will contribute to the preservation or recapture of an authentic sense of place.

The Barn census will involve people in looking at, thinking about, and talking about rural heritage in their communities and the buildings that exemplify that heritage and define Vermont's special sense of place. We expect that this intense focus will lead to more creative ideas about how to use agricultural buildings that no longer serve an agricultural purpose. And we expect that the communities' desire and commitment to preserve them will rise through this intense interaction with local heritage, adding determination to good ideas.

16. Describe future plans for the project beyond the scope of this grant proposal (e.g., how consultant recommendations will be implemented, how education programs will be institutionalized, how publications will be distributed, etc.).

The Barn Census website will showcase preservation ideas and case studies for barns and other agricultural outbuildings, as they develop, to inform and inspire others.

Tourism is the second largest sector of the Vermont economy. This project will enhance understanding and appreciation of the state's agricultural heritage. With the goal of expanding barn preservation efforts as one of the anticipated outcomes of this project, there will be opportunities to highlight these important buildings. As tourists travel around the state they will have the chance, through such things as thematic itineraries, barn tours, interpretive sites or simply through visual exploration, to better understand the history of the place they are visiting.

17. Have any of the following partners been involved in this project?

- State historic preservation office (SHPO), local preservation commission or CLG
- Statewide or local preservation organization
- National Trust regional office
- Other cosponsoring/cooperating organizations

If any of these partners have been involved, please identify the contact person with whom you worked on the project and describe the partner's involvement.

PARTNER	CONTRIBUTION
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preservation Trust of Vermont- Organizational support and publicizing, Ann Cousins, Eric Gilbertson, Paul Bruhn• Preservation Education Institute-Host barn conference and provide workshops, Executive Director Judy Havward

18. Describe the applicant's ability and commitment to carry out the proposed plans or activity if assistance is awarded.

The applicant is the State Historic Preservation Office, a state agency, with very capable and experienced staff. The Barn Census is one of the Division's top priority initiatives for 2008 and 2009. The Division for Historic Preservation has the oldest barn preservation grant program in the country.

19. Describe the consultant services and skills needed to carry out the project.

Consultant services needed for this project require skills in web development and implementation in a cultural resources context, and Geographic Information System (GIS) databases and mapping.

20. Has consultant(s) been chosen?

- Yes (please provide the consultant's name and contact information below, and attach his or her resume)
 No (please discuss with the National Trust regional office)

Several consultants with expertise in web development and implementation in the cultural resources context have been identified as possible consultants for this project.

PLEASE NOTE: Grant funds will not be disbursed until the National Trust has approved the qualifications of the personnel selected to conduct the project. Favrot Fund grants cannot be used to pay staff salaries. Board members of the application organization cannot serve as consultants unless appropriate conflict of interest procedures are followed and documented. If consultant services exceed \$25,000, a competitive bid process is required if National Trust funding is received.

21. Has the applicant received National Trust financial assistance in the last two years? Yes No
If yes, provide the name of the project and the year the grant was awarded.

PLEASE NOTE: Applicants are not eligible to receive funding if final reports on previous grants have not been submitted. No more than three grants will be awarded in any two-year period to a single grantee. Only one grant will be awarded per organization in any grant round. Only one grant will be awarded for a particular project phase.

22. How will support for the project from the Favrot Fund and the National Trust be acknowledged?

We would acknowledge support from the Favrot Fund in all press releases, on the Barn Census website itself, on the Division's website, at conferences, and every other opportunity we could find.

PROJECT BUDGET

The project budget pertains to the proposed Favrot Fund grant-funded activity only. Please be sure the budget balances – the total income amount must equal the total expense amount.

Grants from the Favrot Fund must be matched on at least a 1:1 cash basis. Attach evidence of anticipated or confirmed sources of funding and other support. Staff time, overhead costs and donated services or materials cannot be used as a match. Matching funds must come from non-National Trust sources.

With the exception of publication projects, materials and services (such as printing, photographs, telephone and supplies) costs may not exceed 10 percent of the budget of the grant-funded portion of the project.

INCOME

Project income should equal or exceed the project expenses.

Favrot Fund grant (amount requested from the National Trust) \$10,000

Matching funds (identify sources and note if funding is anticipated or secured)
 Preserve America (secured) \$74,000

* total grant awarded \$150,000 \$ _____
 _____ \$ _____
 _____ \$ _____
 _____ \$ _____

Total Project Income: \$84,000

EXPENSES

Sample categories have been provided. Please use "other" spaces to add categories relevant to your project.

Consultant fee/honorarium \$84,000
 Travel/per diem \$ _____
 Printing costs \$ _____
 Photography costs \$ _____
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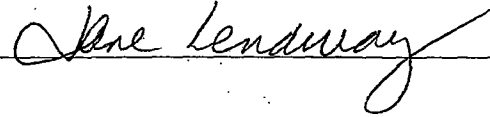
Total Project Expenses: \$84,000

CERTIFICATION

Acting as a duly authorized representative of the applicant, I am submitting this request for a grant from the Johanna Favrot Fund for Historic Preservation.

Name: Jane Lendway

Title: State Historic Preservation Officer

Signature: 

Date: February 1, 2008

CHECKLIST

- Please read the application form carefully and contact your National Trust regional office for clarification.
- Requested information or "not applicable" should be entered in the space provided.
- Incomplete, faxed or handwritten applications will not be considered.
- Materials submitted will not be returned.
- Please do not use plastic covers or binders; assemble applications and attachments in a manila folder or clip.
- Submission of videos and oversized documents is discouraged.
- Please keep attachments to a minimum.

The following materials must be submitted in order for your application to be considered:

- Two (2)** signed copies of the completed application
- Four (4)** different digital images at a minimum of 300 dpi, identified by project name and location and dated. Photos must include at least one overall exterior view of the property. Please include photo credit information.
- Two (2)** different 4" x 6" or larger photographic prints of the project site identified by project name and location and dated. Please include photo credit information.
- Applicant's articles of incorporation (nonprofit organizations)
- A list of applicant's current board of directors (nonprofit organizations)
- Applicant's Internal Revenue Service determination letter of tax-exempt status. If tax-exempt status has not been fully approved by the IRS, please provide evidence of filing for certification and letter of opinion from an attorney concerning the applicant's tax status (nonprofit organizations)
- Documentation that the applicant is part of a state, regional, county or local government (public agencies)
- Resume(s) of consultant(s) being considered for the project
- Resume(s) of personnel administering the project
- Evidence of secured or pending matching funds
- Up to three letters of endorsement
- Letter of consent from property owner (if the applicant does not own the property)

Mail the completed application and attachments to the National Trust regional office serving your state. A list of National Trust regional offices appears at the front of this document, and can also be found at http://www.nationaltrust.org/regional_offices/index.html or by calling 202-588-6197. The review process is usually completed within three months of the deadline and applicants are notified in writing.



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*Agency of Commerce &
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The Division for Historic Preservation is a state government agency, and is part of the Department of Housing and Community Affairs, in the Agency of Commerce and Community Development.



NANCY E. BOONE

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EMPLOYMENT

State Architectural Historian / Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Agency of Commerce and Community Development, State of Vermont. October 2007 to present.

Serve as Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer. Public policy on historic preservation issues. Liaison with other government agencies and private and non-profit organizations. ~~Special projects. Public presentations. Conferences and workshops. Grants. Publications.~~

State Architectural Historian, Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Agency of Commerce and Community Development, State of Vermont. 1997 to 2007.

Public policy on historic preservation issues. Liaison with other government agencies and private and non-profit organizations. Special projects. Public presentations. Conferences and workshops. Grants. Publications.

Director, The Courthouse Project, Vermont Judicial History Society, Montpelier, Vermont. 1998 to 2003.

Development of traveling exhibit on the history and architecture of Vermont's 15 county courthouses, and individual exhibits about each one. Research, writing, design. Production of public events, dramatizations of historic trials, lectures, etc. in conjunction with county exhibits.

Architecture Section Chief, Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Agency of Commerce and Community Development, State of Vermont. 1980 to 1997.

Management of State Historic Preservation Office programs related to historic buildings, districts and communities: Rehabilitation Investment Tax Credits; Act 250 and federal project review; Historic Preservation and Barn Grants; Planning; Technical Assistance; National

Register of Historic Places; and, Survey and Publications. Personnel administration . Budgeting and reporting. Grants.

Adjunct Professor, University of Vermont, Graduate Program in Historic Preservation.
Historic Preservation Contemporary Practice, Spring 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 2001, 2002.

Senior Field Architectural Historian, Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, Agency of Development and Community Affairs, State of Vermont. November 1979 to November 1980.

Historic Architecture Surveyor, Valley Regional Planning Agency, Derby, Connecticut.
Summer 1978.

Preservation Intern, New York Landmarks Conservancy, New York City. September 1977 to May 1978.

Grants person, Midtown East Citizens' Association, Green Bay, Wisconsin. March 1977 to August 1977.

Community Liaison, Vermont Bicentennial Commission, Bennington. Summer 1974.

Other Work Experience: waitress, clerk, assembly-line operator, swimming instructor.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Developer of vacant historic building in Bethel, Vermont for 5 units of affordable housing. Design, specifications, bidding, financing, management. Project won Preservation Trust of Vermont Honor Award, 1991.

Property Manager of 6 rental units.

Planning Commissioner, City of Montpelier, Vermont, 1992 to 1997.

Member, Vermont Access Board, June 1996 - present.

Executive Board, Leetes Island Community Association, Guilford, Connecticut, 1999 - 2003.

EDUCATION

Columbia University Graduate School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation, Master of Science degree in Historic Preservation, October 1980.

Preservation planning focus with coursework in community preservation, building construction and technology, architectural history, conservation of building materials, real estate development

and finance, publication production. Thesis: A Preservation Plan for the Quinnipiac River Historic District, New Haven, Connecticut.

University of Wisconsin - Green Bay, Bachelor of Arts degree in Humanism and Cultural Change. May 1975. Summa Cum Laude.

Senior Honors Thesis: A Preservation Plan for Main Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin.
Minor concentration in Environmental Sciences.

Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont. September 1971 to May 1973.

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Boone, Nancy E. and Sherman, Michael, "Designed to Cure: Civil War Hospitals in Vermont", Vermont History, Vol. 69, Nos. 1 and 2, Vermont Historical Society, Winter/Spring 2001, pp. 173-200.

Boone, Nancy E. et al, Locating Telecommunications Towers in Historic Buildings, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Washington, D.C., 2000.

AWARDS

Montpelier (VT) Heritage Group Lifetime Achievement Award, 2004
Environmental Excellence Award for Excellence in Environmental Streamlining, Federal Highway Administration, 2003
Preservation Trust of Vermont Honor Award, 1991

MEMBERSHIPS

National Trust for Historic Preservation
Vermont Historical Society
Montpelier Heritage Group
Shelburne Museum

PERSONAL

Born April 9, 1953.

References available upon request.

JFO #

2325

STATE OF VERMONT
GRANT ACCEPTANCE FORM

GRANT SUMMARY: This grant from the National Park Service to Department of Housing and Community Affairs-Division for Historic Preservation is for the Barns Census Project which involves documenting 5000 barns throughout the state. Photos and information on the barns will be put into a central GIS database and will be available to the public through the internet.

TITLE: Preserve America Grant- Barns Census project

FEDERAL CATALOG No.: 15-929

GRANTOR / DONOR: National Park Service
Historic Preservation Grants Division
1201 I(eye) Street NW
6th Floor ((org. Code 2256)
Washington DC 20005

DATE: 4/21/08

DEPARTMENT: Housing and Community Affairs

GRANT / DONATION: This project will involve recruiting volunteers across the state from school children through adults to identify and document historic barns and outbuildings. There will be a GIS mapping data base created which will be accessible to the public on the web.

AMOUNT / VALUE: \$150,000.00

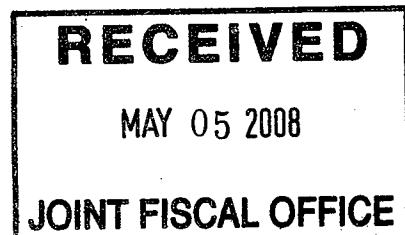
POSITIONS REQUESTED: None

GRANT PERIOD: 11/01/07 to 10/31/09

COMMENTS: The grant award material and explanatory information on two alternatives for how DHCA will raise the required match.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT:
SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION
SENT TO JOINT FISCAL OFFICE:

JFA (INITIAL) Szy 4/23/08
(INITIAL) JPM 4/23/08
DATE: 4/30/08



STATE OF VERMONT
REQUEST FOR GRANT ACCEPTANCE
 (use additional sheets as needed)

FORM AA-1
 (Rev. 9-90)

1. **Agency:** Commerce and Community Development
 2. **Department:** Housing and Community Affairs - Division for Historic Preservation
 3. **Program:** Barn Census Project
 4. **Legal Title of Grant:** Preserve America
 5. **Federal Catalog No.:** 15-929
 6. **Grantor and Office Address:**

National Park Service
 Historic Preservation Grants Division
 1201 I (Eye) Street, NW
 6th Floor (Org. Code 2256)
 Washington, D.C. 20005

7. **Grant Period:** From: 11/1/2007 To: 10/31/2009

8. **Purpose of Grant:** (attach additional sheets if needed)

The project will recruit volunteers across Vermont to identify historic barns and other agricultural outbuildings in their communities. It will develop a web-based barn form that volunteers will use to record basic information about the barns as well as a photo. The Division and the University of Vermont will receive the forms via the internet and compile them in a GIS (Geographic Information System) mapping database. People will be able to access the database on the web, including at www.vermontvacation.com, and use it to learn about barns in their community and across the state.

9. **Impact on Existing Programs if Grant is not Accepted:**

Continued lack of readily available and current information on historic barns and other agricultural outbuildings, icons of Vermont's rural landscape. Missed opportunities for creative ideas for enhancing barn preservation in Vermont. Missed opportunities for heritage tourism in rural parts of the state.

10. **Budget Information:**

	(1st State FY) FY 2008	(2nd State FY) FY 2009	(3rd State FY) FY 2010
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EXPENDITURES:

Personal Services	\$ 37,000.00	\$ 186,700.00	\$ 54,500.00
Operating Expenses	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 23,300.00	\$ 3,000.00
Grants	\$	\$	\$
TOTAL	\$ 52,000.00	\$ 210,000.00	\$ 57,500.00

REVENUES:

State Funds:

Cash *	\$	\$	\$
In-Kind (Agency grant administration)	\$ 2,000.00	\$	\$

Federal Funds:

(Direct Costs)	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 24,000.00
(Statewide Indirect)	\$	\$	\$
(Department Indirect)	\$	\$	\$

Other Funds:

(source) Grants *	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 18,500.00
In-kind	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 15,000.00

	\$ 52,000.00	\$ 210,000.00	\$ 57,500.00
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*If \$40,000 is approved by Legislature, Grants line will decrease \$40k and State Funds Cash line will increase by \$40k. No net change.

<u>Appropriation Nos.</u>	<u>Amounts</u>
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	\$
	\$
	\$

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11. Will grant monies be spent by one or more personal service contracts?

YES NO

If YES, signature of appointing authority here indicates intent to follow current guidelines on bidding.

X

Ken Horn

12a. Please list any requested Limited Service positions:

Titles	Number of Positions
	0
TOTAL Positions	

12b. Equipment and space for these positions:

- Is presently available.
- Can be obtained with available funds.

13. Signature of Appointing Authority

I certify that no funds have been expended or committed in anticipation of Joint Fiscal Committee approval of this grant.

Ken Horn *4/16/08*
 (Signature) (Date)

SECRETARY, AGLD
 (Title)

14. Action by Governor:

- Approved
- Rejected

[Signature] *4/30/08*
 (Signature) (Date)

15. Secretary of Administration:

- Request to JFO
- Information to JFO

Ronda P McEnts *4/23/08*
 (Signature) (Date)

16. Action by Joint Fiscal Committee:

(Dates)

- Request to be placed on JFC agenda
- Approved (not placed on agenda in 30 days)
- Approved by JFC
- Rejected by JFC
- Approved by Legislature

 (Signature) (Date)

Barn Census Project**Notes on Form AA-1 Budget Information- Expenditures and Revenues****Expenditures**

Personal Services:	Consultants Fees	\$203,200
	Volunteers	75,000
Operating Expenses	Travel	16,800
	Office Supplies	2,000
	Equipment	14,000
	Other	8,500
		<u>\$319,500</u>

Revenues**Plan A (If Legislature approves use of \$40,000 of recaptured Barn Grant funds for Barn Census)**

State Funds	Cash	\$40,000
	(Recaptured funds)	
	In-kind	2,000
	(Grant administration)	
Federal funds	Preserve America Grant	150,000
Other Funds	Grants	48,500
	In-kind	79,000
	(Volunteers, Reprinting booklet, Preservation Education Institute)	
		<u>\$319,500</u>

Plan B (If use of \$40,000 in recaptured Barn Grant funds is not approved, and instead, the \$40,000 is raised through grants - as shown in submitted AA-1 Budget)

State Funds	Cash	\$ 0
	In-kind	2,000
	(Grant administration)	
Federal funds	Preserve America Grant	150,000
Other Funds	Grants	88,500
	In-kind	79,000
	(Volunteers, Reprinting booklet, Preservation Education Institute)	
		<u>\$319,500</u>

STATE OF VERMONT
Department of Finance and Management
MEMO

TO: Mike Smith, Secretary of Administration and Jim Reardon, Commissioner of Finance and Management
FROM: Toni Hartrich, Budget and Management Analyst
DATE: 4/23/08
SUBJECT: Grant Acceptance Request from the Department of Housing and Community Affairs

Enclosed is the Department of Housing and Community Affairs request for acceptance of a grant of \$150,000.00 from the National Park Service for Barns Census Project. This project includes in-kind support from the state of \$2,000, either a match of \$40,000 from recaptured State Barns grants (if the legislature approves this use of these funds in the Capital Bill) or an increase in other grants match of \$40,000, (if the recaptured barn grants funds are not in the final capital bill) local in-kind of \$79,000 and an additional \$48,500 in other grants for a total of \$169,500 in local and state match. There are no limited service positions related to this grant. There will be personal service contracts related to this grant.

I am recommending approval of this grant request.

MEMO

TO: Michael Smith, Secretary of Administration

FROM: Julie Kelliher, Department Counsel, Department of Housing and Community Affairs

DATE: April 15, 2008

RE: Grant Acceptance Request for Barn Census Project

Attached please find a Request for Grant Acceptance Form AA-1 from the Division for Historic Preservation for the Barn Census Project. The Division received a \$150,000 grant for the project from the National Park Service through the Preserve America program. The Barn Census is a statewide inventory of historic barns that will be carried out by community volunteers who will send information and photographs of the barns into a central GIS (Geographic Information System) database via the internet. The information and photos will be available to the public through the Division's Historic Sites and Structures database and through the state's tourism website, www.vermontvacation.com. The Census is expected to generate new interest and ideas for preserving barns, an icon of Vermont's history and landscape. We expect to identify 5000 barns across the entire state.

Included with the AA-1 form are copies of some background materials that give more detail on the project:

- Notes on the AA-1 Budget
- The Division's Preserve America grant application for the project
- The ACCD Project Approval Form for the Barn Census project
- The National Park Service grant contract for the project with required supplemental forms
- A one-page handout summarizing the Barn Census
- A pending matching grant application to the National Trust for Historic Preservation
- The media release from the Governor's press conference announcing the project

The Preserve America grant requires a 50% matching share, cash and in-kind, that will be developed over the course of the project. The largest segment of the required match will come from the donated time of the Barn Census volunteers. Already several hundred people have expressed interest in



participating, and that's before we have started recruitment efforts. In the 2009 Capital Budget, the Administration requested approval to spend \$40,000 of recaptured funds from the Division's Barn Grant program for the Barn Census Project. The Capital bill is still in the Legislature and it is not yet clear if this expenditure will be allowed. If it is not, additional fundraising will fill the gap in cash match. A \$10,000 grant to the National Trust for Historic Preservation is pending. (This grant request, which was encouraged by the Trust, is twice the \$5,000 identified in the original project budget.) We are working on financial partnerships with several large agriculture-related businesses. And we are applying to foundations for additional grants. To respect the 50/50 match terms of the grant agreement, we plan to draw the federal money only at the rate at which the match is developed and in-hand.

In addition, project costs may be reduced below the original estimate due to a change in the Division's database partner for the project. We are now planning to partner with the University of Vermont Graduate Program in Historic Preservation to host the database and website, with student assistance, which will reduce costs and provide a rich educational experience for the students. The Program's Director, Tom Visser, is a recognized expert on barns.

The value of the in-kind volunteer match is also expected to increase above the budgeted \$75,000. The original estimate was based on the Vermont minimum wage which has increased since the time of the grant. We are also working on mechanisms for documenting a higher value for volunteer time donated by people with expertise related to the project.

Please note that while the ACCD Approval Form notes that the Survey Director would be hired as a limited service employee, we now plan to secure those services through contract, as originally outlined in the grant application. No new state positions will be created in this project.

The changes in funding and database partner have delayed the launch of the Barn Census, but we hope to begin the project in May, pending approvals in the Grant Acceptance process. The Division is receiving many inquiries from people who are eager to get the Census underway, and we would especially like to begin training for volunteers before schools recess for the summer. Please contact me at 828-5245 or Nancy Boone at 828-3045 if we can answer any questions or provide additional information.

Thank you very much for your assistance.



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Agency of Commerce &
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March 5, 2008

Hampton Tucker
Historic Preservation Grants Division
National Park Service
1201 I (Eye) Street, NW
6th Floor (Org. Code 2256)
Washington, D. C. 20005

Re: Grant Agreement for Barn Census Project No. 50-07-PA-3074

Dear Mr. Tucker:

Enclosed please find two signed copies of the Grant Agreement for the Barn Census project, a completed SF-424 Application for Federal Assistance, a completed SF-424B Non-Construction Assurances form, and a completed DI-2010 Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters, Drug-Free Workplace Requirements and Lobbying form.

The person in our office who is responsible for drawing funds in Smart-Link for both the Barn Census project and the previously awarded Digital Downtowns project is Lucie MacAskill. Her phone number is 802-828-5213, e-mail address luvie.macaskill@state.vt.us, and mailing address, Department of Housing and Community Affairs, National Life Building, 6th floor, Montpelier, VT 05620-0201. We access Smart-Link now for other National Park Service projects and wonder if you need another 1199 form to initiate Smart-Link access for these projects. If so, please let us know and we will provide it.

The public response to announcement of the Barn Census project has been enthusiastic and we are busily preparing to begin the project. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nancy E. Boone".

Nancy E. Boone
State Architectural Historian / Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

Enclosures



Standard Form SF 424 Application for Federal Assistance

OMB Approval No. 0348-0043

APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE (SF 424)		2. DATE SUBMITTED	Applicant Identifier
1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION: <input type="checkbox"/> Application <input type="checkbox"/> Construction <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction		3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE	State Application Identifier SAI Exempt
		4. Date received by Fed. Agency	Federal Identifier 27-07-PA-3074

5. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Vermont Division for Historic Preservation	Organizational Unit:
Address National Life Building, Floor 2 National Life Drive Montpelier, VT 05620-1202	Contact: Nancy E. Boone, State Architectural Historian (802) 828-3045 e-mail: nancy.boone@state.vt.us

6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN): 036000247 DUNS NUMBER 135459159	7. TYPE OF APPLICANT: (enter appropriate letter): <u>A</u> A. State H. Independent School Dist. B. County I. State Controlled Institution of Higher Learning C. Municipal J. Private University D. Township K. Indian Tribe E. Interstate L. Individual F. Intermunicipal M. Profit Organization G. Special District N. Other (Specify) <u>Non-Profit</u>
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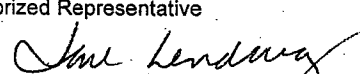
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision	9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY: National Park Service
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10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER: <u>1 5 - 9 2 9</u> TITLE: Save America's Treasures	11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT: 2007 Preserve America Grant Barn Census Project
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (cities, counties, states, etc.)	

13. PROPOSED PROJECT:	14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF: <u>Vermont 01</u>	
Start Date 11/1/2007	Ending Date 10/31/2009	15. Applicant: <u>Vermont 01</u>
		16. Project: <u>Vermont 01</u>

15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:		16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS? a. YES. THIS PREAPPLICATION/APPLICATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS FOR REVIEW ON: DATE b. NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PROGRAM IS NOT COVERED BY E.O. 12372 OR PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED BY STATE FOR REVIEW
a. Federal	\$ 150,000	
b. Applicant	\$ 169,500	
c. State	\$	
d. Local	\$	
e. Other	\$	
f. Program Income		17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes If "Yes" attach an explanation. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
g. TOTAL	319,500	

To the best of my knowledge and belief, all data in this application/preapplication are true and correct, the document has been duly authorized by the governing body of the applicant and the applicant will comply with the attached assurances if the assistance is awarded.

a. Typed Name of Authorized Representative Jane Lendway	b. Title State Historic Preservation Officer	c. Telephone 802-828-3042
d. Signature of Authorized Representative 		e. Date Signed 03/05/08



United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Preserve America Grant Agreement No. 50-07-PA-3074

Upon signature of both parties below, the National Park Service (NPS) will have obligated with this Grant Agreement the amount of \$150,000.00 appropriated from the Historic Preservation Fund for the Preserve America Grant Program by Public Law 110-5, which provides Fiscal Year 2007 appropriations to the Department of the Interior. The term of this grant agreement is:

Beginning Date: November 1, 2007


Ending Date: October 31, 2009

In accepting this grant for the project entitled "Barn Census Project," evidenced by signature below, the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, agrees to comply with Department of the Interior regulations and requirements governing Federal grants stipulated in Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-102 (Administrative Requirements for Grants to State and Local Governments; see 43 CFR 12.42-12.92); Circular A-87 (Cost Principles for Grants to State and Local Governments); and Circular A-133 (Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations). These requirements are hereby incorporated by reference into this grant agreement. In accordance with 18 U.S.C. 1913, none of these funds may be used for lobbying purposes as defined in the special conditions contained on the following pages. These special conditions are also hereby incorporated into this grant award. The terms and conditions of this grant award shall be extended to subrecipients and subcontractors.

In witness thereof, the parties have executed this grant agreement as of the date entered below:

VERMONT DIVISION FOR HISTORIC
PRESERVATION

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE



Authorized Signature

Chief, Historic Preservation Grants Division

1/31/08

Date signed

Date signed

Attachments:

- SF 424 Application for Federal Assistance
- Budget Changes/Special Grant Conditions



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Agency of Commerce &
Community Development

June 27, 2007

Mr. Hampton Tucker, Chief
Historic Preservation Grants Division
Preserve America Grants
National Park Service
1201 "Eye" Street NW, 6th Floor (ORG. 2256)
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Tucker:

I am pleased to add my support for the Division for Historic Preservation's *Preserve America* grant application for the Barn Census Project.

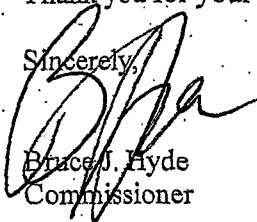
National Geographic Traveler ranked Vermont sixth in the world on its "Index of Destination Stewardship," ahead of many of the world's best known destinations. This is due to Vermont's vast cultural heritage and cultural integrity, historic buildings and archaeological sites, and quality of management and outlook.

Six weeks ago Vermont was honored with a Destination Award from the World Travel and Tourism Council for Vermont downtowns, which are also *Preserve America* communities. One of the ways that Vermont distinguishes itself from other states is through its "sense of place." Vermont has developed an award-winning Downtown program that is a model for other states and now recognized internationally. The state has adopted so-called "smart growth" policies and legislation in order to manage and protect this traditional settlement pattern.

The dairy industry is dwindling and while some farms are being adapted to diversified or specialty farming, barns are falling into disrepair across the state. A barn census will give communities and the state baseline information on the number of barns and their condition. With this information, the Agency of Agriculture, Division of Historic Preservation, Department of Tourism and Marketing, and the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board will better be able to collaborate in supporting viable agriculture, the continued use of farm buildings, cultural heritage tourism and protection of prime agricultural land.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Bruce J. Hyde
Commissioner





FY 2007 *Preserve America*
Historic Preservation Fund Grants to Preserve and
Promote America's Heritage and Cultural Assets

APPLICATION FORM

Please follow the Guidelines and Application Instructions to complete this application. Applicants must submit one (1) signed original and seven (7) copies – a total of 8 – complete application packages, plus one (1) additional photocopy of this page. See additional mailing instructions on the last page of the application form.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Project Title (10 words or less): **Barn Census Project**

Applicant Organization: **Vermont Division for Historic Preservation**

Contact Person: **Nancy E. Boone**

Title: **State Architectural Historian**

Address: **National Life Building, Floor 2, National Life Drive**

City: **Montpelier**

State: **Vermont**

Zip Code: **05620-1202**

Telephone **(802) 828-3045**

FAX Number **(802) 828-3206**

E-mail: **nancy.boone@state.vt.us**

EIN Number: **036000247**

DUNS Number: **135459159**

Applicant's Congressional District(s): **Vermont**

U.S. Representative(s): **Vermont**

Type of Applicant (Select all that apply)

- Preserve America* Community
 Preserve America Neighborhood
 SHPO

- THPO
 CLG (must be in the process of applying for *Preserve America* designation or already designated)

Project Category: (Select only one)

- Research/Documentation
 Interpretation/Education

- Marketing
 Planning

- Training

Amount Requested Federal Share **\$ 150,000**
Matching Share **\$ 169,500**
Total Costs **\$ 319,500**

Is your community in a designated National Heritage Area?

No Yes If so, which NHA _____

Does your community have an active grant or financial assistance through the NHA? No Yes

Is your Resolution of Support included? Yes No N/A

(Note: all cities, counties, towns, neighborhoods, and THPOs must include a resolution of support from their city/town/county councils or appropriate governing body.)

Has your community received a Preserve America grant?

No Yes If so, what is the status? **SHPO awarded grant June 2007 for "Digital Downtowns: GIS Databases for Historic Downtowns"**

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL (Original copy must have an original signature and be in ink.)

Signature _____

Jane Lendway

Date _____

June 28, 2007

Print Name and Title: **Jane Lendway, State Historic Preservation Officer**

2. PROJECT SUMMARY

A. Briefly summarize your project emphasizing the primary objectives and results.

(Your summary must fit in the space provided. Use at least a 10-point font.)

With Vermont's history being inexorably linked with agricultural practices, barns survive today as both a firm connection to our cultural heritage, and as an integral part of our working landscape. As visitors and residents alike can attest, there is perhaps no greater symbol of what is quintessentially "Vermont", than the barn. Each year millions of people from all parts of the country and from around the world visit Vermont. Whether they are traveling to one of our internationally recognized *Preserve America Communities* or to an outdoor recreation area, these travelers will inevitably encounter barns along their way. These agricultural corridors create visual and cultural links between well-kept historic downtowns and pristine natural environments, and are vital to our understanding of each. However, with fewer than 1,000 working farms left in the state, many barns are disappearing. Vermont's state grant program for repair of historic barns was the first in the nation, but remains small. The goal of the Barn Census Project is to carry out, for the first time, a statewide census of Vermont's barns and make that information available for heritage tourism opportunities and future restoration efforts. The reconnaissance level survey will be conducted by volunteers organized in a highly visible model public effort akin to Earth Day or bird census activities.

All of Vermont's compact downtown areas, including those in the 16 *Preserve America Communities* benefit from their surrounding agricultural landscape. The barns which dot this landscape are a reminder of Vermont's rural and agricultural heritage balanced with the steady development of downtown cores. The two spaces evolved together; one could not exist without the other. This project will develop census methodology, data collection and storage systems and recruit and train volunteers who will conduct Census surveys of the barns in their towns. The project will use field surveys collected through a web interface, and a customized GIS (Geographic Information System) database that may be updated with additional information in real-time. This comprehensive Census will result in a greater understanding of the number and types of barns existing in Vermont, as well as a determination of current physical conditions. On a larger scale the Census will create a heightened awareness of these threatened historic resources and will inspire creative solutions for barn preservation.

3. PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND BUDGET

Applicants are strongly encouraged to provide answers in the spaces provided.

A. Describe the historic resources affected by the project, including whether they are listed in the National Register of Historic Places and/or designated at the State or local level.

The historic resources that will be affected by this project are the historic barns and other agricultural outbuildings in the state. The vast majority are no longer on working farms, and often are only minimally used, and therefore in danger of being lost. Barns evolved over time. Early Vermont settlers practiced small-scale agriculture, which provided enough food for their families with little excess, and their barns were compact. As markets were established, the farmer had the ability to produce surplus that could be sold or traded. Barns increased in size and orientation accordingly. During the mid to late part of the 19th century, with access to even greater markets created by the railroad, farmers shifted to raising milking cows and shipping butter, cheese and later fluid milk. This greater demand for dairy products encouraged the farmer to grow the size of his herd, which in turn further increased the size of the farm barn. During the early 20th century health regulations again transformed the barn, this time dictating a ground level cow stable set on a concrete floor with hay storage in a large loft above. In addition to the size, orientation and layout of barns, changing agricultural practices required auxiliary buildings around the farm for the storage of grains and cow fodder, smoking of meats, stables for horses, carpentry and blacksmith shops, milking parlors and equipment sheds. The barn in Vermont has taken on a number of forms and designs, each a representation of its own time, technology, and the ever changing markets which the Vermont farmer has sought to tap.

While some of these resources have been included in the National Register and state surveys, either as individual structures or as related structures, these listings are usually lacking in detailed information and photos, or are simply outdated. The vast uncounted majority of Vermont barns have not been surveyed.

Project Objectives

- **How will the proposed project enhance heritage tourism in the community and help preserve its historic resources and cultural assets?**

Tourism is the second largest sector of the Vermont economy. This project will enhance the general understanding and appreciation of the state's agricultural heritage, increasing the link between downtown centers and the agricultural landscapes that surround them. With the goal of expanding barn preservation efforts as one of the anticipated outcomes of this project, there will be opportunities to highlight these important buildings. As tourists travel around the state they will have the chance, through such things as thematic itineraries, barn tours, interpretive sites or simply through visual exploration, to better understand the history of the place they are visiting. Efforts to preserve, adaptively re-use, or continue to use barns, which will spring from the statewide Census and the growing interest in Vermont's barns, will enhance the heritage tourism experience. Vermont's 16 *Preserve America Communities* are home to many historic barns. This project will serve them, and, since they are widely disbursed throughout the state, many other communities on travel routes in between.

The *Preserve America Communities* are all part of the Vermont Downtown Program and are inherently organized to put community-based plans into action and achieve specific goals. By providing a link between the rural community and the business community, through farmers markets and connecting farmers to local restaurants, the *Preserve America Communities* are already fostering the preservation of agricultural heritage. This project seeks to take advantage of this unique relationship in order to further preserve these important historic resources. The first step in effectively planning for the conscious preservation of these resources is the establishment of a systematic inventory. The Census will further help preserve barns by fostering interest in the resource through broad based volunteer involvement at the local level where most decision making happens.

The use of GIS based computer technology will play a major role in integrating the Census into existing databases and mapping projects. Through the linking of statewide property tax databases and E-911 address points, the location of barns and information about them will be available for heritage tourism planning efforts, including access through the state's interactive tourism website, www.VermontVacation.com. Vermont has been on the cutting edge of new mapping technologies and this project will be in keeping with that effort.

- **Describe how the project meets the goals of the local or statewide preservation plan, heritage tourism plan, or other plan(s) that address heritage tourism and cultural resources. Identify the specific goal(s) and plan(s) and state when they were developed and adopted by the community.**

"Keeping Vermont a Special World: The Vermont Historic Preservation Plan", October 1997, VT Division for Historic Preservation

The first goal of the statewide Preservation Plan states that "Vermont's citizens and communities will know about and value the state's historic and archeological resources." This project is in keeping with this standard as it seeks to ascertain specific information about Vermont's barns for the benefit of citizens and visitors alike. The plan further promotes making inventory information "useful and more accessible to individuals and the public" through "innovative computer technologies." Data collected will be integrated into GIS based mapping applications, making it available to a broad audience and for a variety of uses.

The second goal of the Preservation Plan states that "Statewide and community policies and actions will recognize historic and archeological resources as important community assets for economic and community development and encourage re-investment and re-use of existing buildings and infrastructure." The Barn Census will focus public attention on barns, and will inspire creative ideas for reinvestment for their continued use or re-use. As an existing piece of our built landscape, barns are a valuable asset to both the working farm and the understanding of our agricultural heritage. The Barn Census inventory will be invaluable to the goals of preservation, community development, and heritage tourism.

- Describe the public-private partnerships involved in the project and how these partnerships will sustain and continue to support the resource(s) after the grant project is complete? Describe/list all entities that are involved with, or affected by, the project. Attach evidence of involvement from partner organizations such as letters of support that specifically state confirmation of their contribution(s). See Supplemental Information in the guidelines for more information regarding partnership documentation.

PARTNER	CONTRIBUTION
• Save Vermont Barns Program (Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association)	Assist with collecting data/database management, barn conference, coordinating volunteers
• Preserve America Communities/Vermont Downtown Program	Link farms with downtowns by publicizing the project and promoting heritage tourism through special events and collateral materials
• Preservation Trust of Vermont	Granting of funds and support with publicizing
• Preservation Education Institute	Host barn conference and provide workshops/demonstrations on how barns were built, etc
• Vermont Housing and Conservation Board	Reprint the publication <i>Taking Care of Your Old Barn</i> as part of census materials
• Vermont Department of Tourism	Highlight barns to out of state and international audience through state tourism website
• University of Vermont	Provide interns to assist with census gathering
• Vermont Division for Historic Preservation	Manage Barn Census project. Plan historic site markers for significant farms
• Vermont Department of Agriculture	Provide a direct link to farms via publications and existing networks

- Explain how will the public be actively involved in the project?

The public will be integral to this project's success, as community volunteers will carry out the Census. Under the guidance of Census staff and volunteer Census coordinators, the public will have an active role in gathering and submitting data about the barns in their communities. Many of the partner organizations themselves serve public interests and their connection with the project will further create broad-based public involvement. School groups will also be invited and encouraged to participate. Furthermore, when the Census has been completed, it is hoped that many local preservation and heritage tourism efforts will follow.

- C. **Project Activities** -- Describe the project activities necessary to achieve the Project Objectives? List and describe all tasks and products. All grant activities must be accomplished within the grant period (generally 1 to 2 years).

- Organize Partnerships – confirm responsibilities and tasks of each
- Circulate RFPs for Census Director and web-based survey computer consultant
- Develop web-based survey computer software and hardware
- Develop and print field notebook for census gathering
- Organize and hold spring Barn Conference/Census Kick-off
- Prepare Census coordinators/interns for spring Census drive
- Hold multi-weekend Census drives with volunteers and supervisors around the state
- Gather collected data via internet survey website and store on a secure server
- Integrate data into the existing historic resources database maintained by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation and make available through www.VermontVacation.com, the state's interactive tourism website.
- Analyze and tabulate data to determine baseline documentation for the status of barns in Vermont and publish that data in a useful format for the public
- Hold Wrap-up Meeting to conclude the Barn Census Project and present results of survey and ideas for next steps including education programs, heritage tourism projects, historic preservation planning and other local and statewide efforts to maintain and preserve barns

D. **Timeline** -- Show a timeline for all of the above listed activities. The timeline may be attached as a separate page.

(See Attached Sheet)

E. **Personnel & Consultant Qualifications** -- List the project personnel that will administer and any consultants that will be hired to complete the project. Describe their responsibilities and the percentage of time each will dedicate to the project. Describe the criteria that will be used to competitively select consultants for their services. **All Federal grants require consultants to be competitively selected** (please see page 3 the guidelines for more information).

The selection process for the Survey Director, Assistant, and Computer Consultant will follow state and federal procurement practices. In formulating the RFP for the Computer Consultants, the Division will seek input from the computer technology and legal staff at the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, the Designated Downtowns, GIS staff at Regional Planning Commissions, and the Vermont Geographic Information Center. The RFP will be circulated on the State of Vermont Bid website as well as to known computer consultants who might be qualified to offer a proposal.

(See Attached Sheet for detailed information)

D. TIMELINE Barn Census

October - November '07

- Organize Partnerships – confirm responsibilities and tasks of each
- Circulate RFPs for Census Director and web-based survey computer consultant

December '07 - May '08

- Hire Director
- Develop web-based survey computer software and hardware
- Develop and print field notebook for census gathering

February – May '08

- Prepare census coordinators/interns for Spring census drive
- Organize and hold spring Barn Conference/Census Kick-off

May '08 - July '09

- Hold multi-weekend census drives with volunteers and supervisors around the state
- Gather collected data via internet survey website and store on a secure server
- Integrate all collected census data into existing historic sites and structures database maintained by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation and make available through www.VermontVacation.com, the state's interactive tourism website

July – September '09

- Analyze and tabulate data to determine baseline documentation for the status of barns in Vermont and publish that data in a useful format for the public
- Hold celebratory wrap-up for participants, including ideas for next steps, including education programs, heritage tourism projects, historic preservation planning, and other local and statewide efforts to maintain and preserve barns in Vermont

E. PERSONNEL AND CONSULTANT QUALIFICATIONS

Barn Census

Nancy E. Boone
State Architectural Historian
Vermont Division for Historic Preservation

Project Administrator
.1 FTE

Suzanne Jamele
National Register Specialist
Vermont Division for Historic Preservation

Project Administrator
.1 FTE

Annette Lynch, President
Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association

Web master
.4 FTE

Judy Hayward, Director
Preservation Education Institute

Conference/Workshop Organizer

Diane Ford
Department Accountant
Agency of Commerce and Community
Development

Accounting and contracting
for project grant
.125 FTE

Volunteers

Community surveyors
Have interest in and enthusiasm for barns.

Conduct Barn Census
4.79 FTE

Consultants

Survey Director and Assistant Director
(To be selected through RFP process)
Must meet 36CFR61 professional
qualifications and have experience with survey work,
be skilled at working with the public, organizing
volunteers, carrying out projects over an extended
period. Additional Qualifications: Database and GIS
experience, familiarity with Vermont and agricultural
history.

Survey Director
.75 FTE

Assistant
.5 FTE

Computer Consultant
(To be selected through RFP process)
Consultant team expertise and experience in:
Geographic Information Systems (GIS); database
development; cultural resource inventories; web
interface development; training

Technical development and
implementation of web interface
for collecting survey data and
photos and integrating it in
databases
100 days

F. What are the sources of the non-federal match?

List the **secured** sources and amounts of the required dollar-for-dollar non-Federal match, which can be cash, donated services, or use of equipment. Federal appropriations or other Federal grants may not be used for match, except Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) grants from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. All non-Federal match must be used during the grant period to execute the project. If the match is **not secured**, explain how it will be raised.

Vermont Division for Historic Preservation Barn Grant Allocation <i>(FY08 State Legislative Appropriation to the Division for Historic Preservation's Barn Grant Program. Funds to be issued over a two-year period in two allotments of \$20,000 each.) (FY08 operating budget)</i>		\$40,000
		\$2,000
Preservation Trust of Vermont <i>(Cash donation from a variety of non-federal sources, including possible online auction of barn related artwork.)</i>		\$29,500
National Trust for Historic Preservation <i>(Granting through the Preservation Services Fund.)</i>		\$5,000
Save Vermont Barns Program <i>(Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association has received a non-federal preservation grant to operate a statewide barn conservancy known as Save Vermont Barns It is a 50/50 matching grant with \$7,000 being granted and \$7,000 being made up with donated services.)</i>		\$14,000
Vermont Housing Conservation Board Publication <i>(Vermont Housing Conservation Board will re-print the popular booklet entitled, Taking Care of Your Old Barn, to be used as outreach and education. 1000 copies.)</i>	In-Kind Donation	\$2,500
Volunteer Hours <i>(Anticipated volunteer time calculated at 2 hours per barn at \$7.53 per hour, the Vermont minimum wage, for an estimated 5,000 barns over two year period.)</i>	In-Kind Donation	\$75,000
Preservation Education Institute Barn Conference <i>(Preservation Education Institute will hold a barn conference and Census kick-off in order to train volunteer organizers and conduct outreach and education.)</i>	In-Kind Donation	\$1,500

G. Budget -- Outline the project budget in the form below; add additional lines in a category as needed.

- The budget must be clear, and all work elements must be eligible, reasonable, and directly relevant to the project.
- Each cost item must clearly show how the total charge for that item was determined (example: hours x hourly rate = total cost).
- All major costs must be listed, and all cost items should be explained in the narrative of the application.
- The budget must include at least the minimum required match (e.g., if applying for a \$30,000 grant, the budget must describe a total of \$60,000 in costs/work).
- All non-Federal match must be cash expended or services donated during the grant period (generally 1 to 2 years) and not before.
- If you have any questions about cost categories, or how to formulate some of your budget items, please email NPS_PreserveAmerica@nps.gov.

1. **Personnel.** Provide the names and titles of key project personnel. Include only the percentage of time used on the project. Please note that grant funds may not be used to pay Federal employee salaries; nor may Federal salaries be used as match/cost share. Please consult page 3 of the guidelines for more information on allowable personnel costs.

Name/Title of Position and % of time spent on this Project	Wage or Salary	Federal Grant Funds	Match /Cost Share (if any)	Total
-Nancy Boone, Project Co-Administrator (VT State Employee)	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A
-Suzanne Jamele, Project Co-Administrator (VT state Employee)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
-Community Surveyors 4.79FTE	\$7.53/hr (VT wage)	0	\$75,000	\$75,000
Subtotal		\$ 0	\$ 75,000	\$75,000

2. **Fringe Benefits.** If more than one rate is used, list each rate and the wage or salary base.

Rate	Salary or Wage Base	Federal Grant Funds	Match / Cost Share (if any)	Total
% of	\$	\$	\$	\$
Subtotal		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

3. **Consultant Fees.** Include payments for professional and technical consultants participating in the project. Please consult page 3 of the guidelines for more information on allowable consultant costs.

Name and Type of Consultant	# of Days	Rate of Compensation	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share (if any)	Total
-Computer Consultant	100	\$ 500/day	\$ 50,000	\$ 0	\$50,000
-Survey Director (.75FTE)	390	200/day	8,500	69,500	78,000
-Survey Assistant (.5FTE)	260	120/day	26,200	5,000	31,200
-Web Manager	212.5	160/day	20,000	14,000	34,000
-Preservation Education Institute (training/conference)	41.66	240/day	8,500	1,500	10,000
Subtotal			\$113,200	\$ 90,000	\$ 203,200

4. **Travel and Per Diem:** Indicate the number of persons traveling, the total days they will be in travel status, and the total subsistence and transportation costs.

From/To	# of People	# of Travel Days	Subsistence Costs (Lodging and Per Diem)	Transportation Costs (Airfare and Mileage)	Federal Grant Funds	Match/ Cost Share (if any)	Total
Office to Field	4	195	0	\$16,800 @ state mileage rate	\$ 16,800	\$ 0	\$16,800
Subtotal					\$ 16,800	\$ 0	\$ 16,800

5. **Office Supplies and Materials.** Include consumable supplies and materials to be used in the project and any items of expendable equipment, i.e., equipment costing less than \$5000 or with an estimated useful life of less than two years. Equipment costing more than that should be listed in Equipment - Category 6.

Item	Cost	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share (if any)	Total
- printing of Census data notebook	\$2,000	\$ 2,000	\$	\$ 2,000
Subtotal		\$ 2,000	\$	\$ 2,000

6. Equipment. List all equipment items in excess of \$5000. Items worth less than \$5000 or that have a useful life of less than two years must be listed in Supplies and Materials - Category 5.

Item	Cost	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share (if any)	Total
-Computer server for storage of data	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 0	\$ 10,000
-laptop computers (2)	4,000	4,000	0	4,000
Subtotal		\$ 14,000	\$ 0	\$ 14,000

7. Other (specify)

Item	Cost	Federal Grant Funds	Match / Cost Share (if any)	Total
-Barn Census T-shirts for volunteers and promotion (1000)	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$ 0	\$6,000
-Update and reprint "Taking Care of Your Old Barn"	\$2,500	0	\$2,500	\$2,500
Subtotal		\$6,000	\$2,500	\$8,500

BUDGET SUMMARY
Enter category totals here

Category	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share	Total
1. Personnel	\$ 0	\$ 75,000 (volunteers)	\$ 75,000
2. Fringe Benefits	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
3. Consultant Fees	\$ 113,200	\$ 90,000	\$203,200
4. Travel and Per Diem	\$ 16,800	\$0	\$ 16,800
5. Supplies and Materials	\$ 0	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
6. Equipment	\$ 14,000	\$ 0	\$ 14,000
7. Other	\$6,000	\$2,500	\$8,500
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	\$ 150,000	\$ 169,500	\$ 319,500



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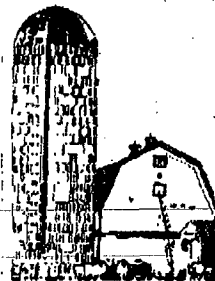
On June 27, 2007, at the monthly meeting of the Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, Nancy Boone presented the possibility of a Preserve America Grant that would allow the Division for Historic Preservation and other preservation partners to create a Barn Census project to identify and evaluate all barns in Vermont over a two year period. The Council enthusiastically endorsed this project!

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Beth Boepple, Chair
Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

MOUNT HOLLY BARN PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION, INC.

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June 25, 2007

Hampton Tucker
Historic Preservation Grants Division
Preserve America Grants
National Park Service
1201 Eye Street, NW
6th Floor (ORG. 2256)
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Tucker:

The Mount Holly Barn Preservation Association (MHBPA) pioneered a model to inventory, evaluate and preserve historic barns at the local level. We developed the prototype in Mt. Holly, starting with a survey conducted by volunteers, evaluation by a barn restoration expert, and group applications to the Division for Historic Preservation's Barn Grant program to fund restoration. We now wholeheartedly support the Barn Census project as a way to bring that model to other communities statewide, and eventually beyond. The aim is to use the information gathered by the Project to implement programs of stabilization, repair, and maintenance.

Working with the Preservation Trust of Vermont, the Division for Historic Preservation, and other key barn preservationists in the state, we aim to help foster involvement, excitement, and action in saving our historic barns. MHBPA has launched Save Vermont Barns Project with a web site www.savevermontbarns.org to be used by Vermont towns to conduct town-wide surveys. The Project is designed so that standardized data collected by towns can be expanded with new information, condition reports, more photos, etc. as local communities work to preserve their resources.

The MHBPA and the Save Vermont Barns project would be happy to work with the Division to design and operate a state-wide barn database/server that would meet the needs of the Division and the goals of Save Vermont Barns.

Yours truly,

Annette Lynch

Board President, Mount Holly Barn Preservation Assn.



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June 27, 2007

Mr. Hampton Tucker, Chief
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Dear Mr. Tucker:

I am pleased to add my support for the Division for Historic Preservation's *Preserve America* grant application for the Barn Census Project.

National Geographic Traveler ranked Vermont sixth in the world on its "Index of Destination Stewardship," ahead of many of the world's best known destinations. This is due to Vermont's vast cultural heritage and cultural integrity, historic buildings and archaeological sites, and quality of management and outlook.

Six weeks ago Vermont was honored with a Destination Award from the World Travel and Tourism Council for Vermont downtowns, which are also *Preserve America* communities. One of the ways that Vermont distinguishes itself from other states is through its "sense of place." Vermont has developed an award-winning Downtown program that is a model for other states and now recognized internationally. The state has adopted so-called "smart growth" policies and legislation in order to manage and protect this traditional settlement pattern.

The dairy industry is dwindling and while some farms are being adapted to diversified or specialty farming, barns are falling into disrepair across the state. A barn census will give communities and the state baseline information on the number of barns and their condition. With this information, the Agency of Agriculture, Division of Historic Preservation, Department of Tourism and Marketing, and the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board will better be able to collaborate in supporting viable agriculture, the continued use of farm buildings, cultural heritage tourism and protection of prime agricultural land.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Bruce J. Hyde
Commissioner





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Hampton Tucker, Chief
Historic Preservation Grants Division

Dear Mr. Tucker,

The barn is an emblematic symbol of the Vermont landscape and the connection we have to our agricultural history and sense of tradition. Barns are the most visible feature of the Vermont landscape reflecting the rich farming heritage of the state and its working landscape.

Tourism has a significant economic impact on the state and agritourism is a rapidly expanding industry in Vermont. People travel from many areas of the nation and world to experience the unique cultural heritage and way of life Vermonters hold dear.

We fully support the Barn Census project initiated by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation. A statewide census of Vermont's barns is an important first step to plan for the conscientious preservation and rehabilitation of these historic resources.

Sincerely,

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Anson Tebbetts, Deputy Secretary
Vermont Agency of Agriculture



**Vermont
Housing &
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Board**

June 26, 2007

Hampton Tucker, Chief,
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Dear Mr. Tucker:

On behalf of the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board, I am writing to enthusiastically endorse the Division for Historic Preservation's *Preserve America* grant application for the Barn Census Project.

This first ever, systematic statewide barn inventory is critical to effectively preserving Vermont's historic agricultural resources. The Barn Census project will not only provide detailed, up-to-date information, but will involve community members, resulting in broad-based involvement and increased interest in barn preservation. This comprehensive statewide project will support the collaborative efforts of the Housing and Conservation Board, Agency of Agriculture, and the Departments of Historic Preservation, and Tourism and Marketing to support viable agriculture, the continued use of farm buildings, cultural heritage tourism and protection of prime agricultural land.

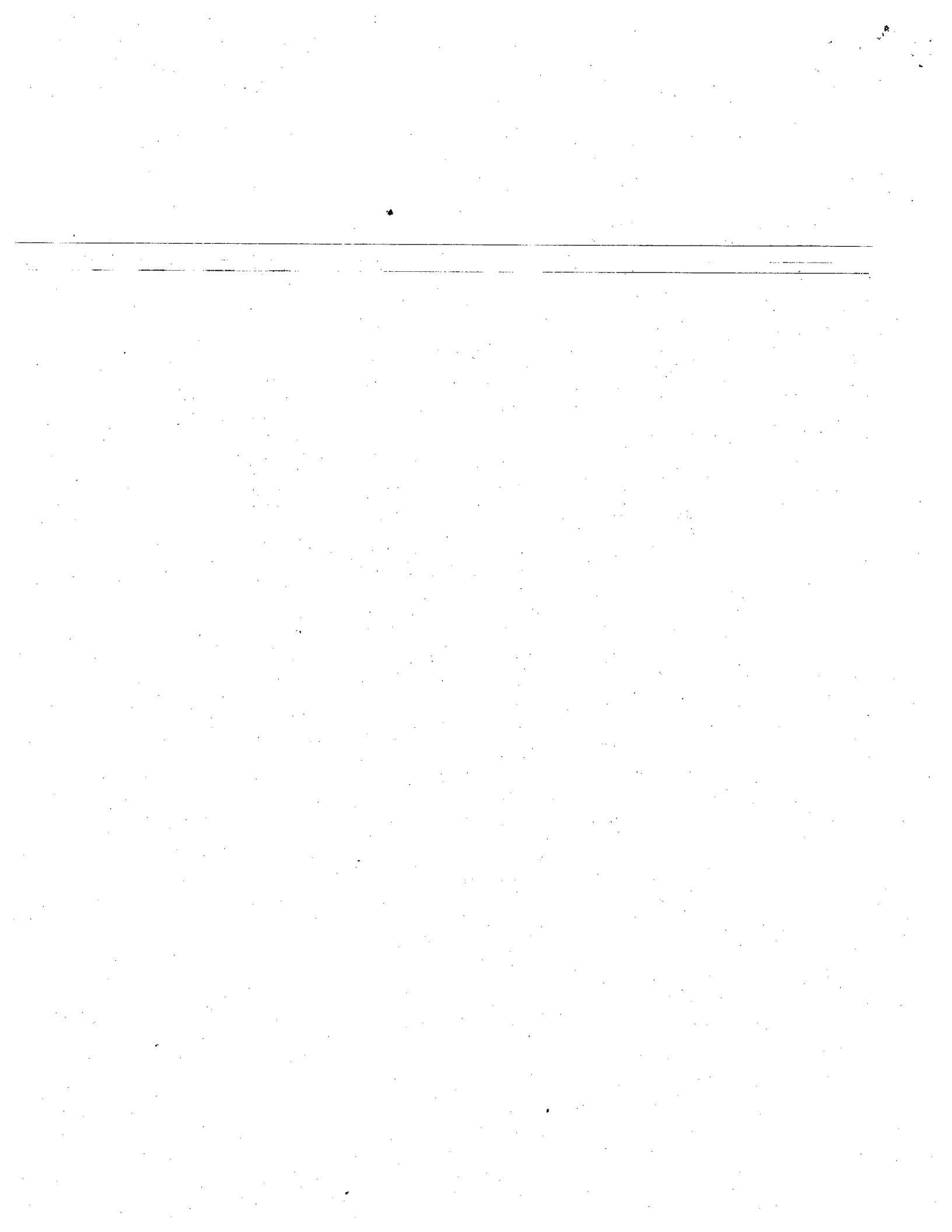
Agriculture is central to Vermont's economy, landscape, and rural character. Vermont's compact downtown areas surrounded by working farmland and historic farmsteads reflect the unique character of the state. Vermont's historic barns, as core features of most farms and agricultural communities, play an invaluable role in the delivery of a range of public policy objectives including economic development, improving the quality of life, creating a better and more sustainable environment, education, and cultural resource protection.

Historic farm buildings and agricultural fields underpin sustainable tourism and the promotion of the state's agricultural heritage, increasing the link between people and the landscape. Funds used through this project to develop census methodology and systems, train volunteers and establish baseline documentation will leverage efforts as part of a larger rural and agricultural heritage development initiative for the state.

Sincerely,

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Karen Freeman
Director, Conservation Partnerships and Training
Vermont Housing and Conservation Board



ACCD PROJECT APPROVAL FORM

Department: Housing & Community Affairs
Division: Historic Preservation
Making Request: Nancy Boone
Date: January 28, 2008

Describe briefly the project (if statutory please cite):

A statewide census of barns conducted by volunteers on several highly publicized census weekends. ~~Volunteers will record basic information about the barns in their communities and send it along with photos into a central database, which will eventually be accessible on www.vermontvacation.com.~~ We expect to record 5,000 barns, and the work will fulfill the Division's statutory obligation to inventory historic buildings.

ACCD Staff Involvement and Project Lead: Nancy Boone will manage the project, with help from Sue Jamele. The project budget includes funding for a .75 FTE coordinator, to be hired as a limited service employee for 1 ½ years.

Costs: \$314,000

Has your business manager been notified? yes

Sources of Funding: Preserve America Grant (federal)- \$150,000 awarded
Barn grant program (state)- \$40,000 requested for FY09/10
National Trust for Historic Preservation - \$10,000 application
Other foundation grants- \$20,000 application
In-kind from UVM, Preservation Education Institute, VHCB,
and Census volunteers - \$94,000

Space Required: 1 desk space

IT Requirements: Database server pending with UVM

Other Requirements: none

Sustainability: The data will eventually be added to the DHP historic structures database and accessible to the public on the web through that system

When will it begin? Spring 2008 **End?** Fall 2009 **Report Required?** yes

What is the Dept./Division/Agency's responsibility?

Oversee project and grant administration of grants received

Any other Department or Agency involved?

Support from Tourism and Marketing, Agency of Agriculture, VHCB

How does this serve the Agency Mission?

The Division preserves and protects, and assists the public in preserving and protecting, Vermont's historic and archeological resources. This volunteer Census will generate new interest and ideas for preserving barns, an icon of Vermont's history and landscape.

Can this project serve other Agencies Missions? The Agency of Agriculture is very interested in the results of the Census.

Supervisor's Approval: NER for Gene Landway Date: 1-31/08

Commissioner Approval: _____ Date: _____

Supervisor's approval must be received for all new initiatives or substantive changes in initiatives that will require more than 8 hours of an Agency staff member's time that is different than customary duties of the position. Additionally, commissioner approval must be received for any new project that will require more than 40 hours of an Agency staff member's time that is different than the customary duties of the position. This would include becoming a member of a new committee, writing and/or executing a grant program or initiating a new project. Involvement in VtShares or writing an EPA grant would be good examples. Once approved, a copy must be sent to the Deputy Secretary and a copy should be on file in the approving authority's files.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

October 17, 2007

Contact: David Mace (802) 828-5229

Vermont Nets Federal Grant To Inventory Barns

\$150,000 Preserve America Grant Will Help Barn Preservation Efforts

COLCHESTER – The Vermont Division for Historic Preservation has been awarded a \$150,000 federal grant to carry out the first state-wide inventory of Vermont's barns to further efforts to preserve them.

In a ceremony at the Farmhouse Center, which received a state barn preservation grant last winter, Governor Jim Douglas on Wednesday announced the Preserve America grant that will help fund the Vermont Barn Census.

“By involving Vermonters in a developing a state-wide inventory of our barns, we can help strengthen our efforts to preserve these iconic structures as part of our working landscape,” Governor Douglas said.

The project will recruit volunteers and students from Vermont's schools in all 251 towns to identify barns and other agricultural outbuildings in their communities during several weekends in the spring and fall of 2008, and the spring of 2009.

These volunteers will take photographs and notes in the field, and then submit the data to develop a web-based barn survey form that will be developed by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation.

Save Vermont Barns, a program of the Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association, will compile the information in a database that the public can access via the web to learn about barns in their community and across the state.

“We know that our state's rich agricultural heritage and working landscape draws visitors to Vermont,” Governor Douglas said. “And preserving barns is an important part of strengthening both our tourism and agricultural industries.”

The state's Barn Program grants, administered by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, provides owners of agricultural buildings with matching funding of up to \$10,000 for a variety of capital repairs.

Eligible projects include repairs to roofs, foundations, walls, sills and overall stabilization.

The owners of the Farmhouse Center initially considered demolishing their barn, which was built around 1845, but decided to restore it instead and received a \$10,000 state barn preservation grant last winter to help repair its sills and roof.

The Farmhouse Center now hosts several programs including creative adult job training education; horse training, therapeutic riding, and summer equestrian camps for children, including those with emotional and behavioral challenges.

“This historic setting really helps reinforce the Farmhouse Center’s focus on Vermont’s agricultural heritage and connection to the earth, and we’re pleased that the state will be taking stock of our historic barns with this grant to improve efforts to preserve them,” said Joan Powell, the center’s owner.

The grant comes from the federal Preserve America program, which is administered by the National Park Service and whose Honorary Chairwoman is First Lady Laura Bush.

The program recognizes the importance of historic resources in communities across the country. Eighteen towns in Vermont have been designated as special Preserve America Communities.

A kickoff conference for the Vermont Barn Census is planned for the spring of 2008, and a wrap-up celebration for the fall of 2009.

For more information, visit www.historicvermont.org/ or www.preserveamerica.gov/

VERMONT BARN CENSUS

A Project of the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, UVM Graduate Program in Historic Preservation, the Preservation Education Institute, Preservation Trust of Vermont, and Save Vermont Barns

How many barns are there in Vermont? What kind of condition are they in? Are we losing significant numbers each year? What can be done to preserve these icons of our history and landscape? The goal of the Vermont Barn Census is to carry out, for the first time, a state-wide census of Vermont's barns that will lay the foundation for further efforts to preserve them.

The project will recruit volunteers in all of Vermont's 251 towns to identify barns and other agricultural outbuildings in their communities. The project will develop a web-based barn form that volunteers will use to record basic information about the barns as well as a photo. The Division and the University of Vermont will receive the forms via the internet and compile them in a GIS (Geographic Information System) mapping database. People will be able to access the database on the web and use it to learn about barns in their community and across the state.

The Barn Census will occur mainly over several highly publicized weekends in the summer and fall of 2008 and spring and fall of 2009. Students from elementary to high school will be welcomed to participate. Volunteers will take a photo and some notes about barn features, history, use and condition in the field, and then submit the data over the web. Local coordinators will help organize and support teams of volunteers who will be recognizable by their Barn Census logo T-shirts. People can survey one barn or many. A kickoff conference will be held in the spring of 2008, and a wrap-up celebration in the fall of 2009. Following the announcement of the Preserve America grant for the project, we have already heard from hundreds of people who want to participate.

The project is the initiative of a group of partners concerned with the disappearance of Vermont's agricultural heritage: Vermont Division for Historic Preservation; Preservation Trust of Vermont; Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association; UVM Graduate Program in Historic Preservation; the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board; and the Preservation Education Institute. We expect to identify over 5,000 barns in the Barn Census.

We are starting a mailing list and will keep you informed. Please e-mail debra.sayers@state.vt.us to get on the mailing list for the Vermont Barn Census. You can also check the Division for Historic Preservation's website at www.historicvermont.org and the Mt. Holly Barn Preservation Association website at www.savevermontbarns.org.



NATIONAL TRUST
for HISTORIC PRESERVATION®

JOHANNA FAVROT FUND FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION Grant Application

Grants from the Johanna Favrot Fund for Historic Preservation are available to public agencies and nonprofit organizations. Individuals and for-profit businesses may apply only if the project for which funding is requested involves a National Historic Landmark.

Applications should be prepared after reading the grant eligibility requirements, guidelines and criteria, and after consulting with the National Trust regional office serving your state.

Enter information or "not applicable" in the space provided for a response. Please limit your response to the space provided.

Incomplete, faxed, or handwritten applications will not be considered. Applications cannot be submitted electronically. Refer to the CHECKLIST on the last page for a complete list of required application materials.

Completed applications must be postmarked by **February 1.**

APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. Name of Applicant: Vermont Division for Historic Preservation

Address: National Life Building, 2nd floor

City: Montpelier

State: VT

Zip: 05620-0201

E-Mail Address: nancy.boone@state.vt.us

Telephone: 802-828-3045

Fax: 802-828-3206

Website: www.historicvermont.org

2. Contact (individual responsible for project):

Name: Nancy E. Boone

Title: Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

Address: National Life Building, 2nd floor

City: Montpelier

State: VT

Zip: 05620-0201

E-Mail Address: nancy.boone@state.vt.us

Daytime Telephone: 802-828-3045

Fax: 802-828-3206

3. Applicant's National Trust Forum membership number: 072029465

PLEASE NOTE: Membership in National Trust Forum is required in order to receive a grant.

4. The applicant is: a nonprofit organization a public agency
 a for-profit business an individual

If the applicant is a nonprofit, has the organization been classified as a tax-exempt organization pursuant to Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code?

YES NO If no, what is the organization's current tax status? _____

5. Organization's mission statement (if the applicant is a business, state the nature of the business).

The Division for Historic Preservation is a public agency which fosters community development in Vermont through preservation of the heritage of the building environment. The Division preserves and protects, and assists the public in preserving and protecting, Vermont's historic and archeological resources.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Project refers to the specific activity for which National Trust funding is being requested, e.g., feasibility study, workshop, fundraising plan.

6. Name of Project: Barn Census

7. Date(s) project will occur: Spring 2008 to Fall 2009

8. Project Location:

City: Statewide
 County: _____
 State: _____
 City's Population: _____

9. Project Summary (50 words or less).

The Barn Census is a statewide census of barns conducted by volunteers in a model public effort akin to bird census activities. The Census will result in a greater understanding of the number and types of barns existing in Vermont, as well as a determination of current physical conditions. It will create heightened awareness of these threatened historic resources and will inspire creative solutions for barn preservation. This grant would fund the project's web interface.

10. If the project involves a historic resource (site, building, ship, etc.), please complete the following:

Name of site/historic district: N/A
 Street Address(es) of site(s): _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Date(s) of construction: _____
 Building Style: _____
 Architect/Builder (if known): _____

Is the project site recognized for its architectural/cultural/historical significance by any of the designation programs listed below? Check "eligible" if the site has not been designated, but has been determined eligible for designation by your state historic preservation office.

	Yes	No	Eligible	Year Listed
National Historic Landmark	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Individually Listed in National Register of Historic Places	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Contributing Property to National Register Historic District	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
State Designation Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Local Designation Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

11. If applicant does not own the property, describe the owner's involvement with the project and include a letter of consent from the owner.

N/A

12. Describe the project site and discuss the significance of the building and its interior (architectural/cultural/historical).

The historic resources that will be affected by this project are the historic barns and other agricultural outbuildings of Vermont. Barns evolved in form and design, each a representation of its own time, technology, and the ever changing markets which farmers sought to tap - first local diversified trade, then sheep farming for the wool market, stock breeding, and finally dairying for butter, cheese and fluid milk. Barns became larger and more specialized, from the 30x40 gabled English barns to Bank Barns with a hay/stock/manure floor hierarchy, to gambrel-roofed ground stable barns with washable concrete floors and sanitary milk houses. Auxiliary buildings provided dedicated space for storage of grains and cow fodder, smoking of meats, stables for horses, shelter for chicken, pig, and mink production, carpentry and blacksmith shops, milking parlors and equipment sheds .

13. Describe the site's current use.

With only about 1,000 working farms left in Vermont, the vast majority of the state's barns no longer have an agricultural purpose. They often are only minimally used, and therefore in danger of being lost. With Vermont's history being inexorably linked with agricultural practices, barns survive today as both a firm connection to our cultural heritage, and as an integral part of our working landscape. As visitors and residents alike can attest, there is perhaps no greater symbol of what is quintessentially "Vermont", than the barn. The state's agricultural corridors create visual and cultural links between well-kept historic downtowns and pristine natural environments, and are vital to our understanding of each.

14. Detailed Project Description. Describe the project's purpose, schedule, and anticipated outcomes. Describe any products that will result from this project (publications, architectural drawings, etc):

How many barns are there in Vermont? What kind of condition are they in? Are we losing significant numbers each year? What can be done to preserve these icons of our history and landscape? ~~The goal of the Vermont Barn Census is to carry out, for the first time, a state-wide census of Vermont's barns that will lay the foundation for further efforts to preserve them.~~ The Favrot Fund grant request would fund a key part of the project - development of the web interface that will receive information about the barns, serve it up to the public on the web, and showcase information and ideas about barn preservation.

The project will recruit volunteers in all of Vermont's 251 towns to identify barns and other agricultural outbuildings in their communities. The project will develop a web-based barn form that volunteers will use to record basic information about the barns as well as a photo. The Division and the University of Vermont will receive the forms via the internet and compile them in a GIS (Geographic Information System) mapping database. People will be able to access the database on the web and use it to learn about barns in their community and across the state.

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PLEASE NOTE: Any documents or plans for restoration work that result from this project must comply with the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties*. If it is anticipated that the proposed project will not meet the Standards, please explain.

15. Explain how the proposed project will contribute to the preservation or recapture of an authentic sense of place.

The Barn census will involve people in looking at, thinking about, and talking about rural heritage in their communities and the buildings that exemplify that heritage and define Vermont's special sense of place. We expect that this intense focus will lead to more creative ideas about how to use agricultural buildings that no longer serve an agricultural purpose. And we expect that the communities' desire and commitment to preserve them will rise through this intense interaction with local heritage, adding determination to good ideas.

16. Describe future plans for the project beyond the scope of this grant proposal (e.g., how consultant recommendations will be implemented, how education programs will be institutionalized, how publications will be distributed, etc.).

The Barn Census website will showcase preservation ideas and case studies for barns and other agricultural outbuildings, as they develop, to inform and inspire others.

Tourism is the second largest sector of the Vermont economy. This project will enhance understanding and appreciation of the state's agricultural heritage. With the goal of expanding barn preservation efforts as one of the anticipated outcomes of this project, there will be opportunities to highlight these important buildings. As tourists travel around the state they will have the chance, through such things as thematic itineraries, barn tours, interpretive sites or simply through visual exploration, to better understand the history of the place they are visiting.

17. Have any of the following partners been involved in this project?

- State historic preservation office (SHPO), local preservation commission or CLG
- Statewide or local preservation organization
- National Trust regional office
- Other cosponsoring/cooperating organizations

If any of these partners have been involved, please identify the contact person with whom you worked on the project and describe the partner's involvement:

PARTNER	CONTRIBUTION
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preservation Trust of Vermont- Organizational support and publicizing, Ann Cousins, Eric Gilbertson, Paul Bruhn• Preservation Education Institute-Host barn conference and provide workshops, Executive Director Judy Havward

18. Describe the applicant's ability and commitment to carry out the proposed plans or activity if assistance is awarded.

The applicant is the State Historic Preservation Office, a state agency, with very capable and experienced staff. The Barn Census is one of the Division's top priority initiatives for 2008 and 2009. The Division for Historic Preservation has the oldest barn preservation grant program in the country.

19. Describe the consultant services and skills needed to carry out the project.

Consultant services needed for this project require skills in web development and implementation in a cultural resources context, and Geographic Information System (GIS) databases and mapping.

20. Has consultant(s) been chosen?

Yes (please provide the consultant's name and contact information below, and attach his or her resume)

No (please discuss with the National Trust regional office)

Several consultants with expertise in web development and implementation in the cultural resources context have been identified as possible consultants for this project.

PLEASE NOTE: Grant funds will not be disbursed until the National Trust has approved the qualifications of the personnel selected to conduct the project. Favrot Fund grants cannot be used to pay staff salaries. Board members of the application organization cannot serve as consultants unless appropriate conflict of interest procedures are followed and documented. If consultant services exceed \$25,000, a competitive bid process is required if National Trust funding is received.

21. Has the applicant received National Trust financial assistance in the last two years? Yes No
If yes, provide the name of the project and the year the grant was awarded.

PLEASE NOTE: Applicants are not eligible to receive funding if final reports on previous grants have not been submitted. No more than three grants will be awarded in any two-year period to a single grantee. Only one grant will be awarded per organization in any grant round. Only one grant will be awarded for a particular project phase.

22. How will support for the project from the Favrot Fund and the National Trust be acknowledged?

We would acknowledge support from the Favrot Fund in all press releases, on the Barn Census website itself, on the Division's website, at conferences, and every other opportunity we could find.

PROJECT BUDGET

The project budget pertains to the proposed Favrot Fund grant-funded activity only. Please be sure the budget balances – the total income amount must equal the total expense amount.

Grants from the Favrot Fund must be matched on at least a 1:1 cash basis. Attach evidence of anticipated or confirmed sources of funding and other support. Staff time, overhead costs and donated services or materials cannot be used as a match. Matching funds must come from non-National Trust sources.

With the exception of publication projects, materials and services (such as printing, photographs, telephone and supplies) costs may not exceed 10 percent of the budget of the grant-funded portion of the project.

INCOME

Project income should equal or exceed the project expenses.

Favrot Fund grant (amount requested from the National Trust) \$10,000

Matching funds (identify sources and note if funding is anticipated or secured)

Preserve America (secured) \$74,000

* total grant awarded \$150,000

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

Total Project Income: \$84,000

EXPENSES

Sample categories have been provided. Please use "other" spaces to add categories relevant to your project.

Consultant fee/honorarium \$84,000

Travel/per diem \$ _____

Printing costs \$ _____

Photography costs \$ _____

Mailing and postage \$ _____

Supplies \$ _____

Other (specify): _____

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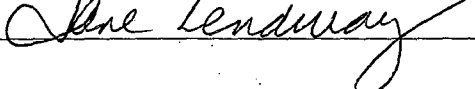
Total Project Expenses: \$84,000

CERTIFICATION

Acting as a duly authorized representative of the applicant, I am submitting this request for a grant from the Johanna Favrot Fund for Historic Preservation.

Name: Jane Lendway

Title: State Historic Preservation Officer

Signature: 

Date: February 1, 2008

CHECKLIST

- Please read the application form carefully and contact your National Trust regional office for clarification.
- Requested information or "not applicable" should be entered in the space provided.
- Incomplete, faxed or handwritten applications will not be considered.
- Materials submitted will not be returned.
- Please do not use plastic covers or binders; assemble applications and attachments in a manila folder or clip.
- Submission of videos and oversized documents is discouraged.
- Please keep attachments to a minimum.

The following materials must be submitted in order for your application to be considered:

- Two (2)** signed copies of the completed application
- Four (4)** different digital images at a minimum of 300 dpi, identified by project name and location and dated. Photos must include at least one overall exterior view of the property. Please include photo credit information.
- Two (2)** different 4" x 6" or larger photographic prints of the project site identified by project name and location and dated. Please include photo credit information.
- Applicant's articles of incorporation (nonprofit organizations)
- A list of applicant's current board of directors (nonprofit organizations)
- Applicant's Internal Revenue Service determination letter of tax-exempt status. If tax-exempt status has not been fully approved by the IRS, please provide evidence of filing for certification and letter of opinion from an attorney concerning the applicant's tax status (nonprofit organizations)
- Documentation that the applicant is part of a state, regional, county or local government (public agencies)
- Resume(s) of consultant(s) being considered for the project
- Resume(s) of personnel administering the project
- Evidence of secured or pending matching funds
- Up to three letters of endorsement
- Letter of consent from property owner (if the applicant does not own the property)

Mail the completed application and attachments to the National Trust regional office serving your state. A list of National Trust regional offices appears at the front of this document, and can also be found at http://www.nationaltrust.org/regional_offices/index.html or by calling 202-588-6197. The review process is usually completed within three months of the deadline and applicants are notified in writing.



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*Agency of Commerce &
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The Division for Historic Preservation is a state government agency, and is part of the Department of Housing and Community Affairs, in the Agency of Commerce and Community Development.



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EMPLOYMENT

State Architectural Historian / Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Agency of Commerce and Community Development, State of Vermont. October 2007 to present.

Serve as Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer. Public policy on historic preservation issues. Liaison with other government agencies and private and non-profit organizations. Special projects. Public presentations. Conferences and workshops. Grants. Publications.

State Architectural Historian, Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Agency of Commerce and Community Development, State of Vermont. 1997 to 2007.

Public policy on historic preservation issues. Liaison with other government agencies and private and non-profit organizations. Special projects. Public presentations. Conferences and workshops. Grants. Publications.

Director, The Courthouse Project, Vermont Judicial History Society, Montpelier, Vermont. 1998 to 2003.

Development of traveling exhibit on the history and architecture of Vermont's 15 county courthouses, and individual exhibits about each one. Research, writing, design. Production of public events, dramatizations of historic trials, lectures, etc. in conjunction with county exhibits.

Architecture Section Chief, Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Agency of Commerce and Community Development, State of Vermont. 1980 to 1997.

Management of State Historic Preservation Office programs related to historic buildings, districts and communities: Rehabilitation Investment Tax Credits; Act 250 and federal project review; Historic Preservation and Barn Grants; Planning; Technical Assistance; National

Register of Historic Places; and, Survey and Publications. Personnel administration . Budgeting and reporting. Grants.

Adjunct Professor, University of Vermont, Graduate Program in Historic Preservation. Historic Preservation Contemporary Practice, Spring 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 2001, 2002.

Senior Field Architectural Historian, Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, Agency of Development and Community Affairs, State of Vermont. November 1979 to November 1980.

Historic Architecture Surveyor, Valley Regional Planning Agency, Derby, Connecticut. Summer 1978.

Preservation Intern, New York Landmarks Conservancy, New York City. September 1977 to May 1978.

Grants person, Midtown East Citizens' Association, Green Bay, Wisconsin. March 1977 to August 1977.

Community Liaison, Vermont Bicentennial Commission, Bennington. Summer 1974.

Other Work Experience: waitress, clerk, assembly-line operator, swimming instructor.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Developer of vacant historic building in Bethel, Vermont for 5 units of affordable housing. Design, specifications, bidding, financing, management. Project won Preservation Trust of Vermont Honor Award, 1991.

Property Manager of 6 rental units.

Planning Commissioner , City of Montpelier, Vermont, 1992 to 1997.

Member, Vermont Access Board, June 1996 - present.

Executive Board, Leetes Island Community Association, Guilford, Connecticut, 1999 - 2003.

EDUCATION

Columbia University Graduate School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation, Master of Science degree in Historic Preservation, October 1980.

Preservation planning focus with coursework in community preservation, building construction and technology, architectural history, conservation of building materials, real estate development

and finance, publication production. Thesis: A Preservation Plan for the Quinnipiac River Historic District, New Haven, Connecticut.

University of Wisconsin - Green Bay, Bachelor of Arts degree in Humanism and Cultural Change. May 1975. Summa Cum Laude.

Senior Honors Thesis: A Preservation Plan for Main Street, Green Bay, Wisconsin.
Minor concentration in Environmental Sciences.

Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont. September 1971 to May 1973.

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Boone, Nancy E. and Sherman, Michael, "Designed to Cure: Civil War Hospitals in Vermont", Vermont History, Vol. 69, Nos. 1 and 2, Vermont Historical Society, Winter/Spring 2001, pp. 173-200.

Boone, Nancy E. et al, Locating Telecommunications Towers in Historic Buildings, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Washington, D.C., 2000.

AWARDS

Montpelier (VT) Heritage Group Lifetime Achievement Award, 2004

Environmental Excellence Award for Excellence in Environmental Streamlining, Federal Highway Administration, 2003

Preservation Trust of Vermont Honor Award, 1991

MEMBERSHIPS

National Trust for Historic Preservation

Vermont Historical Society

Montpelier Heritage Group

Shelburne Museum

PERSONAL

Born April 9, 1953.

References available upon request.



United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Preserve America Grant Agreement No. 50-07-PA-3074

Upon signature of both parties below, the National Park Service (NPS) will have obligated with this Grant Agreement the amount of **\$150,000.00** appropriated from the Historic Preservation Fund for the Preserve America Grant Program by Public Law 110-5, which provides Fiscal Year 2007 appropriations to the Department of the Interior. The term of this grant agreement is:

Beginning Date: November 1, 2007

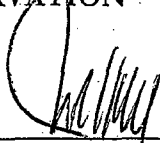
Ending Date: October 31, 2009

In accepting this grant for the project entitled "Barn Census Project," evidenced by signature below, the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, agrees to comply with Department of the Interior regulations and requirements governing Federal grants stipulated in Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-102 (Administrative Requirements for Grants to State and Local Governments; see 43 CFR 12.42-12.92); Circular A-87 (Cost Principles for Grants to State and Local Governments); and Circular A-133 (Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations). These requirements are hereby incorporated by reference into this grant agreement. In accordance with 18 U.S.C. 1913, none of these funds may be used for lobbying purposes as defined in the special conditions contained on the following pages. These special conditions are also hereby incorporated into this grant award. The terms and conditions of this grant award shall be extended to subrecipients and subcontractors.

In witness thereof, the parties have executed this grant agreement as of the date entered below:

VERMONT DIVISION FOR HISTORIC
PRESERVATION

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE



Authorized Signature

Chief, Historic Preservation Grants Division

1/31/08

Date signed

Date signed

Attachments:

- SF 424 Application for Federal Assistance
- Budget Changes/Special Grant Conditions

APPLICATION AND BUDGET CHANGES/SPECIAL CONDITIONS

GRANT NUMBER:	BEGINNING DATE:	ENDING DATE:
50-07-PA-3074	November 1, 2007	October 31, 2009

The terms of the grant award include the following special conditions necessary to obtain the objectives of the grant, facilitate administration of the grant, and to protect the interests of the Federal Government. Grantee noncompliance with these terms and conditions and the requirements of Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circulars A-102 and A-87 will cause disallowance of costs incurred under the grant. In addition to other lawful remedies, in the event of noncompliance with any grant conditions, the grant may be suspended, terminated or annulled pursuant to OMB Circular A-102 (see 43 CFR 12.83-12.84).

The grantee shall not assign or otherwise transfer final responsibility for this Grant Agreement, the grant, or the project to any third party. The execution of subcontracts shall not alter or modify the obligations of the grantee. However, the grantee may subcontract for performance of project-related work summarized in this Grant Agreement. The grantee must administer this grant award free from conflict of interest, bribery, "kickbacks," cost-plus-a-percentage-of-costs contracts, and other procurement practices prohibited by 43 CFR 12.76.

Special Condition #1, Limitations on Grant Expenditures. The term of availability of these grant funds is from November 1, 2007, through October 31, 2009. All costs incurred must be billed to NPS by January 31, 2010. Expenses charged to this grant may not be incurred prior to the beginning date specified above, or subsequent to the grant end date specified above (unless the Grant Agreement's end date is formally extended in writing by NPS). Such expenditures may not exceed the maximum limits shown on this grant award, or amendments subsequently approved in writing by NPS. The grantee assumes fiscal liability, without recourse to NPS, for commitments that exceed the funds provided in the Grant Agreement.

Special Condition #2, Allowable Costs. All costs charged to the grant must be directly related to and necessary for the achievement of the approved objectives and budget of this grant, as specified in Grant Condition #15, below, unless an amendment is approved in writing by NPS. Expenses charged must be incurred only for eligible costs in accordance with OMB Circular A-102 and OMB Circular A-87; and supported by approved contracts, purchase orders, requisitions, bills, or other evidence of liability consistent with generally established purchasing procedures and generally accepted accounting principles.

Special Condition #3, Nonfederal Matching Share. At least \$150,000 in eligible nonfederal matching contributions that are allowable and properly documented in accordance with 43 CFR 12.64 must be used during the grant period to share the costs for this grant. Failure to use the required non-Federal matching share will result in the disallowance of costs reimbursed, and/or the deobligation of remaining unexpended funds.

However, if less than \$169,500.00 in eligible nonfederal matching share is expended on the project, than a written amendment request to revise the approved grant budget and scope of work must be submitted to the NPS grant awarding official

Special Condition #4, Fundraising Costs: In accordance with OMB Circular A-87, Attachment B, Item 21, costs of fundraising are not eligible costs chargeable to the grant for reimbursement or as eligible nonfederal matching share contributions.

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Special Condition #5, Performance Reports. An acceptable Interim Progress Report must be submitted to NPS every six months during the grant period, with the initial Progress Report due not later than ~~May 30, 2008~~, and the next report due not later than **November 31, 2008**. An acceptable Final Progress Report must be submitted by ~~October 31, 2009~~. Failure to submit acceptable progress reports by the dates specified, and in the format prescribed by NPS, may result in suspension of funds or other action. The final progress report must include slides, photographs, copies of publication etc. showing the work accomplished under this grant. Interim Reports and the Final Project Report must include the Standard Form 269A, Financial Status

Report Short Form, which is used to document financial obligations and outlays during the previous year. The final payment will not be approved until all work is completed and an acceptable Final Progress Report is received by NPS.

The grantee agrees to maintain close liaison with the NPS Grant Awarding Official throughout the grant period. NPS reserves the right to request meetings, upon reasonable notice, with grantee project staff at intervals during the course of project work. The grantee agrees to promptly notify the NPS Grant Awarding Official should any of the following conditions become known to it:

- a) Problems, delays, or adverse conditions that will materially affect the ability of the grantee (or its subcontractors, if any) to attain project objectives, prevent the project from meeting planned timetables, or preclude the completion of approved work;
- b) The need for adjustment (revision) to the project budget; and
- c) The lack of nonfederal matching share to meet the amount required by this Grant Agreement.

Interim and Final Reports should be sent to your grant reviewer's attention at the National Park Service in Washington, DC. Address: 1201 Eye St. NW (2256), 6th Floor, Washington, DC 20005.

Special Condition #6, Prior Approval Requirements. The grantee may not, without written approval by the NPS grant awarding official (that official whose signature/title appears on the grant award document, or his designee), make changes in the approved scope of work or budget that would substantively alter the approved scope of work (43 CFR 12.70).

Special Condition #7, Lobbying Prohibitions. Costs associated with activities or any form of communication designed to influence in any manner a Member of Congress to favor or oppose any legislation or appropriation are unallowable as a charge to this grant. None of the funds awarded may be used to process any grant or contract documents which do not include the text of 18 U.S.C. 1913 prohibiting lobbying with appropriated funds. Recipients shall not use any part of the appropriated funds for any activity or for the publication or distribution of literature that in any way tends to promote public support or opposition to any legislative proposal on which Congressional action is not complete.

Special Condition #8, Debarment and Suspension. In accordance with Executive Order 12549 "Debarment and Suspension" the grantee and its subgrantees must not make any award or permit any award (by subgrant or contract) at any tier to any party which is debarred or suspended or is otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal assistance programs under Executive Order 12549.

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Special Condition #9, Financial Audit. The grantee shall obtain an audit of grant expenditure records in accordance with OMB Circular A-133 which requires a Single Agency Audit for any grantee who expends at least \$500,000 of Federal grant funds (from all sources) in a fiscal year. Financial audits that include costs incurred for this grant (including nonfederal matching share) must be transmitted to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse, Data Preparation Division, U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1201 E. 10th Street, Jeffersonville, Indiana 47132. A reasonable proportion of the costs of an acceptable audit performed in accordance with OMB Circular A-133 may be charged to this grant.

If an audit is required, the grantee must complete and submit one signed copy of the Data Collection Form for Reporting on Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations, SF-SAC, to the National Park Service within 30 days of the grantee's receipt of the completed audit report. The form must be signed by the grantee and auditor state whether the audit was completed, provide information about the grantee, the results of the audit, the Employer Identification Number (EIN) and the Dun and Bradstreet (D&B) Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS). A copy of the SF-SAC is acceptable.

Special Condition #10, Record Keeping. The grantee must maintain the property, personnel, financial, procurement and other records and accounts pertinent to the funds awarded by this grant in accordance with 43 CFR 12. The grantee and its contractors will permit on-site inspections by NPS representatives, and will effectively require employees and board members to furnish such information as, in the judgment of NPS representatives, may be relevant to a question of compliance with grant conditions and directives on the effectiveness, legality and achievements of project work.

Special Condition #11, Access to Records. The Secretary of the Interior and the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, shall have access for the purpose of financial or programmatic audit and examination to any books, documents, papers, and records of the grantee that are pertinent to the grant at all reasonable times during the period of retention provided for in 43 CFR 12.

Special Condition #12, Publicity and Press Releases: Press releases about this project must acknowledge the grant assistance provided by NPS and copies of the press releases must be provided to NPS. The grantee must transmit notice of any public ceremonies planned to publicize the project or its results in a timely enough manner so that NPS, Department of the Interior, Congressional or other Federal officials can attend if desired.

Special Condition #13, Publications. The grantee must include acknowledgment of NPS grant support and a nondiscrimination statement in all publications and videos assisted with grant monies and/or concerning NPS grant-supported activities. At least three copies of each publication and video concerning NPS grant-assisted activities, or published with NPS grant assistance, must be furnished to the NPS Grant Awarding Official within 30 calendar days of publication. All publications, including video and audio tapes, must contain the following disclaimer and acknowledgement of NPS support: "This material is based upon work assisted by a grant from the Department of the Interior, National Park Service. Any opinions, findings, and conclusions or recommendations expressed in this material are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Department of the Interior." All consultants hired by the grantee must be informed of this requirement. The National Park Service shall have a royalty-free right to republish any published material generated by this grant.

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Special Condition #14, Method of Payment. An SF-270, *Request for Advance or Reimbursement*, must be faxed to the NPS Grant Awarding Official for approval of payment requests. After NPS has notified the grantee by fax or e-mail that the payment request is acceptable, the grantee can transmit the payment request on the SMARTLINK payment system. Payment of grant funds will then be made by SMARTLINK electronic transfer of funds to a specified bank account of the grantee.

NPS approval of payment requests is based on satisfaction of grant conditions and documentation that matching funds have been expended at the same rate as federal funds. The final payment request (or approximately 15%) will be held until all grant conditions are met, including submission of an acceptable Final Project Report.

All approved advance payments must be expended within 30 days of the receipt of funds. An SF272, Cash Transaction Report, must be completed and submitted to NPS at the end of the 30 days documenting that the advanced funds have been liquidated.

Special Condition #15, Approved Budget and Scope of Work. The approved Summary of Objectives and Results to be performed with this grant award in accordance with the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Archeology & Historic Preservation* are follows:

1. Develop web-based survey computer software and hardware
2. Develop and print field notebook for census gathering.
3. Organize and hold spring Barn Conference/Census Kick-Off.
4. Integrate data into the existing historic resources database maintained by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation and make available through www.vermontvacation.com, the state's interactive tourism website.
5. Analyze and tabulate data to determine baseline documentation for the status of barns in Vermont and publish that in a useful format for the public

Deliverables: NPS requires that the grantee submit with the final report at least one copy of any reports, studies, etc. that are produced as a result of this project.

The approved Work/Cost Budget is summarized as follows:

Budget Item	Federal Share	Non-Federal	Total
Personnel + Fringe	\$0.00	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00
Consultants Fees	\$113,200.00	\$90,000.00	\$203,200.00
Travel and Per Diem	\$16,800.00	\$0.00	\$16,800.00
Supplies and Material	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Equipment	\$14,000.00	\$0.00	\$14,000.00
Other	\$6,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$8,500.00
TOTAL GRANT (including non-Federal matching share)	\$150,000.00	\$169,500.00	\$319,500.00

Special Condition #16, Preagreement Costs. Any preagreement costs incurred must be approved in writing by NPS and authorized to be charged to this grant in accordance with OMB Circular A-87. Documentation of these preaward costs must be retained for review by the grantee's financial audit.

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Special Condition #17, NPS Concurrence with Selection of Consultants. The grantee must submit resumes and responses to its Requests for Proposals, along with its justification for which consultant(s) it selects for grant-assisted work to the NPS Grant Awarding Official for concurrence by NPS. ~~The consultant(s) must have the requisite experience and training in historic preservation to oversee the~~ construction work to be performed and to manage this complex project. Contractors must be competitively selected. **Maximum hourly rates charged to this grant may not exceed 120% of a Federal Civil Service GS-15, step 10 salary, which in Fiscal Year 2007 is \$82.50 per hour or \$660 per day..** Current salary tables can be found on the Office of Personnel and Management website: www.opm.gov.

Special Condition #18, Compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, NPS and the grantee must complete the consultation process stipulated in the regulations issued by the Advisory Council for Historic Preservation in 36 CFR 800 prior to the commencement of any construction work or ground disturbance associated with this project. (Note that the NPS must receive a copy of the State Historic Preservation Officer's written approval of the methodology or plan to be used for any archeological testing or ground-breaking prior to conducting such testing or ground-breaking.) NPS has initiated the Section 106 consultation process with the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), by notifying the SHPO of the grant and sending the SHPO a copy of the grant application. Now, to complete the Section 106 review, the grantee must submit plans and specifications for the project to the SHPO. The grantee then must submit to the NPS Grant Awarding Official copies of the following: 1) any written comments grantee receives from the SHPO in response to submission of plans and specifications for the project, including any suggestions for modifying the project, and 2) the SHPO's written concurrence with the project as proposed or as modified. In the event that the grantee and the SHPO cannot reach agreement, the grantee must notify NPS in writing so that NPS may participate in the conclusion of the consultation.

Special Condition #19, Compliance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards. All grant-assisted construction or ground disturbance must be reviewed by NPS to ensure that it meets the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards for Archeology and Historic Preservation*, and the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties*. Work that does not comply with these Standards in the judgment of NPS will not be reimbursed, and may cause the grant to be terminated and funds deobligated.

Special Condition #20, NPS Review of Architectural Plans and Specifications. The grantee must submit plans and specifications for any construction or ground disturbance to the National Park Service for its review and approval for compliance with the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards for Archeology and Historic Preservation*, and the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties*, and with the Conditions listed in this Grant Agreement prior to the beginning of grant-assisted work on the property.

Special Condition #21, Requirement for Copies of Final Products. The grantee must submit 3 copies of any publications, reports, studies, or similar materials which are produced with this grant assistance, including plans and specifications, historic structures reports, and feasibility studies. For items such as interpretive signs or tourism events, photographs of the signs or events must be submitted.

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Special Condition #22, Requirement for Project Sign. The grantee must erect and maintain a project sign at the project site, if applicable. This sign must be of reasonable and adequate design and construction to withstand weather exposure; be of a size that can be easily read from the public right-of-way; and be maintained in place throughout the project term as stipulated in this Grant Agreement. At a minimum, the sign must contain the following statement: "[Name of Project] is being supported in part by a Preserve America grant administered by the National Park Service, Department of the Interior." Additional information briefly identifying the historical significance of the property or recognizing other contributors is encouraged and permissible. Photographs of the sign must be included with the Final Report submitted to NPS. The cost of fabricating and erecting this sign is an eligible cost for this grant.



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Preserve America Grants
National Park Service
1202 "Eye" Street NW
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Washington, D.C. 20005
Hampton Tucker, Chief
Historic Preservation Grants Division

Dear Mr. Tucker,

The barn is an emblematic symbol of the Vermont landscape and the connection we have to our agricultural history and sense of tradition. Barns are the most visible feature of the Vermont landscape reflecting the rich farming heritage of the state and its working landscape.

Tourism has a significant economic impact on the state and agritourism is a rapidly expanding industry in Vermont. People travel from many areas of the nation and world to experience the unique cultural heritage and way of life Vermonters hold dear.

We fully support the Barn Census project initiated by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation. A statewide census of Vermont's barns is an important first step to plan for the conscientious preservation and rehabilitation of these historic resources.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anson Tebbetts".

Anson Tebbetts, Deputy Secretary
Vermont Agency of Agriculture



Vermont
Housing &
Conservation
Board

June 26, 2007

Hampton Tucker, Chief,
Historic Preservation Grants Division
Preserve America Grants
National Park Service
1201 "Eye" Street, NW
6th Floor (ORG. 2256)
Washington, DC 20005



Dear Mr. Tucker:

On behalf of the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board, I am writing to enthusiastically endorse the Division for Historic Preservation's *Preserve America* grant application for the Barn Census Project.

This first ever, systematic statewide barn inventory is critical to effectively preserving Vermont's historic agricultural resources. The Barn Census project will not only provide detailed, up-to-date information, but will involve community members, resulting in broad-based involvement and increased interest in barn preservation. This comprehensive statewide project will support the collaborative efforts of the Housing and Conservation Board, Agency of Agriculture, and the Departments of Historic Preservation, and Tourism and Marketing to support viable agriculture, the continued use of farm buildings, cultural heritage tourism and protection of prime agricultural land.

Agriculture is central to Vermont's economy, landscape, and rural character. Vermont's compact downtown areas surrounded by working farmland and historic farmsteads reflect the unique character of the state. Vermont's historic barns, as core features of most farms and agricultural communities, play an invaluable role in the delivery of a range of public policy objectives including economic development, improving the quality of life, creating a better and more sustainable environment, education, and cultural resource protection.

Historic farm buildings and agricultural fields underpin sustainable tourism and the promotion of the state's agricultural heritage, increasing the link between people and the landscape. Funds used through this project to develop census methodology and systems, train volunteers and establish baseline documentation will leverage efforts as part of a larger rural and agricultural heritage development initiative for the state.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen Freeman". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Karen Freeman
Director, Conservation Partnerships and Training
Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

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Applications must be received by 5 PM Eastern Standard Time,
Friday, June 29, 2007.

This is NOT a postmark deadline

APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Applications must be submitted in hard copy. Faxed applications and applications submitted electronically will not be accepted. Applications not received by the deadline and incomplete applications will not be considered. Additional materials sent separately from the application will not be considered part of the application and will not be included in evaluation of the application.

Application materials will not be returned. All application materials, including photographs, become the property of the National Park Service and may be reproduced by NPS or its partner organizations without permission; appropriate credit will be given for any such use.

YOU MUST SUBMIT:

- (1) original and seven (7) copies – a total of 8 – complete application packages (preferably double-sided).
- One (1) additional photocopy of page one of the application.
- Page one of the application must be the first page in the original and copies. Do not use other cover pages.
- The original must be secured with a binder clip.
- Each copy must be **securely** held together with a staple or binder clip; do **not** use pocket folders, notebooks, or ring binders.

A complete application package includes:

- Application on 2007 form.
- Authorizing Official signature.
- Timeline for project completion.
- Detailed budget.
- Resolution of Support.
- Necessary supplemental information to explain the project (photographs, maps, documentation of public/private partners, etc.)

PLEASE NOTE - Applications should not be submitted through the US Postal Service. All US Postal Service mail to Federal agencies in Washington, D.C. is irradiated, which can damage or destroy materials and lead to a delay in delivery. You must submit your application via an alternate carrier.

SEND APPLICATIONS TO:

(Please address all support letters to the address below, attn: Hampton Tucker; Chief, Historic Preservation Grants Division – they must accompany the grant application or they will not be considered)

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Washington, DC 20005

**For more information please contact the National Park Service at:
(202) 354-2020**

nps_preserveamerica@nps.gov
www.cr.nps.gov/hps/hpg/preserveamerica

U.S. Department of the Interior

**Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension and
Other Responsibility Matters, Drug-Free Workplace
Requirements and Lobbying**

Persons signing this form should refer to the regulations referenced below for complete instructions:

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters - Primary Covered Transactions - **The prospective primary participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled, "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transaction," provided by the department or agency entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions. See below for language to be used or use this form certification and sign. (See Appendix A of Subpart D of 43 CFR Part 12.)**

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transactions - (See Appendix B of Subpart D of 43 CFR Part 12.)

Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements - Alternate I. (Grantees Other Than Individuals) and Alternate II. (Grantees Who are Individuals) - (See Appendix C of Subpart D of 43 CFR Part 12)

Signature on this form provides for compliance with certification requirements under 43 CFR Parts 12 and 18. The certifications shall be treated as a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed when the Department of the Interior determines to award the covered transaction, grant, cooperative agreement or loan.

PART A: Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters - Primary Covered Transactions

CHECK IF THIS CERTIFICATION IS FOR A PRIMARY COVERED TRANSACTION AND IS APPLICABLE.

- (1) The prospective primary participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:
 - (a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded by any Federal department or agency;
 - (b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
 - (c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and
 - (d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.
- (2) Where the prospective primary participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

PART B: Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transactions

CHECK IF THIS CERTIFICATION IS FOR A LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTION AND IS APPLICABLE.

- (1) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
- (2) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

PART C: Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

CHECK IF THIS CERTIFICATION IS FOR AN APPLICANT WHO IS NOT AN INDIVIDUAL.

Alternate I. (Grantees Other Than Individuals)

A. The grantee certifies that it will or continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

- (a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
- (b) Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about--
 - (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 - (2) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
 - (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
- (c) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);
- (d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will --
 - (1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
 - (2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;
- (e) Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;
- (f) Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted --
 - (1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
 - (2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;
- (g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a) (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f).

B. The grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant:

Place of Performance (Street address, city, county, state, zip code)

Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, National Life Building, Floor 2

National Life Drive, Montpelier, Vermont 05620-0201

Check if there are workplaces on files that are not identified here.

PART D: Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

CHECK IF THIS CERTIFICATION IS FOR AN APPLICANT WHO IS AN INDIVIDUAL.

Alternate II. (Grantees Who Are Individuals)

- (a) The grantee certifies that, as a condition of the grant, he or she will not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance in conducting any activity with the grant;
- (b) If convicted of a criminal drug offense resulting from a violation occurring during the conduct of any grant activity, he or she will report the conviction, in writing, within 10 calendar days of the conviction, to the grant officer or other designee, unless the Federal agency designates a central point for the receipt of such notices. When notice is made to such a central point, it shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant.

**PART E: Certification Regarding Lobbying
Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements**

CHECK IF CERTIFICATION IS FOR THE AWARD OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING AND THE AMOUNT EXCEEDS \$100,000: A FEDERAL GRANT OR COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT; SUBCONTRACT, OR SUBGRANT UNDER THE GRANT OR COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT.

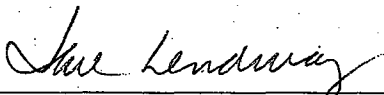
CHECK IF CERTIFICATION FOR THE AWARD OF A FEDERAL LOAN EXCEEDING THE AMOUNT OF \$150,000, OR A SUBGRANT OR SUBCONTRACT EXCEEDING \$100,000, UNDER THE LOAN.

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, and officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

As the authorized certifying official, I hereby certify that the above specified certifications are true.



SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL

Jane Lendway, State Historic Preservation Officer

TYPED NAME AND TITLE

03/05/08

DATE

ASSURANCES - NON-CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 15 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0040), Washington, DC 20503.


**PLEASE DO NOT RETURN YOUR COMPLETED FORM TO THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET.
SEND IT TO THE ADDRESS PROVIDED BY THE SPONSORING AGENCY.**

NOTE: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the awarding agency. Further, certain Federal awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project cost) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
4. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
5. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
6. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and, (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.
7. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal or federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
8. Will comply, as applicable, with provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.

9. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333), regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
10. Will comply, if applicable, with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
11. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
12. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
13. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
14. Will comply with P.L. 93-348 regarding the protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.
15. Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. §§2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
16. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
17. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
18. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.

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