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National Park Service approves the
Suquamish Tribe
to assume SHPO functions

The Director of the National Park Service has formally approved the proposal of the Suquamish Tribe to assume certain State Historic Preservation Officer duties within the exterior boundaries of the tribe’s reservation in Washington. The Tribe has assumed formal responsibility for review of Federal undertakings pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. In addition, the Tribe has assumed all of the other SHPO functions set out in the Act with the exceptions of assisting in the certification of local governments and assisting in the evaluation of Investment Tax Credit rehabilitation projects. The Tribe’s historic preservation officer is Mr. Dennis E. Lewarch. Please address correspondence to:

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For a complete list of tribes that have assumed SHPO functions, please see our website at http://www.cr.nps.gov/hps/tribal/tribaloffices.htm. If I can answer any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 202-354-1837.

Sincerely,

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