

Cultural Resources and Endangered Species Act Considerations

Part I. National Historic Preservation Act considerations

1. Is Project scope of work restricted to non-ground-disturbing activities or activities from list 2 of the LIP programmatic agreement regarding cultural resources? Yes, go to Part III. No, continue.
2. TPWD Cultural Resource Specialist completes Texas Site Atlas, topographic map, and probability assessments. Continue.
3. Does the project require review by the State Historical Preservation Office (S H P O) and a Cultural Resource Preliminary Assessment Form (C R P A)? Yes, go to 5. No, continue.
4. Project has been redesigned to exclude activities not on list 2 of the L I P programmatic agreement. Go to Part III.
5. YES, because project may: affect previously known historical site; and/or buildings/structures present and/or ground disturbance from List 1 of the programmatic agreement to occur in high probability zone.
6. C R P A must be completed and submitted by a TPWD staff biologist who has attended the training. C R P A form can be found on the LIP TPWD intranet site and should be turned in to the cultural resource specialist.
7. Cultural Resource Specialist receives and reviews completed C R P A. C R P A indicates:
Cultural resource site found. Go to 8.
No cultural resource site found. Go to 9.
8. Site visited by cultural resource specialist. Landowner gives written permission to record site(s), or project is redesigned to avoid site, or landowner withdraws from program.
9. S H P O concurs with recommendation (if S H P O responds with concerns, issues must be addressed before completing L I P contract). Go to Part III.

Part II. Endangered Species Act considerations

1. Is the project covered by the LIP programmatic agreement concerning the Endangered Species Act (section 7)? Yes, go to Part III. No, continue.
2. Submitting biologist and LIP coordinator prepare section 7 paperwork and submit it to Fish and Wildlife Service Regional Office.
3. Fish and Wildlife Service reviews submission and responds with permission to proceed (sometime with conditions) Go to Part III.

Part III. Conclusion

Award packet is mailed with contract when both programmatic agreement requirements are satisfied.