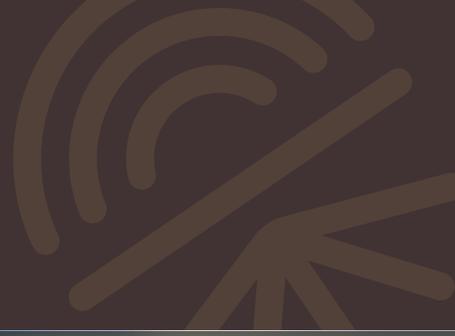




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# SECTION 106 & FEDERAL CONTRACTING: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

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## YOUR FIRM & SECTION 106

As you are probably aware, the Section 106 review process requires federal agencies to take into account the effects that federally licensed and funded undertakings may have on historic properties. Under Section 106, each federal agency must identify historic properties within the area of potential effect and engage stakeholders in order to consider public views and concerns about [historic preservation](#) issues when making final project decisions, according to the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP).

From engineers to fabricators, your team is full of technical experts—but you may lack the cultural resource management (CRM) professionals and archaeologists needed to navigate the Section 106 process efficiently. As the nation's largest CRM-focused firm and premier federal CRM services provider, that's where we come in.



# ACHIEVING SECTION 106 APPROVAL

The Section 106 process has four basic steps, which must be completed before final approval of federal funds or permits, according to the ACHP. **These steps are:**



## 01 Initiate Section 106 Process

- The federal agency identifies who should participate in the review.
- Consulting parties may include the State (or Tribal) Historic Preservation Officer, the local government, and interested federally recognized Indian tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations.
- The agency also plans how to involve the public.

## 02 Identify and Evaluate Historic Properties

- The agency gathers information to decide if any properties in the area that may be affected by the project are listed, or are eligible for listing, in the National Register of Historic Places.
- If at least one historic property is found that could be affected by the project, the federal agency must proceed to the assessment of effects. The agency must notify all consulting parties and invite their views.

## 03 Assess Adverse Effects

- The federal agency determines how historic properties might be affected by the project and whether any of those effects would be considered adverse. The agency does so in consultation with other participants in the review.
- “Adverse effects” are those that diminish characteristics qualifying a property for inclusion in the

## 04 Achieve a Resolution

- The agency and consulting parties work to reach agreement on a resolution.
- A Memorandum of Agreement or Programmatic Agreement, which records the resolution measures agreed upon to resolve adverse effects, is developed in consultation and executed prior to approval of the project.



# FINDING THE IDEAL CONSULTANT

The ACHP recommends that applicants work with their federal agency to secure qualified consultants, as needed, to assist in the identification and evaluation of historic properties and assessment of effects.

Once you have secured a qualified consultant, such as Chronicle Heritage, that consultant can walk you through steps 2-4 of the Section 106 process.

According to the ACHP, the approval process works “most effectively and efficiently when an applicant selects qualified professional contractors and consultants that have demonstrated capability to carry out the Section 106 process.”

More information can be found in ACHP’s Section 106 Applicant Toolkit: <https://www.achp.gov/digital-library-section-106-landing/section-106-applicant-toolkit>





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