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MEETING AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, JULY 14		
2:00–5:00 p.m.	Committee Business Meeting—VDOT Old Highway Building, 1221 East Broad Street (Art Deco Building with Eagles and Braziers) <i>All are welcome to attend</i>	
MONDAY, JULY 15		
8:15–8:45 a.m.	Registration Open - Patrick Henry Building, 1111 East Broad Street (Entrance facing Capitol Square). Attendees should arrive at 8 and will need to pass through security.	
8:45–9:15 a.m.	Welcome to the RVA and ADC50 Summer 2019 – West Reading Room	
9:15–10:15 a.m.	FHWA / ACHP Listening Session on Executive Order 13807 “One Federal Decision”: What are the implications for Section 106 compliance of the National Historic Preservation Act	
10:15–10:30 a.m.	<i>BREAK</i>	
	EAST READING ROOM	WEST READING ROOM
10:30–11:30 a.m.	NCHRP Reports: 3 25-25 updates on Task Reports 106, 107, and 110	FAST ACT Section 106 Railroad Program Comment
11:30–12:45 p.m.	<i>LUNCH ON YOUR OWN</i>	
12:45–2:15 p.m.	Bridge 1: How Far is Too Far on Truss Rehabilitation?	Archeology Round Table and Peer Exchange: Hot Topics in Archeology
2:15–2:30 p.m.	<i>BREAK</i>	
2:30–4:00 p.m.	Bridge 2: Concrete Bridges and Statewide Management/Planning	Emergencies and Infrastructure
5:30–7:30 p.m.	Opening Reception at Southern Railway Taphouse, 100 South 14th Street. Reception will be held in the Side Bar.	
TUESDAY, JULY 16		
8:30–10:00 a.m.	Rail & Linear Resources	Digital Systems
10:00–10:15 a.m.	<i>BREAK</i>	
10:15–11:45 a.m.	Historic Memory: Transportation and Commemorating the Past	Section 4(f) Efficiencies
11:45–1:00 p.m.	<i>LUNCH ON YOUR OWN</i>	
1:00–2:30 p.m.	Creative Mitigation	
2:30–2:45 p.m.	<i>BREAK</i>	
2:45–4:00 p.m.	Local Project Successes and closing	
5:00 p.m.	Meet up for Tony Opperman’s “Tour on the Hill.” Meet at the Virginia Public Safety Memorial outside the Patrick Henry Building.	
WEDNESDAY, JULY 17		
8:30–11:30 a.m.	Historic Richmond Industrial Walking Tour along James River	

SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

MONDAY

8:45–9:15 a.m.

WEST READING ROOM

Welcome from distinguished Virginians, including Virginia DOT Environmental Director Angle N. Deem and Virginia State Historic Preservation Officer Julie V. Langan.

9:15–10:15 a.m.

FHWA/ACHP Listening Session on Executive Order 13807 “One Federal Decision”: What are the implications for Section 106 compliance of the National Historic Preservation Act

David Clarke and Mandy Ranslow will talk about EO 13807 and take your questions about how it affects Section 106 compliance.

10:15–10:30 a.m. Break

10:30–11:30 a.m. CONCURRENT SESSIONS

EAST READING ROOM

NCHRP Reports: Three 25-25 updates on Task Reports 106, 107, and 110

Moderated by Tony Opperman, Virginia DOT, with presentations by Terry Klein, from SRI Foundation; Camilla McDonald, Hope Luhman, Paul Graham, and Steven Bedford, from Louis Berger U.S., a WSP Company.

Learn about the findings from three NCHRP 25-25 studies:

- Task 107: *Synthesis of Best Practices for the Development and Implementation of Section 106 Delegation Programmatic Agreements*
- Task 106: *Highway Noise and Historic Properties: A National Review of Effects and Mitigation Practices*
- Task 110: *Review of Historic Property Identification Surveys and Strategies for Managing Post-World War II Housing in Transportation Projects*

WEST READING ROOM

FAST ACT Section 106 Railroad Program Comment

Presentations by David Clarke (FHWA); Laura Shick and Katherine Zeringue (FRA); Sharyn LaCombe (FTA); and Sarah Stokely (ACHP).

Meet the federal preservation officers and hear from the federal agencies responsible for implementing the Rail Program Comment required by the FAST Act. What's been issued so far? What's still pending? How does it affect Section 106 compliance for your projects?

11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Lunch on Your Own**12:45–2:15 p.m. CONCURRENT SESSIONS****EAST READING ROOM****Bridge 1: How Far is Too Far on Truss Rehabilitation?**

A recap and continuation of session from January TRB mtg.

Tony Opperman, Virginia DOT will present and moderate, with additional presentations by Kristen Zschomler, Minnesota DOT; Kara Russell, Pennsylvania DOT

At what point does a truss bridge rehabilitation project cross the line into adverse effect?

WEST READING ROOM**Archeology Round Table and Peer Exchange: Hot Topics in Archeology**

Oklahoma DOT's Nick Beale will facilitate a discussion to talk with colleagues from around the country about archeology issues, helping shape future research needs for archeologists.

12:15-12:30 p.m. Break**2:30–4:00 p.m. CONCURRENT SESSIONS****EAST READING ROOM****Bridge 2: Concrete Bridges and Statewide Management/Planning**

Moderated by Emily Pettis, Mead & Hunt

- Ann Miller, Virginia DOT and Virginia Transportation Research Council: *Historic Bridge Management in Virginia: Engineers, Historians, and Chapter 32*
- Adam Matteo, Virginia DOT: *Concrete Bridges: Issues and Answers*
- Robert Hadlow, Oregon DOT: *Example from Oregon*

WEST READING ROOM**Emergencies and Infrastructure**

Moderated by Scott Sundermeyer, Oklahoma DOT, with panelists Karen King, FHWA Virginia Division; Terry Klein, SRI Foundation; Bruce Jensen, TxDOT; and ICF International

The panelists will discuss programmatic approaches to disaster response and the challenges of disaster recovery, with examples from Oklahoma, Texas, and Puerto Rico.

TUESDAY**8:30–10:00 a.m. CONCURRENT SESSIONS****EAST READING ROOM****Rail & Linear Resources**

Moderated by Amanda Ciampolillo, FRA, with presentations by Kerri Barile, Dovetail CRG; and Emily Pettis and Katie Ohland, Mead & Hunt

These three sessions will present information on approaches to cultural resource work on rail-related projects. The presentations will work from large multi-state rail projects to evaluating rail resources on a single project, to hands-on use of the ACHP Rail Program Comment.

WEST READING ROOM**Digital Systems**

Moderated by Tony Opperman, Virginia DOT, with presentations by Allison Wishon and Victor Thornton, Virginia DOT; Kara Russell, Pennsylvania DOT; and Bruce Jensen, TxDOT

Learn how DOTs are using various digital systems for CRM and transportation projects.

10:00 – 10:15 a.m. Break**10:15–11:45 a.m. CONCURRENT SESSIONS****EAST READING ROOM**

Historic Memory: Transportation and Commemorating the Past *Moderated by Linda Henderson, TxDOT, with perspective offered by Erik Hein, NCSHPO*

- Ann Miller, Virginia DOT and Virginia Transportation Research Council: *Roadside Monuments in Virginia*
- Gregg Kimball, Library of Virginia: *Richmond's Monument Avenue Commission*

WEST READING ROOM**Section 4(f) Efficiencies**

Owen Lindauer and David Clarke, both from FHWA, will present

How are the exceptions, de minimis, and programmatic evaluations working? Should other types be added?

11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Lunch on Your Own

1:00–2:30 p.m.

EAST READING ROOM

Creative Mitigation

Moderated by Linda Henderson, TxDOT

Hear examples from around the country of creative ways to mitigate projects, from the initial stakeholder engagement through products and implementation.

- Karen Daniels, Missouri DOT: *The Champ Clark Bridge Historic Preservation Design Challenge*
- Brennan Dolan, Iowa DOT: *A pay-it-forward approach to prehistoric site mitigation, and how to get at what your stakeholders really want the message to be*
- Susan Lassell, ICF International: *Interpretation in the Facebook Age: Digital Mitigation for Post-1945 Bridges in Texas*

2:30-2:45 p.m. Break

2:45–4:00 p.m.

EAST READING ROOM

Local Project Successes

Richmond Planning Director Mark Olinger will highlight local preservation success in his presentation *Potterfield Bridge; Adaptive Reuse of a Historic Engineering Structure for Transportation*. The Potterfield Bridge will also be featured on Wednesday's walking tour.

Closing Comments from ADC50 Committee Chair Mary Alfson Tinsman

5:00 p.m. Tour on the Hill

For this free walking tour, meet Tony Opperman at the Virginia Public Safety Memorial outside the Patrick Henry Building.

Wear comfortable shoes, hats, sunscreen.

WEDNESDAY

8:30–11:30 a.m. Historic Richmond Industrial Walking Tour along James River

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SPEAKER BIOS

Mary Alfson Tinsman

Mary Alfson Tinsman is the Vice President of Cultural Resources at JMT, a national A/E firm. Based in Philadelphia, she began her 20+ year career working on DOT compliance projects in Pennsylvania and the surrounding states. Since joining JMT in 2012, she has grown the company's cultural resources team to 25 professionals working in multiple states across the country. She recently began her first term as the ADC50 Committee Chair, after serving as the Program Subcommittee Chair for several years. In her spare time, she is an avid antique pottery collector and can often be found hunting through antique stores and flea markets.

Nicholas Beale

Nick Beale is a Senior Archaeologist and Consultant Coordinator at the Oklahoma Department of Transportation Cultural Resources Program. He earned his Ph.D. and M.A. in anthropology specializing in archaeology from the University of Oklahoma. He has over 20 years of professional experience working with Section 106 both in the private and government sectors.

Kerri Barile, Ph.D., RPA

Dr. Barile has 27 years of experience in the fields of historic preservation, architectural history, historic research, archaeology, and CRM. She received her B.A. in Historic Preservation from Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, an M.A. in Anthropology and a Master's Certificate in Museum Management from the University of South Carolina, and a Ph.D. in Archaeology and Architectural History from the University of Texas at Austin. She co-founded Dovetail Cultural Resource Group in 2005. She is also on the ACRA Board and serves as the ACRA Conference Committee Chair. In addition to CRM experience, Dr. Barile continues to pursue her interests in local historic preservation initiatives through a variety of activities. She teaches university courses in historic preservation and preservation law, architectural history, and archaeology, and she regularly volunteers for communities and non-profit preservation groups. She serves on the Fredericksburg Architectural Review Board, and she was also selected as a member of the City's Historic Preservation Task Force, where she was the primary author on the City's Historic Preservation Plan. She is the editor of the *Journal of Fredericksburg History* and the *Bulletin of the Archaeological Society of Delaware*, and she co-authored *Fredericksburg: The Official Guide and Woman in a War-Torn Town: The Diary of Jane Beale*.

Amanda Ciampolillo

Amanda Ciampolillo works for the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) as an Environmental Protection Specialist. In that role, Amanda reviews rail projects for compliance with applicable environmental and historic preservation laws and Executive Orders. Her current work includes projects in the southwest, northwest, and midwest. Amanda has a background in architectural history and Section 106 compliance. She holds a B.A. in History from the State University of New York College at Potsdam and an M.S. in Historic Preservation from the University of Vermont. She enjoys road trips, long-haul train travel, dystopian science fiction novels, smokestacks, and lowercase letters. You can find Amanda and her wife in Cambridge, Massachusetts, on the lookout for a good brunch place and dodging wild turkeys.

David Clarke

David is FHWA's Federal Preservation Officer (FPO). As the FPO, he has agency-wide oversight on compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. He has an M.A. and B.A. in the field of anthropology with a specialization in archaeology. David has more than 20 years of experience with Historic Preservation, NEPA, Section 4(f), and Tribal Consultation in the public and private sectors.

Karen Daniels

Karen Daniels is a Senior Historic Preservation Specialist with the Missouri Department of Transportation. She has been with MoDOT since 2001 doing Section 106 and Section 4(f) compliance for the built environment. She has worked on statewide and thematic programmatic agreements and completed mitigation for several architectural and bridge resources. In her free time, she reads, quilts, and enjoys her family and friends.

Brendan Dolan

Brennan Dolan is an archaeologist and cultural resources manager for the Iowa Department of Transportation. Previously, he worked for the National Park Service, in the private sector and with the State Historic Preservation Officer in Iowa. His educational background includes undergraduate and graduate work in Anthropology, Archaeology and American Indian/Native Studies. When he is not at work, you can find him spending time with his family, on a bike, or in a kayak.

Paul Graham

Paul Graham has been with Louis Berger since early 2017. He was employed at the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for more than 32 years in a variety of positions, including staff archaeologist, transportation planner, District 5 Environmental Coordinator, and Assistant Environmental Administrator. In the last position, he served as head of ODOT's Cultural Resource Management program from 1997 to 2011, overseeing ODOT compliance with Section 106 and Section 4(f) for historic sites. He is the primary author of numerous manuals related to cultural resource management/Section 106 compliance, project development, and NEPA for ODOT. He worked as a private consultant from 2012-2016. He has served on the Ohio Historic Site Preservation Advisory Board since 2010 under gubernatorial appointment.

Robert Hadlow, Ph.D.

Robert W. Hadlow is the senior historian with the Oregon Department of Transportation, where he completes Section 106 and Section 4(f) compliance work. He prepared a National Historic Landmark nomination for the Columbia River Highway Historic District. He is currently writing NHL nominations for five large 1930s bridges on the Oregon Coast Highway.

Erik Hein

Erik Hein is the Executive Director of the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers, which is the national membership organization representing “SHPOs” before elected officials, federal agencies, non-governmental organizations, and the public. Prior to holding this position, he was the President of and Registered Lobbyist for Preservation Action; the national non-profit grassroots lobbying organization focused on federal historic preservation policy. Over his career, he has also worked as a project consultant, city historic preservation officer, the assistant executive director of a local non-profit, and a program director at a statewide preservation organization. He has also served and continues to serve on numerous nonprofit boards including the US National Committee of the International Council on Monuments and Sites (ex-officio), the Preservation Action Foundation, and the Committee of 100 on the Federal City. In addition to studying 19th-Century art and architecture at the Victoria University of Manchester, UK, Erik holds a Bachelor’s degree from Penn State University and a Master’s in American Studies/Historic Preservation from the George Washington University.

Linda Henderson

Linda Henderson spent the first 20 years of her preservation career at the Texas Historical Commission. During that time, she worked on a variety of projects including historic courthouses, historical markers, and state and federal reviews. She joined the Cultural Resources staff at the Texas Dept. of Transportation in 2018. Her academic studies include degrees in Architectural Studies, English, and Public Affairs, all from the University of Texas at Austin, and her personal interests include historic Texas dance halls, creative writing, songwriting, and instilling a love of buildings and historic places in her two teenage sons, who roll their eyes but secretly love it all. Really.

Bruce Jensen

Bruce Jensen directs the Cultural Resources Management section for the Texas Department of Transportation, where he has worked for 19 years. His previous experience includes stints as the executive director of the Historic Bridge Foundation and work with the National Register and Certified Local Government programs at the Texas SHPO. He did his graduate work in historic preservation at the University of Texas at Austin.

Gregg Kimball, Ph.D.

Dr. Gregg D. Kimball is Director of Public Services and Outreach at the Library of Virginia, where he is responsible for research services programming, and education. He holds a Ph.D. degree in history from the University of Virginia and an M.L.S. degree from the University of Maryland, College Park. Dr. Kimball is the author of *American City, Southern Place: A Cultural History of Antebellum Richmond* (University of Georgia Press, 2000), and has published numerous articles, reviews, and essays on African American history, traditional music, public history, and the American south. He was a curator and historian at Richmond’s city museum, the Valentine, for almost ten years. He served as the chief historian during the Valentine’s restoration and interpretation of the Tredegar Iron Works, a National Historic Landmark, which is now the headquarters for the Richmond National Battlefield Park, National Park Service, and the site of the American Civil War Museum. Dr. Kimball served as co-chair of the City of Richmond’s Monument Avenue Commission in 2017-2018. He serves on the program committee of the Richmond Folk Festival and has presented or performed at the National Folk Festival, the Lowell Folk Festival, and the International Blues Challenge in Memphis. Dr. Kimball is a veteran of the United States Army and lives in New Kent County, Virginia.

Karen King, P.E.

Karen King serves as the Highway Safety Engineer and Emergency Coordinator for FHWA's Virginia Division. Prior to her career as a transportation engineer, she received her degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Terry Klein

Terry Klein is the Executive Director of the SRI Foundation, a non-profit historic preservation organization located in Rio Rancho, New Mexico. Terry has been involved in transportation and historic preservation for over 30 years, teaching courses on Section 106, Section 4(f), and transportation project delivery; working with state DOTs to enhance their historic preservation programs; and supervising national studies on effective practices for considering historic preservation during transportation planning and early project development, and on streamlining Section 106 compliance. And he is always looking for good restaurant recommendations to add to his best places to eat list in the US and beyond.

Sharyn LaCombe

Sharyn LaCombe is the Federal Preservation Officer for the Federal Transit Administration of the U.S. Department of Transportation. Since her tenure with FTA, she has worked to help develop the Rail ROW Program Comment and has been responsible for its implementation within the FTA. Sharyn has also worked to streamline FTA's project delivery processes through the development of Standard Operating Procedures, including the recently released Section 106 SOP, and has conducted cross-agency training on NEPA and Section 106. She is currently finishing a Graduate Program in Historic Preservation and Design with the University of Kentucky.

Susan Lassell

Susan Lassell serves as a Managing Director for the cultural resources practice at ICF International, a national consulting firm specializing in environmental planning and natural resource management. Susan has been working in CRM as a historic preservation planner for just over 25 years, and currently manages a fantastic team of over 25 architectural historians and archaeologists from Northern California to Washington State. For the past 2 years, Susan and her team have performed a range of interpretive planning and media design services for TxDOT in support of compliance with a Programmatic Agreement for all post-1945 bridges across the state.

Owen Lindauer, Ph.D., RPA

Owen is the Federal Highway Administration's senior NEPA expert and Chief Archeologist. He possesses a Ph.D., M.A., and B.A. in the field of anthropology with a specialization in archeology. With more than 30 years of experience developing and publishing archeological research, he also is an expert in the Section 106 process in conducting tribal consultation and conducting environmental reviews under NEPA. He came to the FHWA twelve years ago and has worked preparing and providing guidance on environmental regulation for categorical exclusions, Section 4(f), streamlining through programmatic approaches, and NEPA assumption. He has extensive experience developing NEPA policy and programs as well as FHWA regulations. He also has project development experience, having worked at state DOTs in Arizona and Texas, as well as in states all across the country addressing thorny environmental issues on highway projects.

Adam D. Matteo, P.E.

As Assistant State Structure and Bridge Engineer for Bridge Maintenance, Mr. Matteo is responsible for establishing policy for the maintenance of over 19,000 of Virginia's highway bridges and large culverts. He has 30 years of engineering experience in structural design, bridge maintenance, and construction management. He received his Master of Science in Civil Engineering from Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Camilla McDonald

Camilla McDonald is the manager of historic preservation for Louis Berger U.S.— a WSP Company and has worked for the company for nearly 20 years as an architectural historian. Ms. McDonald specializes in historic bridges and thematic surveys and National Register MPDs. She received her Master of Science in historic preservation from Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana.

Ann Miller

Ann L. Miller is Historian for the Virginia Transportation Research Council (VTRC, the research arm for the Virginia Department of Transportation) in Charlottesville. She is the principal investigator for the VTRC's history and cultural resources program, including research into historic bridges, early roads, and other aspects of transportation history, as well as related cultural resource management. She is the state chair for the Virginia Historic Structures Task Group, the interagency committee that examines questions of historic significance and management for Virginia's historic transportation structures. Ms. Miller holds the degrees of Bachelor of Architectural History (1979) and Master of Architectural History with Certificate in Historic Preservation (1989), both from the University of Virginia. Her special areas of interest include history, social history, architecture, cultural landscapes, and transportation history. She is the author of numerous reports and publications for VTRC, as well as a variety of other books, reports, conference papers, articles, and National Register nominations on matters relating to Virginia history and structures.

Katie Ohland

Katie Ohland is a historian with Mead & Hunt, Inc. in Minneapolis, Minnesota. She has experience conducting reconnaissance and intensive-level surveys, which includes field surveys, photographic documentation, historical research, and report preparation. Katie is also responsible for completing Section 106 compliance, including the identification and evaluation of historic resources while applying the National Register Criteria. She has evaluated numerous bridges for historic significance and collaborates with engineers on historic bridge rehabilitation projects.

Mark Olinger

Mark A. Olinger is the Director of the Department of Planning & Development Review for the City of Richmond. Since arriving in Richmond, Mr. Olinger has been actively engaged in Riverfront planning, neighborhood development activities, Pulse Corridor planning, and *Richmond 300*, the first comprehensive update to the city-wide master plan in 17 years. Mr. Olinger has more than 36 years of urban planning experience, including in the cities of Madison and Dayton, where he was responsible for transforming the once largely abandoned neighborhood, now known as Wright-Dunbar Village, into a showcase of revitalization and rebirth - and a winner of a HUD Secretary Award in 2004. Over the course of his career, he has focused on urban design, land use planning, affordable housing, neighborhood revitalization, and redevelopment initiatives, all with a focus on implementation and enhancing the quality of life through strategic placemaking. Mr. Olinger has a Bachelor's degree, *magna cum laude*, from New York University and a Master's degree in Community Planning from the University of Cincinnati. Mr. Olinger and his wife Karen reside, along with their Westie, Henry, in the Oakwood-Chimborazo National Register Historic District of Richmond.

Antony Opperman

Tony Opperman is the statewide Cultural Resources Program Manager for the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), a position he has held for more than 20 years. Before coming to VDOT, he worked for the Virginia Department of Historic Resources in that agency's survey and regulatory review program. He is an archaeologist by training and holds a B.A. in anthropology from The College of William and Mary and an M.A. in anthropology from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. He is the former chair of TRB's ADC50 Committee (2006-2013), past chair of the National Cooperative Highway Research Program's 25-25 selection panel, ADC50's Committee Research Coordinator, and chairs the Research Subcommittee for AASHTO's Standing Committee on Environment and Sustainability.

Emily Pettis

Emily Pettis is the Cultural Resources Department Manager at Mead & Hunt, a nationwide professional services firm. She has over 18 years of experience and manages large-scale DOT compliance projects nationwide. She is known for her work evaluating post-World War II resources and linear corridors, as well as gaining consensus on large and complex projects with multiple resources. She recently ended her second term as ADC50 Committee Chair.

Mandy Ranslow

Mandy Ranslow is a program analyst and liaison to the Federal Highway Administration. Mandy came on-board to the ACHP in September 2018 after spending 6½ years at the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT). While at CTDOT, Mandy worked on road, rail, and transit projects ensuring compliance with Section 106, Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act, and the National Environmental Policy Act. Mandy is an archaeologist and has 15+ years of experience in cultural resource management, working for a variety of private firms, museums, and universities. Mandy has an MA in anthropology from the University of Connecticut and a BA from Boston University.

Kara Russell

Kara Russell is the Manager of the Cultural Resources Program at PennDOT. Kara has been with PennDOT for 20 years. Prior to her recent appointment as Cultural Resources Manager, she was the Supervisor of PennDOT's Architectural Historians and PennDOT's Senior Architectural Historian responsible for developing policies and procedures related to cultural resource management for the Department. She holds a Master of Arts degree in Urban Affairs and Public Policy, with a specialization in Historic Preservation, from the University of Delaware, and a Bachelor of Arts degree in History from John Carroll University. She lives in Harrisburg, PA, with her husband and two children.

Laura Shick

Laura has been an Environmental Protection Specialist (EPS) in the Federal government for nearly 15 years. Before coming to the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), she worked at the National Park Service, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the Department of Homeland Security. She has a Master's degree from American University in public history, with a concentration in historical archaeology. At FRA, she previously worked as an EPS and as the agency's Federal Preservation Officer. She is currently a supervisor in FRA's Environment and Project Engineering Division.

Sarah Stokely

Sarah Stokely is a program analyst at the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP). She has been working at the ACHP for four years. Currently, she reviews Section 106 consultations for transportation-related agencies including FHWA, FRA, FTA, and FAA, and several non-transportation related agencies including the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Surface Transportation Board, and the National Park Service Land and Water Conservation Fund program. Prior to working at the ACHP, Sarah was the program manager for the Vanishing Treasures Program at Bandelier National Monument in Los Alamos, NM, for seven years. While working for the National Park Service, she worked on multiple projects in the southwest related to the preservation of historic properties at various national parks. She has professional experience working as a consultant in the private sector and at the Maryland Archaeological Conservation Laboratory. Sarah has a B.A. from Emory University and an M.S. in Historic Preservation from the University of Pennsylvania.

Victor Thornton

Victor Thornton is a recent graduate from Virginia Commonwealth University with a Master's Degree in Environmental Studies. He is a GIS specialist for the Virginia Department of Transportation in the Environmental Division. He has also worked in VDOT's IT and Maintenance Divisions as a GIS contractor. In addition to his work at VDOT, he has also had the opportunity to work in the Army Corp of Engineers Geospatial Research Laboratory, dealing with GIS, imaging optical sensors, and photogrammetry.

Allison Wishon

Allison Wishon is the Comprehensive Environmental Data and Reporting system, CEDAR, Administrator for the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT). She has a Master's Degree in Urban and Regional Planning with a focus in Environmental Planning from Virginia Commonwealth University. Prior to coming to VDOT, Allison was an intern for the Recreation Planning Division within the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation. She assisted in creating Master Plans for future State Parks, along with producing maps for water trails and campgrounds along the James River.

Katherine Zeringue

Katherine Zeringue joined the FRA as the agency's Federal Preservation Officer in March 2018. She has over 20 years' experience in cultural resource management, including Section 106, historic preservation, archaeology, conservation, and museums. Prior to her work with FRA, she worked for FEMA for 12 years within the Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation Program ultimately serving as FEMA's Environmental Officer and Policy Branch Chief at FEMA's Headquarters in Washington DC. Katherine graduated from Sweet Briar College in 1994 and holds a Bachelor's Degree in Art History, Anthropology, and Art's Management. She also earned a Master's Degree in Anthropology with a specialization in Historical Archaeology from the College of William and Mary.

Kristen Zschomler

Kristen Zschomler is the supervisor of MnDOT's Cultural Resources Unit and is a professionally qualified historian and archaeologist. She received Bachelor's degrees in history and anthropology from the University of Minnesota, Morris; and a Master's degree in anthropology from the University of Alabama. Kristen has lead MnDOT's historic bridge program, including eligibility studies, the development of management plans and programmatic agreements, and has overseen the rehabilitation of over 40 historic bridges in the state. She also researches and writes about places associated with Prince, the development of "The Minneapolis Sound," and music history in the Twin Cities.

Downtown RVA: The Short and Sweet of It

Monumental Church NHL (1812-14, 1224 East Broad Street, Robert Mills, architect)
Egyptian Building NHL (1846, College and East Marshall Streets, north of Broad)
Old First African Baptist Church (1802/1841/1876, College Street at Broad)
John Marshall House (1790, East Marshall at 9th Street)
White House of the Confederacy (1818, Court End Historic District, Clay Street at 12th)
Maggie Walker House (NHL, 110 East Leigh Street) and Jackson Ward Historic District
Virginia State Capitol (NHL, designed by Thomas Jefferson after the Maison Carree, France)
Washington Equestrian Statue and Cenotaph, Capitol Square
Virginia Executive Mansion (ca. 1813); Capitol Square Historic District
U.S. Custom House and the Evacuation Fire (1858, Main and Bank Streets)
Saint Paul's Episcopal and St. Peter's Catholic Churches (1830s, 1840s, East Grace Street at 9th)
Old City Hall (1894, 1000 East Broad Street)
Tidewater Connection Locks, James River and Kanawha Canal (10th Street south of Cary)
Canal Walk and Browns Island Recreation Areas
Shockoe Bottom and Shockoe Slip Historic District (Main, Cary and Dock Streets)
Old Stone House, Poe Museum (1916 East Main Street, Mid-Late 18th-Century)
Virginia Capital Trail (Richmond-Jamestown & Williamsburg, Dock Street)
WRVA Studio (Philip Johnson, 1968, 200 North 22nd Street, Church Hill)
St. John's Church (1741) and Historic District (Church Hill)

These and other points of interest will be part of the walking tours on July 16 and 17.