

PART D—NATIONAL CENTER FOR PRESERVATION  
TECHNOLOGY AND TRAINING

**§ 470x. Findings**

The Congress finds and declares that, given the complexity of technical problems encountered in preserving historic properties and the lack of adequate distribution of technical information to preserve such properties, a national initiative to coordinate and promote research, distribute information, and provide training about preservation skills and technologies would be beneficial.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title IV, §401, as added Pub. L. 102-575, title XL, §4022, Oct. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 4765.)

**§ 470x-1. Definitions**

For the purposes of this part—

(1) The term “Board” means the National Preservation Technology and Training Board established pursuant to section 470x-3 of this title.

(2) The term “Center” means the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training established pursuant to section 470x-2 of this title.

(3) The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of the Interior.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title IV, §402, as added Pub. L. 102-575, title XL, §4022, Oct. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 4766.)

**§ 470x-2. Establishment of National Center**

**(a) Establishment**

There is hereby established within the Department of the Interior a National Center for Preservation Technology and Training. The Center shall be located at Northwestern State University of Louisiana in Natchitoches, Louisiana.

**(b) Purposes**

The purposes of the Center shall be to—

(1) develop and distribute preservation and conservation skills and technologies for the identification, evaluation, conservation, and interpretation of prehistoric and historic resources;

(2) develop and facilitate training for Federal, State and local resource preservation professionals, cultural resource managers, maintenance personnel, and others working in the preservation field;

(3) take steps to apply preservation technology benefits from ongoing research by other agencies and institutions;

(4) facilitate the transfer of preservation technology among Federal agencies, State and local governments, universities, international organizations, and the private sector; and

(5) cooperate with related international organizations including, but not limited to the International Council on Monuments and Sites, the International Center for the Study of Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property, and the International Council on Museums.

**(c) Programs**

Such purposes shall be carried out through research, professional training, technical assist-

ance, and programs for public awareness, and through a program of grants established under section 470x-4 of this title.

**(d) Executive Director**

The Center shall be headed by an Executive Director with demonstrated expertise in historic preservation appointed by the Secretary with advice of the Board.

**(e) Assistance from Secretary**

The Secretary shall provide the Center assistance in obtaining such personnel, equipment, and facilities as may be needed by the Center to carry out its activities.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title IV, §403, as added Pub. L. 102-575, title XL, §4022, Oct. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 4766.)

**§ 470x-3. Preservation Technology and Training Board**

**(a) Establishment**

There is established a Preservation Technology and Training Board.

**(b) Duties**

The Board shall—

(1) provide leadership, policy advice, and professional oversight to the Center;

(2) advise the Secretary on priorities and the allocation of grants among the activities of the Center; and

(3) submit an annual report to the President and the Congress.

**(c) Membership**

The Board shall be comprised of—

(1) the Secretary, or the Secretary's designee;

(2) 6 members appointed by the Secretary who shall represent appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, State and local historic preservation commissions, and other public and international organizations; and

(3) 6 members appointed by the Secretary on the basis of outstanding professional qualifications who represent major organizations in the fields of archaeology, architecture, conservation, curation, engineering, history, historic preservation, landscape architecture, planning, or preservation education.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title IV, §404, as added Pub. L. 102-575, title XL, §4022, Oct. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 4766; amended Pub. L. 106-208, §5(a)(14), May 26, 2000, 114 Stat. 319.)

AMENDMENTS

2000—Subsec. (c)(2). Pub. L. 106-208 substituted a semicolon for a comma after “organizations”.

**§ 470x-4. Preservation grants**

**(a) In general**

The Secretary, in consultation with the Board, shall provide preservation technology and training grants to eligible applicants with a demonstrated institutional capability and commitment to the purposes of the Center, in order to ensure an effective and efficient system of research, information distribution and skills training in all the related historic preservation fields.

**(b) Grant requirements**

(1) Grants provided under this section shall be allocated in such a fashion to reflect the diversity of the historic preservation fields and shall be geographically distributed.

(2) No grant recipient may receive more than 10 percent of the grants allocated under this section within any year.

(3) The total administrative costs, direct and indirect, charged for carrying out grants under this section may not exceed 25 percent of the aggregate costs.

**(c) Eligible applicants**

Eligible applicants may include Federal and non-Federal laboratories, accredited museums, universities, nonprofit organizations; offices, units, and Cooperative Park Study Units of the National Park System, State Historic Preservation Offices, tribal preservation offices, and Native Hawaiian organizations.

**(d) Standards**

All such grants shall be awarded in accordance with accepted professional standards and methods, including peer review of projects.

**(e) Authorization of appropriations**

There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section such sums as may be necessary.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title IV, §405, as added Pub. L. 102-575, title XL, §4022, Oct. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 4767.)

**§ 470x-5. General provisions**

**(a) Acceptance of grants and transfers**

The Center may accept—

(1) grants and donations from private individuals, groups, organizations, corporations, foundations, and other entities; and

(2) transfers of funds from other Federal agencies.

**(b) Contracts and cooperative agreements**

Subject to appropriations, the Center may enter into contracts and cooperative agreements with Federal, State, local, and tribal governments, Native Hawaiian organizations, educational institutions, and other public entities to carry out the Center's responsibilities under this part.

**(c) Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for the establishment, operation, and maintenance of the Center. Funds for the Center shall be in addition to existing National Park Service programs, centers, and offices.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title IV, §406, as added Pub. L. 102-575, title XL, §4022, Oct. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 4767.)

**§ 470x-6. National Park Service preservation**

In order to improve the use of existing National Park Service resources, the Secretary shall fully utilize and further develop the National Park Service preservation (including conservation) centers and regional offices. The Sec-

retary shall improve the coordination of such centers and offices within the National Park Service, and shall, where appropriate, coordinate their activities with the Center and with other appropriate parties.

(Pub. L. 89-665, title IV, §407, as added Pub. L. 102-575, title XL, §4022, Oct. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 4768.)

**CHAPTER 1B—ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES PROTECTION**

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**§ 470aa. Congressional findings and declaration of purpose**

(a) The Congress finds that—

(1) archaeological resources on public lands and Indian lands are an accessible and irreplaceable part of the Nation's heritage;

(2) these resources are increasingly endangered because of their commercial attractiveness;

(3) existing Federal laws do not provide adequate protection to prevent the loss and destruction of these archaeological resources and sites resulting from uncontrolled excavations and pillage; and

(4) there is a wealth of archaeological information which has been legally obtained by private individuals for noncommercial purposes and which could voluntarily be made available to professional archaeologists and institutions.

(b) The purpose of this chapter is to secure, for the present and future benefit of the American people, the protection of archaeological resources and sites which are on public lands and Indian lands, and to foster increased cooperation and exchange of information between governmental authorities, the professional archaeological community, and private individuals having collections of archaeological resources and data which were obtained before October 31, 1979.

(Pub. L. 96-95, §2, Oct. 31, 1979, 93 Stat. 721.)

SHORT TITLE

Section 1 of Pub. L. 96-95 provided that: "This Act [enacting this chapter] may be cited as the 'Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979'."

GALISTEO BASIN ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES PROTECTION

Pub. L. 108-208, Mar. 19, 2004, 118 Stat. 558, known as the "Galisteo Basin Archaeological Sites Protection