

NORTH LAKE SHORE DRIVE PHASE I STUDY SECTION 106 PROCESS AND CONSULTING PARTIES

WHAT IS THE SECTION 106 PROCESS?

The State of Illinois, through the Illinois Department of Transportation and Chicago Department of Transportation, is developing proposed improvements to the North Lake Shore Drive (NLSD) multi-modal transportation facility. The proposed improvements within the NLSD corridor require a federal-level environmental review, including consultation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966.

Section 106 requires that federal agencies take into account effects on historic resources from the proposed project and afford the Advisory on Historic Preservation (ACHP) a reasonable opportunity to comment. There are four key milestones in the Section 106 process as outlined below:

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INITIATE THE PROCESS

- Determine the undertaking
- Identify the "Area of Potential Effect" (APE)
- Coordinate with other reviews
- Identify Consulting Parties

Who is interested in historic properties in the project area?

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IDENTIFY HISTORIC RESOURCES

- Identify historic resources
- Confirm the APE
- Determine National Register eligibility
- Gather input from Consulting Parties
- Publish Historic Properties Inventory (HPI) for public review

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ASSESS IF ADVERSE EFFECTS

- Apply criteria of adverse effects
- Gather input from Consulting Parties
- · Publish Assessment of Effects (AOE) for public review

What historic properties are present?

Are historic properties affected by the project?

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RESOLVE ADVERSE EFFECTS (IF NEEDED)

- Develop alternatives to avoid, minimize or mitigate adverse effects
- Notify Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP)
- Gather input from Consulting Parties
- Publish Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for public comment

Is there agreement or further discussion needed?

WHAT ARE CONSULTING PARTIES?

During the Section 106 process, the project team will identify and engage a variety of Consulting Parties in order to receive input at key decision points. Consulting Parties include individuals or organizations with a demonstrated interest in the project's potential effects on historic properties. Input that is received from Consulting Parties will aid the state and federal agencies with identifying important cultural landscape features, architectural and archaeological resources, and effects to these resources.

For more information regarding the Section 106 process and Consulting Parties, please visit the project website.

HOW DOES THE SECTION 106 PROCESS RELATE TO NORTH LAKE SHORE DRIVE?

To be eligible for federal funds from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the North Lake Shore Drive Phase I Study will be evaluated under three separate, parallel review processes. The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 requires federal agencies to consider the impacts of their actions on the human and natural environment. This includes a variety of resources, including historic resources. Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966 requires federal agencies to consider the effects of an undertaking on historic properties. North Lake Shore Drive is located within Lincoln Park which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Other historic properties will be identified with the cultural resource surveys currently in progress and through Consulting Party input. Section 4(f) of the U.S. Department of Transportation Act of 1966 provides for consideration of public park and recreation areas, wildlife and waterfowl refuges, and historic sites during transportation project development. The relationship of these federal reviews are included in the diagram below:

