

NOMINATION FOR AWARD

AWARD General Thomas D. White Cultural Resources Management Award		CATEGORY <i>(If Applicable)</i> Individual	AWARD PERIOD 1 Oct 99 - 30 Sept 02
RANK/NAME OF NOMINEE <i>(First, Middle Initial, Last)</i>		SSN <i>(Enter Last 4 Only)</i>	MAJCOM, FOA, OR DRU PACAF
DAFSC/DUTY TITLE		NOMINEE'S TELEPHONE <i>(DSN & Commercial)</i>	
UNIT/OFFICE SYMBOL/STREET ADDRESS/BASL/STATE/ZIP CODE Elmendorf AFB, Alaska 99506-2200			
RANK/NAME OF UNIT COMMANDER <i>(First, Middle Initial, Last)</i> /COMMANDER'S TELEPHONE <i>(DSN & Commercial)</i>			

SPECIFIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS *(Use single-spaced, bullet format)*

IDENTIFYING AND PROTECTING ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORIC PROPERTIES:

- Leader in the identification, testing, and analysis of 'new' archaeological site at Eareckson AS
 - Facilitated completion of critical sewer line project by detailed, prompt review of the isolated site
 - Swiftly developed new steps for subsurface excavation to expedite future homeland defense projects
- Procured legacy funding to inventory and evaluate Traditional Cultural Properties on DoD land
- Cooperated with Bureau of Indian Affairs for cemetery protection on sensitive restoration project
- Completed archaeological surveys at 10 remote installations, enabling demo projects to proceed apace

PREPARING HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLANS: *Mission readiness and sensitive treatments!*

- Updated Cultural Resource Management Plans (CRMP) for 40 installations scattered over 570K miles
- Led research/analysis for CRMP on Cold War-era White Alice Comm System for 17 sites all over AK; huge effort for one-person office despite arctic conditions, abandoned sites, and difficult access
- Completed CRMPs for Galena Forward Operating Base and Distant Early Warning (DEW) System
- Reviewed plans for force protection upgrades at Galena and King Salmon Airports to plan treatments
- Awarded updates to Eareckson AS and Alaska Radar System CRMPs; atop every emerging issue!

MAINTAINING HISTORICAL PROPERTIES WITH SENSITIVE TREATMENTS:

- Proactively managed upgrade effects at radar on Shemya Island, a highly technical Cold War site
 - Teamed with Missile Defense, Army CoE, and SHPO to ensure no adverse effects by upgrades
 - Collaborated with Engineering Flight to assure preservation-sensitive repair and SHPO concurrence
- Partnered with Native Corporation to develop plan for reburial of human remains at Eareckson AS
- Closely coordinated with SHPO, tribes, Fish/Wildlife Service, CoE, and interested scholars to protect threatened archaeological sites at properties adjoining Eareckson AS and 2 remote radar sites
- Consulted with 6 tribes, 6 municipalities, and others regarding effects of demo projects on DEW sites
 - Submitted updated record drawings to National Park Service for Library of Congress records
 - Integrated value of DEW radar system to local history and culture; innovative, effective approach

PROMOTING CULTURAL RESOURCES AWARENESS: *Educating about cultural treasures!*

- Presented detailed briefings to 11AF staff on cultural resources laws, procedures, and requirements
- Provided Anchorage elementary archaeology instruction, emphasizing Alaskan archaeological projects
- Administered Nation's only Cold War Working Group; group's sessions served as a focal point for state and DoD agencies to address issues surrounding conservation of historical resources
- Proactively educated radar site/program managers on care of historic buildings/archaeological sites
- Managed and mentored ongoing Legacy Project to train native interns to inventory and evaluate Traditional Cultural Projects on DoD lands throughout Interior Alaska; built trust and awareness
- Partnered with CoE to educate Eareckson workers about archaeological protection and public law

PROMOTING CONSERVATION EDUCATION: *Working for the common good of all Alaska!*

- Sponsored Government-to-Government training project for Air Force employees and tribal members with 611th Air Support Group Native Liaison officer; forged closer productive working relationships
- Developed booklets and histories of Galena/King Salmon Forward Operating Bases and Air Control and Warning System to save Cold War historic knowledge as they get upgraded to serve AF missions
- Organized and planned training class for all federal agencies on "Maintaining Historical Buildings in Alaska" to be presented in Spring 2003; recognized leader statewide in cultural resources management
- Presented archaeology program to 6th grade students for Alaska Anthropological Association's Education Committee during Bureau of Land Management's "Outdoor Week;" superbly delivered!
- Presented instruction in cultural resource law/regulations to 611 ASG leadership and interested parties
- Persistently educated employees and contractors on federal responsibilities to protect cultural resources and the traditional importance of those places and resources to local communities and tribes
 - Enhanced squadron's ability to foster community trust, protect resources, and facilitate mission
- Contributed cultural resources articles and updates to newsletters, bulletins and newspapers