

**AMENDMENT TO PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT
AMONG
THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, AMERICAN BATTLEFIELD PROTECTION PROGRAM,
THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION
AND
THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE HISTORIC PRESEVATION OFFICERS
REGARDING THE AMERICAN BATTLEFIELD PROTECTION PROGRAM'S
BATTLEFIELD LAND ACQUISITION GRANTS
TO BE AWARDED WITH REMAINING FY 14 FUNDS AND NEW FY 15 FUNDS**

WHEREAS, on May 15, 2015, an Interim Programmatic Agreement (IPA) was executed among the National Park Service (NPS)'s American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP), the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP), and the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers (NCSHPO), with the Civil War Trust as Concurring Party, to implement the Section 106 review process for ABPP Battlefield Land Acquisition Grants (BLAG) in ten states with the remaining funds from FY 2014 and new FY 2015 money; and

WHEREAS, the IPA required the development and implementation of a comprehensive Nationwide Programmatic Agreement (Nationwide PA) by December 31, 2015, to satisfy the requirements of Section 106 for the ABPP BLAG Program and ABPP's Battlefield Preservation Planning Grant Program from that date forward; and

WHEREAS, the NPS ABPP, the ACHP, and the NCSHPO, with the Civil War Trust as a Concurring Party (signatories to the May 2015 IPA), agree that the IPA should be amended to extend the duration of the IPA while consultation on the development of the Nationwide PA continues; and

WHEREAS, the ten affected State Historic Preservation Officers (Affected SHPOs) of Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia were provided the opportunity to review and comment on the amendment, and agree with its extension.

NOW THEREFORE, in accordance with Stipulation XIII. AMENDMENTS of the IPA, the NPS ABPP, the ACHP, and the NCSHPO agree to amend the IPA as follows:

1. Revise Stipulation XII. EXECUTION AND TERMS OF AGREEMENT so that it reads as follows:

This Agreement shall take effect in each of the ten states on the date it is signed by the NPS, the ACHP, and the NCSHPO, and shall continue in effect until June 30, 2016, unless otherwise terminated prior to that date. Prior to such time, the NPS and ACHP may agree in writing to extend its duration.

2. All other Stipulations remain unchanged.

The provisions of the remaining stipulations in the IPA will continue to apply to all ABPP BLAG activities.

This Amendment may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original, and all of which shall constitute one and the same amendment. This amendment to the IPA shall become effective on the date it is executed by all

signatories.

SIGNATORIES:

National Park Service


Date: 12/18/15

By: Stephanie Toothman, PhD.

Associate Director, Cultural Resources, Partnerships, and
Science

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation



Date:

12/12/15

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Executive Director

National Council for State Historic Preservation Officers



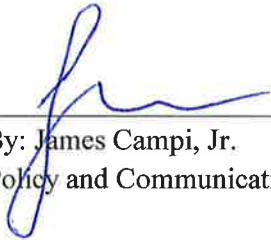
Date:

12/17/2015

By: Erik M. Hein
Executive Director

CONCUR:

Civil War Trust


By: James Campi, Jr.
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Date: 12/18/2015