

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT:

Environmental Assessment
Harry S. Truman Presidential Library and Museum Renovation Expansion
Independence, Missouri

The Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed Harry S. Truman Presidential Library and Museum Renovation Expansion Project, Independence, MO, attached hereto, provides sufficient evidence and analysis to determine that a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is appropriate for this action. The EA documents the evidence and analysis in the following sections: 1. PURPOSE OF AND NEED FOR ACTION; 2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED ACTION AND ALTERNATIVES; and, 3. AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT and ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES; (see attached EA).

The EA analysis for the proposed renovation expansion indicates that the project would have no significant impact on the natural or human environment. Therefore, no mitigation measures are proposed.

The EA also considered alternative actions including the No Action Alternative. The Truman Library Institute and architects carefully considered a range of options for the renovation and expansion of the Harry S. Truman Presidential Library and Museum. It was concluded that no other potential site would meet key criteria for site constraints. As such, other alternatives were not considered further in the EA.

An Archeological and Historic Resources Review (Section 106) was conducted to determine the effects of the proposal on any historic properties. It was concluded that no archeological or historic sites will be adversely impacted by the proposed addition.

PREDECISIONAL EA DRAFT REVIEW AND COMMENT: The National Archives and Records Administration invited review and comment on the pre-decisional EA from the Missouri State Historic Preservation Office, City of Independence, as well as the general public. A legal advertisement was placed in *The Examiner* on Tuesday June 12, 2018, advising the general public as to the availability of the EA for review and comment and announcing the public meeting on June 26, 2018. All comments received were taken into consideration in the preparation of the Final Environmental Assessment.

AGENCY CONSULTATIONS: An Archeological and Historic Resources review (Section 106) was conducted as part of the EA. Various parties were consulted and the findings were reviewed by the Missouri State Historic Preservation Office, which agreed that there would be no adverse effect on historic structures and archeological resources by the proposed addition (see EA Appendix B).

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT: The National Archives and Records Administration finds that proceeding with its proposed renovation and expansion of the Harry S. Truman Presidential Library and Museum will have no significant impact on the quality of the human environment within

the meaning of Section 102 (2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. 4321-4347. This finding is based on the EA that analyzed the consequences of the relevant issues of environmental concern associated with the proposed project. The EA determined the addition would not result in any significant impacts on the natural or human environment. The National Archives and Records Administration makes this Finding of No Significant Impact pursuant to NEPA, and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of NEPA at 40 CFR 1500 - 1508. Therefore, no environmental impact statement is required for this project.

The National Archives and Records Administration, having taken into account the effects that the proposal to renovate and expand the Harry S. Truman Presidential Library and Museum will have on any historic or archeological resources listed in or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, finds that no resources will be adversely affected by the proposal. This finding is based on the Archeological and Historic Resources review (Section 106) conducted as part of the EA, and consultation with the community including the Missouri State Historic Preservation Office. This finding fulfills the Agency's obligations under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 470-470x-6, and the implementing regulations for section 106 at 36 CFR Part 800.

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Copies of this FONSI (with the Environmental Assessment attached) will be made available for public review at the National Archives and Records Administration website at <http://www.archives.gov/about/plans-reports/environmental-assessment/> and copies may be obtained by writing to the contact listed above.

ATTACHMENT

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