Section 4(f) Handbook Training for Specialists

COURSE AGENDA

Welcome and Introductions

Lesson 1 – What is Section 4(f)?

- Origin
- Intent
- Regulations
- Who it applies to

Lesson 2 – Section 4(f) Properties

- Parks, Recreation Areas, Refuges
 - o Public ownership
 - Public access
 - Official designation
 - Significant
 - o Water trails
 - Multiple use areas
 - State game lands
- Historic Sites
 - Significant properties
 - o Archaeological sites
 - o Historic Districts
 - o Interstate system

Lesson 3 – Types of Section 4(f) Use

- Actual Use
- Temporary Occupancy (exception)
- Constructive Use

Lesson 4 – Elements of Section 4(f) Analysis

- Test
- Definition of feasible and prudent
- Feasible and prudent total avoidance alternative
- All Possible Planning to Minimize Harm
- Least Overall Harm

Lesson 5 – Documentation Options

- No Use/Non-Applicability Form
- Temporary Occupancy/Use Form
- De Minimis Use
 - o De minimis use forms
- Programmatic Section 4(f)
 Evaluations and Form
 content/processing
 - o Bike/Walkway Programmatic
 - Net Benefit Programmatic
 - Use of Historic Bridges
 Programmatic
 - Minor Use/Parks, Rec Areas,
 Refuges Programmatic
 - Minor use of Historic Sites
 Programmatic
- Individual Section 4(f) Evaluations
 - Format/content
 - Processing requirements
- Case Studies

Lesson 6 – Parting Topics

- Interactions with other laws
- Late Discoveries
- Late Designations
- Environmental Commitments

Review

Test