



TO: Nomination Grand Pré Advisory Board

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RE: Project Manager's Report 9 (for discussion)

GENERAL

Schedule and tasks

- The comparative analysis is underway.
- The planning process for the community is underway.
- Archaeological survey is underway by a collaborative team of archaeologists.
- The work of the working group to develop the management system for the proposed property is underway.

Phase	Task	Target date of completion	Status
Justification for inscription	Statement of OUV	December 2008	Completed
	Comparative analysis	August 2009	Ongoing
	Statement of Integrity and Authenticity	August 2009	Ongoing
Develop protective management plan	Management plan for the National historic site	April 2010	Ongoing
	Draft municipal plan	July 2009	Ongoing
	Management plan for the site	January 2010	Ongoing
Funding	Budget	July 2008	Completed
Communication and public engagement strategy	Communication and public engagement strategy implementation	April 2011	Ongoing
Approval/ support process	Municipal approval process	September 2009	On target
	Federal approval process	December 2010	N/A
	Canadian delegation approval process	January 2011	N/A
	Acadian Support	December 2010	Initiated
	First Nation support	December 2010	N/A
Final proposal	Other support	December 2010	N/A
	Final content	December 2010	N/A
	Final formatted document	January 2011	N/A

Finance and resources

See report financial report.

PHASES (SEE PROGRESS REPORT 9 FOR OUTLINE)

Description of Area:

Nothing to report

Next steps: none

Justification for Inscription:

The second criterion (criteria v of the *Operational Guidelines*) is being rewritten to emphasize the relationship between the communities that once and now live in the area, the agricultural activity, and the distinct environment of Grand Pré. Once a final recommendation is made it will be submitted to the Advisory Board for approval.

Next steps: Work on comparative analysis continues with additional exchanges with experts. A local (ie within Atlantic Canada) and regional (North America) comparison was drafted by John Johnston and Ronnie-Gilles LeBlanc. Work has begun on the international context. Draft a proposal for inviting key experts for a three day trip to Grand Pré to finalize the comparative analysis.

Evaluation of present state of conservation:

The archaeological research team, a collaboration between Parks Canada, the Nova Scotia Museum, and St.Mary's University is currently undertaking a survey of the uplands to provide additional information on the location and significance of structures and features.

Next steps: Confirm landscape attributes and determine condition. Ongoing discussions on determination of condition of dykes.

Assessment of factors affecting the property:

The working group has identified some key factors affecting the proposed area based on UNESCO's four main areas of concern: development pressures, environmental pressures, visitors and tourism, and natural disasters.

Next steps: Discuss the key factors and proposed policies under each type of pressure.

Monitoring plan:

Not begun.

Next steps: none

Develop protective and management system for the proposal:

National historic site process

The planning process for the national historic site is underway. First series of consultation took place during the week of June 21st and the first week of July. Target date for draft is October 2009 in preparation for Aboriginal consultation.

Next steps: draft management plan and additional consultation.

Municipal process

Municipal process underway and on schedule. See Community Planner's report

Next steps: see Community Planner's report

Management and land use working group

Working group will have its second meeting on July 8th. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss proposed approaches to deal with the pressures, including buffer zones. Additional information will be provided on the day of the Advisory Board meeting.

Next steps: Prepare more detailed management direction and begin drafting of the management plan. Follow up on the recommendations of the working group.

Visitor and Interpretation:

A request for proposal is being finalized to identify experts that can help with the development of an interpretation plan. The plan would address the concerns that are directly related to the proposal as well as offer direction on future opportunities for tourism and interpretation in the community.

Next steps: finalize and issue the RFP. Select the consultant.

Draft proposal:

Standing offers for editing, translating, design, photography and videography are being finalized. Two Standing offers will be offered: one for photography and videography and the other for the rest. Consultants on these standing offers will provide support to the project in preparation for the draft and final nomination proposal as well as for ongoing communication related matters.

Next steps: draft elements of the protection and management of the property section and of the comparative analysis.

Project administration:

Project coordinator is in process of being hired. See financial report

Next steps: See financial report

Communication and public engagement:

Kings RDA hired an intern that will provide support to the project for communication, implementing the ICON report, and the website. Parks Canada is providing in-kind support to prepare the design and content of the brochures as well as prepare an update to the website which will include new tools.

Next steps: Finalize brochures and booth. Prepare for the project's participation in the Congrès Mondial Acadien 2009 in New Brunswick in August. Ensure that the French side of the website is fully functional and that all information is translated.

Engagement of the Acadian community

See above.

Next steps: none.

Economic development & interpretation strategy:

Nothing to report.

Next steps: None

Approval process for final document:

N/A