

2014 COLORADO CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT ANNUAL REPORT
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- The Annual Report is required to be filed by each CLG.
- The Annual Report covers State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2014: July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014.
- New CLGs certified during SFY 2014 should complete the form for the entire year.
- The Annual Report is due by **August 1, 2014**.

1. **New or revised ordinance or resolution amendments (Y or N):** N

2. **New or revised guidelines or administrative rules (Y or N):** N

3. **Current list of commission members highlighting the names of new commission members appointed in SFY 2014:**

Betsy Barnett
Sharon Johnson
Danny Richards
Kim Barlow
Kelly Courkamp
Jeff Campbell
Alexa Roberts

4. **Educational sessions attended by name of commission member and educational session attended:**

September 27, 2013: Johnson and Roberts -- OAHP Open House, Pueblo
December 9, 2013: All Commission members – GLG Annual Review, Eads
January ?, 2014: Roberts – History Colorado Winter 2014 Roundtable, Eads
February 5, 2014: Roberts – State Historic Preservation Plan Roundtable, Denver
February 6-7, 14: Roberts – Saving Places Conference, Denver

5. **Number of meetings held during the year? (Include the total of regular meetings, study sessions, work sessions, site visits, design review committee meetings, etc.):** 10

6. **List of new designations. If a designation is a historic district, count it as one designation but also state the number of properties in the historic district regardless of whether the properties are contributing or non-contributing:**

Four National Register Nominations approved, August 20, 2014:

- Haswell Hotel
- Eads Gymnasium
- Eads Community Church
- Crow-Hightower House

7. Total current number of all properties designated. For properties within historic districts include both contributing and non-contributing properties. Do not count a property twice that is both individually designated and located within a historic district:

- 9 local
- 5 state
- 6 national

8. List National and/or State Register nominations commented upon: 0

9. Number of design review hearings including staff level reviews held for designated properties, including demolitions and relocations. If a matter was heard at more than one meeting, include each meeting separately in the count: None

10. Number of reviews for non-designated properties, including staff level reviews: None

11. Number of local tax incentives utilized listed by type of incentive (use NA if there is no program): None

12. Number of local government grants or loans made (use NA if there is no program): N/A

13. Number of historic properties acquired (use NA if there is no program): N/A

14. State tax credit project review: If the CLG reviewed state historic preservation tax credit projects, state:

- A. The number of Part I applications filed in SFY 2014 N/A
- B. The number of Part II certifications approved in SFY 2014 N/A

For each Part II certification, set forth:

- A. The address of the property
- B. Whether the property is residential or commercial
- C. The total amount of qualified costs
- D. The total tax credit

15. Local government plan for comprehensively surveying historic properties in its jurisdiction: Briefly describe the plan or system in place in your local government to comprehensively survey over time historic properties of all types including buildings, archaeological sites, objects, railroad cars, etc. Note: It is a CLG contractual requirement to have a plan to comprehensively survey your jurisdiction.

Kiowa County has already completed surveys of the three incorporated communities in the county. It has also completed informal surveys of county-wide historic properties, sites, and places through community meetings, and, based upon citizen input, KCHPC has developed an informational kiosk about publicly accessible historic sites that visitors can tour. The next step KCHPC would like to accomplish is to digitize the information collected during the public meetings, which includes more than a hundred historic sites. KCHPC submitted a CLG grant application during the last grant round, for the purpose of transferring all of the information currently stored on USGS maps into a GIS format that could then produce interactive maps that could be continually updated. Unfortunately the proposal was submitted incorrectly and was not funded but History Colorado staff provided review comments and the proposal will be updated and resubmitted in the next CLG grant round. The other survey project KCHPC is working on is a survey of the sites and landscape associated with the infamous Towner Bus Tragedy. A “mini historic context” has been completed and the next step will be a formal survey of the bus tragedy landscape. Additionally, the county is working closely with Canyons and Plains, a non-profit heritage tourism group, to develop informational kiosks about the bus tragedy, and is planning further development of educational exhibits about it. The ultimate aim is to nominate significant properties or landscapes associated with the tragedy to appropriate local, state and/or national registers.

16. Local issues update:

- A. Describe preservation activities that the CLG sponsored or directed in SFY 2014. This might include public education about preservation, a historic sites survey, preparation of a historic preservation plan, participation in state historic income tax credit reviews, etc.
- As noted above, attended five training sessions during the year.
 - KCHPC reviewed and commented on Section 106 compliance documents for the Arkansas Valley Conduit EIS (BoR).
 - As mentioned above, Kiowa County is participating in a “wayfinding” project in conjunction with Canyons and Plains of SE Colorado, and developing wayside exhibits for the Towner Bus Tragedy.
 - To the best of our knowledge, the Towner Bus Tragedy “mini-historic context” project is being featured in History’s Colorado’s updated CLG handbook.
 - Submitted unsuccessful CLG grant application, as discussed above.
 - In conjunction with Eads High School, KCHPC is developing a new website.
 - KCHPC meet three times with the Kiowa County Board of Commissioners and published KCHPC public meeting minutes in the Kiowa County Press.
 - Submitted an Endangered Places Nomination to CPI for the Goff Hotel, Maine Street, Eads (unsuccessful nomination – property not selected.)
 - Delivered a Presentation at the 2014 Saving Places conference regarding Kiowa County’s and the Crow Luther Cultural Event Center’s preservation successes with the Murdock Building and Plains Theater projects, respectively.
 - Wrote support Letters for several projects, including –
 - A Rocky Mountain PBS grant proposal for several Colorado Experience episodes including the Towner Bus Tragedy and other heritage sites in southeastern Colorado,
 - A Brownsfield project grant for asbestos and lead based paint mitigation

for the historic Rialto Hotel property in Eads,

- A letter of support for holding the NAPC conference in Pueblo,
- A letter of support for a grant application by the Crow Luther Cultural Event Center for the Plains Theater,
- A letter to the Stavely family of Haswell encouraging them to preserve the National Register eligible Lustron house property owned by their family,
- A letter to the editor in response to another letter to the editor by a disgruntled local register property owner.

- B. Describe any problems--practical, political, or financial-- encountered by the CLG in planning or implementing its activities during SFY 2014.

As always, the only two problems encountered by the KCHPC are

- a lack of understanding by the Board of County Commissioners of the KCHPC's role in the county and in serving the county, and
- a lack of time for the all-volunteer KCHPC board members to work on projects and public outreach.

- C. Describe any projected activities for SFY 2015.

- Complete the Kiowa County Heritage Trails informational kiosk at the Eads Roadside park,
- Resubmit CLG Grant application,
- Complete new KCHPC website,
- Order plaques for designated register properties,
- Host a booth at the Kiowa County Fair,
- Attend trainings.

ATTACHMENTS

1. New or revised ordinances.
2. New or revised guidelines or administrative rules.
3. New or revised design guidelines unless previously provided to History Colorado.
4. New or revised preservation plan unless previously provided to History Colorado.
5. Resumes/applications for new commission members appointed in SFY 2014.
6. List of designated properties
7. Public notice of commission meetings.
8. Advertisement for new commission members.

Alexa Roberts, Chairperson

7/25/14

Submitted by: Name/Title

Date

(Annual Report approval will be electronically into History Colorado's database. CLGs will receive email notification.)

Attachment 6:

Local Register:

- France House
- Plains Theater
- Bentley Building
- Eads Recreation Parlor
- First National Bank
- Whitelaw Building
- Scoggins Building
- Eads State Bank
- American Legion Post 125

State Register:

- Haswell Jail
- Nipps/Bransgrove Building
- Sheridan Lake School
- Jackson Barn
- Haswell Missouri-Pacific Railroad Depot

National Register:

- Sand Creek Massacre Site
- American Legion Post 125
- Haswell Hotel
- Eads Gymnasium
- Eads Community Church
- Crow-Hightower House