

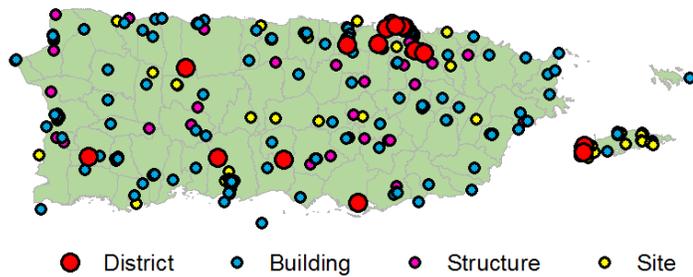
PUERTO RICO - STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE / OFICINA ESTATAL DE CONSERVACIÓN HISTÓRICA PROGRAMS

The State Historic Preservation Office of Puerto Rico (Oficina Estatal de Conservación Histórica) administers several programs created by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (NHPA). These programs promote historic preservation, assist local and federal agencies, and contribute in diversifying and increasing private participation in a common goal, the conservation of our historic and archaeological legacy.

The National Register of Historic Places

The National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) recognizes those places and properties that are considered worthy of preservation. This official list of these significant properties is the core of a national program, that strives to coordinate and support public and private efforts to identify, evaluate, and protect the nation's historic and archeological resources. **The NRHP for Puerto Rico includes: 320 sites, 15 Historic districts which include approximately 1750 properties, 5 landmarks and 1 district landmark that includes 897 properties.**

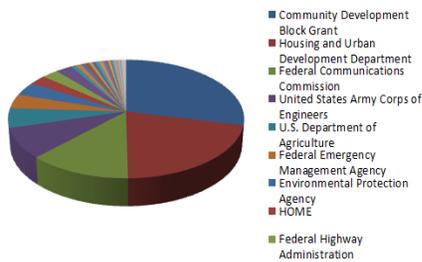
Puerto Rico - Properties listed in the NRHP



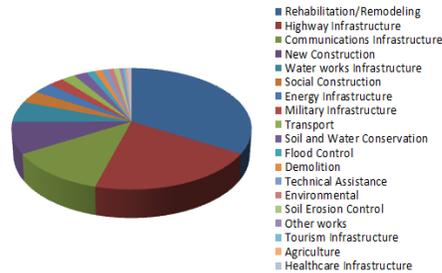
Review – Federal Projects

Section 106 of the NHPA requires federal agencies to consult with the SHPO, whenever federal lands or federal funding, licenses, permits are involved in a project that could have an effect on historic properties. Planning plays a critical role in a process that is directed towards avoiding or minimizing adverse effects, and in which cooperation with federal and local agencies is essential. **The Puerto Rico SHPO/OECH reviewed 1,168 projects in Fiscal Year 2014.**

1,168 Section 106 Project Evaluations, FFY 2014
by Federal Agency



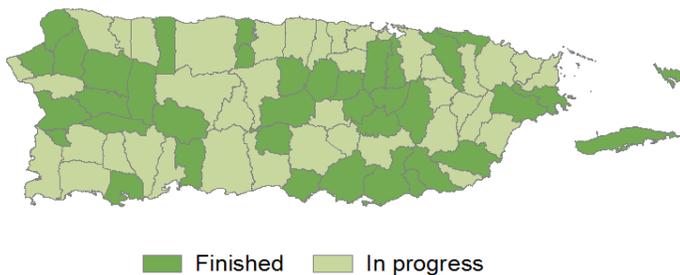
1,168 Section 106 Project Evaluations, FFY 2014
by type of Public Works



State Historic and Archaeological Sites Records Management

The Puerto Rico SHPO is the repository of: documentation (dating back to 1979) of historic and archaeological sites and properties. Most of the records correspond to sections 106 and 110 compliance projects. We also have the survey and inventory reports of Puerto Rico (HABS, HAER surveys), and the reports from Historic Preservation Fund Grants and research projects carried out in the 78 municipalities of our island (From 1982 – 2014 more than 150 projects have been awarded HPF research funds). A new SHPO/OECH project begun in 2013 seeks to improve records management and provide public access to all these records. Designed as a planning and educational tool, it includes: review and digitizing of all records, update of existing data bases, uploading information in our webpage, and providing municipalities (78) and educational institutions with Cd's that include regional archaeological and historic data. **The review process of approximately 1,019 files (corresponding to the first 25 municipalities) has already allowed us to identify 867 new archaeological sites, that have been added to our data base (as of 2012 there were 1465 reported archaeological sites)**

Inventory Update for Archaeological Sites by Municipality
(FFY 2015)



Inventory Update for Archaeological Sites (GIS)

