FEDERAL SUPPLY SERVICE
AUTHORIZED FEDERAL SUPPLY SCHEDULE PRICE LIST

MULTIPLE AWARD SCHEDULE
FSC Group: Professional Service
FSC Class:

CONTRACT NUMBER: GS-10F-0032S

Period Covered by Contract:
October 26, 2005 through October 25, 2025

Pricelist current through MOD PS-0019 effective December 31, 2020

The Public Archaeology Laboratory, Inc.
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For more information on ordering from Federal Supply Schedule go to the GSA Schedules page at GSA.gov
1a. Table of awarded special item number(s) with appropriate cross-reference to item descriptions and awarded price(s).

   541620: Environmental Consulting Services
   OLM: Order Level Material

1b. Identification of the lowest priced model number and lowest unit price for that model for each special item number awarded in the contract. This price is the Government price based on a unit of one, exclusive of any quantity/dollar volume, prompt payment, or any other concession affecting price. Those contracts that have unit prices based on the geographic location of the customer, should show the range of the lowest price, and cite the areas to which the prices apply.

   Please refer to the awarded Labor Category Pricing

1c. If the Contractor is proposing hourly rates, a description of all corresponding commercial job titles, experience, functional responsibility and education for those types of employees or subcontractors who will perform services shall be provided. If hourly rates are not applicable, indicate “Not applicable” for this item.

   Please refer to the awarded Labor Category Pricing

2. Maximum order.

   $1,000,000.00

3. Minimum order.

   $100.00

4. Geographic coverage (delivery area).

   48 Contiguous US States, Washington DC, Alaska, Hawaii

5. Point(s) of production (city, county, and State or foreign country).

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   Pawtucket, RI  02860-3546
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6. Discount from list prices or statement of net price.

   Government Net Prices (discounts already deducted)

7. Quantity discounts.

   None

8. Prompt payment terms.

   0%, Net 30 Days. Information for Ordering Offices: Prompt Payment Terms cannot be negotiated out of the contractual agreement in exchange for other concessions

9. Foreign items (list items by country of origin).

   NOT APPLICABLE

10a. Time of delivery. (Contractor insert number of days.)

   TO BE DETERMINED ON THE TASK ORDER LEVEL
10b. Expedited Delivery. The Contractor will insert the sentence "Items available for expedited delivery are noted in this price list." under this heading. The Contractor may use a symbol of its choosing to highlight items in its price lists that have expedited delivery.

EXPEDITED DELIVERY TIME IS NEGOTIATED BETWEEN CONTRACTOR AND ORDERING AGENCY

10c. Overnight and 2-day delivery. The Contractor will indicate whether overnight and 2-day delivery are available. Also, the Contractor will indicate that the schedule customer may contact the Contractor for rates for overnight and 2-day delivery.

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10d. Urgent Requirements. The Contractor will note in its price list the "Urgent Requirements" clause of its contract and advise agencies that they can also contact the Contractor’s representative to effect a faster delivery.

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11. F.O.B. point(s).

Destination

12a. Ordering address.

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12b. Ordering procedures: For supplies and services, the ordering procedures, information on Blanket Purchase Agreements (BPA’s), are found in Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 8.405-3

13. Payment address.

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14. Warranty provision.

NOT APPLICABLE

15. Export packing charges, if applicable.

NOT APPLICABLE

16. Terms and conditions of rental, maintenance, and repair (if applicable).

NOT APPLICABLE

17. Terms and conditions of installation (if applicable).

NOT APPLICABLE

18a. Terms and conditions of repair parts indicating date of parts price lists and any discounts from list prices (if applicable).

NOT APPLICABLE

18b. Terms and conditions for any other services (if applicable).

NOT APPLICABLE
19. List of service and distribution points (if applicable).
   NOT APPLICABLE

20. List of participating dealers (if applicable).
   NOT APPLICABLE

21. Preventive maintenance (if applicable).
   NOT APPLICABLE

22a. Special attributes such as environmental attributes (e.g., recycled content, energy efficiency, and/or reduced pollutants).
   NONE

22b. If applicable, indicate that Section 508 compliance information is available on Electronic and Information Technology (EIT) supplies and services and show where full details can be found (e.g. contractor’s website or other location.) The EIT standards can be found at: www.Section508.gov /.
   NOT APPLICABLE

23. Data Universal Number System (DUNS) number: 18-277-4307

24. Notification regarding registration in System for Award Management (SAM) database.
   CAGE Code # oX8R3. Contractor maintains an active registration

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**Awarded GSA Pricelist and Labor Category Descriptions**

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The Service Contract Labor Standards, formerly the Service Contract Act (SCA), apply to this contract and it includes SCLS applicable labor categories. Labor categories and fixed price services marked with an (***) in this pricelist are based on the U.S. Department of Labor Wage Determination Number identified in the SCLS/SCA Matrix. The prices awarded are in line with the geographic scope of the contract (i.e., nationwide).

### GSA Labor Category Descriptions

**SIN 541620: Environmental Consulting Services**

**Job Title:** Professional I - Archaeology

**Minimum/General Experience:** Five years of archaeological project experience North America, plus at least one year of full-time professional experience or equivalent specialized training in archaeological project research, administration, or management; four months of supervised field and analytical experience in general North American Archaeology; and demonstrated scholarship in the field of North American Archaeology. Requires excellent communication and technical writing skills, knowledge of computer programs, and thorough knowledge of federal and state historic preservation laws as they pertain to the conduct of cultural resource management projects.

**Functional Responsibility:** Responsible for management and the successful completion of assigned projects through management and participation in all aspects of assigned projects. Maintains open and frequent communication with the client, appropriate review agencies, and project staff. Administers project contracts, contract billing, and submittal of products. Prepares proposals and participates in business development.

**Minimum Education:** Masters degree in archaeology, anthropology, or closely related field.

**Job Title:** Professional I - Architectural History

**Minimum/General Experience:** Five years of historic architectural project experience in North America, plus at least two years of full-time professional experience or equivalent training in historic architectural project research, administration, or management and substantial contribution through research and publication to the body of scholarly knowledge in the field of American architectural history. Requires excellent administrative, communication and technical writing skills, knowledge of computer programs, and thorough knowledge of federal and state historic preservation laws as they pertain to the conduct of cultural resource management projects.
**Functional Responsibility:** Responsible for management and the successful completion of assigned projects through management and participation in all aspects of assigned projects. Maintains open and frequent communication with the client, appropriate review agencies, and project staff. Administers project contracts, contract billing, and submittal of products. Prepares proposals and participates in business development.

**Minimum Education:** Masters degree in architectural history, art history, historic preservation, or closely related field, with coursework in American architectural history.

**Job Title:** Professional II - Archaeology

**Minimum/General Experience:** Three years of archaeological fieldwork experience in the Northeastern United States and demonstrated experience in the supervision of field personnel during archaeological investigations. Requires excellent communication and technical writing skills, knowledge of computer programs, and demonstrated understanding of federal and state historic preservation laws as they pertain to the conduct of cultural resource management projects.

**Functional Responsibility:** Coordinates technical and logistical aspects of fieldwork, data collection, and synthesis of data within project specific research designs and frameworks. Ensures adherence to field testing strategies and excavation and recording standards on a project by project basis. Writes draft technical archaeology survey reports and memoranda, and coordinates the production of finished, professional work products with appropriate content and technical detail.

**Minimum Education:** Bachelors degree in archaeology, anthropology, or closely related field.

**Job Title:** Professional II - Architectural History

**Minimum/General Experience:** Three of architectural survey and evaluation experience and demonstrated experience in the supervision of field personnel during architectural history investigations. Requires excellent communication, technical writing, and 35mm photography skills; knowledge of computers, including word processing and database programs; and demonstrated understanding the cultural resource management industry and federal and state historic preservation laws.

**Functional Responsibility:** Coordinates technical and logistical aspects of architectural field surveys, archival research, data entry, and report production. Ensures that appropriate research, recording, reporting, and organizational standards are adhered to on assigned projects. Authors draft architectural survey reports, historic contexts, National Register of Historic Places nominations, investment tax credit applications, historical and photographic documentation reports, and other architectural history products with appropriate content and technical detail.

**Minimum Education:** Graduate degree in historic preservation, history, art history, or closely related field. Alternatively, bachelor's degree in the same fields, plus at least four years of relevant experience.

**Job Title:** Professional III - Archaeology

**Minimum/General Experience:** Demonstrated knowledge of archaeological field techniques and a basic knowledge of cultural resource management industry and historic preservation laws. No minimum professional experience required but successful completion of an archaeological field school is required.

**Functional Responsibility:** Works under the direction of a supervisor in conduct of fieldwork and research for archaeological projects. Provides support to maintain consistency of technical excavation, accuracy of recording, and the appropriate collection and processing of cultural materials, samples, and related data.

**Minimum Education:** Bachelors degree in anthropology, archaeology, or closely related field. Successful completion of an accredited archaeological field school.
Job Title: **Professional III - Architectural History**

**Minimum/General Experience:** Demonstrated knowledge of architectural history, historic preservation, or related fields and a basic knowledge of cultural resource management industry and historic preservation laws. Good communication and computer skills and experience with database programs. No minimum professional experience required.

**Functional Responsibility:** Provides support to project managers and supervisors in the conduct of fieldwork, research, and data entry for architectural projects. Works within the regulatory standards and guidelines of cultural resources management and historic preservation planning and performs thorough, accurate, and well-documented archival and general research for a variety of project types.

**Minimum Education:** Bachelors degree with course work in historic preservation, history, art history, or a related field, or a demonstrated background of independent study or other experience relevant to historic preservation.

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Job Title: **Cartographer**

**Minimum/General Experience:** Two years of experience developing maps and graphics for technical reports. Demonstrated proficiency in computer assisted design (CAD) and geographic information systems (GIS) computer software and knowledge of standard technical graphic conventions.

**Functional Responsibility:** Creates and prepares maps and graphics for inclusion in technical reports and provides technical assistance in cartography to project staff. Assists production staff in the compiling and production of technical reports and proposals.

**Minimum Education:** Bachelors degree in archaeology, anthropology, geography, or related field. Alternatively, technical degree or formal certification in CAD or GIS map making and demonstrated familiarity with cultural resource management investigations.

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Job Title: **Word Processor**

**Minimum/General Experience:** One year of experience in the production of technical or scientific reports and thorough knowledge of a variety of computer software programs, including Microsoft Word, PageMaker, and Photoshop.

**Functional Responsibility:** Manages the flow and production of finished products. Organizes graphics, text, and maps into a professionally presented publication according to firm style guidelines for format.

**Minimum Education:** Technical certification in desktop publishing or demonstrated experience in the production of technical reports.

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Job Title: **Laboratory Analyst**

**Minimum/General Experience:** Three years of experience managing an archaeological or curation facility or archaeological projects and demonstrated knowledge of regional prehistoric and historic material culture. Experience in all aspects of processing and curation of cultural materials and archaeological samples. Excellent organizational, supervisory, computer and communication skills.

**Functional Responsibility:** Manages all aspects of laboratory activities, including cultural material processing and analyses, archaeobotanical and faunal analyses, and collections management. Supports projects through research and analyses of cultural materials and authors pertinent sections of archaeological survey reports. Maintains reference and type collections and cataloguing databases and supervises laboratory staff. Supervises the maintenance of equipment and vehicles.

**Minimum Education:** Masters degree in archaeology, anthropology, or closely related field. Alternatively, bachelor degree in one of those fields plus three years experience in project archaeology or archaeological laboratory processing.
Job Title: Laboratory Assistant

Minimum/General Experience: Two years of professional archaeological laboratory work experience and demonstrated competency in archaeological laboratory procedures. Strong knowledge of regional historic and prehistoric cultural material and computer-based database programs.

Functional Responsibility: Organizes, catalogs, analyzes and curates cultural materials and archaeological samples. Supports laboratory manager in the maintenance of equipment and vehicles.

Minimum Education: Bachelors degree in anthropology, archaeology, or closely related field.
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The firm has a proven record of timely, quality products that withstand rigorous technical reviews. The staff has developed innovative planning and project management strategies that can be tailored to meet the demands of projects of any size and complexity. Our reputation is built upon understanding the needs of our clients, coordinating efficiently and effectively and delivering products that meet the highest caliber of standards.

PAL’s approach relies on integration, blending the skills of historic, prehistoric, and industrial archaeologists, architectural and industrial historians, historians, preservation planners, conservators, and technical support staff. Clients rely on PAL for our ability to rapidly mobilize staff and resources to conduct cultural resource surveys, preservation planning studies, eligibility determinations, environmental impact assessments, regulatory compliance, and consultation.

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Archaeological Identification and Evaluation Surveys

The primary goal of an archaeological identification survey is to locate and identify resources that may be present within a given project area through systematic subsurface testing. The survey begins with consultation between the client or agency and the SHPO/THPO. If the project may occur on or affect tribal lands, one or more Indian tribes may also be included in the consultation process. Once the project area and scope of work have been designated, information gathering on known or potential historic properties begins. An historic property can include prehistoric and historic archaeological sites, structures, objects, and/or buildings. Information is collected from all available sources, including background and documentary research, consultation with knowledgeable persons, oral history interviews, and field survey.

These tasks are conducted under The Secretary’s Standards and Guidelines for Identification as well as applicable professional, state, tribal, and local laws and guidelines. Using the information sources listed above, PAL takes the necessary steps to identify any historic properties that may be present within the project area.

The primary goal of an evaluation survey is to determine the significance of identified cultural resources, including archaeological sites. PAL collects all of the information necessary to apply the National Register Criteria (36 CFR part 63) to determine if the site is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. For archaeological sites, evaluation usually includes the collection of background research and field testing designed to determine the basic attributes of the site, such as size, age, and function. Cultural resources can be considered significant if they are associated with persons or events important in the broad patterns of our history, if they represent a distinctive type or possess high artistic value, or if they have the potential to yield important information about prehistory or history.

If any one of the four criteria are met, then the site is considered eligible for listing on the National Register. If at least one of the criteria are not met, then the property is considered not eligible for listing on the National Register.

Archaeological Data Recovery

Archaeological data recovery investigations are the most common mitigation employed for planned undertakings that will have an adverse effect on a significant archaeological site. The data recovery plan is a document that serves as the operational blueprint for conducting systematic excavation and subsequent scientific analysis and reporting. The plan outlines a research design, developed in consultation among the Agency official and the SHPO/THPO, that is consistent with the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation’s Treatment of Archaeological Properties. The plan specifies previous research, cultural and historic contexts, outlines research questions to be addressed, presents the excavation and analytical methodologies, and recommends protocols for the dissemination of the resulting information to professional and public audiences. PAL has an unequaled record of successfully completed data recovery programs across southern New England.

Historic Architectural Survey

Surveys designed to locate, identify, and evaluate historic architectural resources are a common element of projects undertaken by PAL. The primary goal of a historic architectural survey is to provide the client or review agency with sufficient historical and descriptive information to make judgments about a property’s potential eligibility for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. PAL has completed more than 150 large and small projects historic architectural surveys, encompassing thousands of buildings, structures, objects, landscapes, and sites. Our experienced architectural project staff has expertise in evaluating historic buildings, cultural landscapes, railroads, bridges, and industrial resources. We have developed a number of innovative processes to facilitate data collection, processing, and
analysis while maintaining strict compliance with the requirements of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Historic Preservation Projects and other applicable state and federal guidelines.

Section 106 Consultation

The majority PAL’s projects are conducted in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and its implementing regulations issued by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (36 CFR 800). Section 106 requires Federal agencies to take into account the effects of their undertakings on historic properties. It seeks to accommodate historic preservation concerns with the needs of Federal undertakings through consultation among the Agency Official and other parties with an interest in the effects of the undertaking on historic properties, commencing at the early stages of project planning. The goal of consultation is to identify historic properties potentially affected by the undertaking, assess its effects and seek ways to avoid, minimize or mitigate any adverse effects on historic properties. Among the federal agencies that PAL has provided Section 106 consultation services to are the Army Corps of Engineers, United States Air Force, United States Coast Guard, United States Navy, United States Army, Federal Railroad Administration, Federal Highway Administration, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the National Park Service.

Environmental Documentation

PAL often teams with other environmental firms to develop documentation for projects that require review under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969. The services that we provides for such projects include the identification and evaluation of cultural resources in the project area; assessment of project impacts on historic properties; participation in the development of alternatives designed to avoid, minimize, or mitigate the impacts; and consultation with local, state, and federal review agencies. The results of these studies and consultations are synthesized for inclusion in federal Environmental Assessments and Environmental Impact Statements or state environmental compliance studies, such as those required under the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA).

National Register of Historic Places Nominations and Determinations of Eligibility

PAL staff have authored more than 150 successful National Register Nominations and numerous formal Determination of Eligibility (DOE) reports. The nominations and DOEs have encompassed a wide variety of historic function categories, including agriculture, industry, commerce, domestic, education, transportation, recreation, military, government, funerary, and religion. We have an outstanding reputation among the SHPOs and review boards in the New England states and have never had a nomination rejected by the National Register of Historic Places. This success is attributable to the extensive experience that PAL has in applying the National Register criteria for evaluating significance and our thorough approach to researching and producing nominations and DOEs that conform to the guidelines established by the National Park Service for format and content.

HABS/HAER Documentation

Recording properties to Historic American Buildings Survey/Historic American Engineering Record (HABS/HAER) standards is the most common form of Section 106 mitigation services that PAL has provided for its clients. HABS/HAER written and photographic documentation has been an element of more than 70 projects that PAL has completed. As part of those projects, we have documented well over 200 properties of numerous types, including buildings, structures, and districts, to HABS/HAER standards. PAL has also conducted successful state-level documentation projects in all of the New England states. For projects requiring large format negatives and archival photographic processing, PAL utilizes the services of professional photographic firm Warren Jagger Photography of Providence, Rhode Island. Our written and photographic documentation packages are prepared in accordance with standards established by the HABS/HAER and meet all requirements for format, content, and archival storage.
Cultural Resource Management Plans

A cultural resource management plan (CRMP) is an effective guide for agencies and local governments in the treatment of cultural resources within areas under their purview. The plan is consistent with federal and state regulations and guidelines and includes procedures for the identification and protection of all cultural resources. Generally the plan is developed with involvement from all interested parties including citizens, Indian Tribes, and regulators and identifies the methods for implementation and future actions. PAL has assisted numerous federal, state and local agencies in the preparation of stand alone plans or those that have been integral pieces of other environmental documents.

Industrial History

PAL offers expertise in the research and documentation of historic engineering structures and industrial sites and has completed over 90 projects involving these specialized resources. These projects have included architectural surveys of multiple industrial districts and areas, and HAER and state-level documentation of bridges, cranes, dams, factories, hydroelectric plants, ironworks, lighthouses, mining and quarrying sites, and a wide variety of types of manufacturing facilities. PAL has conducted numerous surveys of historic transportation corridors including canals, highways and railroads, and has surveyed and documented historic military bases and defense infrastructure, as well as water, power and other types of utility resources. PAL’s industrial projects have also included National Register of Historic Places nominations, excavation monitoring at historic industrial archaeological sites, and interpretive park planning and design.

Hazardous Site / Safety Training

PAL has extensive experience in undertaking cultural resource investigations at sites where hazardous materials may pose a physical threat to field personnel. The firm currently has 25 archaeologists and architectural historians who have completed the OSHA 40-hour hazardous waste operations/emergency response training (with annual refresher courses) and who are certified in Basic First Aid and Adult CPR. Safety at PAL is overseen by a designated Safety Manager who monitors the company-wide Health/Safety/Environmental Protection Plan and Covid-19 Safety Plan, maintains personnel protective and safety equipment, and coordinates employee safety training. The Safety Manager along with senior and supervisory staff also have OSHA 8-hour hazardous waste/emergency response supervisor training for sites that require a specific safety and health plan. Currently, PAL personnel have a combined total of over 6,000 hours of on-site training and experience performing cultural resource investigations at HTW sites.

PAL has successfully completed a number of historic and archaeological projects that have required the development and implementation of Site-Specific Health and Safety Plans (HASPs). The HASPs have been written either by the PAL Safety Manager with the assistance of a Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH) or by PAL in conjunction with the project’s lead remediation firm. For each of these projects, PAL field personnel are fully briefed in the site’s physical hazards including toxic materials, participate in daily and weekly site safety orientation meetings, wear personnel protective equipment (typically Level C), use soil and air monitoring devices, and undergo decontamination procedures for themselves, equipment, and cultural materials.

Cemetery Delineation, Survey, and Relocation

PAL has a large amount of experience in dealing with cultural resource management issues for historic cemeteries. Among the cemetery services that PAL offers are cemetery delineation, survey, and relocation. We have assisted numerous private and public clients with delineation of historical cemeteries in compliance with provisions of state burial laws and municipal ordinances. The purpose of these projects is to find limits to the cemeteries which can serve as boundaries for preservation or protective easements. The methods for the delineations have included use of systematic ground-penetrating radar survey and machine-assisted trenching to observe and record patterns of exposed grave shafts. Our approach to the survey of historic cemeteries is to view them as complex landscapes that often embody the intersection of material culture, wildlife, plants, and topography. PAL has also performed several cemetery relocation projects that have resulted in the removal of remains from areas threatened by project development and their re-interment in protected cemeteries.
PAL recognizes the importance of coordination and collaboration with Native Americans, and we maintain professional relationships with New England Indian tribes developed over decades of working with and for these groups. PAL’s commitment to meaningful collaboration with Native American groups extends well beyond legislative requirements and includes personal dialogue, education, and cooperative research. We have an excellent professional relationship with the federally recognized Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head/Aquinnah, Massachusetts. Our staff has worked closely with the Tribe over more than two decades to help document cultural resources on tribal and private/public lands on Martha’s Vineyard and across Massachusetts. This work has included survey on 160 acres of tribal lands in the Town of Aquinnah, as well as the development of an historic preservation plan for their landholdings on the island. PAL has also provided cultural resource services for the federally recognized Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe on their trust lands on Cape Cod and in southeastern Massachusetts.

PAL has conducted hundreds of investigations in the Rhode Island-centered ancestral territory of the federally recognized Narragansett Indian Tribe. Since 1995, more than 125 surveys have been completed on the islands, in the interior, and along the waterways and shores of Narragansett Bay. These include study, evaluation, and mitigation throughout the tribe’s ancient homelands, and survey and planning investigations within the National Register listed Historic Village of the Narragansetts in Charlestown, and the approximately 1,800-acre Reservation Lands. PAL and the Narragansetts have a solid relationship based upon 20 years of dialogue and a resulting foundation of trust. We have worked closely with the Tribal Council, the Narragansett Indian Anthropological and Archaeological Committee, and the Narragansett Indian on archaeological projects and in the repatriation of affiliated skeletal and grave-related materials for repatriation under the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act of 1990. Most recently, the Narragansett Tribe and PAL archaeologists have worked together to develop protocols to identify, preserve and protect ancient and historic burial grounds, and to recover and repatriate graves inadvertently exposed during construction-related projects.

PAL has coordinated with many other federally-recognized Native American nations and Native American groups including the Mashantucket Pequot, Eastern Pequot, Mohegan, Golden Hill Paugussett Hill tribes in Connecticut and the Connecticut Indian Affairs Council; the Abenaki Nation in Vermont; the Passamaquoddy and Penobscot tribes in Maine; and the St. Regis Mohawk, Schaghticoke Tribal Nation, Ramapough Lenape, Stockbridge-Munsee, Delaware Nation of Oklahoma, and Delaware Tribe of Indiana. PAL also collaborates with indigenous peoples in the region who have yet to gain federally recognized tribal status. In New England, we have collaborated with the Nipmuc Nation, representatives of the Pokanoket Wampanoag Federation Tribe and Bands, the Council of Seven/ Royal House of Pokanoket/Wampanoag Nation, the Sovereign Abenaki Nation Massachusetts Area Office of Tribal Judge, and the Cowasuck Band of the Republic of the Abenaki Nation.

Cultural Resource Mapping and Database Management

PAL has developed innovative approaches to cultural resource-based data collection and analyses that allow us to perform surveys to the highest degree of efficiency and accuracy, to meet all clients’ needs in geographic survey work in almost any physical environment, and to produce informative and user-friendly products. PAL has long maintained a GIS that integrates the results of its own surveys with authoritative geospatial data from local, state, and federal agencies and private parties. Our GIS is hosted online making its vast suite of reference layers, analysis and data collection tools available to staff whether in the office or the field. Our architectural and archaeological teams bring this GIS with them and conduct field surveys using tablets, smartphones, submeter GPS and total station technologies. PAL employs a suite of applications to maintain and expand its GIS and mapping capabilities, including Esri, Trimble, and AutoCAD products. PAL is capable of delivering the highest quality mapping products – digital or print – to meet our clients’ evolving needs.
Historic Preservation Tax Incentives

Historic Preservation Tax Incentive programs are among the most successful and cost-effective community preservation tools available today. These programs foster private sector rehabilitation of historic buildings and provide a strong alternative to government ownership and management. Rehabilitation projects generate jobs, both during the construction phase and in the spin-off effects of increased earning and consumption. The majority of eligible buildings are located within historic core areas of cities and towns, and the investment in their revitalization results in enhanced property values and greater revenues for local and state government through increased property, business, and income taxes. The adaptive use of abandoned or underutilized historic buildings that would otherwise deteriorate beyond repair is vital to maintaining the historic fabric that lend cities, towns, and rural areas their special character.

PAL specializes in preparing the three-part Historic Preservation Certification Application (HPCA) that is required to certify a rehabilitation project under the state and federal tax laws. Throughout the process, PAL serves as the client’s liaison with the SHPO and works to ensure proper communication and the timely submittal of products. Part 1, the Evaluation of Significance/Request for Historical Certification, certifies that the building is historic, meaning that it is listed or eligible for listing in the National Register. PAL conducts the research and photography necessary to document the property’s significance. If the property is not yet listed in the National Register, PAL can prepare the National Register nomination application and coordinate with the SHPO to make sure the property is listed before the rehabilitation project is completed, as required by law.

Expert Testimony

PAL Senior Staff are qualified to provide expert testimony within their specific areas of expertise. This includes appearing before federal and state courts, providing written and oral depositions about matters before Conservation Commissions, Historic District Commissions, Planning Boards, and the Coastal Resource Management Council. We have provided testimony concerning municipal Historic District legislation, planned redistricting, transportation enhancement projects, and proposed residential subdivision development. PAL staff works within the ethical guidelines of anthropology and archaeology, as presented in the Codes of Ethics of the Society of American Archaeology, American Anthropological Association, and Register of Professional Archaeologists, and are knowledgeable of federal, state, and municipal cultural resource management legislation.