



Cultural Resource Protection Process

The City of Olympia recognizes the importance of protecting cultural resources. OMC 18.12.140 requires that an Inadvertent Discovery Plan (IDP) be in place and on-site during **ALL** ground disturbing activities within city limits. This includes pre-construction activities, such as soil testing, borings, etc. An IDP is not always enough to fulfill our responsibilities to protect these important, non-renewable resources. That is why OMC 18.12.130 requires the City to consult with interested tribes and the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP) for all land use applications. Their recommendations will be given **substantial weight** in decision-making. The following flowchart is useful for the most common scenarios. Please note that results may differ significantly at any time.

Risk Level	Likely Recommendation
Low to Moderately-Low	Survey Contingent Upon Project
Moderate	Monitoring Likely, additional work TBD
High to Very High	Survey Highly Advised
Known Site	DAHP Excavation Permit Required

Presubmission Conference (Optional, but encouraged)

The Historic Preservation Officer (HPO) will offer initial comments regarding the risk level for encountering cultural material during ground disturbing activities based upon the state predictive model (table above) and any other available information regarding cultural resources in the project area. This predictive model map is available to the public: wisaard.dahp.wa.gov.

Notice of Land Use Application

Notice will be sent to interested tribes and DAHP.

Response Received – Additional Information Requested

Staff Project Review

- Returned: Land Use Review Letter offers an opportunity to provide missing information or correct mistakes
- Condition(s) of Approval – OR – SEPA Mitigation: Land use approval with conditions that specify further work and information needed. Most common conditions are:
 - Desktop review
 - Monitoring Plan
 - Cultural resource survey and report
 - DAHP Excavation Permit

No Response Received

Project may proceed without any further cultural resource work. IDP still required.

Response Received – No Additional Recommendations

Project may proceed without any further cultural resource work. IDP still required.

Building and Engineering Plan Review & Permits

Deliverables that were conditioned for land use approval must be submitted with the permit applications

Consulting Parties' Review

Deliverables will be sent to interested tribes and DAHP for review. Written concurrence from interested tribes and DAHP clearly stating their agreement with the results of deliverables and recommendations for any future work, if applicable, is required prior to submittal of permits and before any ground disturbance may commence.

Cultural resource review completed