

Public Comments for Northern Plains National Heritage Area Operating Plan

There are multiple ways to provide comments to influence the future of the heritage area. Public meetings are being held; comments are also taken online (northernplainsheritage.org); by mail; and through meetings with state agencies and potential private-sector partners. Public meetings will continue to be held, at least semi-annually, even after the operating plan is written, submitted and approved.

Please feel free to use this form to submit written comments. There are a series of questions followed by space for open-ended comments. You may fill it out and give it to an NPHF representative now or mail to Northern Plains Heritage Foundation, 401 W. Main, Mandan, ND, 58554. The initial comment period ends January 15, so information may be compiled for inclusion in the plan, but comments are welcome any time and another round of formal comments will be sought once the proposed plan is written.

Question: What are your recommendations for telling the story of the heritage area? What stories should be told?

Question: The law says that Federal funds may be made available to make grants to cities or counties; non-profit organizations and other parties within the heritage area. What should those grants be for, and what kinds of entities should be allowed to apply?

Question: The purposes of the National Heritage Area plan are to “protect, enhance, interpret, fund, manage, and develop the natural, historical, cultural, educational, scenic, and recreational resources of the Heritage Area.” Which of those key words are the most important to you? Which are the least important?

Question: The plan provides up to \$10 million over 15 years. In the year 2025, what would you like to see in the heritage area? That is, how would you like it to be different from, or in what ways the same, as it is today?

Comment: (Make any comment on what should be included in the plan.)
