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Dear Friends,

CPI and our partners have been working closely with our lobbyists to ensure support for the reauthorization of Colorado's historic preservation tax credit – HB1190. We recently sent many of you an action alert urging you to express your support of this credit to your legislators. Your calls and emails have definitely made a difference and the bill has been strongly supported. Please continue to make your voice heard and stress that the tax credit has demonstrated that it does pay for itself. **Since the credit went into effect in July 2015, \$18.8 million in credits have been reserved by 52 projects. Those projects will result in \$13.2 million in sales tax to the state, 808 new full-time jobs, and \$246 million in increased property values!** Check out our recent conversation with the House sponsors of the bill – Representative Daneya Esgar and Representative Hugh McKean.

We are well into April and here at CPI we are gearing up for a summer of travel, site visits, weekend workshops, and of course our annual Dana Crawford Awards. As many of you have heard, this year we are pleased to be honoring Rebecca Goodwin for her impact on preservation statewide. Rebecca was instrumental in stopping the expansion of the Pinon Canyon Maneuver Site; helping initiate the massive projects to document the biological and cultural resources on participating private lands in the Purgatoire River Region. As an organization, we have been incredibly privileged to have her guidance and support on preservation advocacy throughout the years from her efforts to pass and reauthorize the 2014 Colorado Main Street Revitalization and Job Creation Act to her involvement with Section 106

compliance consultation, to her commitment speaking with legislators during Advocacy Day at our Saving Places Conference. I know many of you are well aware of Rebecca's influence and we hope you join us in recognizing her Wednesday, May 9 at the Seawell Ballroom in Denver.

For our Past, Present and Future,



Jennifer Orrigo Charles
Executive Director



Dana Crawford Awards - May 9



The Dana Crawford Awards Dinner, hosted by Colorado Preservation, Inc., is Colorado's premier statewide preservation awards event, honoring individuals and organizations that make significant contributions toward preserving Colorado's built and archaeological history as well as working landscapes. The evening's namesake is Dana Crawford, a preservation pioneer who proved that saving historic buildings could make economic sense. **The 2018 Dana Crawford and State Honor Awards Celebration will take place Wednesday, May 9 in the Seawell Grand Ballroom in Denver.**

This year, the Dana Crawford Award for Excellence will be presented to Rebecca Goodwin for her dedicated achievements in historic preservation. Rebecca Goodwin's life-long love of history led her from her family's Centennial Farm and Ranch in southeast Colorado to Boston, the Pacific Northwest and back to Colorado. With family ties to the early days of Denver, she has worked to support preservation efforts in the urban areas but has focused the most energy on supporting preservation efforts and capacity building in Colorado's rural communities and counties.

[You can read more about the awardees, sponsorship opportunities, and buy your tickets below!](#)



Amanda Barker Joins CPI

This month, Amanda Barker joins Colorado Preservation, Inc. as the new Events &

Development Director. She's excited to join the team and jump into the final planning of the Dana Crawford Awards. Previously, Amanda worked for more than six years at the Colorado Coalition of Land Trusts (CCLT) serving in various programmatic roles to include Grant Manager, Programs and Conference Director, and Executive Director.

[Read Amanda's bio on the CPI website here.](#)



CPI Interview with Reps. Esgar and McKean



CPI is excited to announce the introduction of [HB 1190](#) which reauthorizes the residential and commercial historic preservation tax credit. HB 1190 is sponsored by an incredible group of bipartisan legislators. CPI sat down with the House sponsors of the bill - Representative Daneya Esgar (D) and Representative Hugh McKean (R) to learn a little more about them and why they are leading the charge to reauthorize this critical preservation and economic development tool.

Tell us a little about yourselves.



Representative Esgar: My family has lived in Pueblo for four generations and it is an honor to represent the community at the Colorado state legislature. Although many see my district as just Pueblo, I also represent Pueblo West, Beulah, Rye, and Colorado City and am deeply committed to the people in my community. Prior to my time in the legislature, I worked as a journalist, an advocate for higher education, and a community organizer. When I am not at the state capitol, my wife and I like to take our two Golden retrievers out on adventures throughout Pueblo or enjoy a round of golf.



Representative McKean: My name is Hugh McKean and I am the State Representative for Loveland, Colorado, House District 51 - I truly Love Where I Live! I've spent the past twenty-three years as a General Contractor both on commercial as well as residential projects in northern Colorado. I truly believe that all politics starts at the kitchen table and that's where I decided to run for City Council nine years ago. Politics is an extension of a life of service, to our church, our kids, our town and is certainly the identity I strive to preserve - that of a public servant.

What Interests you about Historic Preservation?

Representative Esgar: I have always been a history nerd and am inspired by the history of my hometown. Pueblo's history lives on because of the work we've done to preserve the buildings that were around when the city was founded. The historic buildings remind us of our city's strength, resilience, and reflect the city's personality. Our history tells us the story of who we are and helps us to understand where we can go in the future.

Representative McKean: You could say I have been interested in history and the importance of preserving it my whole life. I grew up with two parents that held a special affinity for old houses and one of my early memories was visiting an 18th century stone house that memorialized the spot where George Washington crossed the Delaware River to defeat the Hessians during the Revolutionary War. Loveland has a robust historic district and making sure it can continue to thrive will keep the history and story of our city alive.

How will the continuation of the Historic Preservation Tax Credit add value to your community?

Representative Esgar: Reauthorization of the Commercial Historic Preservation Tax Credit will continue to encourage the preservation of buildings and the stories they hold in communities across Colorado. Since the commercial tax

credit went into effect, it has resulted in the revitalization of buildings that previously stood empty for decades and it has created over 700 jobs with \$34 million in new payroll in the state. Continuing this credit is one way we can make preservation easier than demolition. By preserving the buildings of our past, we ensure that our children and generations after will continue to learn and understand their history.

Representative McKean: The proven economic impacts of this tax credit speak for themselves. We see the benefit of the tax credit in Loveland as there is a strong interest in maintaining the historic character of buildings on Main Street. The tax credit is a critical tool that allows business owners to make financing work on projects that otherwise would not be possible.

Sponsor Spotlight - Pinyon Environmental



Tell us a little bit about Pinyon Environmental.

Pinyon Environmental, Inc. (Pinyon), is a Colorado-based firm with 24 years of demonstrated environmental consulting experience working for a variety of clients in both the private and public sectors. Pinyon is a woman-owned consulting firm, and certified DBE and ESB. The firm employs approximately 70 Professional Engineers, planners, biologists, NEPA specialists, geologists, environmental scientists, technicians, economists, historians, landscape architects, air quality and noise specialists, and industrial hygiene specialists. Headquartered in Lakewood, Colorado, Pinyon has satellite offices in Colorado Springs and Scottsdale, Arizona. Pinyon serves clients in federal, local and state government, as well as the transportation, utilities, commercial, and industrial industries.

Why is historic preservation important to Pinyon Environmental?

Our work in historic preservation is primarily through the Section 106 process, which is a critical driver for historic survey work in this state. Our work includes investigations into the historic associations of Colorado's mining, agricultural, irrigation, and urban resources. Our team of cultural resource specialists collaborates with project teams to support historically sensitive improvements to critical infrastructure improvement projects. We work alongside agencies, municipalities, and engineering firms to identify feasible design strategies that protect, where possible, the character-defining features of resources affected by project work. We are typically hired to support the goals of local municipalities, including planning and feasibility studies that identify critical historic resources, historical contexts, and historic associations within a community. Our work includes adaptive use projects, which are among the most rewarding because these projects highlight the viability of historic resources for 21st Century use and their value to a community's character, function, and economic draw.



Why did you decide to sponsor the Saving Places Conference?

The Saving Places Conference is the largest gathering of preservation professionals and community advocates in Colorado. Sponsoring the conference means supporting Colorado's historic preservation network, and engaging with an exchange of ideas, practices, and innovation with over 700 preservation professionals. Our company offers full service environmental consulting, with cultural resources as a relatively new technical service area. Sponsoring the conference was an opportunity to formally introduce our team to the broad network of Colorado's historic preservation community.

Anything else you'd like to share with Colorado Preservation, Inc.'s members and friends?



Pinyon is passionate about solving problems and shares a common mission with our clients to create positive impacts in the communities we serve. Though cultural resources is a relatively new technical service area for our company, our team of professionals has the depth of experience in the field, including broad experience across the state of Colorado. Our team is connected to this state, and energized by the preservation and continued use of its physical historic fabric. For more information please [contact us here](#).

Preservation Community Events

- April 25-27 – Northwest Colorado Cultural Heritage Program [4th Annual Summit](#), Rangely
- May 4 (TENTATIVE) – [Building Move at Amache](#), Colorado's only Japanese-American incarceration site, near Granada
- May 10 – 11 – [Colorado Creative Industries Summit](#), Greeley
- May 11 – [Pikes Peak Preservation Forum](#) at the Broadmoor in Colorado Springs
- May 24 – History Brown Bag: Endangered Places Program with CPI speaker Kim Grant, City of Greeley Historic Preservation Office, Historic Preservation Office, 1100 10th Street, Suite 201, Greeley
- SAVE THE DATE May 25-26 – Weekend Workshop: hands-on preservation workshop for interested volunteers at [Tarryall-Cline Ranch](#), Park County. Details to come.

Do you know an event that should be in this newsletter? [Let us know!](#)