

Maryland Heritage Areas Authority
Policy for the Submission and Review of Maryland Heritage Areas Authority
Grant Applications for Projects Involving Two or More Certified Heritage Areas
(Adopted November 2, 2006)

1. Grant applicants shall submit applications **directly to** the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority (MHAA) by **February 15**.
2. MHAA provides a copy of submitted applications to each Certified Heritage Area (CHA) where the project will take place by March 1.
3. MHAA requests comments from each affected CHA.
 - Multi-heritage area projects will be ranked by CHAs **separately** from projects occurring solely within a single CHA and will not be part of the ranked list prepared by CHAs for projects solely within a single heritage area.
 - In reviewing multi-heritage area projects, CHAs should consider the extent to which the project supports the goals and objectives of the heritage area's management plan and what the likely benefits and drawbacks of a proposed project will be at the local, regional and statewide level.
4. Affected CHAs provide comments to MHAA by the same due date that grant applications and rankings of single heritage area projects must be submitted to MHAA (generally early April).
5. MHAA shall take CHA comments into consideration in determining whether to fund, partially fund, or not fund a proposed multi-heritage area project.
 - MHAA shall consider the extent to which the project supports achievement of the goals of affected heritage area's management plans and what the likely benefits and drawbacks of a proposed project will be at the local, regional and statewide level.