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NRHP Listed or Pending Listing Nominations

Las Vegas Mormon Fort (NRIS 78003378), Las Vegas, Clark County (Additional Documentation).

This amended nomination was approved by the Board during the January 23, 2026, meeting. Listed by the Keeper in Washington D.C. in the National Register on August 31, 2026. A copy was sent to the Board for the record.

Boulder City Navy Hangar, Boulder City, Clark County (new nomination).

This nomination was approved by the Board during the June 12, 2026, meeting. It was submitted to the Keeper in Washington D.C. for review and approval. Boulder City is revising the nomination based on National Park Service reviewer comments. No Board action is needed at this time.

NRHP Pending Nominations for BMH Approval

There are no pending NRHP nominations for the board at this time.

SRHP Listed or Pending Listing Nominations

Miners Union Hall, Virginia City, Storey County (NRHP 66000458).

The Miners' Union Hall, located at 36 North B Street in Virginia City, is recognized as a contributing resource within the Virginia City National Historic Landmark District, which was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1966 (NRIS 66000458). While the district nomination identified the building as a contributing resource, it provided only limited discussion of the property's individual history, architecture, and significance.

This nomination expands upon that earlier documentation by presenting a comprehensive history of the property's role in Nevada's labor movement, labor-sponsored education, long-term stewardship by the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and its continued function as a civic and community institution in Virginia City since its 1876 construction.

The Miners' Union Hall/Fraternal Order of Eagles Comstock Aerie No. 523 Hall is significant at the state level under Criterion A for its association with the development of Nevada's labor

movement, labor-sponsored education, and the continued civic and fraternal use of the property following the decline of the Comstock mining era. The property is also significant under Criterion C as a well-preserved example of a late nineteenth-century brick institutional building constructed during Virginia City's post-Great Fire reconstruction period.

NRHP Future Nominations for BMH Approval

There are no pending NRHP nominations for the next board meeting at this time.

SRHP Future Nominations for BMH Approval

There are no pending SRHP nominations for the next board meeting at this time.

Federal Nominations

There have been two new Federal nominations posted publicly since the last Board of Museums and History Meeting.

Stewart Indian Boarding School National Historic Landmark Nomination (Draft). The draft nomination argues that Stewart Indian Boarding School (NRHP 85002432), is nationally significant under National Historic Landmark Criterion 1 as outstandingly representative of broad national patterns in U.S. history regarding the development and operation of off-reservation boarding schools for the forced assimilation of Native children, and under Criterion 4 for the distinctive architecture and layout of its largely intact campus.

<https://planning.nps.gov/showFile.cfm?sfid=858084&projectID=135449>

Federal Indian Boarding Schools Nationwide Context Study (Draft). In support of the National Historic Landmarks program and Tribal leaders, this context study offers a framework through which to consider the national significance of the history of Federal Indian boarding schools, provides a baseline comparative analysis and a tool for evaluating associated cultural resources, and seeks to support the nomination of Indian boarding schools for designation as NHLs or for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). The historic context includes Stewart Indian School.

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NRHP and SRHP Inquiries

SHPO staff received several inquiries about potential NRHP or SRHP nominations since the previous staff report.