Appendix B
Cultural Heritage Initiative
Scoring Criteria - DRAFT

High Importance Factors (multiplier of 5)

- Relative level of historic significance (NRHP or defined by Parks): 0-5 points
  This factor gauges the significance of a property based on NRHP listings or on a relative scale as defined by parks. Special consideration is given to those properties that are highly significant, even if the level of significance at the time of NRHP listing was low. For unevaluated properties, levels of significance based on similar resources in other parks are to be applied, and most previously unevaluated resources are assigned a “1”.
    o National significance = 5
    o Statewide significance = 3
    o Local significance = 1

- Unique or rare resource type: 0-5 points (5 being most rare type)
  This factor examines resources in a statewide context to determine the rarity of the type or uniqueness of a particular resource.
    o Only a handful of similar resources exist = 5
    o Multiple examples exist, but relatively few outside state parks = 4
    o Multiple examples exist inside and outside state parks = 3
    o Relatively common type, few of which are privately owned = 2
    o Common type, state parks examples have higher than average integrity = 1
    o Very common type statewide in both public and private ownership = 0

- Individual architectural significance: 0-5 points
  This factor is intended to capture those resources that display significant architectural design trends, singular designs of importance, or designs by significant architects. Resources with compromised historic integrity will be ranked lower in this category.
    o Highly significant individual resource = 5
    o Highly significant resource that has compromised integrity = 4
    o Moderately significant individual resource = 3
    o Moderately significant resource that has compromised integrity = 2
    o Resource of low significance, or severely compromised integrity = 1
    o Low significance and severely compromised integrity = 0

- Part of an intact complex, or series of complexes: 0-5 points
  This factor takes the physical historic context of the resource into consideration, including the surrounding cultural landscape. Individual resources that were never part of a larger complex are rare within State Parks, and will not score as highly as those that were part of a fully developed complex as these developed complexes provide a more robust feeling of and association with the historic period.
    o Intact complex with minimal intrusions = 5
    o All original buildings exist, modern intrusion = 4
    o Missing major historic element, minimal intrusion = 3
    o Missing multiple historic elements, or significant intrusions = 2
    o Missing multiple major historic elements and significant intrusions = 1 or 0
Medium Importance Factors (multiplier of 3)

- Representative of the history of the agency: 0-3 points
  This factor considers how the resource contributes to the overall history of State Parks as an agency, and the goals and objectives of the agency at that time.
  - Constructed by agency in historic period as a major development, or acquired by the agency for the purpose of preserving the resource = 3
  - Built by the agency or acquired, historic preservation is a secondary purpose = 2
  - Built or acquired by the agency to meet other aspects of the mission, and preservation is a tertiary (or lower) consideration at that property = 1

- Provides public access to a resource type not widely accessible: 0-3 points
  This factor is intended to capture those resources within State Parks that are not accessible to the public elsewhere. Resources that meet accessibility requirements under ADA will be ranked higher than those that are not accessible.
  - Resource type is available for public access primarily in State Parks = 3
  - Resource type has limited availability for access to the public outside of State Parks, but opportunities exist to some degree = 2
  - Resource type is widely accessible by the public inside and outside parks = 1

- Resource is key to the identity of the park: 0-3 points
  This factor considers the relationship of a particular resource, or resource type, with the overall identity of the park in which it is located.
  - Resource is a key icon within the park = 3
  - Resource type or theme forms the primary identity of the park to the visiting public = 2
  - Resource, or resource type, is secondary in the identity of a particular park = 1
  - Resource is unrelated to the identity of a particular park = 0

- Rank of park within category of resource type: 0-3 points
  This factor considers resources within a common theme, which has been the traditional approach to historic properties in the system. Each park was assigned a score within a group of related resource types to create additional distinction between similar resources of varying quality. The scoring for this factor is included as an attachment (see Attachment 1) and will be transferred to the overall resource score.

Low Importance Factors (multiplier of 1)

- Level of endangerment: 0-3 points
  This factor gauges the threat to a particular resource. These threats are attributed to natural processes, structural conditions, or other elements.
  - Resource is threatened by irreversible natural processes or environmental factors = 3
  - Resource is threatened by condition deficiencies that are not likely to be corrected due to the role of the resource in operating the park = 2
  - Resource is threatened by significant condition deficiencies that do not rank high in current priorities for repair funding = 1
  - Resource faces no known threats other than typical deterioration mechanisms = 0
• Resource designed in support of recreational activities: 0-3 points
  *This factor expresses how the resource is related to the agency mission of providing recreational and educational experiences.*
  - Resource originally designed for recreation or educational purposes = 3
  - Resource originally designed for a purpose that is not part of the State Parks mission, but has been converted to meet the agency mission = 2
  - Resource originally designed for a purpose that is not part of the State Parks mission, but now converted to passive park use = 1
  - Resource designed for a purpose that is not part of the mission, and does not provide a recreational or educational benefit to the visiting public = 0

• Existing condition and previous public investment in property: 0-3 points
  *This factor considers significant previous investment in the resource under either capital or operating budgets. It is intended to measure the return on previous investment in the resource by the agency.*
  - Good condition, major previous investment = 3
  - Good condition, no previous major investment or Fair condition with previous investment = 2
  - Fair condition, no previous investment or Poor condition with previous investment = 1
  - Poor condition, no previous investment = 0

• Resource type is maintenance heavy: 0-3 points
  *This factor acknowledges that certain resource types require more maintenance than others to keep them in good condition and provide for their long-term preservation. This factor is related to the materials used in a particular resource’s construction and its surrounding environment.*
  - High level of maintenance required to preserve resource = 3
  - Moderate level of maintenance required to preserve resource = 2
  - Low level of maintenance required to preserve resource = 1
  - No maintenance required to preserve resource = 0

• Revenue generation, or potential to generate revenue: 0-3 points
  *This factor intends to distinguish those historic properties that either currently or potentially contribute to the financial stability of the agency through leases or fees directly generated by the resource.*
  - Currently generates revenue though fees or leases = 3
  - High potential to generate revenue, does not currently generate revenue = 2
  - Moderate potential to generate revenue = 1
  - No ability for resource to individually generate revenue = 0

• Resource support by an outside entity, or potential for outside support: 0-3 points
  *This factor considers support of the resource by other entities, which can take many forms including but not limited to volunteers, friends’ groups, local communities, philanthropy, and partnerships with other governments or organizations.*
  - Currently actively supported by an outside entity = 3
  - High potential to be supported by an outside entity = 2
  - Moderate potential to be supported by an outside entity = 1
  - Low or no potential to be supported by an outside entity = 0