What is the Historic Register?

The Historic Register is a **county-wide inventory** and **an official list of places** important to the history of Thurston County and worthy of recognition and preservation.

Visit the website for more useful information such as the county's Historic Register, property tax incentive program, projects and additional historic resource links.

Website: www.co.thurston.wa.us/ permitting/historic/ historic-home.html

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Lackamas School House 1917-2019



Thurston County Historic Register





Bigelow House

Does your property qualify?

The County Historic Register recognizes properties that are at least 50 years old (or of lesser age if of exceptional importance)

- Cultural effect on history of Thurston County
- Architectural significance of type, period or style
- Archeological importance in prehistory/history
- Birthplaces, graves, cemeteries



Ada's Resort (Lost Lake Resort)

What are the benefits of Historic Register Placement?

Benefits

- Free advice and review
- Compliance with Historic Commission is voluntary
- Educational programs

Property Tax Exemptions for Qualified Renovations

- 10-year exemption for properties on local register
- Renovations must be at least 25 percent of building's value

Possible Building Code Relaxation

- Based on interest in preserving historic character
- Case-by-case basis

Placement DOES NOT affect use of the structure, require repairs or restoration or interior alterations.

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