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From: Michael Goebel-Bain, National Register Coordinator

To: Mr. Matt Cole

Re: Arch Hanger at former Loring Air Force Base

The built environment of the Loring AFB was reviewed for National Register of Historic Places eligibility in the early 1990s because of base closure and redevelopment. At that time, the arch hanger was determined to be eligible for listing in the National Register. Unless there have been significant changes to the character defining features of the building that status still applies. Eligibility for and/or listing in the National Register is necessary to apply to many historic preservation funding sources.

Most historic preservation grants will require the building to either be listed in the National Register of Historic Places or at least be found eligible for listing and, as far as I know, nearly all require the recipient to be a non-profit or municipality or state agency. For information on grants available from the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and other granting organizations see our website at: <https://www.maine.gov/mhpc/programs/grants> and <https://www.maine.gov/mhpc/programs/grants/other-granting-organizations>

If an owner plans on using a building commercially, in a manner that is depreciable for tax purposes, they might consider the State and Federal Rehabilitation Tax Credit program. The tax credits in this program are designed to offset the costs associated with appropriately rehabilitating commercial properties that are listed in the National Register of Historic Places. That program is complex and requires the expenditure of funds and completion of most of the work before any credits are awarded. Further information on the program is on our website (<https://www.maine.gov/mhpc/programs/tax-incentives>) This program also requires that the building be listed in the National Register.





