

GOOD TIPS

- ▶ The preparation of a management plan is closely linked to the preparation of a nomination dossier. Once OUV has been established, it would be a good idea to start assessing the management systems in relation to Section 5 of the nomination format (OG Annex 5) and to start the process outlined below. Sections 4, 5 and 6 of the format (OG Annex 5) should be completed, using the information gathered for the management plan.

The principal objective of the management planning process is the strategic long-term protection of cultural heritage sites. A fundamental part of this is developing a framework for decision-making and for managing change at a particular cultural heritage property. When this framework is documented, along with the management goals, objectives and actions that are determined by the collective effort of those involved in managing the cultural heritage property, it is referred to as a 'management plan'. Essentially, a management plan is the guidance document developed within, and describing, a particular management system. It is an important tool for all phases of the management cycle (planning, implementation, monitoring) at a cultural heritage property and needs to be periodically reviewed and renewed.

CASE STUDY

Management plan as an integral part of the management system

The primary management system of Vizcaya Bridge operates at provincial level. It is legally protected by the Basque Government (a provincial government in Spain). The body legally responsible for the direct protection and management of Vizcaya Bridge is Bizkaia Provincial Council: the provincial authority responsible for the Province of Bizkaia in which the bridge is located. Required resources are also generated or provided by the same institutions. A commission for the conservation of the monuments has been established to bring all relevant stakeholders and a management plan has been elaborated. This is also an interesting example of outsourcing of ordinary management and maintenance to a private company. It is also an example of a single industrial heritage monument being managed to contribute to a broader attempt to develop the entire city of Bilbao in a different direction as its heavy industrial past came to an end.



Vizcaya Bridge (Spain)

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