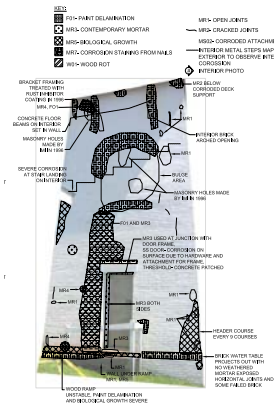
Burnt Coat Harbor Light Station

Historic View of Burnt Coat Light Station



Exterior Condition assessment of Tower

Burnt Coat Light Station

Swan's Island, Maine

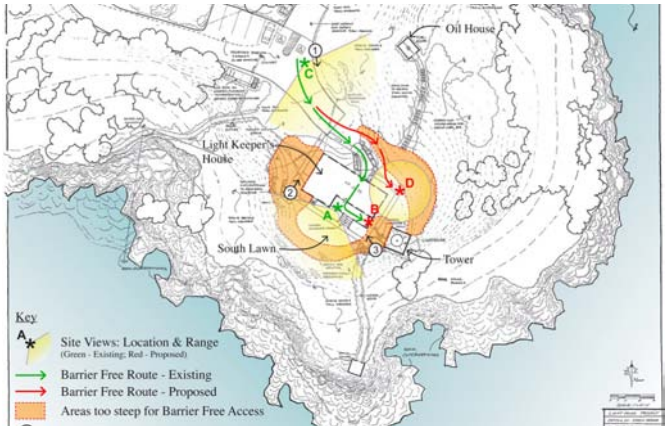
Preservation Plan & Accessibility Study

HBA was chosen to create a Preservation Plan for the Burnt Coat Harbor Light Station on an island off the coast of Maine in order to guide the Town of Swan's Island in the adaptive use of the complex and the surrounding landscape. HBA's report included seven main components: an architectural evaluation with recommendations for the restoration and renovation of the buildings' exteriors; an assessment and recommendation for the interior of the Keeper's Dwelling; a site improvement plan; recommendations for educational material on the history of the Light Station; a maintenance plan: recommendations for phasing the restoration work; and a detailed cost estimate for each phase.

The report was designed to facilitate good long-term stewardship of the buildings and landscape, fundraising activities, and appropriate and timely restoration work. HBA has continued to provide consulting services to the Town of Swan's Island and build on the recommendations as work proceeds each year. Most recently, HBA completed a Site Access Study and a scope of work for the repair of the second floor of the Light Keeper's House.

The project has received funding from the Hart Family Fund for Small Towns (administered by the National Trust for Historic Preservation), the Virginia Wellington Cabot Foundation, and the Friends of the Swan's Island Lighthouse. The Maine Historic Commission has provided additional support and reviewed HBA's work.

Reopening ceremonies for the Keeper's House



Barrier-Free Accessibility survey of Burnt Coat Light Station