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How to address challenges that Commissions Face



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- Goal of the session: discuss ways to respond to claims made by property owners and applicants regarding ADA compliance, lead paint, energy efficiency, and substitute materials.



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Substitute Materials

Preservation Brief #16:

- unavailability of materials
- unavailability of technical expertise
 - poor historic materials
 - code requirements

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Substitute Materials

1. Drafty Windows = New Windows



Weather
stripping



Storms



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2. Squishy Porch Floors = Trex

High Quality Cedar

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Design Solutions

Maintenance

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3. Not Easy to Find = Not Available



Salvage Materials
Shutters and
Accessories
Slate



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4. Wood = Warp...means Vinyl Siding



Prepping Materials Key

Cementitious may be used
in some circumstances



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5. Historic Roofing = Too Expensive

Life Cycle Analysis
Slate Roof = 100 plus years