



**Fort William H. Seward National Historic Landmark
Haines, Alaska**

Fort William H. Seward, built in 1902, was the last of twelve Gold Rush era military posts established in Alaska to control the lawless stampeders. Fort Seward provided the only military presence in the region during boundary disputes with Canada. From 1925 to 1940, the fort was the only active Army installation in Alaska. During World War II it served as a recruitment station, rest stop, and training ground for troops before being decommissioned in 1945. Fort Seward is the best surviving example of a Gold Rush era Alaskan Army fort and the only U.S. military fort associated with Alaska-Canada boundary dispute. It is an outstanding example of an Endicott Era fort in its layout, and architecture. Today, the landmark district has multiple private owners.