

# United States Department of the Interior

HERITAGE CONSERVATION AND RECREATION SERVICE

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20243

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Mr. Joseph M. Hendrie Chairman Nuclear Regulatory Commission 1717 H Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Hendrie:

The provisions of the amended Archeological and Historic Preservation Act (Public Law 93-291) place major responsibility for the professional overview and coordination of all Federal agency archeological data recovery activities on the Secretary of the Interior. Under the Act, the Secretary is required to submit an annual report to Congress on the scope and effectiveness of the historic preservation program. Reports on these activities for FY 1975, FY 1976, and FY 1977-78 have been prepared and distributed to Congress.

The Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service's (HCRS) Interagency Archeological Services Division, which administers the Interagency Archeological Program, is responsible for preparing the report. HCRS coordinates and reports on the nationwide Federal archeological investigations program in order to provide for comprehensive archeological resources planning. The objective of this oversight is to achieve greater resource protection and preservation, and cost-effectiveness during project planning.

Although agencies are required to provide this information to the Secretary under sections 3(a) and 4(a) of the Act, in previous years we have had to request the information from agencies on their archeological activities. So that we may prepare the FY 1979 report in a timely manner, we are requesting that you supply us with information on your FY 1979 activities. We have prepared a short questionnaire for your use in assembling and transmitting data to us. The General Services Administration/National Archives and Records Service (GSA/NARS) has approved the questionnaire and assigned it interagency report number DOI-AN-0236. Please complete one questionnaire for each project conducted. On page 2 is a space to indicate under what legal authorities archeological work was conducted. Because we intend to use a similar questionnaire format in subsequent years for collecting information on Federal agency archeological work, we would appreciate any comments and suggestions you may have on the usefulness of the prepared questionnaire.

GSA/NARS approved the questionnaire to request the needed information based on our estimate of costs incurred to prepare the report. While we can calculate HCRS's costs, we do not presume to accurately determine other agency costs to gather and transmit information to us. In consulting with GSA/NARS, we have

agreed to request from all agencies actual costs incurred to supply us with the needed information. In an effort to keep other agency costs at a minimum, and to provide a basis for determining actual costs, the questionnaire was prepared. We therefore would appreciate your calculating the actual cost incurred by your agency in collecting and transmitting the data to us. GSA Optional Form 101 is included for your use in calculating expenses. Direct personnel costs should be computed using the standard figure of \$10 per hour per person.

We are requesting that all agencies provide us with the cost information, even if it did not conduct any archeological investigations. This will enable us to accurately calculate the total costs of preparing the report to Congress. Once this cost data is available, we will provide it to GSA/NAR3.

Please send completed questionnaires on your FY 1979 activities, one completed GSA Optional Form 101, and any comments or suggestions you may have on the questionnaire to:

Departmental Consulting Archeologist Interagency Archeological Services Division Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service Department of the Interior Washington, D.C. 20243

We would appreciate receiving this information no later than May 15, 1980. If you are unable to meet this date, please let us know by May 1, 1980. A list of all agencies to which this request is being made is enclosed for your information.

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Chris Therral Delaporte

Director

Enclosures

## FEDERAL DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES, AND COMMISSIONS CONTACTED

#### DEPARTMENTS

Department of Agriculture
Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service
Farmers Home Administration
Rural Electrification Administration
Soil Conservation Service
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Economic Development Administration
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Department of the Army
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Department of the Navy
Marine Corps
Department of the Air Force

Department of Energy
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Department of Health, Education, and Welfare

Department of Housing and Urban Development

Department of the Interior

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Bureau of Land Management

Bureau of Mines

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

U.S. Geological Survey

Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service

National Park Service

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement
Water and Power Resources Service

Department of Transportation
U.S. Coast Guard
Federal Aviation Administration
Federal Highway Administration
Federal Railroad Administration
Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation
Urban Mass Transportation Administration

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