

Memorandum of Agreement

**CH 14
Griggsville-Detroit Road
Archaeological Site 11-Pk-1136
Pike County**

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation has determined that the use of State-funding for future highway improvements on Pike County Highway 14, will have an effect upon historic properties included in, or potentially eligible for inclusion in, the National Register of Historic Places and has requested the comments of the Director of the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency pursuant to the Illinois State Agency Historic Resources Preservation Act (State 707) (Ill. Rev. Stat. 1989, ch. 127, par. 133c21 *et seq.*) and its implementing regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Director of the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency (IHPA) and the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) agree that the undertaking shall be implemented in accordance with the attached stipulations in order to take into account the effect of the undertaking on historic properties.

Execution of the Memorandum of Agreement and carrying out its terms evidences that IDOT has afforded IHPA a reasonable opportunity to comment on this CH-14 project and its effects on historic properties and that IDOT has taken into account the effects of its undertaking on historic properties.

Stipulations

1. All archaeological excavation will be conducted on Pike County right-of-way by IDOT. Such data recovery will be coordinated with construction schedules, and the mitigation program will be structured to maximize data recovery.

Testing to date has indicated that site 11-Pk-1136 is a significant prehistoric habitation locality. Attempts to avoid a portion of this site have proved to be neither feasible nor prudent. Attached to this document is a Data Recovery statement for your review. Some 10 to 20 prehistoric pit features are expected to be excavated as part of this field program. These features will be excavated using standard archaeological techniques formulated by our archaeological program personnel. After the completion of laboratory work, a report will be submitted to IHPA for review. IDOT will provide progress reports as appropriate to IHPA during the field, laboratory and report preparation stages of the project.
2. The IDOT will insure that all archaeological work carried out under this agreement will be conducted in accordance with the Illinois State Historic Preservation Office Guidelines for Archaeological Reconnaissance Surveys and the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Identification and Evaluation (48FR44720-44728) and will be performed by professional archaeologists pursuant to the Archaeological and Paleontological Resources Protection Act (Ill. Rev. Stat. 1989, ch. 127, par. 133c9). All such work will be monitored by IHPA staff.
3. No evidence has been encountered during investigations at Site 11-Pk-1136 indicating that human burials were, or are likely to be, present. However, the right-of-way has been finalized and we foresee no options for avoidance should human burials be encountered. Therefore, if a burial (s) is/are discovered during the investigations covered by this Agreement, required notifications of the discovery will be made to the county coroner and to IHPA. If the burial is not a crime scene as determined by the coroner, then it and any associated burial artifacts will be removed following procedures for recordation and reporting that are similar to those established under the Human Skeletal Remains Protection Act (20ILCS 3440). Disposition of human remains and burial artifacts will be accomplished as determined under the applicable law.
4. The IDOT has and will continue to have personnel qualified pursuant to the Archaeological and Paleontological Resources Protection Act (Ill. Rev. Stat. 1989, ch. 127, par. 133c9) who shall be responsible for reviewing the undertakings permitted under this agreement.
5. The IDOT and the archaeological contractor will insure that an adequate program for security of the archaeological site from vandalism during data recovery operations be developed and implemented.

6. If during construction of any state funded IDOT project cultural resources are discovered, the IDOT agrees that construction activities that would adversely affect the resources shall be discontinued until consultation with IHPA pursuant to the State 707 is completed.
7. The IDOT will insure that adequate laboratory time, space, and funds are available for analysis of osteological, cultural, and biological materials recovered.
8. The repository for adequately curating all significant recovered materials and data will be the University of Illinois or a comparable institution selected by IDOT in consultation with IHPA.

Signatories

William L. Johnson Date 3/7/00
Illinois Historic Preservation Agency

Peter J. Frank Date 2-16-00
Illinois Department of Transportation



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Pike County
CH 14
Griggsville - Detroit Road
Project: C-96-229-98
Section: 97-00075-01-FP
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6 Acres
15 sites

14 sites avoided or
not eligible
test 11-Pk-1136
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Ms. Anne Haaker
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
Illinois Historic Preservation Agency
Springfield, Illinois 62701

Dear Ms. Haaker:

Enclosed are two copies of an Archaeological Report and documentation completed by University of Illinois personnel concerning historical and archaeological sites potentially to be impacted by the proposed project referenced above. Archaeological survey in the 6 acre project area resulted in the location of 15 sites, 11-Pk-1134, 1135, 1136, 1138-1148. Fourteen of the sites located were light lithic scatters or isolated finds. One site, 11-Pk-1136, a Late Woodland habitation site will require subsurface testing in order to assess its potential significance. Should the final plans indicate that this site will be impacted and subsequent testing indicate that this site is significant, coordination will be initiated with your office leading to a State 707 Memorandum of Agreement and the formulation of a data recovery plan.

In accordance with the established procedure for coordination of Illinois Department of Transportation projects, we request the concurrence of the State Historic Preservation Officer in our determination that this proposed project may impact one potentially eligible site, 11-Pk-1136, and that a program of subsurface evaluation will be required if the site area is to be disturbed in order to ascertain if this is a historic property subject to protection under the Illinois State Agency Historic Resources Preservation Act (State 707), as amended.

Very truly yours,

John A. Walthall, PhD
Cultural Resources Unit
Bureau of Design and Environment

CONCUR

By: State Historic Preservation Officer

Date: 1-19-2000