

**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
THE U.S. FOREST SERVICE,  
SHAWNEE NATIONAL FOREST  
AND  
THE ILLINOIS HISTORIC PRESERVATION AGENCY  
REGARDING THE  
DEMOLITION OF TWELVE STRUCTURES ON THE  
DIXON SPRINGS AGRICULTURE CENTER,  
SIMPSON, ILLINOIS**

**WHEREAS** the Shawnee National Forest (SHF) proposes to demolish twelve structures located on lands managed by the Shawnee National Forest because the buildings are not needed, expensive to maintain and cannot be economically made to meet future needs; and

**WHEREAS**, the SHF as public land stewards are mandated to comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (NHPA) (16 U.S.C. 470), and its implementing regulations, entitled "Protection of Historic Properties" (36 CFR Part 800), and to comply with Section 110 of the NHPA; and

**WHEREAS** the SHF proposes to administer their Heritage Programs pursuant to Section 106 and Section 110 of the NHPA; and

**WHEREAS** the SHF, in consultation with the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency (IHPA) has determined that the undertaking will have an adverse effect on a historic property considered to be eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places; and

**WHEREAS** the SHF has agreed to resolve any adverse effect on the demolition of potentially eligible historic properties;

**NOW, THEREFORE** the SHF has agreed that upon acceptance of the MOA by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, will ensure that the following stipulations are implemented in order to take into account the effects of the demolition on the potentially historic properties.

**STIPULATIONS**

The SHF will ensure that the following measures are carried out:

Prior to demolishing structures FS 0908-1108, 1138, 1301, 1302, 1303, 1206, 1307, 1308, 1309, 1321, 1322, 1353,, the SHF shall document these buildings in accordance with the Illinois Historic American Building Survey/Historic American Engineering Record (IL HABS/HAER) Standards.

- A. IL HABS recordation number will be PP-2016-1, and consist of:
1. Sketch plans, drawn in computer assisted drafting (CAD) format;
  2. Black and white digital photography of the buildings to include building site, exterior elevations, distinctive exterior architectural features and

significant interior spaces and features shall be produced on archivally stable photographic paper.

3. Written historic narrative of the buildings and a written architectural description of the buildings using IL HABS designated outline format shall be completed. The documentation shall also include a context statement which will comprise a history of Dixon Springs to the present day, and an overview of each building with sufficient detail to be used as the basis of a National Register of Historic Places nomination form.
- B. Level III shall be required Documentation Level III consisting of:
1. Drawings: sketch plan.
  2. Photographs: photographs with large-format negatives of exterior and interior views.
  3. Written data: architectural data form.
- C. IHPA will review draft photos and field notes and accept or reject the submittal in accordance with IL HABS Standards. Upon acceptance of the 95% submission in writing, the SHF will complete the final documentation and deliver one original and one Gold CD to IHPA.
- D. Upon IHPA's written acceptance of the 95% submission by IHPA, the SHF may commence demolition activities at the buildings.
- E. Completed IL HABS/HAER documentation will be deposited with the archives section of the Illinois State Historical Library as well as Special Collections at Southern Illinois University's Morris Library. The IHPA requires one standard copy and one digital copy on a Gold CD of accepted documentation;

## **II. DURATION**

This MOA will be null and void if its terms are not carried out in seven (7) years from the date of its execution. Prior to such time the SHF may consult with IHPA to reconsider the terms of the MOA and amend it in accordance with Stipulation III below.

## **III. AMENDMENTS**

This MOA may be amended when such an amendment is agreed to in writing by all signatories. The amendment will be effective on the date a copy is signed by all of the signatories is filed with the ACHP. Any necessary amendments will be executed in accordance with 36 CFR Part 800.5(e)(5).

## **IV. TERMINATION**

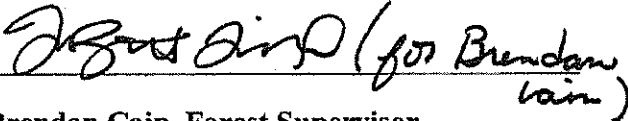
If any signatory to this MOA determines that its terms will not or cannot be carried out, that party shall immediately consult with the other parties to attempt to develop an amendment. If within thirty days an amendment cannot be reached, any signatory may terminate the MOA

upon written notification to the other signatories. Once the MOA is terminated and prior to work continuing on the undertaking, SHF must request, take into account, and respond to the comments of the ACHP under 36 CFR Part 800.7. SHF shall notify the signatories as to the course of action it will pursue.


Execution of this MOA by the SHF and IHPA its subsequent acceptance by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP), and the implementation of its terms, shall constitute evidence that the SHF has afforded ACHP an opportunity to comment on the nature and extent of the planned demolition of structures FS 0908-1108, 1138, 1301, 1302, 1303, 1206, 1307, 1308, 1309, 1321, 1322, 1353, and that SHF has taken into account the effects of the undertaking on historic properties, as required by Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

## SIGNATORIES

### U.S. FOREST SERVICE - SHAWNEE NATIONAL FOREST

By:  (for Brendan Cain) Date: 12.20.2016  
Brendan Cain, Forest Supervisor  
Shawnee National Forest

### ILLINOIS STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE

By:  Date: 1.23.17  
Heidi Brown-McCreery, Director  
Illinois Historic Preservation Agency