

HIRED TO PERFORM ARCHAEOLOGICAL WORK WITHIN THE TRUST, EXCLUDING PERSONS SPECIFICALLY ASSIGNED TO PARKS, MUSEUMS, AND OTHER SITE-SPECIFIC FACILITIES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE TRUST, SHALL BE STAFF MEMBERS OF THE ARCHAEOLOGY OFFICE. THE EMPLOYEES MAY BE ASSIGNED ARCHAEOLOGICAL-RELATED FUNCTIONS WITHIN OTHER UNITS OF THE TRUST BUT SHALL REMAIN STAFF MEMBERS OF THE ARCHAEOLOGY OFFICE.

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(A) The [Division of] Archaeology OFFICE shall:

(1) [Sponsor,] INCLUDE A RESEARCH UNIT THAT WILL engage in, and direct fundamental research into the archaeology of the State, SYNTHESIZE EXISTING RESEARCH DATA, and encourage [and coordinate] archaeological research and investigation undertaken by any scientific or historical institution or [society] ORGANIZATION, museum, or institution of higher education in the State;

(2) Cooperate in excavation of sites of historical or archaeological significance in custody or control of any other State unit;

(3) [Protect and encourage] ENCOURAGE the preservation of prehistoric or historic sites located on privately owned lands in the State;

(4) [Retrieve and preserve] COORDINATE THE RETRIEVAL AND PRESERVATION OF objects of archaeological significance discovered during the course of any public construction in the State;

(5) Cooperate with and assist museums, institutions of higher education, and scientific or historical institutions and [societies] ORGANIZATIONS in the preservation and protection of objects and materials of archaeological nature in their custody;

(6) Make available to museums, institutions of higher education, and scientific or historical institutions and [societies] ORGANIZATIONS objects and materials suitable for demonstrating the archaeological history of the State;

(7) Make available to public and private schools in the State exhibits, and assist in the instruction of pupils as to the manner of life of the early settlers and natives of the State;

(8) Cooperate with similar agencies of other states for the general purpose of preserving archaeological sites and objects and materials of archaeological significance and prevent the exploitation of these sites, objects, and materials in this State by institutions or agencies of other states;

(9) Disseminate archaeological facts and materials through publication of reports of archaeological research and investigation; [and]

(10) [Enforce laws regulating archaeological sites, objects, and materials on State-owned or controlled lands] ESTABLISH AN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM