

INDIANA ARCHAEOLOGY MONTH



Archaeological sites in the state of Indiana are protected by law. Here are some of the laws and regulations:

- IC 14-21-1
Historic Preservation and Archaeology Law
- 16 USC 470 (or, Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act)

If you know of a site that will be damaged by construction or other activities, call:

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Historic Preservation
and Archaeology
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Room W 274
Indianapolis, IN 46204
Phone: 317-232-1646
Fax: 317-232-0693
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Digging for artifacts without an approved permit is not only illegal, but it destroys unique information.



Imagine a book with half the chapters torn away. Hard to read the story, isn't it?

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An artifact is something made by humans. It can be thousands of years old or may be much more recent.



Artifacts are only a small part of the archaeological record in Indiana, though!



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Archaeology does not just involve prehistoric Native Americans.

Many archaeological sites in Indiana were created by the early settlers in the state.

These sites include:

- Businesses
- Homes
- Churches
- Cemeteries
- Schools
- Farms
- Canals
- Mills

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It's exciting to find an "arrowhead."

But, if you pick it up, you take on a big responsibility.

You are the only person to know exactly where it came from!

Tell an archaeologist and get your site recorded.



Call the DHPA, or other professional archaeologists at:

- Ball State University
- University of Notre Dame
- Indiana State University
- Indiana University
- I.U.P.U.I.
- Purdue University
- Indiana University/Purdue University at Fort Wayne

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