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**Re: Archaeological investigations for the banquet center and comfort center at the Indiana Dunes State Park, Porter County, Indiana**

Dear Ms. Parsell:

Pursuant to Indiana Code 14-21-1-16, the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology (DHPA) has conducted a review of the materials for scientific investigations on state property in Porter County, Indiana. The plan is acceptable provided the following conditions.

1. All archaeological investigations will be directly supervised by a qualified professional archaeologist who meets the qualification standards for a principal investigator or field or laboratory supervisor under 312 IAC 21.
2. Any proposed revisions to the archaeological plan must be submitted in writing to the DHPA prior to implementation in the field or laboratory.
3. Human remains and any associated artifacts will be left in place and remain unexcavated. If any human remains dating before December 31, 1939 are encountered, the discovery must be reported to the IDNR within two (2) business days. The discovery must be treated in accordance with IC 14-21-1 and 312 IAC 22. In that event, please call (317) 232-1646. If human remains are accidentally discovered during field investigations or related laboratory analyses, and would be subject to the Native American Graves Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the investigating or curatorial facility shall assure NAGPRA reporting and compliance, not the IDNR.
4. A complete report on the field investigations must be submitted to the DHPA for review and comment within one year of the completion of the fieldwork.
5. This plan is non-transferable.

With these conditions, the proposed plan is acceptable, and the field investigations may proceed (#2015004). A copy of this letter, along with proper identification, should be carried by personnel in the field. This will ensure minimal confusion should they be requested to produce proper identification in the field by law enforcement personnel. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Cathy Draeger-Williams at (317) 234-3791 or [cdraeger-williams@dnr.IN.gov](mailto:cdraeger-williams@dnr.IN.gov).

Very truly yours,

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