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United State Geological Survey Responds to Questions on Changes in Topographic Mapping Updates

by Tim King

I would like to pass along some information prepared by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) in response to the article by Don Haney which appeared in the January issues of *The Grapevine* and *ACRA Edition*. Mark DeMulder of the USGS Headquarters in Reston, VA, has written a 14-page response concerning the statements made in Mr. Haney's article that suggest that the proposed changes in paper topographic maps "will degrade the quality of these maps and have a negative impact on the majority of individuals who use these maps." Mr. DeMulder's response to Mr. Haney's article can be found on the USGS Homepage at www.usgs.gov. What follows is a brief summation of his comments.

In short, Mr. DeMulder explains that there are a number of factors affecting the USGS and the National Mapping Program (NMP) in relation to updating topographic maps. The first of these factors is the oft heard complaint that 7.5" maps are not updated quickly enough. To speed up this process the USGS has had to prioritize the information that would be examined and recorded during an update into two categories "standard update" and "limited update." According to Mr. DeMulder, "standard updates include revision of all categories of information and a "field check," which is the verification of revised information by literally visiting the site of the information. Limited updates do not include the revision contours (existing contours are depicted on the revised map; a modified

symbol is used in areas where the contours are known to have been changed) and also do not include a field check."

Considering that there are 58,000 7.5' maps covering the continental U.S., that each "standard update" can take up to 1000 hours to complete, and the USGS is suffering from budget constraints like the rest of the Nation, one can understand the reasoning behind choosing "limited updates" over the 1,000-hour "standard update". In fact, if you do the math, the time to complete the standard update for the Continental U.S. would require the USGS staff to work **24 hours a day for 18 years straight**. In contrast, the limited updates use aerial photographs with no field check to verify "on the ground" features and structures and thereby conserve a lot of USGS resources. In addition, new enhanced technology can greatly reduce the time to complete these updates. One sacrifice in using aerial photographs is that the classification of structures can not be determined.

An example would be that extant structures on an updated map may not contain the same information as its predecessor. Therefore, a church or a school might appear as a block on the updated version without its tell-tale cross or flag. This information seems to have been misconstrued to mean that a number of significant features would be completely eliminated.

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Conference Calendar

March 5-9, 1997 - The American Society for Environmental History will be meeting in Baltimore, MD. Contact: Jeffrey Stine, National Museum of American History, MRC 629, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC 20560; FAX 202-357-4256.

March 7-9, 1997 - Middle Atlantic Archaeological Conference will be held at the Sheraton-Fountainbleau Inn and Spa, Ocean City, MD. Contact: Program Chair, Christine Jirikowic, 3915 Oneida Pl, Hyattsville, MD 20782; 201-864-4157.

March 22-23, 1997 - Symposium on Ohio Valley Urban Archeology will be held at the Executive Inn, Paducah, KY. For further information, contact Kit Wesler, Wickliffe Mounds Research Center, PO Box 155, Wickliffe, KY 42087; 502-335-3681; kwesler@msumusic.mursuky.edu.

April 2-6, 1997 - Society for American Archaeology will hold its 62th Annual Meeting at the Opryland Hotel, Nashville, Tennessee. To receive a copy of the preliminary program, contact Janet Walker, the Society for American Archaeology, 900 Second Street, N.E., #12, Washington, DC 20002-3557; 202-789-8200; FAX 202-789-0284; e-mail

meetings@saa.org.

April 4-5, 1997 - The Historical Archaeology Conference of the Upper Midwest will be held in Red Wing, Minnesota. For further information, contact: John P. McCarthy, Institute for Minnesota Archaeology, 3300 University Avenue, S.E. Suite 202, Minneapolis, MN 55414; 612-623-0299; e-mail jpmcc@mtm.org.

April 16-20, 1997 - Archaeology of The British 1600-1800: Views from Two Worlds. A special 30th Anniversary Joint Conference of The Society for Historical Archaeology and The Society for Post-Medieval Archaeology to be held in Williamsburg, VA. Contact: SHA/SPMA 97, Department of Anthropology, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA 23187.

May 7-11, 1997 - Canadian Archaeological Association 30th Annual Conference will be held in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada. Contact: Margaret Kennedy, Conference Coordinator, Department of Anthropology/Archaeology, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada S7N 5A5; 306-9664182; e-mail kennedym@duke.usask.ca.

May 9-10, 1997 - 5th Ohio Archaeological Council Conference will be held at the Christopher Conference Center, Comfort Inn, Chillicothe, Ohio. For further information, contact OAC Conference Coordinator, Martha Otto, Department of Archaeology, The Ohio Historical Center, 1982 Velma Avenue, Columbus, OH 43211; 614-297-2641; FAX 614-297-2233.

May 16-18, 1997 - A Symposium on the Cultural History of the Mountainous Eastern United States will be held at James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA. Contact: Dr. Clarence R. Geier, Professor of Anthropology, 205 Sheldon Hall, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA 22807; 540-568-6973; FAX 540-568-6920.

May 29 - June 1, 1997 - Society For Industrial Archeology will be held at the Michigan Technological University in Houghton, Michigan. Contact: SIA Headquarters, Department of Social Sciences, Michigan Technological University, Houghton, MI 49931; 906-487-1889; FAX 906-487-2468; e-mail PEM-194@mtu.edu.

Call for Papers

Eastern States Archaeological Federation

The 64th Annual Meeting of the Eastern States Archaeological Federation will be held November 6-9, 1997, in Mount Laurel, New Jersey. Titles and proposed papers and sessions are now being accepted. Abstracts are due June 1, 1997. For further information contact Program Chair, Herb Kraft, Seton Hall University Museum, South Orange, NJ 07079-2696; 201-761-9543; FAX 201-761-9234; e-mail krafthe@lanmail.shu.edu. For Information on local arrangements contact: Debra Campagnari Martin, 120 McMullen Circle, Bear, DE 19701; 302-832-0653.

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Workshops

Archaeological Workshops Offered by National Park Service

Basic Photo Use Methods in Cultural Resource Management

Date: April 14-18, 1997

Location: Fort Laramie National
Historic Site, Goshen County, WY.

Description: The workshop deals with vertically acquired aerial photographs and with terrestrial photographs. Aerial photos have been systematically acquired since the 1920s and terrestrial photos have been acquired since the 1840s as opportunity occurred. Aerial photos constitute a vast historic database which has been only sporadically utilized and sadly under utilized. Basic photo use skills in photogrammetry, photointerpretation, orienteering, map update, and Global Information Systems are essential tools of resource professionals to utilize existing image data to synthesize and provide needed information effectively and efficiently.

The basic course in photo use includes: photograph and camera characteristics, preparation of photos for use, stereoscopy, map to photo image matching, using reference points and stereoscopy, image attributes and interpretation, scaling, estimation of object length, area, volume, and height from photo measurements, effective area boundary location, land use and land cover analysis, species identification, orienteering (determine bearings and distance by using photos in the field to locate imaged features), transfer of data between photos and maps, color and black and white infrared emulsions, change detection using photos, source of photos and support, photo preservation procedures, and follow-up on technologies.

Cost: \$295.00

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Low Altitude Large Scale Aerial Reconnaissance For Cultural Resource Management

Date: May 13-22, 1997

Location: Remote Sensing and
Geographic Information Systems
Laboratory, San Juan College,
Farmington, NM.

Description: The workshop will include both lectures on the theory and practice of Low Altitude Large Scale Reconnaissance (LALSR) and practical experience in the construction of the aircraft and flight training. Included in the workshop will be discussions of photo interpretation as it applies to LALSR photography, and the applications of LALSR to cultural resource management.

Low Altitude Large Scale Reconnaissance has been applied to the recording of archaeological and historical sites and features, as well as facilities mapping and environmental monitoring of water pollution and land fills. LALSR offers an efficient means of gathering high resolution photography at low cost.

The workshop instructor, James Walker has developed and refined the techniques of LALSR over the past fourteen years. Jim has taught LALSR to hundreds of individuals for uses ranging from the documentation of archaeological and historic sites in North America and India to the monitoring of environmental pollution and facilities mapping.

Cost: Contact National Park Service

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Mr. DeMulder states that the USGS revision program has three key aspects. "These are the introduction of digital production techniques (which apply to both limited and standard update revisions), the emphasis on monoscopic revision (limited updates only), and the content of limited update revision."

The remainder of Mr. DeMulder's article addresses the specific questions Mr. Haney set forth in his article on the "impending" changes to USGS topographic maps. This official response is organized in a question and answer format with topics that include: *Map Quality, Map Content, Map Updates, Small-scale vs. Large-scale Maps, Impact of Privatization, Out-of-Stock Maps, User Survey, State Map Advisory Committee, Federal Geographic Data Committee, AASG/NMD Topographic Mapping Policy Committee, and Other Issues.* The full text of Mr. DeMulder's response, entitled "The Evolution of Topographic Mapping in the U.S. Geological Survey's National Mapping Program," can be found at www.usgs.gov under *What's New!*

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Technology Contributing Editor

Mr. Tim King has agreed to become the regular Technology Contributing Editor for *The Grapevine*. Next month he will discuss the new CD-ROMS from the U.S. Geological Survey. If you have any article suggestions or wish to submit an article on technological advancements, contact Tim at:

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Book Review

The Archaeology of Fort Recovery, Ohio: St. Clair's Defeat, November 4, 1791, and Wayne's Victory, June 30 and July 1, 1794. TONY DEREGNAUCOURT. Upper Miami Valley Archaeological Research Museum Occasional Monograph Number 6, Arcanum, Ohio, 1996.

This monograph presents the results of an archival and archaeological investigation of the Battles of Fort Recovery. The project was conducted by DeRegnaucourt and a team composed of archaeologists and volunteers and was funded by the Fort Recovery Historical Society and citizenry of Fort Recovery. The report is one of a series published by the Upper Miami Valley Archaeological Research Museum concerning the late 18th century Indian Wars in Ohio.

The city of the present day Fort Recovery is built upon ground where the First Battle of Fort Recovery (St. Clair's Defeat) and the Second Battle of Fort Recovery (Wayne's Victory) took place. The ca. 1794 Fort Recovery stockade was also located within the town's perimeter. The goals of the project included attempts to locate traces of the original stockade and identify the two battlefields. Unfortunately, DeRegnaucourt had to contend with nearly two centuries of historic disturbance, which has irrevocably obscured the pre-1800 landscape. The extent of these disturbances compromised the results of the archaeological investigations, though did not detract significantly from the archival work.

The bulk of the report is devoted to a reconstruction of St. Clair's Defeat and subsequent retreat through examination of archival sources. Every known

eyewitness account, including interview transcripts, journal entries, letters, and official reports is presented. Most of these consist of retellings of events from a military standpoint, though two are fascinating tales of white men who spent time with the Native Americans; one willfully, one as a captive. DeRegnaucourt summarizes these accounts for the reader in the form of ten reasons why St. Clair suffered such total defeat. The rout was indeed lopsided: St. Clair's force lost between 700 and 1000 while the Native American Confederacy lost only 30. This section is the most well crafted in the report and is an excellent interpretation of some 17 sometimes conflicting documents.

Apparently, the Second Battle of Fort Recovery is less well documented than was the first. DeRegnaucourt includes no eyewitness accounts of the 1794 battle, though it is not explicitly stated whether such documents exist. Several official period letters sent to and from the fort are reproduced, as is the only known sketch map of the location of Fort Recovery. A narrative of the second battle is reconstructed from a number of secondary sources. DeRegnaucourt reveals that the second battle consisted of the successful defense of the fort from a Native American force of 1000 to 2000. Curiously, Major General Anthony Wayne was not present during the battle; the fort was defended under the leadership of Captain Alexander Gibson. Unfortunately, DeRegnaucourt does not go into as deep an interpretation of the second battle as he did of the first, though this is probably because sources referring to the second battle were in greater agreement.

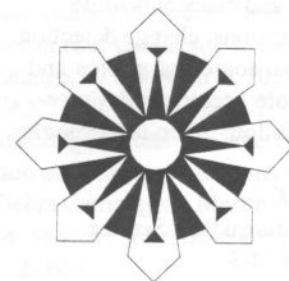
Far less space is devoted to interpretation of the archaeological portion of the investigations, which is placed in the final section of the report. One assumes that this is largely due to inconclusive results, courtesy of the extensive sub-surface disturbance. DeRegnaucourt discusses the

locations, stratigraphy, and assemblages recovered from a number of hand dug units and backhoe trenches placed within the project area. This section is preceded by 13 pages of plates of artifacts from both the current project and from the Fort Recovery Museum. Most of these plates also include thoughtful analytical notes.

Unfortunately, the report has a number of shortcomings which could have been easily rectified. The greatest being a dearth of modern maps with which the reader could have used for orientation. I immediately found myself asking "OK, so exactly where is Fort Recovery?" The answer could only be obtained from an atlas; this information was not presented graphically in the report. In actuality, there is only one map of a portion of the modern town - a diagram showing the project's excavations relative to existing structures and roads. Further, the organization of the report was confusing at times, due to a paucity of clear chapter or section segues.

Despite the slight imperfections, DeRegnaucourt's report is a laudable addition to the body of literature written for a public audience. The author should be commended for successfully completing a project which was funded by and primarily conducted for the people of Fort Recovery. The monograph would make a nice addition to the library of anyone remotely interested in the history of Ohio or of Native American/European conflict.

Reviewed by Matthew E. Becher, Gray & Pape, Inc.



Job Announcements

Consulting Archaeologist Iowa State Historic Preservation Office

The State Historic Preservation Office, State Historical Society of Iowa, Department of Cultural Affairs is recruiting applications to be submitted to the Iowa Department of Personnel for the position of Historical Program Specialist (Archaeology). Under general direction of the Deputy SHPO and bureau chief, this position will fill the requirement for a professional archaeologist as required by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and amendments.

Job duties will include conducting professional reviews of projects for the purpose of providing recommendations and comments relative to impact of project on archaeology; serving as

project manager of grants or contracts with the department which relate to archaeology; serving as the liaison from the SHPO to archaeological organizations and groups in Iowa; and providing technical assistance to governmental and private organizations to help implement cultural resource management into their operations.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

Applicants must meet the current Secretary of the Interior's professional qualification standards for archaeology. *Minimum* professional qualifications include a graduate degree in archaeology, anthropology, or closely-related field plus; (1) At least one year full-time professional experience or equivalent specialized training in archaeological research, administration or management; (2) at least four months of supervisory field and analytic experience in general North American archaeology; and (3) demonstrated ability to carry research to completion. In addition, an applicant must have a minimum of one year

full-time professional experience at a supervisory level in the study of archaeological resources of the *prehistoric period*, or of the *historic period*. Experience in working with the advisory Council on Historic Preservation regulations is a plus.

Salary and Benefits: This position is a permanent, full time position with an annual salary of \$36,136 plus state employee benefits. The State Historical Society of Iowa is an AA/EEO employer.

Deadline: Application will be accepted January 31 - February 29, 1997. To receive a copy of the application please call The Iowa Department of Personnel at 515-281-3087. Questions about the position should be addressed to Kathy Gourley at 515-281-8744.

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Archaeological Field Technicians & Field Supervisors

IMA Consulting, Inc. (IMAC), anticipates openings for Archaeological Field Technicians and Archaeological Field Supervisors for the 1997 field season.

Technician Qualifications: B.A. in Anthropology or related field. Field school and/or commensurate experience required. Experience with prehistoric and/or historic site survey and evaluation in the Plains or Upper Midwest preferred.

Pay Scale Ranges from \$8.50 to \$12.00 per hour based on experience.

Supervisor Qualifications: M.A. in Anthropology or closely related field. Minimum of three years experience in field and laboratory work, preferably in the Upper Midwest. Ability to manage crews

Laboratory Director

Laboratory Director is needed to manage all aspects of artifact analysis and curation for a cultural resource management consulting firm. Applicants must have an M.A. (or equivalent experience) in Anthropology, Archaeology, or a closely related field, and must have strong organizational and management skills. Specialization in prehistoric lithic analysis is preferred, but those with other historic or prehistoric analytic specialties will be considered. Position is full time with competitive salary and benefits. Send resumes, letter of application, and references to:

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Archaeological and Historical Consultants, Inc.
PO Box 482, Centre Hall, PA 16828. E.O.E.**

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under the oversight of a project manager/principal investigator and to work effectively with field, lab, and support staff. Good writing and computer skills are needed. Experience in the Midwest or Plains preferred.

Pay Scale Ranges from \$12.00 and up per hour based on experience.

Please send vita and references to:

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Archaeological Principal Investigators

IMA Consulting, Inc. (IMAC) anticipates openings for Principal Investigators with experience in cultural resources management consulting.

Qualifications: Ph.D. in Anthropology or closely related field or M.A. and 10 years experience and a record of publication. Excellent writing and computer skills and demonstrated ability to conduct original research. Ability to prepare proposals and design, implement, and complete projects in accordance project budget and schedule requirements. Ability to manage, delegate, budget, and work effectively with support and technical staff. Experience in the Midwest or Plains preferred.

Competitively salaried position with benefits.

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State News

Alabama

Grant Applications Sought for Alabama Cultural Resources Preservation Trust Fund.

The Alabama Cultural Resources Preservation Trust Fund was established to help fund many types of preservation grant projects in the state. Now in the fourth round of trust fund grants, nearly 1-3/4 of a million dollars have been awarded.

The Alabama Historical Commission (AHC) is accepting grant applications from nonprofit organizations, local governments, educational institutions, and others. Individuals are not eligible to receive grants.

Only the highest ranked Development and Mitigation applications are to be funded this year allowing proposals for Public Awareness and Education to receive the highest priority.

The AHC has identified priorities in its Strategic Plan. In addition to proposals for Public Awareness and Education, proposals are solicited especially for:

- * Survey and Registration projects that convert selected Historic Preservation Funded surveys in to AHC's computerized format, and
- * Planning projects that involve creation, enhancement, or education programs addressing a local preservation ordinance or design review guidelines.

Grants are on a 50/50 matching basis. Development and Mitigation projects must provide at least half of the matching share in cash.

Applicants must submit a preapplication. For grant application forms contact: John Powell, Grants Section, Alabama Historical Commission, PO Box 300900, Montgomery, AL 36130-0900. Preapplication deadline is April 1, 1997. Application deadline is June 1, 1997.

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Kentucky

The Kentucky Heritage Council will hold its 14th Annual Conference March 14-16 at the Natural Bridge State Resort Park in Slade, Kentucky. This year's conference is being cosponsored by the Kentucky Archaeological Survey and the Daniel Boone National Forest.

The meeting will be held at the Activity Center at Natural Bridge State Resort Park and a block of rooms have been reserved at the park's lodge for conference guests. For further information, contact: David Morgan, Kentucky Heritage Council, 300 Washington Street, Frankfort, KY 40601; 502-564-7005; FAX 502-564-5820.

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Missouri

The Missouri State Historic Preservation Conference will be held in Columbia, April 18-20, 1997. The conference is sponsored by the Missouri Alliance for Historic Preservation. For more information contact Pam Minor at 573-751-1819.

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New York

Legal Proceedings Taken Against Dormitory Authority

(Albany - February 10, 1997) The New York Archaeological Council (NYAC) today announced that it found it necessary to begin legal proceedings to hold the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY) in contempt for its recent actions at a downtown Albany archaeological site. An Order to Show Cause was issued on February 7, 1997. NYAC contends that DASNY destroyed portions of the Dutch Community of Beverwyck dating from the mid-17th century. NYAC had commenced a proceeding in October

1996 challenging DASNY's failure to comply with legal requirements concerning the study and mitigation of Albany's priceless historical site. The case was settled by a stipulation among the parties which was ordered by Justice Teresi on October 21, 1996. The agreement required DASNY to give preference to archaeology during construction of its headquarters.

NYAC claims that DASNY constructed its sewer lines in what archaeologists consider an extraordinarily rich area of the site, in clear violation of Justice Teresi's Order. The value of this resource is confirmed by the archaeological work done to date by DASNY's consultant, Charles Cobb, NYAC's former President who closely monitors progress at the site, stated: "This unique site contained well preserved archaeological remains from Native American and Dutch settlers living in and around the 17th century settlements of Beverwyck and Fort Orange." Archaeologists agree that this site is one of the most important sites in the early European settlement of North America. The site represents the only Dutch residential and commercial area which has been investigated during this period in the United States. Preservation and promotion of Albany's early Dutch heritage can have a positive effect on economic development by providing an attractive and unique tourist destination.

Cobb, who serves as NYAC's lead representative for this site, stated: "These areas of the site have been irreparably damaged by this latest construction. DASNY's actions, which were entirely unnecessary, warrant the imposition of a substantial penalty. The loss to the public and to the scientific community is immeasurable. Archaeological investigation, research and analysis of our nation's heritage can and must be incorporated into the design and planning of development projects at the earliest practical time in order to allow both to proceed responsibly. NYAC hopes this measure will be received and understood by DASNY." NYAC is seeking fines and damages in the amount of \$200,000 to punish DASNY for its actions. Archaeological deposits are

fragile resources and, once removed, can never be reconstructed. Unfortunately, Albany has again lost an irreplaceable portion of its unique heritage.

NYAC is represented by Carl G. Dworkin and Marc S. Gerstman. For more information, contact Charles Cobb at 607-777-2487.

West Virginia

West Virginia will celebrate its first annual West Virginia History Day, Wednesday, March 5, 1997. The event will be held in the Capitol Building and throughout the Capitol Complex during the 73rd Session of the West Virginia Legislature. Officially designated by the West Virginia Archives and History Commission as a special day to recognize the state's rich and varied history, the event is being cosponsored by the West Virginia Historical Society, West Virginia Historical Association, Preservation Alliance, Inc., the West Virginia Association of Museums, and Mining Your History Foundation.

As part of the celebration, sponsors are seeking History Heroes to receive special recognition. These awards are intended for the grassroots individual who has made a significant contribution to the preservation of local or regional history. Nominees may be those who have contributed years of service behind the scenes in support of local history or the recognized local authority.

Responsibility for nominating History Heroes has been vested in each county's historical and genealogical groups. Criteria and other details for nomination will be sent to all groups.

For further details contact Dr. Stuart McGehee at 304-325-3943 or Joy Gilchrist at 304-269-9789.

Prescott Ceramic Conference Results

The 1996 Prescott Ceramic Conference was held November 13-14, 1996, at the Museum of Northern Arizona in Flagstaff. The purpose of the conference was to solidify ware typology for the southwestern ceramics known as Prescott Gray Ware. The participants agreed, by consensus, to retail Prescott Gray Ware as the formal ware grouping for pottery associated with the Prescott culture (as decided by the 1980 West-Central Arizona Ceramic Conference). Formal ceramic types recognized by the conferees are Prescott Gray, Prescott Black-on-gray, Prescott Red-on-gray, Prescott White-on-gray, Prescott Buff, Prescott Red-on-buff, Aquarius Orange, and Aquarius Black-on-orange. Type definitions will be updated to include a range of variation not previously incorporated into the descriptions. The Conference also examined the relationships among Prescott Gray Ware, Verde Brown, Tizon Brown Ware, and San Francisco Mountain Gray Ware in order to more clearly define the range of variation within Prescott Gray Ware. It was suggested that additional conferences are necessary to deal with the specific types within the Tizon Brown Ware, San Francisco Mountain Gray Ware, and Southern Sinagua ceramics.

The Conference also agreed to formally define a new ware, Wingfield Brown, with the associated types of Wingfield Plain, Wingfield Black-on-brown, and Wingfield Red. It was accepted that Wingfield Brown Ware ceramics were predominantly tempered with phyllite rather than mica schist.

Other recommendations made by the Conference include the following:

- 1) the need for petrographic and chemical analyses for sourcing studies along with the clay and

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temper samples to be made available as raw material reference collections.

2) revitalization of the MNA ceramic repository and encouragement of other repositories, including encouraging archaeologists to submit voucher sherds to MNA on completion of each project report;

3) those proposing changes in ceramic typology, terminology, and type definitions should make greater use of the formal ceramic conference system, as ad hoc individual processes often result in confusion;

4) make use of existing survey and excavation collection;

5) use of standardized scales for recording temper particle size and abundance;

6) future research concerning the trend toward Alameda Brown Ware ceramic technology in late Prescott ceramic production.

A publication of the Prescott Ceramic Conference is expected in draft form by the summer of 1997. For further information contact Dr. David Wilcox, Museum of Northern Arizona, at 520-774-5211.

Taken from *Arizona Archaeological Council Newsletter*, January 1997.



***FieldNotes'* Request For Information**

Dear Consultant:

Please allow us to solicit your cooperation in a new endeavor by *FieldNotes*, a publication of the West Virginia Archeological Society. *FieldNotes* is now being published quarterly (March, June, September, and December). Although we are proud to announce that the schedule will proceed as planned, we are experiencing the same old problems. One of the main difficulties we find is the lack of good, informative, and interesting material about West Virginia archaeology to include. As a result, the newsletter is full of large text and repetitive items. For example, a listing of archeological movies at the library is useful but an article about a significant surface find in Fayette County would be more interesting.

This where you come in. We want to hear from you. What is your company doing? Let us know about any Phase IIs or Phase IIIs that you have been involved in. Or, for that matter, any interesting Phase Is. Send us photos of your personnel, in the office or in the field. How about any artifact drawings or photos with descriptions and significance. We hope that you participate with us so that both amateur and professional archaeologists can have a feel for what is being done in the West Virginia. And the best part is, you have on average 2-3 months to come up with something! Now, isn't that easy.

Send articles, photos, etc., to

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Request for Proposals

The Legacy Project of the National Trust is soliciting proposals for firm fixed-price contracts not to exceed \$1,000 from preservation-oriented non-profit organizations, educational institutions, government agencies, and other entities. The purpose is to build partnerships between preservation organizations, institutions, and agencies and Department of Defense (DOD) installations based on Historic Preservation Week activities (the "Historic Preservation Week Partnership Program").

The Goal of the Historic Preservation Week Partnerships Program is to encourage Preservation Week activities that are jointly sponsored by historic preservation organizations, institutions or agencies and DOD installations that will lead to lasting partnerships between the entities. It is anticipated that the contractors will begin work on their projects by March 30, 1997, and that all work will be completed and a final report submitted by June 13, 1997. For a copy of the Request for Proposals, please call Vicky Scolnick at 312-939-5547, ext. 221.

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