

From: [Thomas Cinadr](#)
To: [Anderson, Diane \(DNR\)](#)
Subject: Re: Request for SHPO Database Search
Date: Friday, April 25, 2014 1:05:08 PM
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THIS EMAIL IS NOT A PROJECT CLEARANCE.

This message simply reports the results of the cultural resources database search you requested. The database search produced results for only previously known archaeological sites and historic properties. Please read the note below carefully.

Archaeological sites and historic properties were identified in a search of the Minnesota Archaeological Inventory and Historic Structures Inventory for the search area requested. **Reports containing the results of the search are attached.**

The result of this database search provides a listing of recorded archaeological sites and historic architectural properties that are included in the current SHPO databases. Because the majority of archaeological sites in the state and many historic architectural properties have not been recorded, important sites or structures may exist within the search area and may be affected by development projects within that area. Additional research, including field survey, may be necessary to adequately assess the area's potential to contain historic properties.

If you require a comprehensive assessment of a project's potential to impact archaeological sites or historic architectural properties, you may need to hire a qualified archaeologist and/or historian. If you need assistance with a project review, please contact Kelly Gragg-Johnson in Review and Compliance @ 651-259-3455 or by email at kelly.graggjohnson@mnhs.org.

The Minnesota SHPO Survey Manuals and Database Metadata and Contractor Lists can be found at <http://www.mnhs.org/shpo/survey/inventories.htm>

SHPO research hours are 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM Tuesday-Friday.

The Office is closed on Mondays.

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On Thu, Apr 24, 2014 at 1:59 PM, Anderson, Diane (DNR) <diane.k.anderson@state.mn.us> wrote:
Dear Mr. Cinadr,

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is in the process of preparing two separate Environmental Assessment Worksheets (EAW) for two proposed projects in Whitewater State Park, located near the town of Altura, in Winona County. The projects are in close proximity of one another, so they are considered 'phased actions' by Environmental Quality Board rules (4410.1000, Subp. 4). Both projects are anticipated to begin in 2015. Please accept this email and project description as my request for a database search for archaeological, historical and architectural districts or structures within both project areas.

Project descriptions:

- 1) The Minnesota DNR is proposing to develop a new campground in Whitewater State Park, located in Winona County. The new campground area will include approximately 45-60 campsites, four camper cabins, three redesigned group camps with picnic shelters, and two new sanitation buildings. Following the completion of the new campground, the existing Gooseberry Glen campground, on the west side of TH 74, is planned to be converted to a day use area. Construction may begin in spring 2015.
- 2) Whitewater River Channel Restoration Project – The DNR is proposing a stream restoration project in Whitewater State Park on the Middle Fork of the Whitewater River in Winona County. Project plans include channel restoration that re-establishes dimension, pattern, and profile on 1,800 feet of the Middle Fork of the Whitewater River. Restoration of this section would restore stability, lessen erosion, improve water quality, revive natural structure and function, and result in an overall improvements to habitat conditions and public safety. Construction may begin in fall 2015.

*We are aware of the Whitewater State Park Historic District located within Whitewater State Park. The NRHP District boundary crosses both project areas, however, no contributing elements are located within either project area, nor will any elements be affected by the proposed developments/improvements.

Both proposed projects are located in the same section of Elba Township, Winona County:

TWP 107N RANGE 10W, Section 20; and part of the campground area includes **a portion of Section 17**

Attached are two draft maps (PDF) showing the location and proposed layout for your reference, as well as GIS shapefiles for each project area.

If you need additional information about these proposed projects or have any issues with the attachments, please contact me.

Thank you,
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Archaeological Site Locations

Site Number	Site Name	Twp.	Range	Sec.	Quarter Sections	Acres	Phase	Site Description	Tradition	Context	Reports	NR	CEF	DOE
County: Winona														
21WN0032		107	10	20	NE-SW-SE	2	1	LS			WN-81-02			
		107	10	20	NE-SW-SE	2	1	LS			MULT-79-08			
21WN0039		107	10	20	C-N-NE	3	1	LS	A-1		WN-81-02			
21WN0043	Whitewater Interpretive Center	107	10	20	SE-NE-NW-NE	1	1	LS			STP-90-01			
21WN0070	Whitewater State Park CCC/WPA Camp	107	10	20	SW-SE	6	1	AS,SR,STR		TR-1				
21WNbd		107	10	20	NE-NE-NW-NE, NW-NW-NE-NE	2	1	LS						

History/Architecture Inventory

PROPERTY NAME	ADDRESS	Twp	Range	Sec	Quarters	USGS	Report	NRHP	CEF	DOE	Inventory Number
COUNTY:	Winona										
CITY/TOWNSHIP:	Elba Twp.										
Whitewater State Park	off Mn. Hwy. 74 (Whitewater State Park)	107	10	20		Elba		Y			WN-ELT-003
park bridge		107	10	20	NW-SW-NE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-006
group camp		107	10	20	SW-NW-SW	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-007
sanitation building		107	10	20	SE-NW-SE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-008
water supply tank		107	10	20	SW-SW-SE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-011
CCC/WPA Transient Campsite (razed)		107	10	20	SW-SE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-012
pump house		107	10	20	SW-NW-SE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-013
warehouse/garage		107	10	20	SW-NW-SE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-014
shed		107	10	20	SW-NW-SE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-015
Custodian's Cabin		107	10	20	SW-NW-SE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-016
entrance signs (north and south)		107	10	20	NE-SW-NE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-017
culvert		107	10	20	NW-SW-NE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-018
Bath House		107	10	20	SW-NE-SE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-021
recreational dam/foot bridge		107	10	20	SW-NE-SE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-022
diversion dam		107	10	20	SW-NE-SE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-023
combination building		107	10	20	SW-SW-NE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-025
picnic shelter		107	10	20	SE-NW-SE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-027
contact station		107	10	20	SE-NW-SE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-029
picnic tables (east and west)		107	10	20	SE-NW-SE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-030
suspension bridge		107	10	20	SE-NE-SW	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-031
stone abutment	off Mn. Hwy. 74	107	10	20	SE-SE-SW	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-032
golf course garage		107	10	20	NE-SW-SW	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-033

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COUNTY:	Winona										
CITY/TOWNSHIP:	Elba Twp.										
footbridge	off Mn. Hwy. 74	107	10	20	SW-NE-SE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-034
park bridge	park road over Whitewater River	107	10	20	SE-SW-SE	Elba	xx-88-3H	Y			WN-ELT-035
Bridge No. 5836	T.H. 74 2.7 mi. S of Jct. CSAH 26	107	10	20		Elba					WN-ELT-041
Bridge No. 85019	carries paved road across Mid. Frk of Whitewater River in the Park	107	10	20							WN-ELT-045