



SOCIETY FOR AMERICAN ARCHAEOLOGY

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 11, 2007

Dr. John Parker
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Dear Dr Parker:

The Board of the Society for American Archaeology has reviewed the materials you forwarded regarding the controversy surrounding recent EPA activities on the Elem Indian Colony Reservation. The consensus of the Board is that while the EPA cleanup was important and timely, EPA failed in its responsibilities to comply with Section 106 regulations regarding cultural resources.

As you know, The SAA is an international organization that, since its founding in 1934, has been dedicated to research about, and interpretation and protection of, the archaeological heritage of the Americas. With more than 7200 members, the Society represents professional archaeologists in colleges and universities, museums, government agencies, and the private sector. The SAA has members in all 50 states as well as many other nations around the world.

We understand that the Elem Indian Colony Reservation case may soon be subject to legal action. While the SAA rarely becomes directly involved in legal actions, the Board will watch this case with great interest. The Board has asked me to thank you for bringing the case to its attention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Snow', written in a cursive style.

Dean R. Snow,
President