Kansas Historical Society
6425 SW 6th Avenue
Topeka, Kansas 66615-1099

Kansas state statute requires that a permit be obtained from the Kansas Antiquities Commission for archeological investigations carried out on state, county, or municipal lands in the state of Kansas. This form must be completed by any individual, institution, or corporation that intends to carry out such investigations, except as stated in KSA 74-5405 (see attachment). The Antiquities Commission will either accept or deny a permit within 30 calendar days of the receipt of this application. Use a separate sheet of paper or attachments if more space is needed to complete a section.

Name and address of institution, agency, corporation, or individual requesting permit:

Nature, status, and scientific affiliations of applicant organization:

Type of permit requested:

__ To conduct survey and collect archeological materials.
__ To excavate, collect and/or make intensive studies of specific sites.
__ Other: ________________________________

Lands for which permit is requested:

Legal location:

Please attach 7.5' USGS topographic map figures showing the project area. Other supporting information such as project plans and aerial images may also be submitted.

Name, address and a contact person for the agency or governmental unit controlling the property:

Has the land manager for this property been contacted about the project? __Yes __No
Aims, purposes, and exact character of work proposed:

Name, address, and official status of researchers:

Person in direct charge of fieldwork:

Please provide CVs or resumes for these individuals.

Anticipated date fieldwork will begin:

Anticipated duration of project:

Artifacts collected as a result of this project must ultimately be curated in a repository in Kansas. Please provide the name, address, and contact person at repository in which collected materials will be curated:

Contact person:        Email:

Has the contact person at the repository been contacted about the project?     __ Yes  __  No

Please send copies of all site forms created or supplemented as a result of permitted work to the State Archeologist.

When completed, return this form to:        For office use only

Secretary
Kansas Antiquities Commission
Kansas Historical Society
6425 SW 6th Avenue
Topeka KS 66615-1099

ATTN: State Archeologist

Application: __ Accepted __ Rejected (see attachment)

Signed: ____________________________
Nikki Klarmann, State Archeologist,
for Patrick Zollner, Executive Director,
Antiquities Commission Chair
Kansas Historical Society

Date: ____________________________

Questions? Contact Nikki Klarmann, State Archeologist at 785.272.8681 x269 or Nikki.Klarmann@ks.gov
Chapter 74--STATE BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND AUTHORITIES
Article 54--ANTIQUITIES COMMISSION

74-5401. Definitions. As used in this act: (a) "Antiquities" means historic or prehistoric ruins and other archeological sites, including evidence of such features as constructions or inscriptions by human agency or other evidence of human activity having antiquity but not including any unmarked burial site subject to the provisions of the Kansas unmarked burial sites preservation act. (b) "Commission" means the antiquities commission created by this act.

74-5402. Establishment; composition; secretary; compensation and expenses. There is hereby established a Kansas antiquities commission, to be composed of the following persons or their designated representatives: The secretary of the state historical society, who shall be the chairman thereof; the heads of the departments of anthropology of the university of Kansas, Kansas state university and Wichita state university; and the state archeologist on the staff of the state historical society, who shall be the secretary of the commission. Members of the Kansas antiquities commission attending meetings of such commission, or attending a subcommittee meeting thereof authorized by such commission, shall be paid subsistence allowances, mileage and other expenses as provided in K.S.A. 75-3223.

74-5403. Certain acts prohibited without authorization. (a) Except as provided by subsection (b), no individual, institution or corporation shall excavate in, remove material from, vandalize or deface any site or area described in K.S.A. 74-5401 and amendments thereto, on lands belonging to or controlled by the state of Kansas or any agency thereof, or to any county or municipality in the state, or on lands in which a qualified agency is conducting scientific archeological investigations, without specific authorization pursuant to a permit granted under K.S.A. 74-5404, and amendments thereto. (b) If, in the opinion of the commission or the commission's designee, any survey, excavation or construction is necessary to prevent the immediate threat to the life or health of persons near a site or area described in K.S.A. 74-5401, and amendments thereto, the commission or the commission's designee may authorize such survey, excavation or construction without issuing a permit under K.S.A. 74-5404, and amendments thereto.

74-5404. Permits; written request, requirements. Permits may be granted by the commission, through its secretary, under such limitations and for such periods of time as he may determine, to educational or research institutions, public museums or nonprofit corporations organized for scientific and research purposes. They may be authorized to excavate, remove materials, or otherwise scientifically investigate by recognized professional techniques if, in the opinion of the commission, they have the professional staff and the laboratory, storage and/or museum display facilities to make available to the public the professional knowledge gained and to preserve permanently all objects, photographs and other records of their investigations in public repositories under their own supervision or control. Permits may be issued only after approval of a formal written request detailing the purposes of the proposed investigation, the location in which it is to be conducted, the sponsoring agency, and the professional personnel to be in charge.

74-5405. Agencies authorized ipso facto to conduct scientific investigations. Agencies represented by the members of the commission shall ipso facto have permission to conduct scientific investigations, and other official agencies of the state of Kansas which employ a specifically entitled archeological research staff and which have facilities for laboratory and storage and for publications of scientific reports shall also have such ipso facto permission.

74-5406. Artifacts and materials recovered to be submitted to historical society, when. Artifacts and other materials recovered from such scientific investigations, if and when they are not needed or are no longer desired for retention by the original investigating agency, shall be submitted to the state historical society for preservation if the society so desires.

74-5407. Reports of discoveries; preservation. It shall be the responsibility of any person in charge of any survey, excavation or construction on any of the above defined lands, and he is hereby required, to report discoveries of objects, ruins or other antiquities to the secretary of the commission or, in the informant's discretion, to one of the other members of the commission. The reporting official shall take all reasonable precautions to preserve the discovery until it can be investigated by the commission or its designated agent.

74-5408. Penalties for violations of act. Any person, institution or corporation violating any provision of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars ($500) or imprisonment not to exceed six (6) months, or both. All material collected from the site by a convicted offender shall be delivered to the Kansas state historical society.