

**NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 451 of 1994**

**324.72117 Preservation and promotion of history of Native Americans; collaboration with certain entities; report.**

Sec. 72117.

(1) The department shall work collaboratively with tribal governments, educators, universities, the state transportation department, the council for the arts and cultural affairs, Travel Michigan, the state historic preservation office, the state archaeologist, the Michigan historical commission, historic preservation organizations, and historical societies to do all of the following:

(a) Review, plan, and implement a master plan to promote and preserve the history of Native Americans in this state. The master plan shall include a central compilation of information about places significant to the history of Native Americans in this state. The master plan shall also provide for the dissemination of such information to the public through websites, brochures, or other means.

(b) In conjunction with state and federal authorities, sponsor commemorations, linkages, seminars, and public forums on Native American history in this state and neighboring states.

(c) Assist and promote the making of applications for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places and for Michigan historical markers for places significant to the history of Native Americans in this state.

(d) Assist and develop partnerships to seek public and private funds to carry out activities to protect, preserve, and promote the awareness of Native American cultural heritage in this state.

(e) Promote the signage and recognition of places significant to the history of Native Americans, including places significant to that history along the statewide trail network described in section 72114.

(2) The department shall annually report to the governor and both houses of the legislature on its activities under this section in the prior calendar year.

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