

**Montana State Historic Preservation Office
Digital Data and Information Use Agreement**

The Montana State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) maintains the State Antiquities Database, which contains digital data and information on known historic, archaeological, and paleontological properties as well as previously conducted cultural resource inventories. The information contained in the State Antiquities Database is protected and restricted per the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (NHPA), the Archaeological Resource Protection Act of 1979 (ARPA), the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), as well as the Montana State Antiquities Act, and other federal and state statutes. This information is to be used in compliance with applicable federal, state, and local laws.

The Montana SHPO State Antiquities Database contains information and data in the form of documents, maps, spatial, and other digital data. In requesting and using this information and data, I understand and agree that the following conditions apply:

- 1) This information is restricted. It may be released to property owners, but may not be copied or released, without prior approval of the State Historic Preservation Office, to individuals who do not meet or work under the direct supervision of someone who meets the Secretary of the Interior’s Professional Qualifications Standards (48 FR 44716).
- 2) Any information relating to the location or character of historic, archaeological, and paleontological properties will not be disclosed in a manner that may create a substantial risk of harm, theft, or destruction to the properties or to the locations where the properties are located.
- 3) Specific locational information regarding archaeological, paleontological and sensitive historic properties will not be disclosed in public media (such as Environmental Assessments, Environmental Impact Statements, or Planning Studies).
- 4) Information and digital data on historic, archaeological, and paleontological properties on federal or tribal land will not be obtained or used without permission from the federal agency or tribe.
- 5) There are no guarantees as to the data’s accuracy or completeness. The data is dynamic, and periodic updates will occur that may impact previously requested information. Any known data issues (typos, errors, updates) should be reported to the Montana SHPO Cultural Records Manager.
- 6) The information provided by the SHPO represents only the information that has been formally recorded and documented with the Montana SHPO. Lack of information concerning properties in a location may be due to the lack of cultural resource inventories completed in that area.
- 7) Questions regarding the use, distribution and disclosure of information and data from the State Antiquities Database will be resolved with the Montana SHPO Cultural Records Manager.

Please complete this Digital Data and Information Use Agreement for each individual within an organization, institution, or agency that is requesting digital data from the Montana SHPO.

Organization Name:	
Address:	City:
State:	Zip:
Phone:	Email:
Authorized Organizational Representative:	
Signature:	Date: