Archaeological Research on DNR Collections:
Checklist and Memorandum of Understanding

This document will serve as a checklist for the Permit Applicant's use and as an outline of the agreement between the Applicant (who will sign as and for the Applicant and the Principal Investigator) and Georgia DNR (under signing authority of the State or Deputy State Archaeologist) for the specific project listed. It is agreed by the parties that this document, along with the Permit Cover Letter and the Protocols for Archaeological Research on DNR Collections, constitute the entire agreement between the parties. The GDNR is authorized but not required to consider any future changes to any of these documents that may be requested by the Permit Applicant.

By affixing their signatures hereto, the parties expressly acknowledge the following Permit requirements, and agree to comply with same.

**Project Information:**

**Project Title or Description:**

**Permit Applicant:**

**Date:**

1. *Research Design will include:*
   
a. Discussion of proposed research
b. Discussion of methods and extent of work to be performed
c. Discussion of previous research, to be integrated into proposed project
d. List of all project personnel
e. Project time line
f. Detailed project budget
g. Documentation of institutional support
h. Graduate student's thesis or dissertation chairperson letter indicating supervision of the project

2. *Proposal review process will include:*
   
a. Complete proposal submitted to DNR, three months before start date
b. Review by GDNR, appropriate outside experts, local DNR land manager
c. Applicant notified of proposal acceptance/denial, within 30 days of start date
d. Applicant and State or Deputy Archaeologist meet to sign documents and issue permit, after acceptance and before start date.
e. DNR comments returned to applicant, if proposal not approved
3. **DNR Project Coordination:**
   a. After acceptance, DNR Project Coordinator is appointed; applicant notified
   b. Before start date, Coordinator will contact collections manager regarding project
   c. Before start date and after Coordinator contact with collection manager, applicant will make access, logistical, and other arrangements directly with the local land manager. Applicant will maintain regular contact with land manager as appropriate.
   d. Every 90 days applicant will submit a succinct report on activities to Project Coordinator
   e. Applicant will maintain regular contact with Project Coordinator during project

4. **Required Products**
   a. Every 90 days - interim reports emailed
   b. Within 30 days of fieldwork completion - report in letter format submitted
   c. Within 1 year of completion - draft technical report submitted
   d. Within 90 days of receiving comments on draft - final technical report submitted
   e. Within 30 days of submitting final report - documentation regarding curation or return of collection submitted
   f. Within 1 year after final report is completed - abbreviated journal article submitted

5. **General Terms**
   a. It is understood by both parties that no funding is available from Georgia DNR for this or other projects subject to this permitting process.
   b. Applicant agrees to submit a Research Design that complies with details set forth in Protocols under "Required Components of Work Proposal," and specifically agrees to adhere to the limitations investigation set forth for the project.
   c. The parties agree that all media communication of any kind will be made through, and at the discretion of, the State or Deputy State Archaeologist. The applicant agrees to immediately refer any media contact s/he receives to the State or Deputy State Archaeologist, and further agrees not to initiate any contact with media without first receiving authorization from the State or Deputy State Archaeologist.
   d. The parties agree that failure to comply with the measures presented above without timely consultation with DNR will result in refusal of future permit requests to the Applicant, Principal Investor, and any sponsors.

*Signed in the presence of all parties, on the date first above written.*

**State or Deputy Archaeologist:**

**Applicant Name:**