

CHAPTER 32 – PROTECTION OF CULTURAL RESOURCES

The Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) or Environmental Assessment (EA) for a Project will address anticipated archaeological, paleontological, and historical sites within the Project limits. The necessary examination and salvage of those sites normally occurs prior to the construction phase of a Project.

If examination or salvage of the Project Site has not been completed, or if new sites are discovered before the Contractor starts Work in that area, do not allow the Contractor to disturb the site(s). If necessary, suspend Contract Work as provided in Section 00180.70. [*Refer to Chapter 13 - Contract Time*]

If any other archaeological, paleontological or historical site is discovered during the Project construction phase, take immediate action to protect the site. This may involve suspending all or part of the Contractor's operations. Immediately notify the ODOT Region Environmental Coordinator (REC) and the Region/Bridge Delivery Unit (BDU) Manager.

Submit an [Order for Force Work, form 734-1105](#), to allow payment of the costs of examination and/or salvage work performed by other agencies. [*Refer to Chapter 15 - Change Orders/Force Account/Work by Public Forces*]

