**RESOLUTION**

**SHORT TITLE:** CLUSTER ARCHAEOLOGIST

**SPONSOR CD:** North Central Area Association

**AREA:** NW SW ⌧NC SC NE SE

**RESOLUTION TYPE:**

 **Policy**

⌧**Position Statement**

**Recognition**

 **Study**

**RESOLUTION ACTION AGENCY** (check any option that applies):

⌧**WACD**

⌧**WSCC**

 **OTHER STATE AGENCY**

 **NRCS**

 **NACD**

 **NON-STATE/FEDERAL PARTNER**

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**BACKGROUND/PROBLEM STATEMENT:**

Conservation districts often have need for archeological work to move projects forward and meet landowner goals. Often there is insufficient work on a single district and for a single district to hire a consultant or staff archaeologist can be cost prohibitive.

Therefore, like the engineering clusters, several districts can go together to meet the demand for archaeological work and also share the costs. This would enable districts to timely meet demands for various projects and needs.

**TYPE OF TEXT OF RESOLUTION** (check all boxes that apply):

 Technical (changes address grammar, punctuation, sentence flow and makes **NO**

substantive change(s) to the existing policy.

 Substantive change to existing policy. If in doubt, check the box.

⌧ New policy.

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION LANGUAGE:**

WACD and WSCC work together in coordination with interested districts in assessing the need(s), logistics of hiring, housing, and supervision of cluster archaeologist(s). Advise participating CDs.

**ARE WACD RESOURCES (FUNDING, STAFF CAPACITY, ETC.) REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT THE POLICY?**

 **NO**

⌧ **YES** (briefly explain): Estimate 4-6 hours for research and coordination.