

What can you do to help?

- Work with landowners to preserve sites or get information before the sites disappear.



Alternate Scenarios:

“We had an Indian mound on our land once, but our granddad bulldozed it over.”



“We have an Indian mound on our land. Our granddad saved it. Let’s go take a look....”



If you collect artifacts....

- Very simple steps to convert a destructive activity into a constructive one.
- 1. Keep the artifacts from your different collecting spots separate. Don't mix different sites together.



- **2. Get a map, and plot your locations on it.**
- Don't rely on memory!
- Give each site a letter or number.
- A county road map will do. They are free.
- Or go to TerraServer on the internet and download a USGS map portion.
- A GPS Unit would be perfect.



- 3. “Curate” your artifacts!
- That means store them and your notes and map in a safe place.
 - Bags and boxes with proper labeling.



- 4. A report of your site to the Georgia Archaeological Site Files in Athens is important, and will be kept confidential.
- You can fill out your own site form, and name your site if it hasn't already been named (Click on "Report a Site").
- OR
- Contact me (Carolyn Rock) and I will fill out the site form for you.

- 5. Don't buy or sell!
- a. You cannot be sure where the artifacts came from.
- b. Without location, the scientific value is lost.

- 6. Show your collection to a qualified archaeologist.

- 7. Don't dig without the presence of a qualified archaeologist.
- Remember, every site is unique and non-renewable.

- If you really want to dig somewhere, find out where archaeologists are digging who accept volunteers.
- Join the Society for Georgia Archaeology
www.thesga.org
- Contact the St. Augustine city archaeologist.
- Send me your name and contact info!