

November 6, 1973

Mr. Charles W. Nelson
Supervisor Survey and Planning Section
Minnesota Historical Society
Fort Snelling - Building 25
St. Paul, Minnesota 55111

Dear Mr. Nelson:

The city of Rochester has submitted an application for State and Federal funds to purchase approximately 36.5 acres of parkland. The area is referred to locally as Indian Heights. Most of the area is wooded and is located on steep bluffs. An abandoned limestone quarry is within the project area. Native vegetation is encroaching within the quarry.

The proposed project area is the only undeveloped wooded area remaining in Northwest Rochester. It also provides a very scenic overlook of the City. It would be managed as a resource-oriented park with limited development of hiking trails, primitive picnic sites and a parking lot on the periphery.

We would appreciate any comments you might have so that we can comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-665).

A topographic map and certificate of survey of the project area is enclosed.

Because of limited time, we would appreciate receiving your comments before November 10. Thanking you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Donald N. Orke
Director of Parks

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