



Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Coalition Inc.
St. Clair, Monroe, Randolph Counties Illinois

Five Year Strategic Plan | 2021 Through 2025



The Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Coalition

The Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Coalition is a 501(c)(3) organization formed exclusively to promote, preserve, protect and develop the historic, architectural, cultural and natural heritage of the Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail through educational, charitable, historical and scientific purposes and to promote the expansion of the tourism industry in Southwestern Illinois.

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1 | Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail and Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Coalition Background

a. Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Background Description



The Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail (KCT) in southwestern Illinois traces its roots as a prehistoric overland trail established and used by native peoples. During French North American exploration and settlement in the early 1700's, the 60 mile long trail was used and further developed as an overland route alternative to river transport between the French colonial villages

of Kaskaskia and Cahokia. The trail developed as the first road in the territory prior to the establishment of the United States of America and the state of Illinois, served as a vital route in the settlement of the state and the nation throughout the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, and continues to be utilized through present day.

Today, the KCT is located within the St. Louis metropolitan area in St. Clair, Monroe and Randolph counties in southwestern Illinois. The 60 mile long KCT corridor connects visitors with an opportunity to discover the region's native Indian history, French colonial roots, French and Indian War and American Revolutionary War in the region, post Revolutionary War era settlement, early Illinois' statehood, westward expansion, 18th and 19th century European immigration influences, transportation development history and prominent agricultural economy.

The Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail traverses the eastern edges of the Middle Mississippi River valley. The landscape setting is scenic with expansive alluvial bottomlands, bordered by dramatic bluffs and rolling upland oak-hickory forests, prairies and farmlands with many quaint and historic towns, villages and rural back roads.

b. The Bottomland and Upland Trails

During historic settlement of the Kaskaskia and Cahokia region, there were two main overland trails developed and used to connect the villages of Kaskaskia and Cahokia – a predominately upland trail and a bottomland trail on the Mississippi River floodplain.

The bottomland trail traversed the American Bottom floodplain beginning in Kaskaskia, passing through Prairie du Rocher, Columbia, Prairie du Pont (Dupon) and ending in Cahokia. The trail was often impassable during high river levels and wet periods. Over time, due to its unreliability for passage, its importance diminished and the bottomland trail disappeared. Today the scenic Bluff Road on the eastern edge of the American Bottoms is promoted for touring and represents the bottomland trail route.

The upland trail from Prairie du Rocher to Cahokia was a more reliable route that did not flood and was easier to use and maintain. Thus, over time, it became continuously developed roadway that is still in use today and is the main route of the historic KCT.

In total, the main trail alignment covers approximately 34 miles on the American Bottom/Kaskaskia Bottom Mississippi River floodplain and 26 miles of upland, Ozark hill country landscape that parallels above the expansive floodplain.



A dramatic limestone and sandstone bluff line divides the floodplain from the uplands along the entire length of the trail.

Today, the importance of the trail is well documented. Many, but not all, of the historic and prehistoric sites are being identified, protected, interpreted and promoted for the public's benefit through collaboration and partnering efforts by the Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Coalition (KCTC).

c. The Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Coalition Background Description

The Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Coalition (KCTC) was formed in 2011 as an informal, volunteer collaboration of interested individuals, agencies and organizations in St. Clair, Monroe and Randolph counties. Outcomes from the earliest meetings were establishing a regular meeting schedule and selecting a chairperson to coordinate activities.

The broad goals of the KCTC when first formed were:

- promote public awareness, education and enjoyment of the KCT,
- protect and sustain KCT historic and scenic resources and values,
- increase KCT related regional tourism, economic development and life quality.

Critical KCTC accomplishments from 2011 to 2017 include: Defined the trail route; completed historic sites inventory; recruited more volunteers; selected logo and branding; installed road signs marking the trail; developed and distributed a 16 panel full-color brochure and a full-color rack card; developed a Facebook page and website; issued media releases; conducted media events; and participated in regional special events.

One of the most notable accomplishments spearheaded by the KCTC during 2013-2014 was working with the region's elected State Representative and Senator in the Illinois General Assembly to issue a formal Joint Resolution designating the KCT a state Scenic and Historic Route. This designation was formally approved by the Illinois General Assembly on May 6, 2014.



Efforts of the KCTC garnered several significant, statewide recognitions during its first five years of operations.

Recognitions include:

- Richard H. Driehaus Foundation Education Award - 2013
- Illinois General Assembly Joint Resolution designating the KCT a State Scenic and Historic Route - 2014
- Landmarks Illinois Richard H. Driehaus Foundation Preservation Award for Advocacy - 2015
- Illinois Excellence in Tourism Award for Best Cooperative Partnership - 2016
- AAA Midwest Travel Treasure - 2016
- East-West Gateway Outstanding Local Government Achievement Award-Exemplary Intergovernmental Collaboration - 2016

A key achievement during 2018-2019 for the KCTC was the development, printing and distribution of a 36 page full-color Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Tourism Booklet. The KCTC applied for, and was awarded, a grant from the Illinois Humanities Council, which helped fund almost half the cost of this booklet. In addition, the Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Book (360 pages) written by Dennis Patton, one of the KCTC founders,

was published. The cost of publishing and printing limited copies of the book was paid for by the Sophia and Elmer Oerter Charitable Foundation, Columbia IL, with specific directions that proceeds from sale of the books be contributed to the KCTC and two other organizations in the area. The KCTC quickly and easily sold their allotment of books due to high interest by the public and Coalition members. Book sale proceeds were used to fund the remaining cost of printing the KCT Tourism Booklet.

At the KCTC quarterly meeting in April 2018, the Coalition decided it was critical to become incorporated as a tax-exempt not-for-profit organization. Doing so would encourage and stimulate organization growth, increase organizational capacity, and increase development potential of the KCT.

Bylaws for the new Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Coalition Inc. not-for-profit were prepared and approved by the organization on August 9, 2018. Articles of Incorporation were prepared and approved by the State of Illinois on August 17, 2018. Federal Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Forms for 501 (c) 3 not-for-profit tax-exempt status were submitted and approved on October 23, 2018. State of Illinois Sales Tax Exemption Certificate was issued on March 28, 2019.

In January 2019, the organization began full operation per its adopted Bylaws with election of a five member board of directors (president, vice-president, treasurer, secretary, at-large), and an annual membership fee structure. The KCTC fiscal year is the same as the calendar year (1 Jan - 31 Dec). Copies of Bylaws are available upon request from the KCTC Secretary. The bylaws and organization structure and operations promote active participation from members representing each of the three counties, as this is a key to continued organization success. Working committees established include: executive; media; website/social media; membership; brochures; and project ad hoc committees established for specific initiatives.

Membership and support of the Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail and the Coalition is encouraged and open to all interested individuals, organizations, businesses, and agencies.

An annual membership fee structure was developed and adopted to assist with organization operation costs and to encourage on-going support for the KCT. Annual membership fee structure by membership type is as follows:

- Individual - \$15
- Family - \$20
- Business/Organization/Government/Other
 - Bronze Level - \$50
 - Silver Level - \$100
 - Gold Level- \$250
 - Diamond Level - \$500
 - Platinum Level - \$1000 and above

Today the KCTC supports/partners and promotes approximately 50 historic and natural heritage sites associated with the KCT in the three county region. The corridor encompasses the French Colonial Heritage District in Southwestern Illinois. The current inventory of historic sites on the KCT includes seven (7) sites in western St. Clair County, twenty eight (28) sites in Monroe County (north to south), and sixteen (16) sites in western Randolph County. Of these sites, six (6) in Randolph County, five (5) in Monroe County and five (5) in St. Clair County are designated on the National Register of Historic Places, with many more sites register eligible. Randolph County also has three (3) National Historic Landmarks and Monroe County has one (1) National Natural Landmark.

There is potential for approximately thirty (30) additional historic sites that could be developed and promoted as part of the KCT through future partnerships and resources.



2 | Vision, Mission and Goals

The **Vision** of the Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Coalition is to develop and sustain a relevant and viable Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail, a state designated scenic and historic route in Southwestern Illinois that is of state and national importance, and the public's interest to preserve regional heritage, promote tourism, economic development and life quality.

The **Mission** of the Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Coalition is to promote, preserve, protect and develop the physical and cultural heritage of the Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail through educational, charitable, historical and scientific purposes and to promote expansion of the tourism industry in Southwestern Illinois.

Specific **Goals** of the Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Coalition (KCTC) are:

1. Acquire by gift, donation, grants, devise or otherwise, money, land, buildings or other properties to preserve and promote the Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail (KCT), the oldest road in the State of Illinois and a State of Illinois designated Historic and Scenic Route;
2. Provide leadership to empower, strengthen, and sustain the KCT;
3. Educate practitioners, professionals, volunteers and the public in matters related to the KCT;
4. Educate regional decision makers and the public about the importance of the KCT;
5. Plan and implement charitable KCT Historic and Scenic Route preservation, education, way-finding and tourism marketing related projects for the public's benefit;
6. Develop human, financial and other resources beneficial to the KCT;
7. Improve and sustain communication and collaboration opportunities with KCT interest groups and individuals;
8. Develop partnerships with applicable units of government (municipal, county, state, federal) and the not-for-profit and for-profit private sectors.



3 | SWOT Analysis (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats)

The acronym SWOT is a strategic planning analysis that identifies strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats to an organization. Strengths and weaknesses are generally internal factors affecting an organization. Opportunities and threats are generally external factors affecting an organization. This framework is a tool to assist an organization and/or project in auditing its organizational environment to develop a strategic plan or “path” to short term and long term success.

The following SWOT analysis is focused on strategic plan initiatives over the next five years, with a preliminary conceptual view to beyond five years. Bulleted SWOT statements are listed in random order.

a. Strengths

- The KCTC is organized and incorporated with the State of Illinois and the IRS as a 501(c)3 tax-exempt not-for-profit. This allows for direct application for grants and accepting tax-deductible donations.
- The KCT is a corridor of national and statewide historic importance due to the large number of designated historic sites, buildings, and natural areas from diverse periods in historic and prehistoric times. Of special emphasis is the corridors French Colonial history and the KCT being “Illinois’ First Road”, and “Where Illinois Began”.
- The KCT traverses the French Colonial Historic District in Southwestern Illinois. The KCT corridor includes approximately 50 historic/pre-historic and natural sites with potential to add many other sites through partnerships. The three county trail currently includes sixteen (16) sites on the National Register of Historic Places, three (3) National Historic Landmarks and one (1) National Natural Landmark.
- The KCT region offers diverse scenic landscapes, including extensive bluff lands, Ozark habitats, the Mississippi and lower Kaskaskia Rivers, historic structures and sites, and authentic rural settings with charming historic communities providing visitor services that appeal to auto tourists, bicyclists, motorcyclists, hikers, and history and nature buffs.

- The KCT is a state designated Scenic and Historic Route.
- The KCT is a popular amenity and feature with the citizens of the region. It is not controversial and promotes regional pride and identity, improving citizens’ life quality.
- The KCTC is all volunteer with members from St. Clair, Monroe and Randolph counties.
- Units of government, (particularly municipalities such as Waterloo and Columbia) provide technical, resource and skilled labor support to KCTC programs, projects and products to ensure success. They do this because the KCT is important to their communities and counties for tourism/economic/community development and life quality for their citizens.
- Committed and productive leadership, board members and members from throughout the region that have accomplished many efforts since 2011.
- Active Facebook presence and quality website.
- Informational print marketing materials available throughout the region and at State of Illinois visitor centers.

b. Weaknesses

- Lack of consistent funding level to accomplish priority objectives.
- The KCTC is operated solely by volunteers. This can limit timeliness and level of effort on KCT work.
- Lack of secure and sustainable active memberships and balanced participation from all three counties.
- Lack of coordinated maintenance and resources for some roadside historic markers and sites.
- Restricted hours of operation, limited resources, staff and volunteers for many sites.

- Lack of State of Illinois funding for operation and maintenance of several state historic sites.
- Access to Kaskaskia Island IL (on the MO side of the river) and French Colonial community of Ste. Genevieve is provided by two Mississippi River crossings - the Chester Bridge, which is toll free and reliable, and the Ste. Genevieve-Modoc River Ferry, which charges fees and is reliable only under certain river levels. This public/private ferry is a great tourist attraction and convenience that is challenged for funding to stay in operation and is closed when the river levels are too high or too low, limiting access to Kaskaskia, Ste. Genevieve and KCT area communities and attractions in Illinois.
- Lack of Executive Director and/or volunteer/membership/outreach/grant coordinator. Volunteer board and members are responsible for accomplishing all routine day-to-day activities.
- Lack of volunteer, grant, and outreach committee(s).
- Lack of leadership succession plan and proactive member engagement and recruiting strategy for more annual fee paying members, particularly at the business, organization and government agency fee levels.
- Lack of revenues to execute priority projects and/or provide grant matching funds.

c. Opportunities

- Strong public support for the KCT. Viewed by units of government, other organizations and the interested public as an important heritage and tourism project for the region.
- Being a State Scenic and Historic Route allows for the KCTC to initiate and complete the process to become a Federally designated National Scenic Byway.
- Develop partnership with the National Park Service (NPS) Recreation, Trails and Conservation Assistance (RTCA)

Program (Chicago Office) for technical assistance and help in finding and securing grants.

- Increasing interest and demand in the St. Louis region for day and weekend tourism areas for outdoor recreation, sightseeing, historic and nature based heritage outings and other tourism related trips.
- Numerous collaboration and partnering possibilities with other mission related private NFP's, municipal, county, state agencies, and businesses in the region.
- Ideally positioned to serve as the sanctioned heritage corridor connecting current NPS National Historic Parks initiatives for Ste. Genevieve (authorized/existing), Prairie du Rocher (under study) and Cahokia Mounds (pending approval).

d. Threats

- Loss of dedicated support for KCTC by units of government and other organizations.
- Closure, destruction, reductions, lack of investment of important KCT related attractions.
- Closure of the Ste. Genevieve-Modoc River Ferry would limit direct, convenient and scenic access between the IL and MO sides of the river for KCT related tourism, commerce and other travel purposes.
- Floods and other natural and manmade disasters.



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4 | Strategic Five Year Objectives - Priority Projects and Initiatives

a. Short Term and Long Term Efforts Identified and Prioritized with Member Input

The Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Coalition (KCTC) began planning for development of this five year strategic plan at the October 24, 2019 full member quarterly meeting. A brainstorming session was facilitated to identify potential short and long term objectives, tasks, and projects. From the list developed, all members had the opportunity to rank the lists in order of priority. Ten KCT members provided input. The following list of short term and long term prioritized objectives, tasks and projects are the result of this initial effort.

Short Term (2021-2022)

1. Develop Strategic Plan, develop new website, place advertisement in Fort de Chartres Rendezvous Anniversary Booklet (All complete in 2020/2021);
2. Increase tourism promotion initiatives;
3. Distribute KCT Tourism Booklet per brochure distribution list and provide clear plastic brochure holders/racks where needed;
4. Conduct Road Rally fundraiser;
5. Identify new fund raising tactics;
6. Update KCT email group (ongoing);
7. Develop KCT tourism video with ILLINOIS South Tourism Bureau.

Long Term (2022-2025)

1. Partner with Les Amis du Fort De Chartres NFP on mutually beneficial projects;
2. Identify roadside pull-off sites and develop/install appropriate interpretive signage and safe vehicle access (See Para. b. 5. below for more detail);

3. Develop and publish KCT trip scenarios on website and social media;
4. Develop interactive way-finding map for website (and smart phone app);
5. Promote business involvement;
6. Promote student involvement;
7. Develop plan for maintenance of historic sites and structures with partners (See Para. b. 5. below for more detail);
8. Promote public library involvement;



9. Provide a KCT information booth at a minimum of one special event in each county annually;
10. Partner with others on KCT educational book written and illustrated by Tom Wilcox;
11. Contact group trip planners and travel agencies about KCT tourism;
12. Attempt to achieve 1,000 KCTC members;
13. Develop youth coloring pages for the website and schools;
14. Assist partners and Dennis Patton with reprinting and sales of the Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Book;
15. Hire CTM Media Group for KCT brochure distribution or find another solution for distribution of materials;
16. Develop KCT Guide app for smart cell phones;
17. Submit a tourism award nomination (KCT Tourism Booklet and Website);

18. Partner with NPR, Belleville for KCT education/promotion.

b. Other Projects and Initiatives Identified

During the development of this strategic plan, the board and members identified other efforts and opportunities that should be pursued and/or implemented to effectively accomplish KCTC goals over the next five years. These efforts were not ranked by priority during the planning process but will be reviewed and considered on an annual basis when the plan accomplishments from the past year are audited and new work priorities for the next year are determined.

1. Establish working partnership with the National Park Service Recreation, Trails and Conservation Assistance (NPS RTCA) Program to provide technical support and grant assistance for KCTC.
2. Coordinate with counties, appropriate state and Federal agencies, and appropriate Illinois General Assembly and Federal Congressional delegation members to pursue Federal National Scenic Byway (NSB) designation for the KCT.



3. Develop and mail-out, post on website/Facebook an annual Nov/Dec KCT Newsletter that highlights past year accomplishments of the KCTC, new KCT attractions, and efforts planned for the next year. Make this an appeal for memberships and/or donations. Will consider a quarterly or biannual newsletter in the future if organizational capacity makes it feasible.
4. Develop Membership and Revenue Plan to identify potential grants, desired membership fees, donation incentives and consider merchandise sales (T-shirts, mugs, calendars, books, etc.). Develop a list of potential new members to contact that would be beneficial to the KCTC.
5. Inventory and evaluate all KCT related sites and structures that have feasible potential to be improved for interpretation, public access and use. Develop implementation plans with appropriate public/private partnerships. Work with municipalities, county highway departments, road districts, county commissioners and IDOT/USDOT/FHWA, as applicable, to partner for roadway/signage maintenance and safe access/use of existing roadside pull-off historic sites, development of new ones desired by the KCTC or others, and defining operation and maintenance roles and responsibilities (Example – Seeger School monument site on KK Road in Monroe County needs routine vegetation trimming/spraying and a safe one car gravel pull-off with culvert). Promote and support as feasible, the development and maintenance of biking and hiking trails associated with the KCT. Work with local units of government and other partners to identify KCT related roadway needs and pursue desired opportunities for state and federal transportation enhancement grants.
6. Establish partnerships and prepare a plan to develop a Stone Arch Bridges of Monroe County auto tour route.
7. Partner with Les Amis du Fort de Chartres to develop KCT related features for their Heart of Illinois Country Heritage Plan.
8. Evaluate Bluff Road (the bottomland trail) for potential roadside historic sites with interpretive signs and needed improvements to existing historic markers (include Miles Cemetery on the bluffs). Develop plan to install road signs to designate Bluff Road as the bottomland KCT.
9. Collaborate with Prairie du Rocher French Colonial Historic District (PDRFCHD) to support and identify mutually beneficial partnerships that support their National Historic Park and KCT National Scenic Byway efforts.
10. Promote the use of relevant hashtags on KCT social media posts to comprehensively link and promote related projects and initiatives (ex. #kaskaskiacahokiatriail, #frenchcolonialheritagedistrict, #prairiedurocher, #randolphcounty, etc.).
11. Collaborate on KCT related and mutually beneficial efforts with appropriate Ste. Genevieve, MO area and Perry County agencies (City/County Tourism/Preservation organizations, MDNR, Missouri Tourism/Economic Development and NPS). Supporting tourism/business efforts in the areas near Kaskaskia Island provides many benefits for the KCT and the Ste. Genevieve region.



5 | Conceptual Direction Beyond Five Years

- Continue to partner and promote expansion of trail attractions, events, and tourism profile through marketing regionally and nationally.
- Secure membership and financial support to hire an Executive Director (full time or part time TBD) to conduct day to day business of the Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Coalition and serve as membership, volunteer, grants and outreach coordinator/manager under leadership and direction of the board of directors.
- Become a designated National Scenic Byway (NSB) conducting activities and providing services to pursue and accomplish Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail NSB goals and objectives.



6 | Conclusion and Plan Approval

The intent of this strategic plan and its approval is to provide a general “path” or guide to pursue priority goals, objectives, tasks/projects through general consensus of the Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Coalition, and move forward in an orderly manner with an agreed upon plan for the next five years. After five years this plan should be fully re-evaluated and updated to reflect plans for the next five years (2026-2030).

Keys to organizational success are increasing partnership opportunities, continuing to improve and sustain community support throughout the three county region, and securing required financial resources for the benefit of the KCT. This plan is intended to assist in continuing this success.

This plan, like any good plan, is intended to be flexible and adaptable to evolve and change over time as new situations, conditions and opportunities may arise. Annually, the plan should be reviewed and adjusted to reflect accomplishments and current conditions that may merit plan changes to

produce highest value and most productive results. Over time some plan proposals may be abandoned and some may be augmented. Regardless, utilizing this planning process will keep the organization focused and more productive in achieving its mission.

By vote of the KCTC Board of Directors and the general membership, this KCTC Five Year Strategic Plan for 2021 through 2025 is Approved on January 28, 2021.

John Reed
President
KCTC Board of Directors

7 | Current Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Attractions

St. Clair County

- **Cahokia**
 - S1. Cahokia Courthouse SHS
 - S2. Holy Family Church & Parish Museum
 - S3. Jarrot Mansion SHS
 - S4. Tricentennial Heritage Park
- **East Carondelet**
 - S5. Martin/Boismenu House SHS
- **Dupo**
 - S6. Pulcher Mississippian Mounds Site

Monroe County

- **Columbia**
 - M1. Sandbank School
 - M2. Piggot's Fort Marker
 - M3. Historic Main Street District
 - Miller-Fiege Home
 - Historic Main Street Columbia Self-Guided Walking Tour
 - M4. Shoemaker Schoolhouse Plaza
 - One-Room Schoolhouses of Monroe County Exhibit
 - Gall Road Stone Arch Bridge
 - Whiteside Station Memorial
 - M5. Eagle Cliff/Miles Cemetery
- **Waterloo**
 - M6. Waterloo Historic District
 - Monroe County Courthouse
 - Historic Downtown Buildings Self-Guided Walking Tour
 - M7. Peterstown House
 - M8. Kaskaskia-Cahokia Trail Historic Marker/Ford Monument
 - Ditch's Tavern/Roger's Seminary
 - M9. Waterloo Historic Complex
 - History Museum of Monroe County
 - Bellefontaine House & Spring
 - James Moore Cabin
 - Moore Cemetery
 - Kaskaskia-Cahokia Trail Remnant with Stone Arch Bridge

- **Valmeyer**
 - M10. Salt Lick Point Reserve & Trails
 - M11. White Rock Nature Preserve
 - M12. Valmeyer Community Heritage Society Museum
 - M13. Flood of 1993 Site
- **Burksville/New Design**
 - M14. James Seely Historic Marker
 - M15. Lemen Monument
 - M16. Baebler Farm
 - M17. Burksville Cave/Illinois Caverns
- **St. Joe/Tipton**
 - M18. St. Joe
 - M19. Tipton
- **Maestown**
 - M20. Historic District
 - Maestown Creek Stone Arch Bridge
 - Maestown Mill Museum
- **Fults/Renault**
 - M21. Fults
 - M22. Renault
 - M23. Paul Wightman Subterranean Nature Preserve
 - M24. Fults Hill Prairie Nature Preserve
 - M25. Kidd Lake Marsh State Natural Area
 - M26. Native American Village
 - M27. St. Phillipe and Renault Land Grant Roadside Pull-Off

Randolph County

- **Prairie du Rocher**
 - R1. Fort de Chartres SHS
 - R2. Ste. Anne Church
 - R3. Pierre Laclede Home
 - R4. Historic Prairie du Rocher
 - Village Hall
 - Creole House
 - St. Joseph Church
- **Modoc**
 - R5. Modoc Rock Shelter NHS

- R6. Ste. Genevieve-Modoc Ferry
 - Ste. Genevieve, Missouri
- R7. US Army Corps of Engineers Recreation Area and the Jerry F. Costello Lock and Dam
- **Ellis Grove**
 - R8. Fort Kaskaskia SHS/Garrison Hill Cemetery
 - R9. Pierre Menard Home SHS
- **Chester**
 - R10. Chester Welcome Center
 - R11. Governor Shadrach Bond State Memorial in Evergreen Cemetery
 - R12. Randolph County Courthouse & Museum and Archives Building
 - R13. Popeye Statue and Character Trail (Elzie C. Segar Park)
- **Kaskaskia Island**
 - R14. Kaskaskia Bell State Memorial
 - R15. Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
 - R16. La Grande Rue



Discover the Kaskaskia-Cahokia Trail

From the Peoria Tribe of Oklahoma

Welcome to the land of our people and our elders who came before us. The Confederated Peorias originated in the lands bordering the Great Lakes and drained by the mighty Mississippi. These people are the Illinois or Illini Indians, descendants of those who created the great mound civilizations in the central United States two to three thousand years ago.

The Kaskaskia-Cahokia Trail was important to us as you will learn.

To discover more, please visit our official
Peoria Tribe website: PeoriaTribe.com



Map Legend

- Kaskaskia-Cahokia Trail
- ✦ KCT Attraction
- Lower Trail Scenic Route
- Routes to Kaskaskia Island
- Interstate
- State Route
- Side Road
- River
- State Border
- County Border



Don't lose your way, follow the Kaskaskia-Cahokia Trail road signs.

For more information:

Visit the Kaskaskia Cahokia Trail Coalition's website
www.kctrailillinois.org

