

# Big Stone II Power Plant Cultural Resources Survey

*Milbank, South Dakota*



As part of an environmental impact statement, the 106 Group conducted a cultural resources review for the Big Stone II electric-generating power plant project near Big Stone City, South Dakota, the 106 Group completed archaeological investigations and an architectural history survey of cultural resources in and near the plant.

The archaeological work was conducted in close, daily collaboration with the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate tribe, who provided archaeologists and monitors.

As part of the architectural history survey, three farmsteads were surveyed, two of which were recommended as eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. However, all parties agreed there would be no adverse effect to these properties.



As part of the Section 106 federal review process, we assisted Western Area Power Authority and the project team with preparation and review of a programmatic agreement, which extends across state borders and required many signatures from federal, state, and tribal agencies and organizations.

