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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Natchez Trace Parkway bisects the Robinson Road 11 miles west of Carthage, Mississippi. The Old Natchez Trace is located to the west of the parkway where it and the Robinson Road meet.

The Robinson road on the east side of the parkway is grown up with underbrush and has sunken depressions 5-6 feet deep. It is located alongside (south) of present old Highway 16. The road crosses and recrosses, and often is part of old Highway 16. On the west side of the parkway the road is very deep to about 12-14 feet deep. It is located on the north side of old Highway 16. As it goes down this small hill the depressions are not so deep as it nears a small branch. Large pine trees have grown up in the old road bed and they have effectively shaded out most of the undergrowth.

Recommended treatment: Preservation
Preliminary cost estimate for above: \$4,000.00
Photograph enclosed

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Order of Significance - 2nd

The total length of Robinson Road is approximately 1,950 feet. About 950 feet lies to the West of the trace and 800 feet to the East of it; a 200 ft. mid-section has been obliterated as a result of construction of old State Highway No. 16, and the route of the trace itself.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

When the western half of the Mississippi Territory became a state in 1817, the greater part of the lands of the two cessions became a part of the Territory of Alabama. They were fertile, lying for the most part in the Tombigbee and Black Warrior River Valleys; and soon were opened for settlement. The small part of the area which fell to Mississippi was settled rapidly. A Mississippi writer, for example, lists the names of 36 white men who had established themselves east of the Tombigbee by 1819. The growth of population was so rapid that on February 9, 1821, the Governor of Mississippi approved an act of the legislature organizing Monroe County, containing about 450 square miles in what is now Lowndes and Monroe Counties

The new county was isolated from the rest of the State. Communication with the state capital was difficult and circuitous. The distance via the only available route to Jackson was approximately 260 miles; by a direct route through the wilderness the distance was only 130 to 140 miles. Almost immediately after the establishment of the new county, there arose an insistent demand for a more direct road to Jackson.

The construction of such a road was impeded by relations with the Indians. It would cross more than 120 miles of Choctaw country. Hitherto, roads through Indian lands had been opened only by the Federal Government; and this only after the consent of the Indians had been secured. The Mississippi Congressional delegation promptly went to work and obtained passage of an act, approved March 21, 1821, authorizing the construction and appropriation of \$5,000 for a road.

The construction of the road began in late summer or early fall 1821. The contractor who surveyed the road was Raymond Robinson, one of the founders of Raymond, Mississippi. For that reason it was popularly, and later officially, called the Robinson Road. The road crossed many sluggish creeks and rivers, all of which were bordered by wide swampy areas and this made construction difficult. By 1830 dissatisfaction with the Robinson Road, which was probably then the most important thoroughfare in the state, led the state legislature to seek new means to bring about its improvement. In 1830 toll gates were to be installed once the toll keepers improved the road. This venture did not work. The route of the road was from the center of Madison County to Columbus, Mississippi. The road received a great deal of use and significantly helped develop portions of the state through which it ran. Today, many parts of it are used as part of the Federal highway system (U.S. 82) and other county roads.

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