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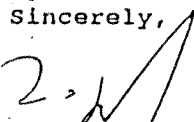
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September 15, 1994

This letter is in regards to our telephone conversation today. Recently I was contacted by Jason Pitsch to view and determine if his archeological artifacts were legally obtained. I feel very confident that Mr. Pitsch's artifacts are legal. The Pitsch Family owns approximately 30,000 deeded acres of land that surrounds the Little Big Horn Battlefield. Many of the portions of those battlesites are on the Pitsch's private land.

It is illegal to remove archeological artifacts from Federal and Indian land without a permit and I have enclosed a copy of the 1979 Archeological Resources Protection Act (ARPA) that explains the law in detail. If you have any questions, or if I can be of further assistance, please contact me at (406) 255-2906. Thank you for your time and attention regarding this matter.

Sincerely,


Lee B. Lingard
Special Agent

1 Enclosure
1 - Copy of ARPA

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Little Bighorn Artifacts

FROM CUSTER'S LAST STAND

FOUND ON THE
RENO BATTLEFIELD AND SITTING BULLS CAMP

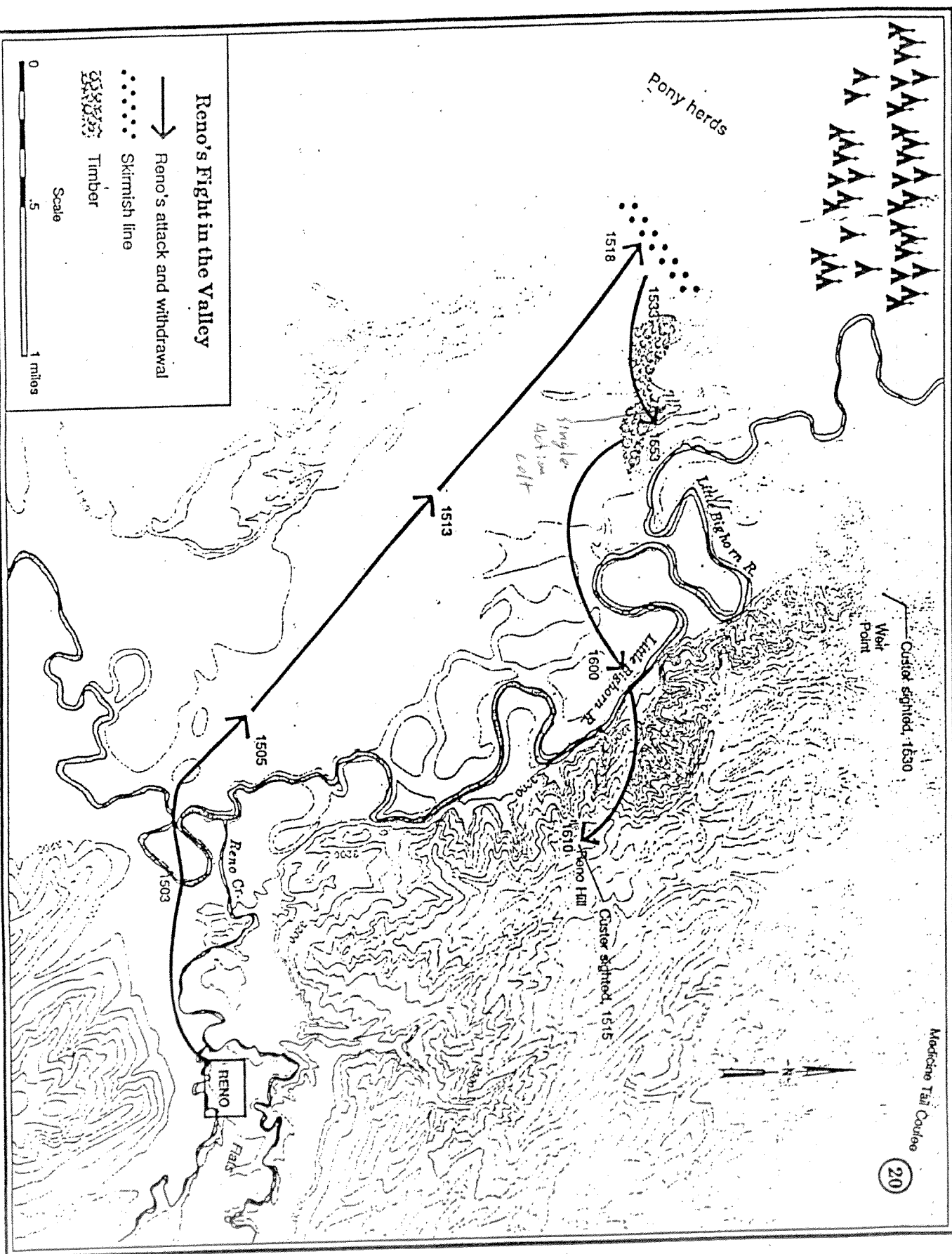
ARTIFACT 1873 Bolt S. 1/2 AREA FOUND Tonka Fight Line YEAR FOUND 1991

*Heaton 5/27/02
(481) Load by loader
Barnett Farm road 6/1/02*



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OF MAJOR MARCUS A. RENO'S FIGHT IN
THE VALLEY AGAINST THE SIOUX AND
CHEYENNE INDIANS, JUNE 25TH., 1876

JK
JASON FITSCH, PRESIDENT
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Little Big Horn Artifact

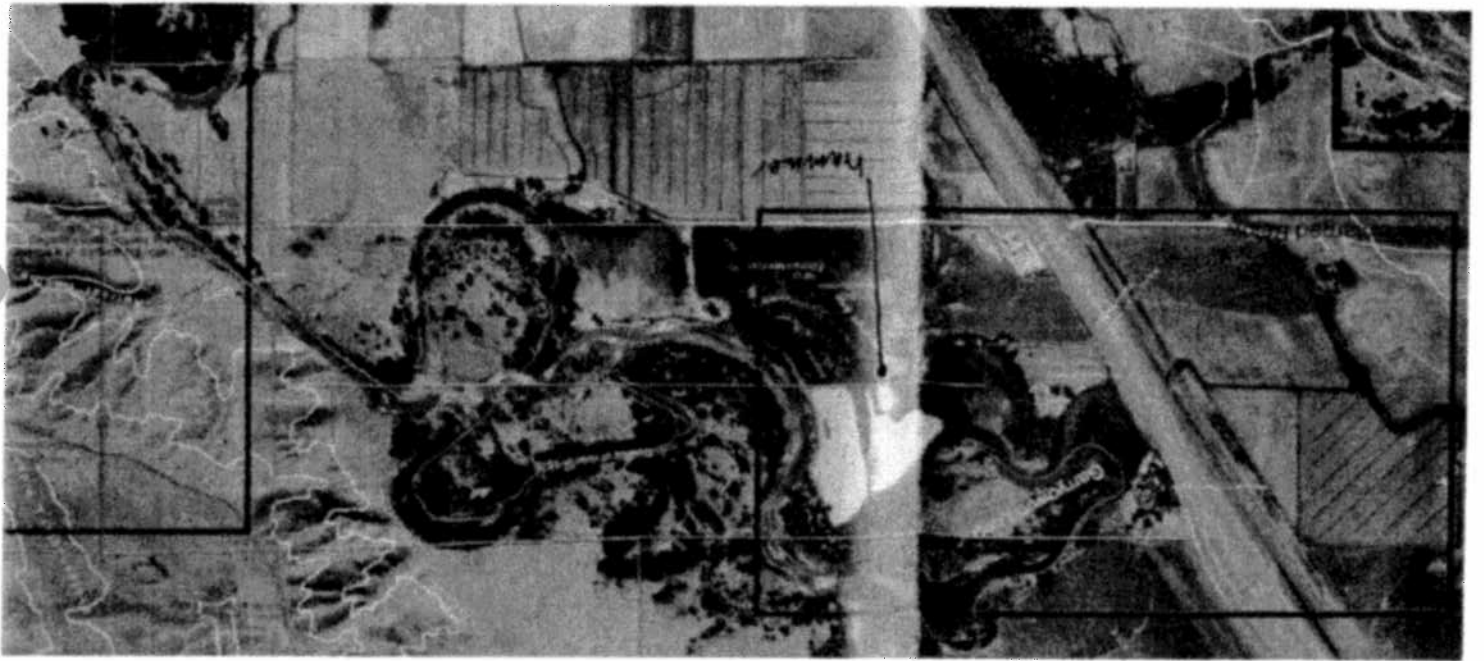
From Custer's Last Stand
Found on the
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Artifact Hammer Found Area Found in the Fight Line Year Found 1877
1873 soft single hammer



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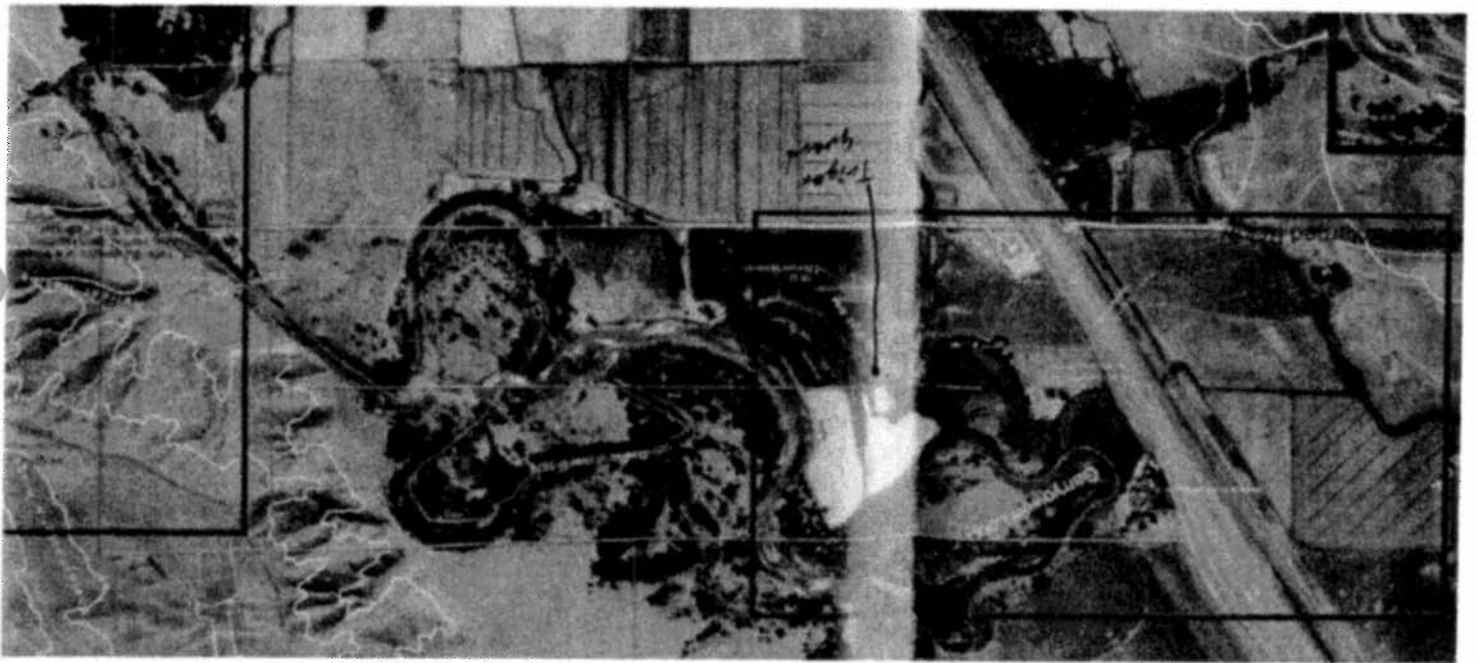
Artifact Trigger Guard to a Area Found Timber Fork L. Co. Year Found 1991
1873 Colt S&W Action
S/N # 5106



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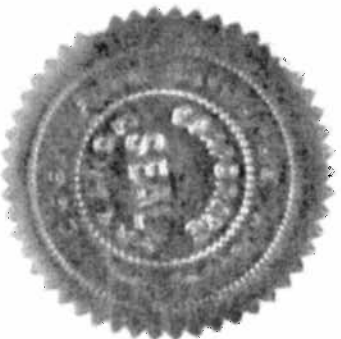


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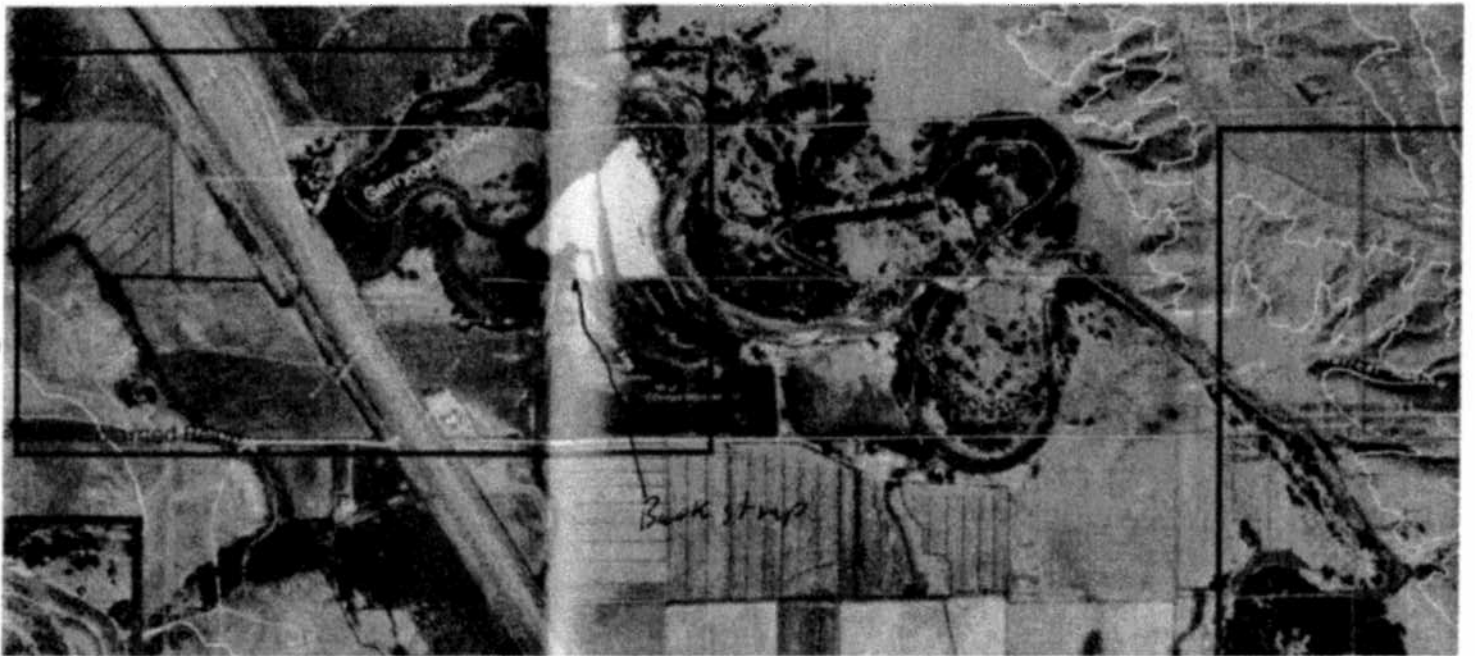
Artifact Buckshot to Area Found Timber Ridge Line Year Found 1992
~ 1873 colt
SN # 5453



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