Historical Marker - S281 - Indian Trail (Marker ID#:S281)





Significant Date:

Native People and the French (< 1760)

Registry Year: 1966 Erected Date: 1968

Marker Location

Address: County Rd 509

City: Masonville Township

State: MI ZipCode:

County: Delta

Township:

Lat: 45.92340800 / Long: -86.92087700

Web URL:

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Indian Trail

The trail that begins here was one of the most important in the Upper Peninsula. The Noquets, an Algonquian tribe, lived in this area and used the trail in their frequent travels between Lake Michigan and Lake Superior. In places the trail is deeply worn from centuries of use. Beginning in the early 1800s, the Northwest Fur Company and the American Fur Company established posts at Grand Island, near the Lake Superior end of the trail. Traders, lumbermen, and others continued to use this route until a county road was built. The U.S. Forest Service has reconstructed the trail and maintains it for hiking and riding.

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