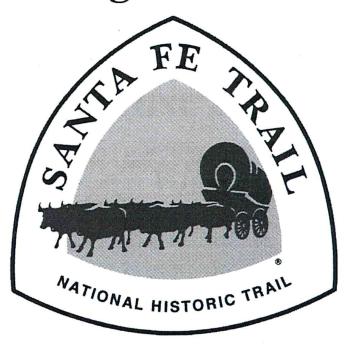
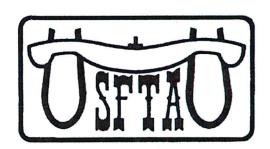
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This booklet is provided by the Cottonwood Chapter of the Santa Fe Trail Association, and describes the location of the Santa Fe Trail across Marion County, Kansas.

The Santa Fe Trail was a trail of international, and then national commerce. It was utilized across what is now Marion County from 1821 until 1866. It was utilized for civilian trade and commerce, for military supply and operations, and for transporting the US Mail. The trail played a significant role in the early development of Marion County.

The Santa Fe Trail was designated as a national historic trail by congress in 1987, in accordance with the National Trails System Act. The Santa Fe National Historic Trail is administered by the:

National Park Service National Trails-Intermountain Region Aaron Mahr, Superintendent PO Box 728 1100 Old Santa Fe Trail Santa Fe, NM 87504 505-988-6098

The Santa Fe Trail Association was formed in 1986 to interpret, preserve, and protect the Santa Fe Trail and to assist the National Park Service in its mission. Contact information for the Santa Fe Trail Association is:

The Santa Fe Trail Association 1349 K-156 Hwy Larned, KS 67550 620-285-2054 www.santafetrail.org

The Santa Fe Trail Association has established local Chapters which focus on discrete segments of the Santa Fe Trail. For Marion County the local Chapter is:

Cottonwood Crossing Chapter Santa Fe Trail Association Atten. Steve Schmidt 1120 Cobblestone Court McPherson, Kansas 67460 620-245-0715 This booklet is provided as a resource for Federal, State and local agencies in reviewing proposed activities within their jurisdiction. This booklet may also be used by corporations and individuals in evaluating their proposed activities. The Santa Fe Trail is historically significant and should be considered when planning any activities that could negatively impact remaining cultural resources associated with the Santa Fe Trail. In Marion County, those cultural resources generally consist of trail swales or "ruts", and historic signs and markers.

The location of the Santa Fe Trail presented in this booklet is based on the 1857 General Land Office survey, supplemented by on-the-ground observations. The information consists of:

- Four pages of maps, indicating the approximate location of the Santa Fe Trail with respect to county roads, townships, ranges, and sections
- A one page table summarizing the 1/4 sections crossed by the Santa Fe Trail
- One page listing coordinates where the Santa Fe Trail crosses existing County Roads. (These locations should be considered approximate only, because the width of the trail may vary from a few feet to several hundred feet. Additional location data are available on request.)

Please consult this booklet to see if any proposed activities will occur on or near the Santa Fe Trail. The Cottonwood Crossing Chapter will be happy to assist in (a) evaluating whether a proposed activity might impact existing Santa Fe Trail cultural resources and (b) offering an opinion as to the significance of any impacts. We hope our insights into the history of the Santa Fe Trail will be of use to you in the planning of your project.

