

**Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana  
Section 106 Compliance & Tribal Reviews**

**Kom Atlawistak Imoolahiis: For All of Our  
Children**



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# Tribal Setting and Review Background

**The Coushatta Tribe of LA** is located in rural SW LA.

Approx. 250 of the 900 + members are Koasati speakers, most aged 20 & up

Community is experiencing 1<sup>st</sup> generation of non-speakers

**Koasati (CKU)** is a Muskogean language. There are 3 federally recognized tribes with Coushattas, one in Louisiana, one in TX, and one in OK.

Just like all tribes, those in the Southeast have **DIFFERENT histories, backgrounds, experiences, etc.** that can potentially impact Section 106 review process!





## Tribal Historic Preservation Office Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana

The primary mission of the Coushatta Tribal Historic Preservation Office is to:

1. Promote, protect, preserve, and manage all matters relating to cultural resources that occur on current, historical and ancestral lands (lands currently located in **7 states**).
2. Identify specific tribal goals, objectives, and activities to promote language and heritage revitalization and historic and cultural preservation, and
3. Carry out the tribe's responsibilities under the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).
4. The THPO is the **official point of contact** in all matters relating to cultural resources, and consults with Federal and State agencies regarding historic preservation and cultural resource matters of importance to the Tribe.
5. Our current preferences are: A) digital, paperless process; B) initial contact by email; C) contact us immediately w/all changes &/or problems
6. **WHEN IN DOUBT, ASK US!!!**

**C'mon, It's Just a ...**

**Akaantik, ...**

1. Sovereignty
2. Survival
3. They've heard it all before

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**Achi-ban tho-poh-ilih-too-lis  
im-ma-yan skol-ka-fii-lih-chi-to-kom.**  
*("The struggle has made us stronger")*



# Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana

Traditional cultural specialists look for things that others might not see:

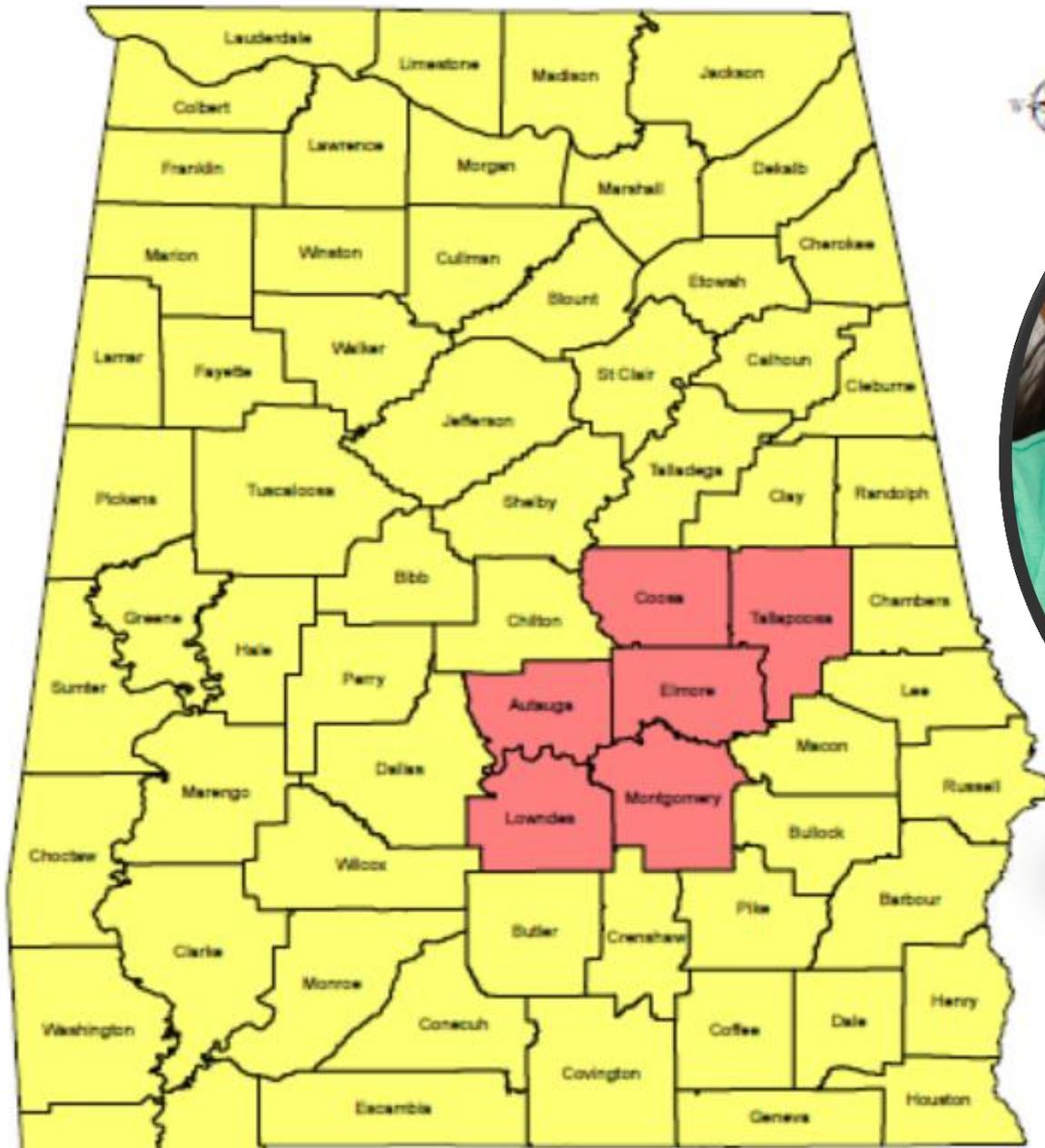
1. Places where things happened but no visible markers remain
2. Burials where markers or fences washed away
3. Places where traditional plants are/were gathered
4. Places where dances, ceremonies or social events took place
5. Places where baptisms occurred
6. Locations of shared water wells



'It was **VICTORIOUS** that we survived,  
that we made it where we are...

A N T A T U

# Coushatta Tribe - Areas of Interest - Alabama



**WHEN IN DOUBT, ASK US!!!**

**Aliilamo!**

Thank you!

