

FINAL SENT TO NMDOT

Official Scenic Historic Marker Program



CPRC Meeting: October 10, 2008

**Name of Marker: MARIA MONTOYA MARTINEZ, (POVEKA, POND LILY)
(ca. 1886–1980)
SAN ILDEFONSO PUEBLO**

Review: Original Text/Replacement Marker Revised Text
 Move of Existing Marker New Marker

NMDOT District: District 5

NMDOT Highway: NM 502

Suggested Site for Installation: Near present marker at San Ildefonso Pueblo at the main entrance from the NM 502 Highway

Proposed Text:

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Maria Martinez was a self-taught potter who helped elevate Pueblo pottery to a respected art form. She and her husband Julian were successful polychrome potters and together revived black pottery. Their work improved the economic conditions of the community. Recognized internationally, Maria was an innovator with strong spiritual and cultural awareness. Her skills and techniques have been carried on successfully by subsequent generations.

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Marvin Martinez-Greatgrandson of Maria Martinez

Source(s): See attached document

Supporting Information Attached:

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CPRC Comments: Yes

For Referral to: NMHWMI, Dee Beingessner, NMDOT GO

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