# CADDO MOUNDS STATE HISTORIC SITE

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**Caddo House Volunteer Work Day: Grass Cutting**

**ALTO,** Texas –– This is the year of the Caddo grass house at Caddo Mounds! By July 2016 we hope to have our new Caddo grass house constructed on site. There is a lot of work involved in preparing material for house construction. So many of our friends and visitors have talked about how excited they are for a new house to stand on the grounds at Caddo Mounds SHS.

There will be lots of ways for the community to get involved in this project. Our second Grass House Work Day is Saturday January 23rd. We will be cutting switch grass for the thatch on the house. We have a rain date of January 30th.

Lunch and drinks will be provided.

Please give us a call (936-858-3218) if you are interested in helping out. This work day is dependent on a dry day.

You should wear closed toed shoes, work clothes, and bring work gloves with you. Safety goggles are a plus. If you can bring gas or battery run hedge cutters, then that would be a help.

**WHAT:** Grass House Volunteer Work Day: Grass Cutting

**WHEN:** Saturday, January 23, 2016

 9:30 – we are done

**WHERE:** **East Texas Plant Material Center, 6598 FM 2782, Nacogdoches, TX**

BACKGROUND: Caddo Mounds State Historic Site, a Texas Historical Commission property, is the remains of a large village and religious center built by a group of Caddo Indians known as the Hasinai more than 1,200 years ago on the prairie overlooking the Neches River. Located along the historic El Camino Real de los Tejas, the site presents the culture and customs of the Caddo people through intriguing exhibits, displays and preserved burial and ceremonial mounds. For more information visit [www.visitcaddomounds.com](http://www.visitcaddomounds.com).