



CALL to UNESCO and ITALIAN GOVERNMENT

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<http://boville4-0.it/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/1scheda-x-AA-AB-Lug-15.pdf>)

To the Kind attention of UNESCO – *Department of Competence* wh-info@unesco.org

TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT

To President of the Council of Ministers

Minister of Cultural Heritage and Tourism - MiBACT

Person in charge of the procedure MiBACT

Their locations

Subject : APPEAL for RECOGNITION as a HERITAGE of the HUMANITY for the UNICUM "APPIA ANTICA-ANTICA BOVILLAE" – it is urgent to COMPLETE AND APPROVE PROCESS for VIA APPIA ANTICA "REGINA VIARUM " <http://whc.unesco.org/en/tentativelists/349/> .

Dear Institutions,

We are representing the strong appeal (1) that over 1000 citizens - including qualified experts and scholars of the historical-archaeological-environmental, institutional and associational world (2) - address you to solicit you for a positive final evaluation (after 14 years, from the start of the proposal filed in 2006: a very long time to complete the process) so that - with the whole Appia Antica from Rome to Brindisi - it is included, constituting a Historical-Archaeological-Environmental-Cultural Unicum -, the entire area of Ancient Bovillae with its endless archaeological sites and heritage (3).

FROM BOVILLE COMES ROME: BETWEEN LEGEND, HISTORY AND REALITY, THE ANCIENT APPIA UNITES THEM IN THE MILLENNIA .

The ancient Bovillae was the cradle of the Gens Julia (descended from Aeneas, whom settled in Boville) which generated important kings and emperors for Rome, from the first king of Rome "Romulus": in fact, history tells that the Gemini "Romulus and Remus" would

have been conducted, going down the Rivus Aquae Albanae - tributary of the Tiber that crossed Bovillae - up to the Fico Ruminale (at the "Lupercal" Cave: under the Palatine Hill where the she-wolf nursed them).

ANCIENT BOVILLAE: BIRTH AND SPLENDOR ALONG THE ANCIENT APPIA ROAD, IN 3 EPOCHS FOR 1500 YEARS .

1st settlement in the area COLLEPICCHIONE (X-VII Sec. B.C.) pre-Roman times) between XII-XIV Mile (km21,5-23,5): Right *where ended its history Albalonga*, the "Longani Bovillenses *Albanians*" erected the cyclopic walls of **Bovillae**: whose name originates in the fact of being a place of "breeding of oxen".

2nd settlement in Zone "FRATTOCCHIE-PALAVERTA" (VII-II Sec B.C.: Republican Age) between IX-XI Mile (Km 19,5-21,5) of the REGINA VIARUM and along the Via ANZIATE: THE DEVELOPMENT of BOVILLAE, the GOOD RELATIONS WITH URBE. If Mount Savello represented the Acropolis of the Albanians-Bovillensi, the populous centre was at the post station "Ad Bobellas" where, on the place of the agricultural council, the Forum of Bovillae was formed and, from this, it had derived the widespread extension in the plains of **Bovillae with its Walls, the Theatre, the Circus, the Patrician Villas, the Water and Road System**, the infinite campaigns to graze and cultivate .

3rd Settlement in the "SASSONE-DUE SANTI: TOR MESSER PAOLI, PANTANELLE, MANDRAGOLA" area(1st century BC-5th centuryAD: Imperial Age) between the X-XII Mile (Km17-21)Via APPIA ANTICA (left side) SPLENDOR and DECADENCE with IMPERIAL ROME: It developed in the most hilly and impervious / marshy part: which crossed the Via Latina towards Monte Cavo and the millenary route of the Transhumance "**Via Mola Cavona**". Bovillae, very sacked by the Volsci (in 489 BC), recovered with the **construction of the Via Appia, a work started in 312 BC.** at the behest of the censor **Appio Claudio Cieco**. Other important people settled - with Villas and extensive Agricultural Funds - in Bovillae: **Marco Tullio Cicerone, Sestio Gallo (Lieutenant in Gaul), Sesto Teidio, Publio Clodio Pulcro.**

Antica BOVILLAE: IMPORTANT CROSSROAD and RESTE SITE, from / to ROME, ALONG Via APPIA ANTICA.

From the begining, "Statio ad Bobellas", the "Regina Viarum" (later known as "Via Francigena") was traveled by pilgrims in the footsteps of "San Paolo" who "sighted Urbe" right from the Via Appia Antica in Bovillae (in the same site where the "B" stronghold was found - **Geodesic Base of Father Secchi**: in front of the Roman period tomb and medieval tower in Frattocchie): where a diverticulum headed towards the **Villa of Titus Sestio Gallo (later Villa Sirena / Convent of the Trappist Friars)** and a road towards the **Torre-Comarca of Palaverta** and the **Via Anziate** which continued, towards the sea, **the Via Mola Cavona of the "Transhumance": just recently recognized by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site**

http://www.beniculturali.it/mibac/export/MiBAC/sitoMiBAC/Contenuti/MibacUnif/Comunicati/visualizza_asset.html_1885373581.html ([Press Release MiBACT 11.12.2019](#)) contents

The Apennines (in 8 days and 8 nights camps) descended into the pastures of Bovillae (now present in the remaining Agro Romano).

UNICUM APPIA ANTICA–ANTICA BOVILLAE: COMBINES THE HYDROGEOLOGICAL BASINS LAKE ALBANO-TIBER.

Formed as a result of the explosion of the Albano Volcano - whose lava flow descended downstream towards the Sea and the Agro Romano -, the Hydrogeological System of the Ancient Bovillae conformed, between the **North-West side of the "Albano Lake"**, that to **the north in the "Pantanelle"** area - where gaseous / volcanic emissions continue (in recent years studied by the University, INGV, Civil Protection <https://www.facebook.com/pino.cardente/videos/10218549907087258/>) which, in the Ancient Boville and since 1700 AD. , fed renowned spas - and the one **south-west of the "Lago di Turno"**. The basin of Antica Bovillae, with the main **"Rio Petroso"** (Emissary of Lake Albano) and **"Rivus Aquae Albanae"** (the legendary "Holyter of Rome": a consistent drinking water that - as inspected in several sites, tunnels and cisternones - flows into the bowels) was combined with a widespread network of **Fossi (Scopette, Mazzamagna, Preti, Cornacchiole)**, that flowing into the **Fosso di Fiorano** at downstream, making up the **basin of the Tiber River**.

The relevance of the relationships, the supply of food and the growing commercial exchanges between Bovillae and Rome made it necessary to strengthen them with a transport system that - to be more adequate and safe - strengthened from river to land. Precisely for these reasons, the first stretch of the Appia Antica was built from Rome to Boville: even before being the Regina Viarum, it was a fundamental artery of rapid connection between the water basins of the Tiber and Lake Albano (nb. at the time the sea was much more internal and close by the cities of Rome and Bovillae).

Finally, to the Safeguarding and Valorization of the Unique "One in the World" referred to in this Appeal follows:

- >the original request of the Italian Government entered in the Unesco official list (4)
- >the previous identical requests of the Boville Community by means of petitions , Proposals for extension of the Appia Antica Regional Park, Proposals for Laws of Popular Initiative (5), Remarks for extension of the Agro Romano (6);
- > important decisions of the Italian Institutions taken over time at regional level (7), in governmental (8) and ministerial level (9) .

We formally request Access to the respective Procedures and Measures.

Annexes - Bibliography :

**1 – Full Italian translation of this Appeal to the UNESCO: CALL to UNESCO and ITALIAN GOVERNMENT
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2 – A) Promoter Committee: n.94 promoters (Lists 1 and 2) ;

2 – B) Total of signatures 951 (Sheets 39) ;

**3 – Sites, Properties and Archaeological Monuments Antica Bovillae : see page p. 3 – card n.1 in the
Project *Bovillae@Bellezza* link ><http://boville4-0.it/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/OKOK-BOVILLAE@BELLEZZA.pdf>**

4 – Via APPIA “REGINA VIARUM” in link Unesco:

Description <http://whc.unesco.org/en/tentativelists/349/>; List <http://whc.unesco.org/en/tentativelists/state=it> .

**5 - Request to Government for UNESCO : *Recognition of World Heritage Appia Antica-AnticaBovillae*
(sent on 26th.6.2014 - met by Sollecito Head of Secretariat Minister Cultural Heritage Tourism on 1st.
8.2014 Text in link <https://www.facebook.com/groups/126744260693114/permalink/855663997801133/>)**

**6 - Proposals for Expansion of the Agro Romano in the whole APPIA ANTICA-ANTICA BOVILLAE
(in particular: “ *Unicum Storico Archeologico Ambientale - Annex A4*”)**

Comments submitted 17th.2.2020: news link https://www.facebook.com/groups/126744260693114/?tn-str=*F
full text link > <http://boville4-0.it/osservazioni-ampliamento-vincolo-agro-romano-tenuta-comarca-palaverta/>

7 – Decisions Lazio : Constitution and extensions law “*Natural park of the APPIA ANTICA*”

Borders1988, 2002, 2018 link ><https://www.parcoappiaantica.it/home/il-parco/presentazione>

>Historical Archive - Documentation Recognition and Enhancement Unicum Appia Antica-Antica Bovillae

Updated collection for AUDITION in 8th Permanent Commission of the Lazio Region Council 25th.6.2018

> Link <http://boville4-0.it/audizione-viii-com-ne-c-r-lazio-ambiente-25-6-18/>

8 – Decision of the Government to set up a special Department at the MiBACT which

State Administration Authority of the whole “*Archaeological Park of APPIA ANTICA*” from Rome to Brindisi
link ><http://www.parcoarcheologicoappiaantica.it/storia/lappia-ieri/dopo-cristo/>

**9 - Declaration of notable public interest called “ *The Roman Countryside between via Nettunense and
Agro Romano (Historical Farm di Palaverta, Quarti di S. Fumia, Casette, S. Maria in Fornaiolo and
Laghetto)* “Initial Superintendence Proposal Link**

>https://www.regione.lazio.it/rl_urbanistica/?vw=contenutiDettaglio&id=252 (see Observations point 6)

N.B. . Ministry of Cultural Heritage Tourism Approval - Decree 11th.3.20 OJ General Series n.88 of 02-04-2020)

https://www.gazzettaufficiale.it/atto/serie_generale/caricaDettaglioAtto/originario?atto.dataPubblicazioneGazzetta=2020-04-02&atto.codiceRedazionale=20A01862&elenco30giorni=false

Sure of your universal sensitivity and final approval, we thank you in advance.

Info : <http://boville4-0.it/> - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/126744260693114/>

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Cardente Giuseppe: (Annexes Carta d’identità n.).

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