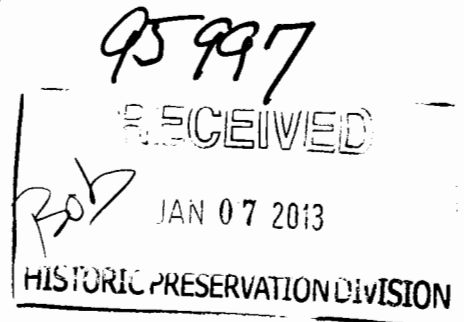




DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
FORT WINGATE DEPOT ACTIVITY  
P.O. BOX 268  
FORT WINGATE, NM 87316

January 3, 2013



Ms. Jan V. Biella  
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Santa Fe, NM 87501

Dear Ms Biella:

The Army is preparing to implement the permittee initiated interim measures as described in the Fort Wingate Depot Activity (FWDA) Parcel 4A Release Assessment Report (RAR), dated October 11, 2012. A summary of the work is included with this letter. The Army seeks the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) comments to comply with the Programmatic Agreement regarding cultural resources sites in the parcel.

FWDA is implementing this interim measure under Permit Section VII.G.3. The Army will prepare a brief notification letter/work plan outlining the work and intends the work to be performed in 2013. The Army will also take a shallow soil sample under former transformer site I-25 and test for PCBs. A figure showing the project areas and the locations of known Cultural sites (blue shaded areas) is also enclosed.

As evident by the figure, none of the removal or sample locations are in the vicinity of identified eligible cultural sites. The Army is seeking SHPO concurrence of "No Effect" for this action based on the operating procedures outlined in the attached summary.

These actions are required by the RCRA Permit in order to meet the residential clean up levels. If cultural resources are inadvertently encountered during the work, the Army will immediately notify the Tribal cultural points of contact for consultation per section 1.8 of the PA. As stated in Section 1.4 of the PA, *avoidance of historic properties and potential NAGPRA cultural items will be the first choice for RCRA permit activities.*

Please provide SHPO concurrence on this proposed action or comments within 30 days of receipt of this letter or the Army shall assume your concurrence.

This undertaking will not have an adverse effect on registered or eligible properties.

*John R. Ecker* 7-Feb-2013  
for NM State Historic Preservation Office

Should you have any questions, or require any further information concerning the above, please contact Ms. Nancy Parrish (Fort Wingate Project Archaeologist) of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District, at (817) 886-1725, or by email at [nancy.a.parrish@usace.army.mil](mailto:nancy.a.parrish@usace.army.mil).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark Patterson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mark Patterson  
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