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Attached please find a copy of a letter addressed to A. Chalepah, a copy of a Tribal Mailing List and a map for the above-mentioned project. Letters were mailed to Mr. Chalepah as well as the other individuals on the attached list, with appropriate copies, on December 16, 2008.

From: Name Anna Adams, FHWA	Telephone (720) 963-3004	Org/Rtg Symbol
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U.S. Department
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**Federal Highway
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Colorado Federal Aid Division

December 15, 2008

12300 W. Dakota Ave.
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Lakewood, CO 80228

Mr. Alonzo Chalepah, Chairman
Apache Tribe of Oklahoma
P.O. Box 1220
Anadarko, OK 73005

Dear Mr. Chalepah:

**Subject: Request for Section 106 Consultation, Interstate 25/Dillon Drive
Extension Environmental Assessment, Pueblo County, Colorado**

The City of Pueblo, Colorado, in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), is preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) that will address the effects of improvements to the existing Eden interchange on Interstate 25 in far north Pueblo. The alternatives under consideration would improve access to Dillon Drive/Platteville Boulevard, and modifications to the existing interchange will be considered. In addition, the proposed action would provide necessary roadway connections to and from I-25 to accommodate existing and planned growth along Dillon Drive/Platteville Boulevard and adjacent areas. Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) implementing regulations (40 CFR 1500-1508), FHWA, CDOT and the City of Pueblo are documenting the potential social, economic and environmental consequences of this action. Please refer to the enclosed aerial map for a view of the project study area.

FHWA will serve as the lead agency for this undertaking, and CDOT staff will facilitate the tribal consultation process. The agencies are seeking the participation of regional Native American tribal governments in cultural resources consultation for the undertaking, as described in Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and implementing regulations 36 CFR 800 et seq. As a consulting party you are offered the opportunity to identify concerns about cultural resources and comment on how the project might affect them. Further, if it is found that the project will impact cultural resources that are eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places and are of religious and cultural significance to your tribe, your role in the consultation process would include participation in resolving how best to avoid, minimize, or mitigate those impacts. It is our hope that by describing the proposed undertaking we can be more effective in protecting areas important to American Indian people. If you have interest in this undertaking and in cultural resources that may be of religious and cultural significance to your tribe, we invite you to be a consulting party.

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As shown on the enclosed map, the project is located in a rural but developing part of the City of Pueblo. The Area of Potential Effect (APE) for cultural resource studies, as defined in 36 CFR 800.16(d), has not been finalized but will encompass the entire area subject to direct and indirect impacts from the project. A comprehensive survey and assessment of historic properties in the APE as ultimately established will be conducted as part of the environmental documentation. Tribes that elect to become consulting parties for the undertaking will be notified of the results of the survey and asked to comment on our eligibility and effects determinations. Any information you may have regarding places or sites important to your tribe that are located within or near the project area would assist us in our efforts to comprehensively identify and evaluate cultural resources.

The Pueblo metropolitan area is home to a number of American Indian residents. If you are aware of members of your tribe living in proximity to the study area who would be interested in participating in the NEPA consultation process on some level, please notify us so that we may facilitate that interaction.

We are committed to ensuring that tribal governments are informed of and involved in decisions that may impact places with cultural significance. If you are interested in becoming a consulting party for the I-25/Dillon Drive Extension EA, please complete and return the enclosed Consultation Interest Response Form to CDOT Native American consultation liaison Dan Jepson **within 60 days** at the address or facsimile number listed at the bottom of that sheet. Mr. Jepson can also be reached via Email at daniel.jepson@dot.state.co.us, or by telephone at (303)757-9631. The 60-day period has been established to encourage your participation at this early stage in project development. Failure to respond within this time frame will not prevent your tribe from becoming a consulting party at a later date. However, studies and decision making will proceed and it may become difficult to reconsider previous determinations or findings, unless significant new information is introduced.

Thank you for considering this request for consultation.

Sincerely yours,


Karla S. Petty, P.E.
Division Administrator

Enclosures

Cc: C. Horn, FHWA
J. DeHaven, CDOT Region 2
D. Jepson, CDOT Env. Programs
D. Draper, CH2MHill
A. Bullcoming, Director, Apache Tribe Environmental Program

**Tribal Mailing List
I-25/Dillon Drive Extension EA**

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Copy to:

Ms. Angela Bullcoming, NAGPRA Representative
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Northern Arapaho Business Council
Northern Arapaho Tribe
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Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Northern Arapaho Tribe
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Fort Washakie, WY 82514

**Mr. Darrell Flyingman, Governor
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Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma
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**Mr. Eugene Little Coyote, Chairman
Northern Cheyenne Tribe
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Lame Deer, MT 59043**

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Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Northern Cheyenne Tribe
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Lame Deer, MT 59043

**Mr. Billy Evans Horse, Chairman
Kiowa Business Committee
Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma
P.O. Box 369
Carnegie, OK 73015**

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Mr. Dewey Tsonetokoy
NAGPRA Representative
Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma
P.O. Box 369
Carnegie, OK 73015

**Mr. Wallace Coffey, Chairman
Comanche Tribal Business Committee
Comanche Nation of Oklahoma
P.O. Box 908
Lawton, OK 73502**

Copy to:

Ms. Ruth Toahty
NAGPRA Coordinator
Comanche Nation of Oklahoma
P.O. Box 908
Lawton, OK 73502

CDOT REGION AND CONSULTANT
(Send copy of letter/packet to the following individuals)

Ms. Judy DeHaven
CDOT Region 2 Environmental

Mr. Dirk D. Draper
CH2MHill
19 S. Tejon St., Ste. 100
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

**FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION/COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
SECTION 106 TRIBAL CONSULTATION INTEREST RESPONSE FORM**

PROJECT: I-25/Dillon Drive Extension Environmental Assessment

The _____ Tribe [**is / is not**] (*circle one*) interested in becoming a consulting party for the Colorado Department of Transportation project referenced above, for the purpose of complying with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations (36 CFR 800). If your tribe will be a consulting party, please answer the questions below.

Signed: _____
Name and Title

CONSULTING PARTY STATUS [36 CFR §800.2(c)(3)]

Do you know of any specific sites or places to which your tribe attaches religious and cultural significance that may be affected by this project?

Yes No If yes, please explain the general nature of these places and how or why they are significant (use additional pages if necessary). Locational information is not required.

SCOPE OF IDENTIFICATION EFFORTS [36 CFR §800.4(a)(4)]

Do you have information you can provide us that will assist us in identifying sites or places that may be of religious or cultural significance to your tribe?

Yes No If yes, please explain.

CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION [36 CFR §800.11(c)]

Is there any information you have provided here, or may provide in the future, that you wish to remain confidential?

Yes No If yes, please explain.

Please complete and return this form within 60 days via US Mail or fax to:

Dan Jepson, Section 106 Native American Liaison
Colorado Department of Transportation
Environmental Programs Branch
4201 E. Arkansas Ave., Shumate Bldg.
Denver, CO 80222
FAX: (303)757-9445

Dillon Drive at I-25 - Environmental Survey Limits

Legend

 Survey Area

0 250 500 1,000 Feet

