

 OFFICE of ARCHAEOLOGY and HISTORIC PRESERVATION

October 7, 2009

Mr. Brad Beckam
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Environmental Programs Branch
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Re: Revised Area of Potential Effects and Determinations of Eligibility and Effects, I-25 Dillon Drive Environmental Assessment, Pueblo County.
(CHS #53973)

Dear Mr. Beckam:

Thank you for your correspondence dated September 23, 2009 and received by our office on September 28, 2009 in regards to the review of the above-mentioned project pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106).

After review of the provided information, we do not object to the proposed change to the Area of Potential Effects (APE) for the project. After review of the submitted surveyed properties, we concur with the recommended finding of National Register eligibility for resources 5PE.1665.12 and 5PE.6890.1. After review of the assessment of adverse effect, we concur with the recommended findings of effect for resources:

- 5PE.1776, including segments 5PE.1776.12, 5PE.1776.13, and 5PE.1776.14.
- 5PE.6890, including segments 5PE.6891.1.
- 5PE.1665, including segments 5PE.1665.12.
- 5PE.6891
- 5PE.6895

If unidentified archaeological resources are discovered during construction, work must be interrupted until the resources have been evaluated in terms of the National Register criteria, 36 CFR 60.4, in consultation with this office.

We request being involved in the consultation process with the local government, which as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.3 is required to be notified of the undertaking, and with other consulting parties. Additional information provided by the local government or consulting parties might cause our office to re-evaluate our eligibility and potential effect findings.

Please note that our compliance letter does not end the 30-day review period provided to other consulting parties.

If we may be of further assistance, please contact Amy Pallante, our Section 106 Compliance Manager, at (303) 866-4678.

Sincerely,



Edward C. Nichols
State Historic Preservation Officer