

June 8, 2012

Jane Hann Manager, Environmental Programs Branch Colorado Department of Transportation Environmental Programs Branch 4201 East Arkansas Avenue Denver, CO 80222

Re: Section 106 Update: I-25 Improvements through the Colorado Springs Urbanized Area Environmental Assessment Re-evaluation, El Paso County. (CHS #62161)

Dear Ms. Hann,

Thank you for your correspondence dated May 31, 2012 and received by our office on June 4, 2012 regarding the consultation of the above-mentioned project under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106).

After review of the provided information, we concur with the recommended findings of National Register eligibility for resources 5EP.6977 and 5EP.5133.2. After review of the scope of work and assessment of adverse effect, we concur with the recommended finding of no historic properties affected [36 CFR 800.4(d)(1)] for the above-mentioned resources.

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 CRF 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,

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RE: Section 106 Update, I-25 Improvements through the Colorado Springs Urbanized Area Environmental Assessment Re-evaluation, El Paso County

Dear Ms. Schoch:

This letter is in response to the update provided by your office to the I-25 Environmental Assessment Re-evaluation. The update includes two resources which are possibly eligible for listing on either State or National Register of Historic Places: the Girl Scout Round-Up Sign (5EP6977) and Abandoned US Highway 85 (5EP5133.2), and determined the improvements to I-25 will result in no historic properties affected.

This office concurs with that determination.

Please feel free to contact me with questions or concerns at emccauley@springsgov.com or (719) 385-5369.

Sincerely,

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