



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
U.S. ARMY ENGINEER DISTRICT, SACRAMENTO
CORPS OF ENGINEERS
1325 J STREET
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, 95814-2922

Environmental Resources Branch

Carol Roland-Nawi, Ph.D.
State Historic Preservation Officer
Office of Historic Preservation
1725 23rd Street, Suite 100
Sacramento, CA 95816

Dear Ms. Roland-Nawi:

The United States Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) is pursuing the West Sacramento General Reevaluation Report ("West Sacramento GRR" or "Project"), which consists of flood risk improvements to the City of West Sacramento's north and south basins as shown in Figure 1 (enclosed).

The study authority for the West Sacramento area was provided through Section 209 of the Flood Control Act of 1962 (Public Law 87-874). Specific project authority was provided in Section 101(4) of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 1992. This authorization was revised and supplemented through the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act (EWDAA) of 1999 (Public Law 105-245). The authorization was later revised and supplemented through the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-85).

This Project will allow the Corps to improve the level of flood risk management for the City of West Sacramento in Yolo County. Because these improvements qualify as undertakings, compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA, 16 US Code Section 470f) is required. This letter initiates consultation with your office pursuant to 36 CFR Part 800.3(c)(3).

The Project will occur in multiple phases over many years. Because of the nature of this phased approach, it is not practicable to complete the usual Section 106 process in advance of construction. The Corps is proposing the use of a programmatic agreement (PA) (enclosed) that would provide for phasing of the Section 106 process as authorized in 36 CFR Part 800.4(b) (2). The stipulations of the PA would require the Corps to perform the following steps for each construction phase or ancillary activity that is part of the larger Project:

- a. Define an area of potential effects (APE), in consultation with your office.

- b. Complete an inventory of each phase-specific APE.
- c. Evaluate identified resources and prepare findings of effect.
- d. Develop and implement treatment where necessary to resolve adverse effects.
- e. Provide reports to your office and other consulting parties, documenting these steps, subject to your approval.
- f. Provide guidance on inadvertent discoveries, objections to the PA, amendments, and dispute resolution.

The Corps will collaborate with signatories and consulting parties to develop a historic property management plan as a framework to manage the overall proposed cultural resource work and then a historic property treatment plan for all technical work to be completed under the PA. The plan will provide technical standards and methods necessary to implement the Section 106 process defined in the PA, and will serve as attachments to the PA, providing details that cannot be succinctly incorporated into the PA itself.

The Corps requests that you review and provide comments for the attached PA. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Ms. Shellie Sullo, Social Science Study Manager, at (916) 557-7628 or by email at: shellie.sullo@usace.army.mil. Project specific questions should be directed to Cameron Sessions, Project Manager, at (916) 557-7896 or by email: Cameron.l.sessions@usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,




Alicia E. Kirchner
Chief, Planning Division

Enclosure



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JUL 07 2014

Mr. Reid Nelson
Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
Office of Federal Agency Programs
Old Post Office Building
1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 803
Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Mr. Nelson:

We are writing in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 to inform you of the West Sacramento, California General Reevaluation Report ("West Sac GRR Project" or "Project") and to invite your participation in the Section 106 process (36 CFR § 800.2[b][1]). The initial study authority for the West Sacramento area was provided through Section 209 of the Flood Control Act of 1962, Public Law (PL) 87-874. The West Sac GRR Project was authorized in the Water Resources Development Act of 1992, PL 102-580 Sec. 101 (4), as amended by the Energy and Water Development of 1999, PL 105-245.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) is undertaking the Project in partnership with its non-Federal sponsors, the West Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (WSAFCA), and the Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB). This Project consists of flood risk reduction to the City of West Sacramento's north and south basins as shown in an Area of Potential Effect Map (APE), (Enclosure 1).

The West Sac GRR Project includes area that would benefit from proposed levee improvements, including the city of West Sacramento itself, and the lands within WSAFCA's boundaries, which encompass portions of the Sacramento River, the Yolo Bypass, the Sacramento Bypass, and the Sacramento Deep Water Ship Channel (DWSC). The proposed levee improvements would address seepage, slope stability, overtopping, and erosion concerns. The flood risk management system associated with these waterways consists of over 50 miles of levees in Reclamation District (RD) 900, RD 537, California Department of Water Resources' Maintenance Area 4, and the DWSC, that surround the city.

The Corps determined that it will not be possible to fully determine effects on historic properties prior to approval of the undertaking (36 CFR § 800.14[b][1][ii]). Therefore, the Corps intends to develop a programmatic agreement (PA) including your office, should you choose to participate, the State Historic Preservation Office, WSAFCA, and the CVFPB (36 CFR § 800.14[b][2]). In the course of developing the PA, the Corps will consult with the local sponsors, the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation, the Wilton Rancheria, and interested Native American tribes.

Please find enclosed the Draft PA and the Draft Historic Properties Management Plan, which contains a description of the APE and the Project (Enclosures 2 and 3). Please provide comments on the PA and HPMP if you choose to participate within 30 calendar days of receipt of this letter. If you have any questions or comments please contact Ms. Shellie Sullo, Social Science Study Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Sacramento District, 1325 J Street, Sacramento, California 95814-2922. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Ms. Sullo at (916) 557-7628 or by email at shellie.sullo@usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alicia E. Kirchner', with a long, sweeping horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Alicia E. Kirchner
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Andrew Franklin
Chairperson
Wilton Rancheria
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Suite 200
Elk Grove, CA 95758

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We contacted the Native American Heritage Commission, who provided your name as being potentially interested in our proposed project. We are sensitive to traditional cultural properties and sacred sites, and make every effort to avoid them. Please let us know if you have knowledge of locations of archeological sites, or areas of traditional cultural value or concern in or near the West Sac GRR APE.

During previous discussions with your Executive Director of Environmental Resources, Steven Hutchason, about another project in the West Sacramento area (Southport 408), the larger West Sac GRR project was described. Mr. Hutchason asked that the Wilton Rancheria be informed as this Project progressed.

The Corps has determined that it will not be possible to fully determine the effects on historic properties prior to approval of the Project. Therefore, In accordance with (36 CFR § 800.14[b][1][ii]) the Corps is in the process of developing a Programmatic Agreement (PA) that would include the Wilton Rancheria, should you wish to participate as a concurring party. In the course of developing the PA we are also developing a Historic Properties Management Plan (HPMP) to guide the implementation of the PA. We have enclosed the PA and HPMP for your review and comment (Enclosures 2 and 3).

We ask that you review the PA and HPMP and provide your comments within 30 calendar days of receipt of this letter. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Ms. Shellie Sullo, Social Science Study Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento District, 1325 J Street, Sacramento, California 95814-2922. Ms. Sullo can also be reached by phone at: (916) 557-7682 or by e-mail at: shellie.sullo@usace.army.mil. Project specific questions should be directed to Byron Lake, Project Manager. Mr. Lake can be reached by e-mail at: bryon.l.lake@usace.army.mil, or by phone at (916) 557-7890.

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Marshall McKay, Chairperson
Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation
PO Box 18
Brooks, CA 95606

Dear Mr. McKay:

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During previous discussions with your Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, James Sarmento, about another project in the West Sacramento area (Southport 408), the larger West Sac GRR project was described. Mr. Sarmento asked that the Yocha Dehe be informed as this Project progressed.

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