

Appendix J. Section 106 Consultation

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Mr. Paul Bonavia, Chairman and President in Chief
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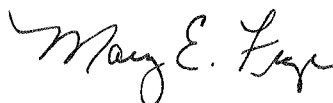
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Signature for TEP Concurrence
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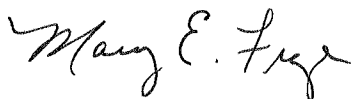
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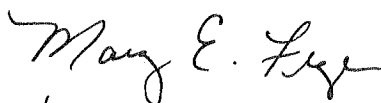
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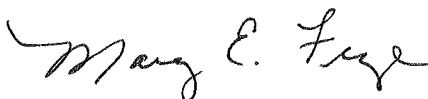
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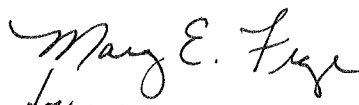
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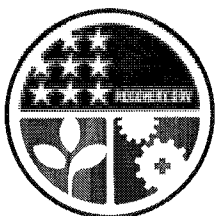
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Mr. Rick Anduze, Archaeologist
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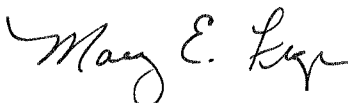
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Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
10005 E. Osborn Rd.
Scottsdale, Arizona 85256

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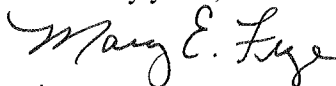
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Signature for SRPMIC Concurrence
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cc:

Angela Garcia-Lewis, NAGPRA Coordinator, Cultural Preservation Program, 10005 E. Osborn Rd., Scottsdale, Arizona 85256 (w/enclosure)



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Tonto Apache Tribe
Tonto Apache Reservation #30
Payson, Arizona 85541

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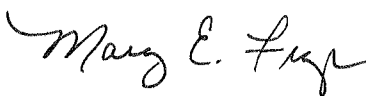
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Mr. Joe Joaquin
Cultural Affairs Office
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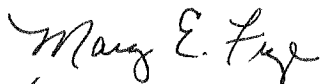
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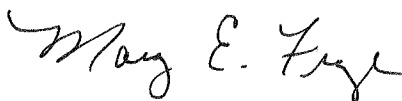
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Signature for USACE Concurrence
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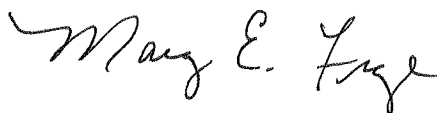
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Signature for WMAT Concurrence
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cc:

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Fort Apache, AZ 85926 (w/enclosure)

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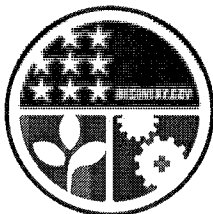
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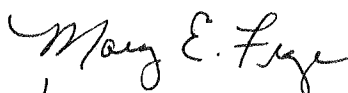
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Signature for YAN Concurrence
STP-999-A(BBM)

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Christopher Coder, Tribal Archaeologist (w/enclosure)



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MEMORANDUM

To: Rebecca Swiecki, ADOT EPG
Deil Lundin, HDR

Date: April 4, 2011

From: John Lindly, ADOT EPG
Historic Preservation Specialist

Subject: Project No. STP-999-A(BBM)
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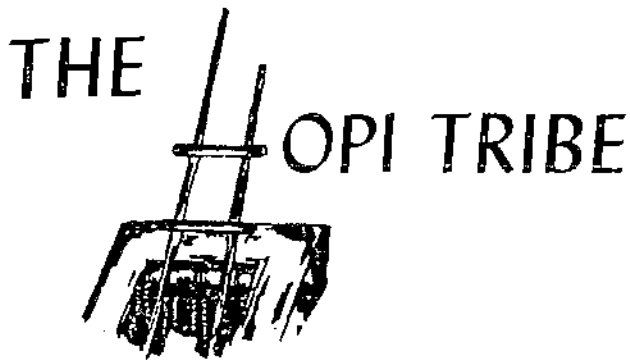
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Concurrences were received on February 22, 2011 (Pinal County), February 23, 2011 (WMAT), February 24, 2011 (SCIP), March 7, 2011 (TON), March 9, 2011 (Hopi), and March 30, 2011 (SHPO). WMAT has indicated that further consultation with them is not required unless Apache sites are found in the APE. SHPO has recommended that FHWA add official associations representing the historic land use of the area, including those related to mining, farming and feed lots, to the list of interested parties. In addition, Pinal County has suggested that the City of Apache Junction, City of Eloy and Town of Queen Creek be added to the list of interested parties. Finally, SCIP has asked that all reference to San Carlos Irrigation and Drainage District (SCIDD) be removed from any future consultation as SCIDD is only a local irrigation district that operates and maintains portions of the irrigation system owned by the federal government (SCIP).

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Sincerely,

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March 1, 2011

Karla S. Petty, Division Administrator
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4000 North Central Ave., Suite 1500
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Re: North-South Corridor Study

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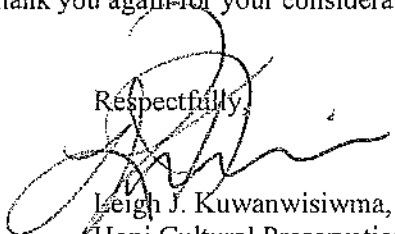
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Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Terry Morgart at the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office. Thank you again for your consideration.

Respectfully,



Leigh J. Kuwanwisiwma, Director
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xc: John Lindly, Arizona Department of Transportation
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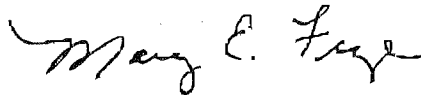
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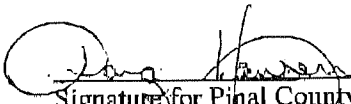
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Date 2/22/2011

Please add: City of Apache Junction
City of Eloy
Town of Queen Creek
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Ms. Karla S. Petty
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Re: STP-999-A(BBM); HOP-AZ

Dear Ms. Petty:

Thank you for including the San Carlos Irrigation Project (SCIP) in early outreach for National Environment Policy Act (NEPA) and National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) compliance activities.

I am most interested in the aforementioned project in regard to its potential effects on power and irrigation facilities under SCIP's jurisdiction. As you may know, many of SCIP's power and irrigation facilities are more than 50 years of age, and the Irrigation Division has been determined eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP).

As a federal entity, SCIP must comply with numerous environmental laws (including NEPA and NHPA) when facilities that are of historic age are altered. Alterations to irrigation facilities require SCIP to issue an encroachment permit, which allows applicants to cross, realign, or pipe SCIP irrigation facilities. In order for SCIP to issue an encroachment permit, the applicant must prepare and submit an Environmental Assessment (EA) for compliance with NEPA and a Class III Cultural Resources Survey report for NHPA compliance. In addition to these requirements, crossings/alterations of our power and irrigation facilities requires SCIP to approve engineering plans in order to determine if the planned crossings/alterations meet SCIP's safety and operating standards. In addition to these facilities, SCIP owns land in fee and manages withdrawn land in the region where access is determined by a different process.

Specifically, in regard to your letter, there seems to be some confusion between SCIP and the San Carlos Irrigation and Drainage District (SCIDD). SCIP is a federal agency, organized within the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), whereas SCIDD is a local irrigation district that performs some operations and maintenance on parts of our irrigation system. To clarify, irrigation facilities that may be operated or maintained by SCIDD are owned by the federal government (SCIP). SCIP should be consulted regarding ADOT's ongoing effort on this project, and when the time comes, offered Cooperating Agency status for the NEPA and Section 106 processes.

In order to facilitate timely progression of your project, I suggest that you contact Mr. Clarence Begay, Supervisory Civil Engineer for the Irrigation Division, at (520) 723-6203, and Beau J. Goldstein, Acting Environmental Coordinator, at (520) 723-6234.

Per your request regarding Section 106 consultation initiation, I have signed the enclosed page indicating that a Programmatic Agreement should be developed for this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Begay', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Acting Project Manager

Enclosure

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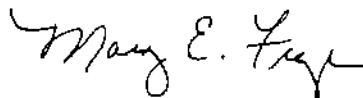
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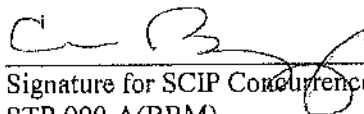
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FEB 25 2011

SCIP Acting Project Manager
Ed Begay

Karla S. Petty
Division Administrator


Signature for SCIP Concurrence
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cc:
Chad Wegley, Chief Engineer, San Carlos Irrigation and Drainage District, 120 S 3rd St.,
Coolidge, Arizona 85128-4722



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ARIZONA STATE PARKS/H.P.O.

Dr. David Jacobs, Compliance Specialist
State Historic Preservation Office
Arizona State Parks
1300 West Washington
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

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POD

other interests —
land use activities: mining
farming ← cotton
food lots



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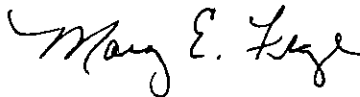
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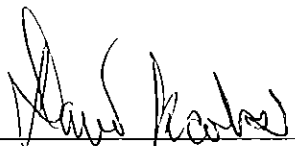
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for
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Division Administrator



Signature for SHPO Concurrence
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cc: John Lindly



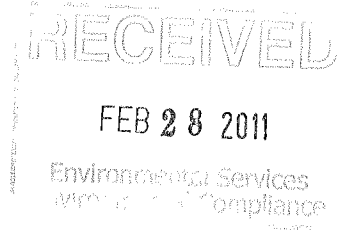
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Mr. Rick Anduze, Archaeologist
Salt River Project
M.S. PAB 355
P.O. Box 5625
Phoenix, Arizona 85072-2025

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Signature for SRP Concurrence
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Consider adding the San Carlos Irrigation Project.



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Mr. Peter Steere, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Mr. Joe Joaquin
Cultural Affairs Office
Tohono O'odham Nation
P. O. Box 837
Sells, Arizona 85634

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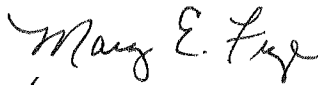
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Division Administrator

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Mr. Paul Bonavia, Chairman and President in Chief
Tucson Electric Power Company
P.O. Box 711
Tucson, Arizona 85702-0711

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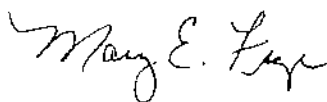
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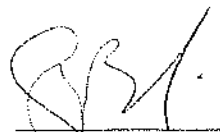
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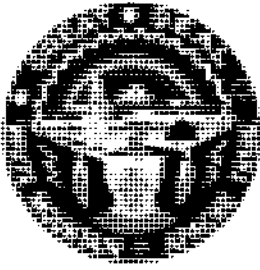
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Shannon Forestin
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Date

April 21, 2011



White Mountain Apache Tribe

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To: John Lindly, Arizona Department of Transportation

Date: February 23, 2011

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The White Mountain Apache Tribe Historic Preservation Office appreciates receiving information on the proposed project, February 17, 2011. In regards to this, please attend to the following checked items below.

► ***There is no need to send additional information unless project planning or implementation results in the discovery of sites and/or items having known or suspected Apache Cultural affiliation.***

N/A - The proposed project is located within an area of probable cultural or historical importance to the White Mountain Apache tribe (WMAT). As part of the effort to identify historical properties that maybe affected by the project we recommend an ethno-historic study and interviews with Apache Elders. The tribe's ***Cultural Heritage Resource Director Mr. Ramon Riley*** may be contacted at (928) 338-3033 for further information should this become necessary.

► Please refer to the attached additional notes in regards to the proposed project:

We have received and reviewed information regarding ADOT's proposal to construct a new north-south trending transportation facility linking US 60 and I-10, and we have determined that the proposed action will **not have an effect on the White Mountain Apache tribe's (WMAT) cultural heritage resources and/or traditional cultural properties.** Furthermore, at this time we do not feel it is necessary for the WMAT to participate in the development of a PA. Regardless, any/all ground disturbing activities should be monitored **if** there are reasons to believe that there are human remains and/or funerary objects are present, and if such remains and/or objects are encountered all project activities should cease and the proper authorities and/or affiliated tribe(s) be notified to evaluate the situation.

Thank you. We look forward to continued collaborations in the protection and preservation of place of cultural and historical significance.

Sincerely,

Mark T. Altaha

White Mountain Apache Tribe

Historic Preservation Office



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Continuing Section 106 Consultation

Mr. Jon Schumaker
Natural Resources Department, Archaeological Services
Arizona Public Service
P.O. Box 53933, M.S. 3872
Phoenix, Arizona 85072-3933

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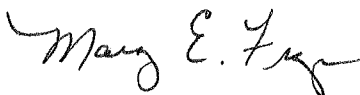
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Arizona State Land Department
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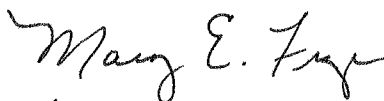
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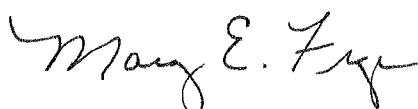
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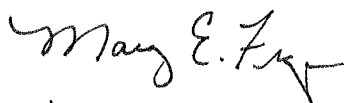
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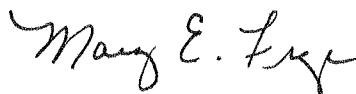
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Signature for AZ Cattle Growers Assoc. Concurrence
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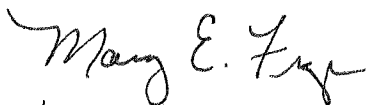
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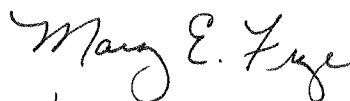
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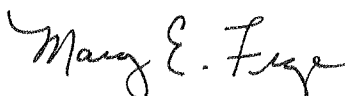
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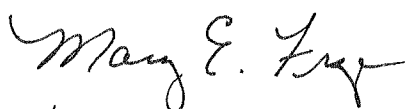
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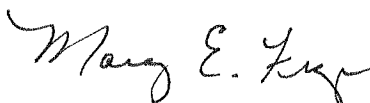
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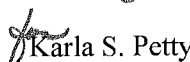
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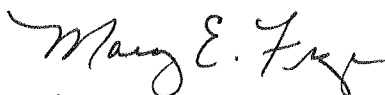
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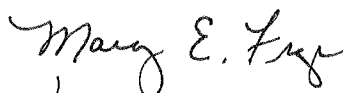
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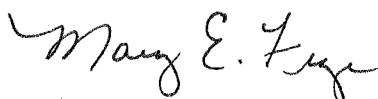
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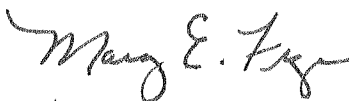
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Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
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Scottsdale, Arizona 85256

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cc:

Angela Garcia-Lewis, NAGPRA Coordinator, Cultural Preservation Program, 10005 E. Osborn Rd., Scottsdale, Arizona 85256 (w/enclosure)



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Tonto Apache Reservation #30
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Mr. Peter Steere, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Mr. Joe Joaquin
Cultural Affairs Office
Tohono O'odham Nation
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Mr. Mark Eckhoff, Community Development Director
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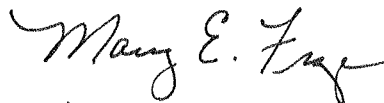
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for
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Signature for Pinal County Farm Bureau Concurrence Date
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Wayne Balmer, Community Development Division Manager



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Christopher Coder, Tribal Archaeologist (w/enclosure)



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Ak-Chin Indian Community
42507 West Peters and Nall Road
Maricopa, Arizona 85239

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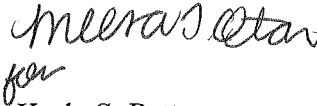
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Signature for Ak-Chin Concurrence
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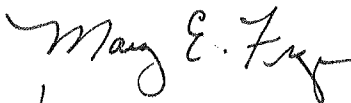
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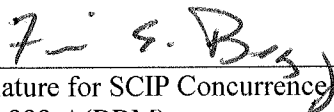
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Dear Ms. Petty,

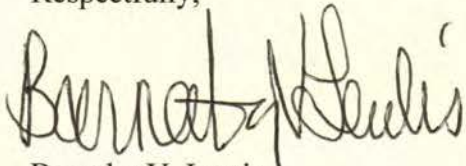
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Because the document is a class I inventory and because the project is still in the planning stage, the GRIC-THPO chooses to refrain from concurring on any aspects of this project at this time. We look forward to reviewing future documents with modified and improved TCP research designs and an improved cultural-historical background section.

Thank you for the continued consultation with our office and the GRIC-THPO looks forward to working with you in the future. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me or Archaeological Compliance Specialist Larry Benallie, Jr. at 520-562-7162.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Barnaby V. Lewis". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Barnaby V. Lewis
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
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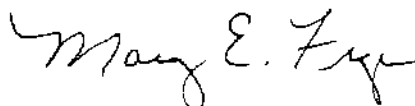
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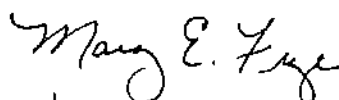
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Re: North-South Corridor Study

Dear Ms. Petty,

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Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Terry Morgart at the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office. Thank you again for your consideration.

Respectfully,


Leigh J. Kuwanwisiwma, Director
Hopi Cultural Preservation Office

cc: Linda Davis, Arizona Department of Transportation
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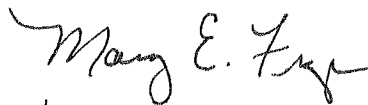
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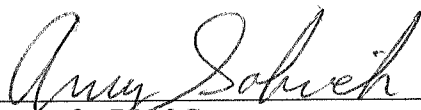
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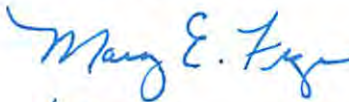
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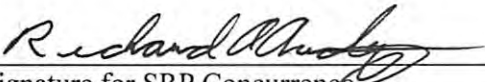
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Sincerely yours,



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Signature for SRP Concurrence
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Mr. Peter Steere, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Mr. Joe Joaquin
Cultural Affairs Office
Tohono O'odham Nation
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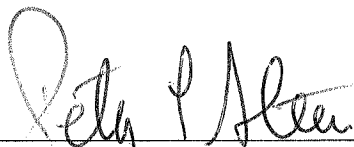
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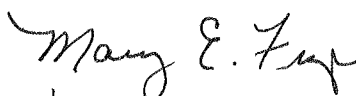
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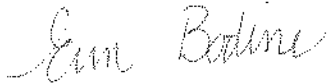
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Mr. Manuel Louis Jr., Chairman
Ak-Chin Indian Community
42507 West Peters & Nall Road
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Alignment alternatives are being developed for this project, and FHWA is soliciting your input in the alternative development and selection process. Project vicinity maps showing the current alignment alternatives are enclosed to assist in your review. FHWA is inquiring whether you have any concerns regarding historic properties of traditional, religious, cultural, or historic importance to your community within any of the proposed alignment alternatives shown in the enclosed maps. FHWA will make a good faith effort to address your concerns as the project team moves forward with the selection of alternatives to carry forward for more detailed study.

Please review the enclosed maps and the information provided in this letter. If have any comments or concerns with any of the currently proposed alternatives, or have recommendations for the alignment alternative selection process, please reply with a response letter, email, or phone call. Please feel free to call or email Erin Bodine with any questions, concerns or recommendations at 602-712-8640 or email ebodine@azdot.gov.

Sincerely yours,



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December 5, 2011

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Re: North-South Corridor Study

Dear Ms. Petty,

Thank you for your correspondence dated November 16, 2011, regarding the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) proposed new 45 mile long north-south highway from US 60 near Apache Junction to Interstate 10 between Picacho and Eloy. The Hopi Tribe claims cultural affiliation to prehistoric cultural groups throughout Arizona, including the Hohokam prehistoric cultural group in southern Arizona. The Hopi Cultural Preservation Office supports the identification and avoidance of prehistoric archaeological sites and Traditional Cultural Properties, and we consider the archaeological sites of our ancestors to be "footprints" and Traditional Cultural Properties. Therefore, we appreciate the FHWA and ADOT's continuing solicitation of our input and your efforts to address our concerns.

In the enclosed letter dated July 8, 2011, the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office reviewed the Class I Cultural Resources Inventory report and stated we understand that 313 cultural resources have been identified in the 24% of the study area has been previously surveyed. Therefore we determined that this proposal is likely to adversely affect cultural resources significant to the Hopi Tribe and stated that we looked forward to receiving for review and comment additional information regarding project scope, alternatives, and historic properties, as it becomes available.

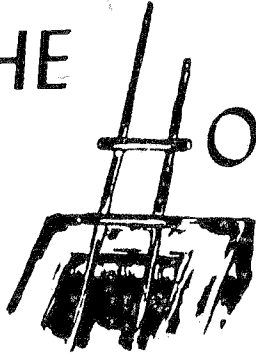
We now understand that alignment alternatives are being developed, and we will support the alternative that adversely affects the fewest National Register eligible prehistoric sites. Therefore, to assist us in determining which alternative may adversely affect the fewest National Register eligible prehistoric sites, we look forward to receiving copies of the cultural resources surveys of the areas of potential effect for review and comment. If National Register eligible prehistoric sites are identified that will be adversely affected by project activities, we request continuing consultation on any proposed treatment plans. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Terry Morgart at the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office. Thank you again for your consideration.

Respectfully,


Leigh J. Kawanwisiwma, Director
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Enclosure: August 8, 2011 letter to FHWA
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Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Terry Morgart at the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office. Thank you again for your consideration.

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North-South Corridor Study
Continuing Section 106 Consultation

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Prior consultation for the project defined the study area, consulting parties, recommended the development of a Programmatic Agreement, and provided the results of the Class I cultural resources inventory of the study area. ASM, Asarco LL, BLM, Reclamation, SRP, SCIP, SHPO, and TON concurred with the adequacy of the Class I inventory (Pitezal [ASM] to Petty [FHWA], July 2, 2011; Munson [Asarco] to Petty [FHWA], August 24, 2011; Sobiech [BLM] to Petty [FHWA], November 8, 2011; Ellis [BOR] to Petty [FHWA], July 14, 2011; Anduze [SRP] to Petty [FHWA], July 8, 2011; Begi

[SCIP] to Petty [FHWA], July 29, 2011; Jacobs [SHPO] to Petty [FHWA], August 1, 2011; Steere [TON] to Petty [FHWA], August 11, 2011). The Hopi Tribe responded supporting of the identification and avoidance of prehistoric archaeological sites and traditional cultural properties within the study area (Kuwanwisiwma [Hopi Tribe] to Petty [FHWA], March 1, 2011). The GRIC responded noting that future documents and cultural resources work performed for the project need to emphasize identification of O'odham traditional cultural properties and sacred places (TCPs), and noted that a highway of the type proposed would have significant adverse impacts upon their cultural landscape (Lewis [GRIC Tribal Historic Preservation Officer] to Petty [FHWA], October 10, 2011).

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Building on the information provided by the GRIC THPO, FHWA and ADOT have developed the following approach for addressing Native American concerns and potential impacts to TCPs stemming from the North-South freeway project and the SR 24 project. The TCP evaluation would address those issues identified during consultation and would be presented in a TCP technical summary report. Specifically these tasks would encompass not just TCP identification per National Register of Historic Places guidelines, it also would reflect, to the extent possible, Tribal standards as well as a cultural-historical overview reflecting Tribal perspectives on the proposed study area and alternative freeway alignments. As such, this review would encompass available regional knowledge that can be garnered from or about O'odham and Pee Posh cultural beliefs and traditions without which TCP significance cannot be understood or evaluated in the context of freeway design and planning. The GRIC THPO would serve as the lead Tribal contact for the coordination of the TCP evaluation on behalf of the Four Southern Tribes. A map showing the limits of the TCP study is enclosed for your reference.

The proposed TCP Overview would address the following issues raised during consultation:

- O'odham and Pee Posh perspectives on the "culture history" of the regions in which the two corridors or study areas are situated.
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- Presentation of results to FHWA, the Four Southern Tribes, and other consulting parties in formats that contribute to freeway design and planning and which helps to contribute to a mutual understanding of the Tribal cultural sensitivities pertaining to the two proposed corridors.

FHWA understands that Native American tribes other than GRIC may have concerns regarding historic properties of traditional, religious, cultural, or historic importance within the study area. FHWA is inquiring if the other consulting parties have information regarding TCPs concerns within the project area so that they can be considered in the project planning.

FHWA is not making a determination of project effect at this time. Additional information regarding project scope, alternatives, and historic properties will be provided to your agency through continued Section 106 consultation, as it becomes available.

Please review the enclosed maps and the information provided in this letter. If you agree with the approach for addressing TCP’s please indicate your concurrence by signing below. Furthermore, if you have any questions or concerns regarding the locations of the proposed freeway alignments, or the project in general, please feel free to contact Erin Bodine 602-712-8640 or email EBodine@azdot.gov.

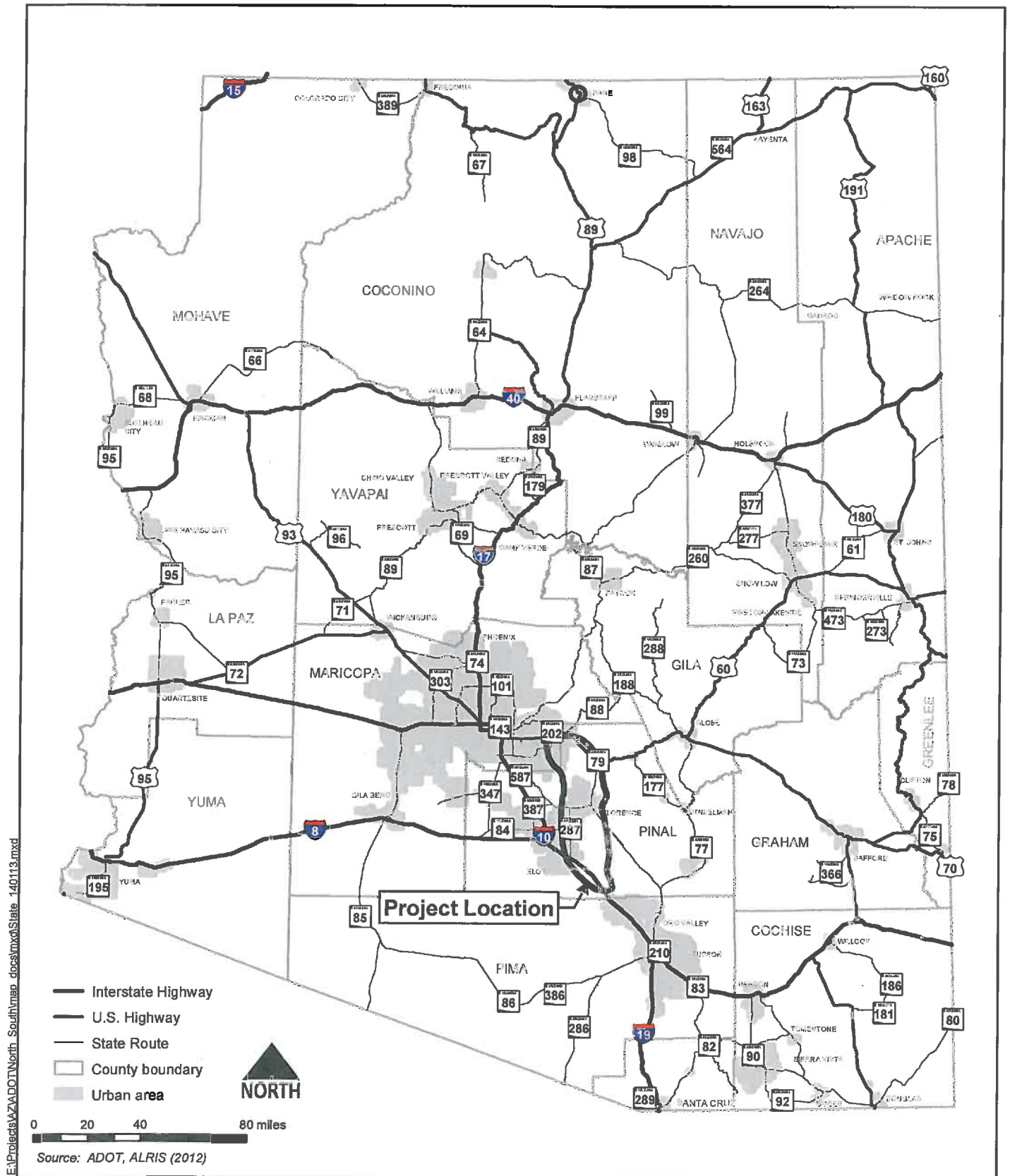
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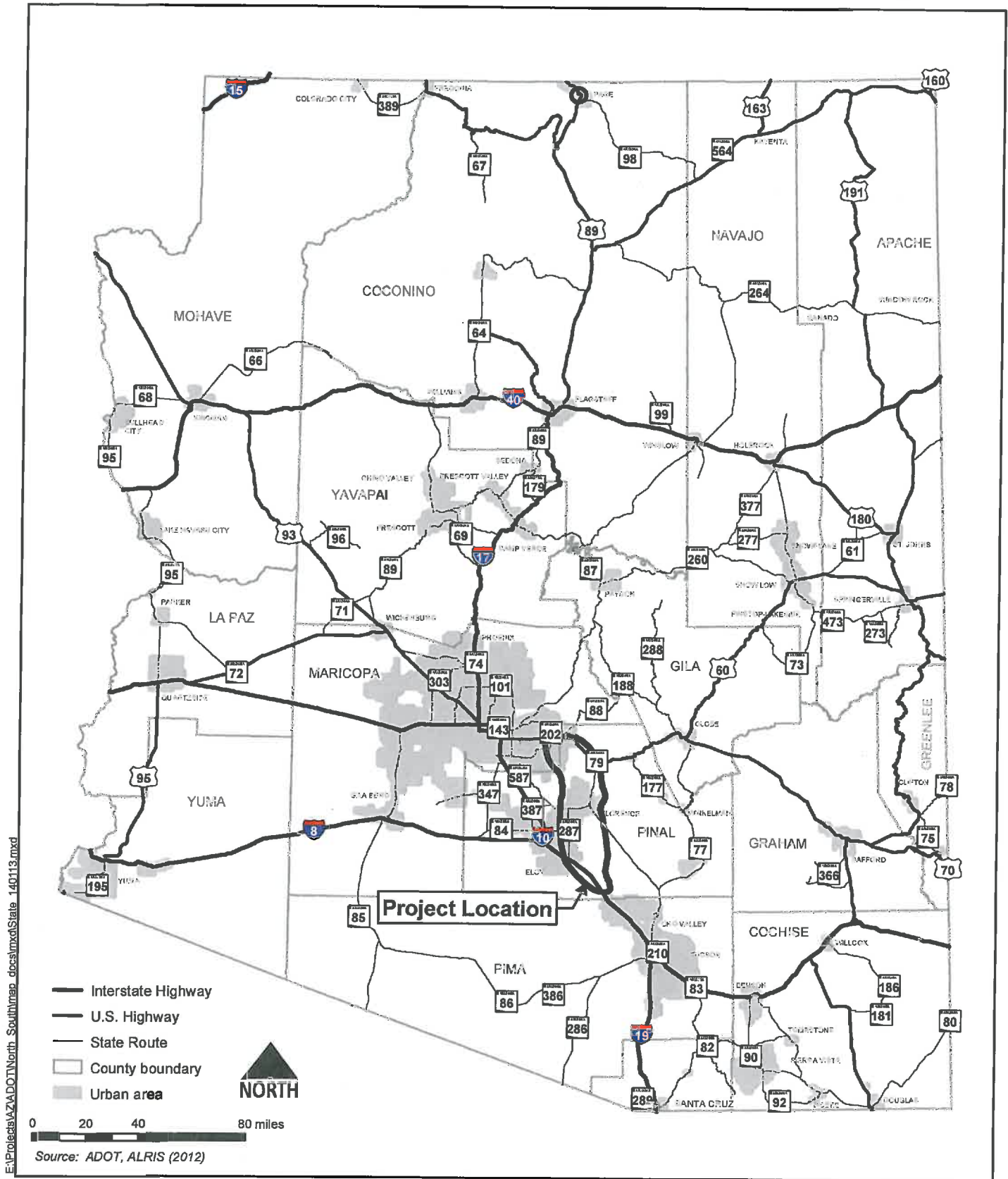













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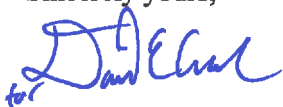
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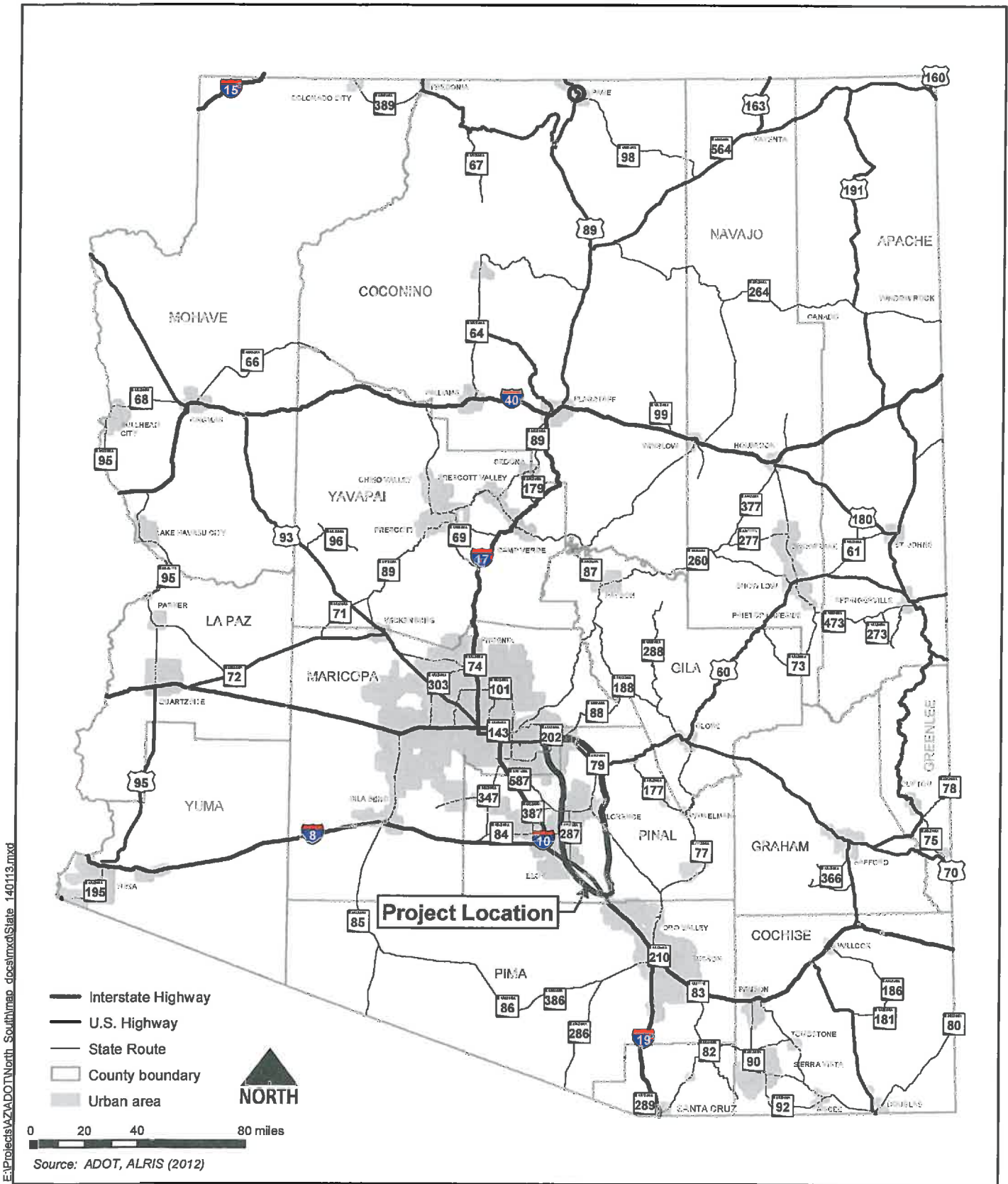


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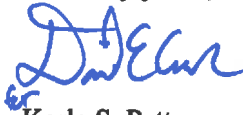
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The scope of the project would involve construction of a new north-south trending transportation facility that would extend for approximately 45 miles from US 60 to I-10 in Pinal County. The project is located in a region expected to undergo a substantial population increase over the next 40 years. The proposed transportation facility would provide: (1) relief from local traffic congestion due to projected regional growth; (2) relief from anticipated congestion along I-10; and (3) a more direct connection to the eastern portion of the Phoenix metropolitan area.

In conjunction with the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), a corridor opportunity area (COA) has been identified (refer to appended figure). As project studies progress, a smaller "corridor" will be identified, within which multiple alignment alternatives may be proposed. The preferred alternative will be selected after completion of the alternatives analysis and the EIS. Currently, at this initial stage of project development, the project area of potential effects (APE) for which impacts could potentially affect historic properties is defined as the COA.

At this time, FHWA would like to initiate Section 106 consultation. Because a cultural resources inventory has not yet been performed for this project, FHWA is not currently making any determinations of project effect. As additional information regarding project scope and historic properties becomes available, it will be provided to the SHPO through continued Section 106 consultation.

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Statistical Research, Inc. prepared a Class I overview for the "corridor" or "study area" to identify (1) areas that have been surveyed for cultural resources; and (2) previously documented cultural resources, including historic properties. Cultural resources are defined as historic or prehistoric districts, sites, buildings, structures, or objects; historic properties are cultural resources eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). The results of the Class I overview are reported in "*A Class I Cultural Resources Inventory of the North-South Corridor Study, Pinal County, Arizona*" (Graves 2011), which is enclosed.

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Signature for Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe Concurrence
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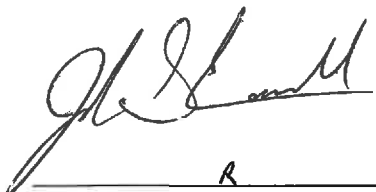
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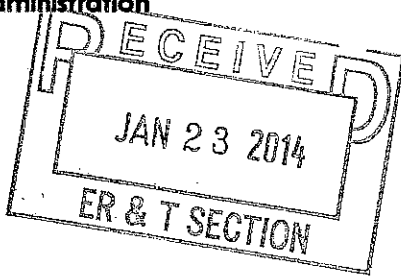


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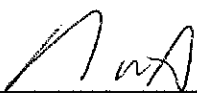
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for
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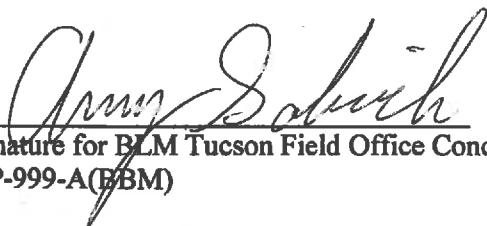
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for
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February 28, 2014

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RE: STP-999-A(BBM), TRACS No. SW PN 999 H7454 01L, North-South Corridor
Study, Continuing Section 106 Consultation

Dear Ms. Petty,

The Gila River Indian Community Tribal Historic Preservation Office (GRIC-THPO) has received your consultation document dated January 21, 2014. The GRIC-THPO has responded to this undertaking on October 10, 2011. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) are proposing an undertaking to construct a multi-lane highway between Apache Junction, Arizona and Picacho, Arizona. The highway has been given the designation State Route 24. A set of four (4) corridors have been established for this undertaking. There is no preferred corridor yet. All the corridors pass through the ancestral lands of the Akimel O'Odham and regardless of the corridor chosen, the North-South road will have adverse impacts on the Akimel O'Odham cultural landscape. The identification of O'Odham traditional cultural places (TCPs) and sacred places has been emphasize by the GRIC-THPO and the FHWA and ADOT have agreed with the importance of our concerns.

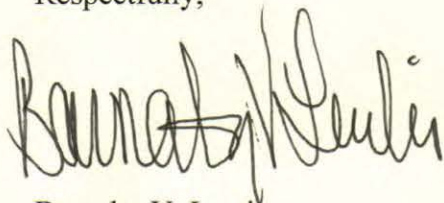
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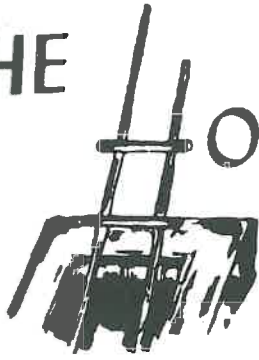
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Respectfully,

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Barnaby V. Lewis
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
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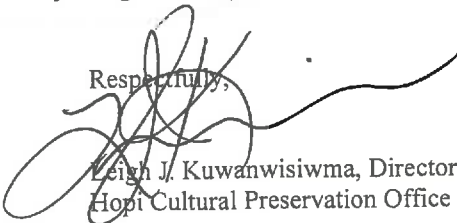
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Respectfully,


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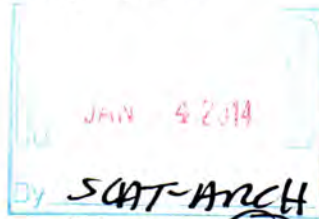
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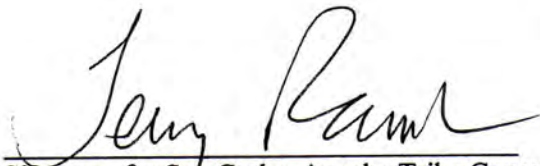
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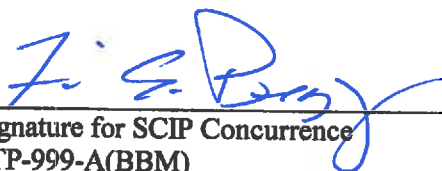
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Sincerely yours,



Karla S. Petty
Division Administrator

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Signature for SHPO Concurrence
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CC: Erin Bodine, ADOT



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Mr. Peter Steere, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Mr. Joe Joaquin, Cultural Resource Specialist
Cultural Affairs Office
Tohono O'odham Nation
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Sells, Arizona 85634

Dear Messrs. Steere and Joaquin:

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Mr. Paul Bonavia, Chairman and CEO
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Sincerely yours,



for
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Division Administrator

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Signature for TEPC Concurrence
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April 15, 2014

Karla S. Petty
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Re: North-South Corridor Study

Dear Ms. Petty:

Thank you for your January 21, 2014 letter and the Class I overview for the proposed construction of a new highway running north and south connecting US 60 near Apache Junction and I-10 between Picacho and Eloy, Arizona. We note that the project's study area has been expanded and now includes land within the Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe's area of cultural affiliation, and as such we appreciate the initiation of Section 106 consultations with the Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe for this project.

We have reviewed the Class I overview for the North-South Corridor Study and it looks adequate. We support the Gila River Indian Community's request for a TCP study and documentation of "Native histories" in the project area. We look forward to reviewing the draft Programmatic Agreement and future cultural resource survey reports for the project area.

The Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe recently completed a Yavapai cultural background study for a portion of US 60 (Kwiatkowski: 2012) that provides pertinent information on the cultural background of the area, and we may have additional information as alternative routes for the new highway are selected.

We appreciate your consultation with us on this undertaking, and ask that you please keep us informed on the project.

Sincerely,

Linda Ogo
Culture Research Director

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Schippers, Susanna

From: Erin Bodine <EBodine@azdot.gov>
Sent: Monday, April 07, 2014 4:40 PM
To: Cantone@ak-chin.nsn.us
Subject: North South Corridor Study-TCP Report Consultation
Attachments: 999-A(BBM)Ak-Chin.pdf; North-South project and TCP study area.pdf; NS_State.pdf

Hi Caroline,

This is Erin Bodine from ADOT's HPT. How are you? I just wanted to touch base with you and the Ak-Chin Indian Community regarding a consultation letter that was sent to your office on Jan. 21, 2014. The letter is regarding the North- South Corridor Project (H7454). The letter was primarily discussing the current plan regarding the scope of our Traditional Cultural Places Report (letter is attached). Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns regarding the current plan for the TCP Report. Please feel free to call me if you would like to chat or if you would like to meet at any time. I look forward to hearing from you. Thank You ☺

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To: Peter.S.Yucupicio@pascuayaqui-nsn.gov
Cc: Veronica.L.Darnell@pascuayaqui-nsn.gov
Subject: North-South Corridor Study-TCP Report Consultation
Attachments: 999-A(BBM)PYT.pdf; NS_State.pdf; North-South project and TCP study area.pdf

Dear Chairman Yucupicio,

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Subject: North South Corridor Study-TCP Report Consultation
Attachments: North-South project and TCP study area.pdf; NS_State.pdf; 999-A(BBM)SRPMIC.pdf

Hi Angela,

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Sent: Monday, April 07, 2014 4:46 PM
To: wdavis@tontoapache.org
Subject: North-South Corridor Study- TCP Report Consultation
Attachments: 999-A(BBM)TAT.pdf; NS_State.pdf; North-South project and TCP study area.pdf

Hi Wally,

This is Erin Bodine from ADOT's HPT. How are you? I just wanted to touch base with you and the Tonto Apache Tribe regarding a consultation letter that was sent to your office on Jan. 21, 2014. The letter is regarding the North- South Corridor Project (H7454). The letter was primarily discussing the current plan regarding the scope of our Traditional Cultural Places Report (letter is attached). Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns regarding the current plan for the TCP Report. Please feel free to call me if you would like to chat or if you would like to meet at any time. I look forward to hearing from you. Thank You ☺

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From: Chris Coder <ccoder@yan-tribe.org>
Sent: Wednesday, April 09, 2014 1:54 PM
To: Erin Bodine
Subject: RE: North-South Corridor Study-TCP Report Consultation

Thanks!

Best regards,

cmc

From: Erin Bodine [mailto:EBodine@azdot.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, April 09, 2014 1:48 PM
To: Chris Coder
Subject: RE: North-South Corridor Study-TCP Report Consultation

Hi Chris,

Thank you so much for your response. FHWA/ADOT will be sure to continue sending Sec 106 consultation on this project to the Yavapai Apache Nation as it proceeds further. If at any time you have any questions or concerns regarding the project, please dont hesitate to contact me. Thanks for your help. :)

Erin

From: Chris Coder [ccoder@yan-tribe.org]
Sent: Wednesday, April 09, 2014 1:41 PM
To: Erin Bodine
Subject: RE: North-South Corridor Study-TCP Report Consultation

Hi Erin,

I am well. Regarding the NS corridor project we have NO concerns or comments at this time and defer to any Tribes who do in this case.

If you would like further clarification give me a call (928) 567-7026

Cordially,

Chris Coder
Archaeologist

From: Erin Bodine [mailto:EBodine@azdot.gov]
Sent: Monday, April 07, 2014 4:53 PM
To: Chris Coder
Subject: North-South Corridor Study-TCP Report Consultation

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Schippers, Susanna

From: Greg Glassco <gglassco@ypit.com>
Sent: Friday, April 18, 2014 9:25 AM
To: Erin Bodine
Subject: RE: North-South Corridor Study-TCP Report Consultation

I think Linda is mailing you a letter for this project,
You should get it soon, if not let us know, have a nice Easter,
Greg

From: Erin Bodine [mailto:EBodine@azdot.gov]
Sent: Monday, April 07, 2014 4:56 PM
To: Greg Glassco
Subject: North-South Corridor Study-TCP Report Consultation

Hi Greg,

How are you? I just wanted to touch base with you and the Yavapai Prescott Indian Tribe regarding a consultation letter that was sent President Jones and copied to Linda Ogo on Jan. 21, 2014. The letter is regarding the North- South Corridor Project (H7454). The letter was primarily discussing the current plan regarding the scope of our Traditional Cultural Places Report (letter is attached). Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns regarding the current plan for the TCP Report. Please feel free to call me if you would like to chat or if you would like to meet at any time to discuss the project. I look forward to hearing from you. Thank You ☺

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Traditional Cultural Properties

Mr. Louis Manuel, Jr., Chairman
Ak-Chin Indian Community
42507 West Peters & Nall Road
Maricopa, Arizona 85138

Dear Chairman Manuel:

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Signature for Ak-Chin Indian Community Concurrence Date _____
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Caroline Antone, Cultural Resource Manager (same as addressee; w/enclosures)



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TRACS No. 999 PN 000 H7454 01L
North-South Corridor Study
Cooperating Agency Invitation

Mr. Bryan Bowker
Bureau of Indian Affairs,
Western Regional Office
2600 North Central Avenue
4th Floor Mail Room
Phoenix Arizona 85001

Dear Mr. Bowker:

We received a request from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, San Carlos Irrigation Project (BIA-SCIP) to become a cooperating agency for the North-South Corridor Study. This letter serves as your invitation to become a cooperating agency on the North-South Corridor Study.

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), as the lead federal agency, and the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), as the project sponsoring agency have initiated an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Location/Design Concept Report for the North-South Corridor. The proposed North-South Corridor study area begins at the United States 60 (US 60), in the vicinity of the city of Apache Junction and extends south for approximately 45 miles to connect to Interstate 10 (I-10), in the vicinity of the city of Eloy and town of Marana. In May 2015, the proposed State Route 24 (SR 24) freeway (from the North-South Corridor to the facility's planned extension at Ironwood Drive) will be part of the project. Attached are figures showing the project location, study area, and published Notice of Intent (NOI).

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We extend the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Western Region, an invitation to become a cooperating agency in the development of the EIS for the subject project in accordance with 40 CFR 1501.6 of the Council on Environmental Quality's Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provision of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). A separate invitation has been extended to the BIA-SCIP Acting Environmental Coordinator, Mr. Beau Goldstein.

Pursuant to Section 6002 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), cooperating agencies are responsible to identify as early as practicable, any issues of concern regarding the project's potential impacts that could

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3. Timely review and comment on pre-draft and pre-final NEPA documents to reflect views and concerns of your agency on the adequacy of the document, alternatives considered, and the anticipated impacts and mitigation.


In order to ensure continued project progress, please provide a written response indicating the BIA Western Region's acceptance or denial of this invitation within 30 days from the receipt of this letter. If you accept, please identify the appropriate contact person within your organization for future coordination. If your agency declines, the response should state the reason(s) for declining the invitation. Pursuant to SAFETEA-LU Section 6002, any federal agency that chooses to decline the invitation to be a cooperating agency must specifically state in its response that it:

- has no jurisdiction or authority with respect to the study;
- has no expertise or information relevant to the study; and
- does not intend to submit comments on the project.

Declining or accepting this invitation will not affect the offer of coordinating agency previously extended to the BIA-SCIP. If you have any questions or would like to discuss the study or our agencies' respective roles in more detail, please contact Aryan Lirange, Senior Urban Engineer, at 602-382-8973 or aryan.lirange@dot.gov. Thank you for your participation and interest in this study.

Sincerely,



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Division Administrator

Enclosures

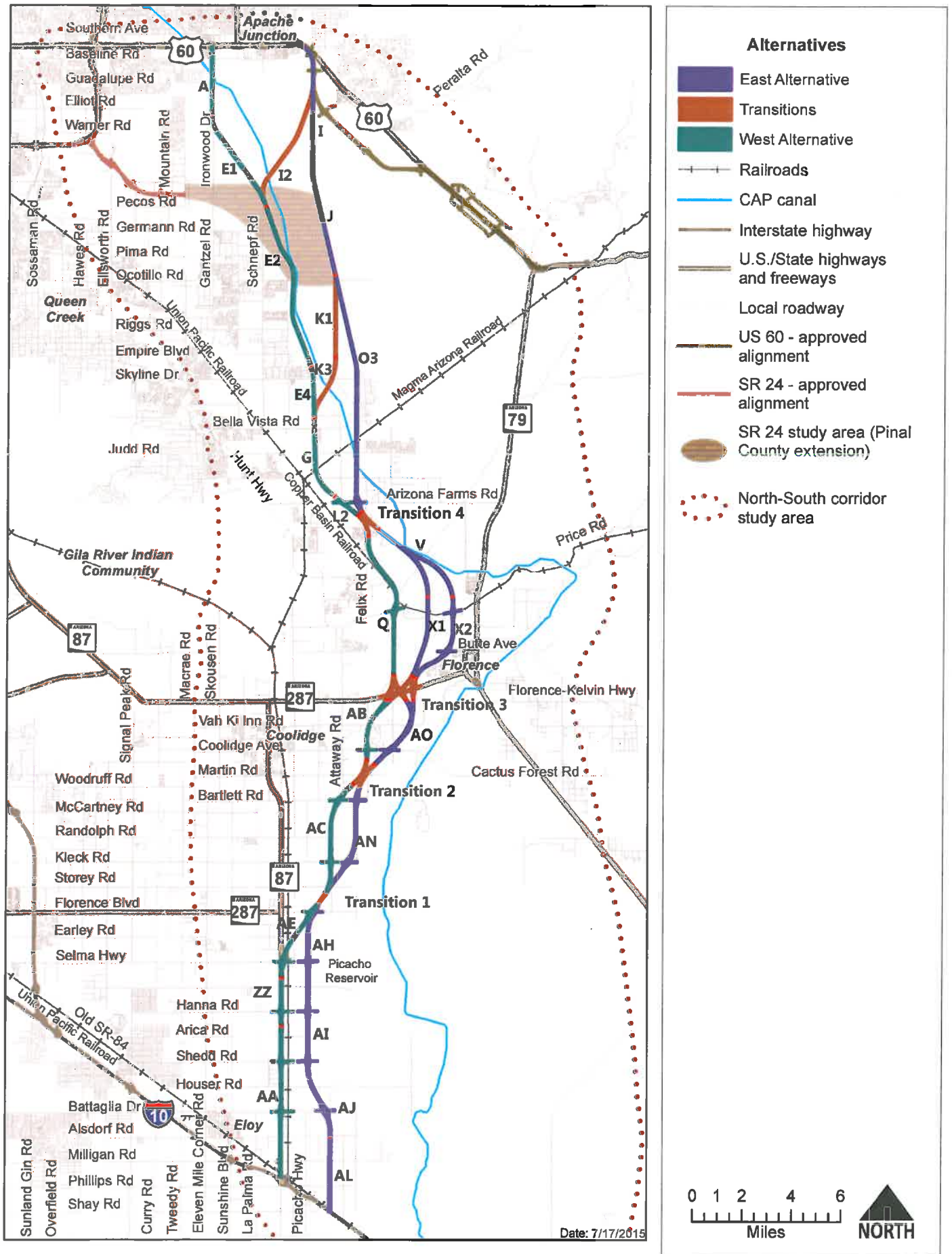


Figure 2 - Recommended Alternatives for Detailed Study

Dated: September 14, 2010.

Willem H. Brakel,

*Director, Office of Environmental Policy,
Department of State.*

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[Docket No. FD 35407]

GNP Rly, Inc.—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Redmond Spur and Woodinville Subdivision

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of exemption, request for comments.

SUMMARY: On August 24, 2010, GNP Rly, Inc. (GNP), a Class III rail carrier, filed a petition under 49 U.S.C. 10502 for exemption from the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 10902 to acquire and resume rail service over 2 segments of railbanked railroad right-of-way (ROW) totaling 9.1 miles, consisting of: (1) A ROW extending from milepost 0.0, at Woodinville, Wash., to approximately milepost 7.30 at Redmond, Wash. (Redmond Spur); and (2) a ROW extending from milepost 23.8 to milepost 22.0, at or near Woodinville (Woodinville Subdivision).¹ The petition for exemption was filed concurrently with GNP's petition to vacate in part the NITUs issued for the Redmond Spur and a longer segment of the Woodinville Subdivision (extending from milepost 23.8 to milepost 11.25). Those NITUs permitted railbanking/interim trail use negotiations under the Trails Act, 16 U.S.C. 1247(d). The Board seeks comments from interested persons on GNP's request to resume rail service and partially vacate the NITUs.

DATES: Written comments must be filed with the Board by October 20, 2010. Replies must be filed by November 19, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted either via the Board's e-filing format or in the traditional paper format. Any person using e-filing should attach a document and otherwise comply with the instructions at the E-FILING link on the Board's Web site, at <http://www.stb.dot.gov>. Any person

submitting a filing in the traditional paper format should send an original and 10 copies to: Surface Transportation Board, Attn: Docket No. FD 35407, 395 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20423-0001.

In addition, send one copy of any comments to: (1) John Heffner, 1750 K Street, NW., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20006; (2) Charles A. Spitulnik, Kaplan Kirsch & Rockwell LLP, 1001 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Suite 800, Washington, DC 20036; (3) Craig Watson, Port of Seattle, Pier 69, P.O. Box 1209, Seattle, WA 98111; and (4) Kristy Clark, BNSF Railway Company, 2500 Lou Menk Drive, AOB-3, Fort Worth, TX 76131.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julia Farr at 202-245-0359. Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 24, 2010, GNP filed a petition under 49 U.S.C. 10502 for exemption from the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 10902 to acquire the "residual common carrier rights and obligations," including the right to reinstate rail service over the Redmond Spur and a portion of the Woodinville Subdivision. These segments are currently subject to an interim trail use agreement between BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) and King County, a political subdivision of the State of Washington. The Port of Seattle (Port) owns the real estate associated with the lines, which it acquired from BNSF.² In *King County, Wash.—Acquisition Exemption—BNSF Railway Company*, FD 35148 (STB served Sept. 18, 2009), the Board granted the request by King County for exemption from 49 U.S.C. 10901 to acquire BNSF's rights and obligations, including the right to reinstate rail service in the future.

GNP's petition presents this issue: Under what circumstances will the Board grant a carrier's request to vacate a NITU to permit reactivation of rail service, when the petitioning carrier does not own or have any other interest in the ROW? An interim trail use arrangement is subject to being cut off at any time by the reinstatement of service. Here, the abandoning railroad (BNSF) has transferred its rights and obligations, including the right to reinstate rail service, to King County (the trail sponsor), and a different carrier, GNP, seeks to reinstate service.

GNP states that 2 customers have requested service: Drywall Distributors, a supplier of drywall products, which

anticipates receiving 40 carloads per year; and Building Specialties, a distributor of building products, located in the industrial park formerly served by BNSF, which also anticipates receiving 40 carloads per year. GNP includes a statement in support of its petition from Wallace/Knutsen L.L.C., owner of the industrial park located on the Redmond Spur. In anticipation of reactivation of rail service on the Redmond Spur, Wallace/Knutsen L.L.C. has leased to GNP an unused rail spur that crosses the industrial park and connects to the Redmond Spur.

By issuance of this notice, the Board is instituting an exemption proceeding pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10502(b). A final decision will be issued by June 15, 2011.

Decided: September 14, 2010.

By the Board.

Rachel D. Campbell,

Director, Office of Proceedings.

Kulunie L. Cannon,

Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement; Pinal County, AZ

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of Intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared for a proposed transportation project in Pinal County, Arizona.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kenneth H. Davis, Senior Engineering Manager for Operations, Federal Highway Administration, 4000 N. Central Avenue, Suite 1500, Phoenix, Arizona 85012-1906, Telephone (602) 382-8970, Fax (602) 382-8998, *e-mail:* Ken.davis@dot.gov; or Mary Frye, Environmental Coordinator, Federal Highway Administration, Arizona Division, 4000 N. Central Avenue, Suite 1500, Phoenix, Arizona 85012-1906, Telephone (602) 382-8979, Fax (602) 382-8998, *e-mail:* Mary.Frye@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) on a proposed 40-mile-long project along a new route located between US 60 on the north and Interstate 10 (I-10) on the south. The

¹ These segments were the subjects of abandonment proceedings and notices of interim trail use (NITUs) in *BNSF Railway Company—Abandonment Exemption—in King County, Wash.*, AB 6 (Sub-No. 463X) and *BNSF Railway Company—Abandonment Exemption—in King County, Wash.*, AB 6 (Sub-No. 465X).

² *The Port of Seattle—Acquis. Exemption—Certain Assets of BNSF Ry.*, FD 35128 (STB served June 20, 2008).

project is considered necessary to achieve a transportation objective identified in Pinal County's 2008 Regionally Significant Routes for Safety and Mobility. The project would address current and future transportation needs in an area that currently exceeds existing road capacity and is expected to continue to worsen with the projected increase in traffic demand associated with regional growth.

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Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, including the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Reclamation, Federal Emergency Management Agency, U.S.

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(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

Issued on: September 10, 2010.

Kenneth H. Davis,

Senior Engineering Manager for Operations, Federal Highway Administration, Arizona Division Office, Phoenix, Arizona.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. PE-2010-41]

Petitions for Exemption; Summary of Petitions Received

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of petitions for exemption received.

SUMMARY: This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of 14 CFR. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of FAA's regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of any petition or its final disposition.

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Signature for Gila River Indian Community Concurrence Date
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RE: STP-999-A(365)X, TRACS No. 999 PN 000 H7454 01L, North-South Corridor Study,
Continuing Section 106 Consultation, Traditional Cultural Properties

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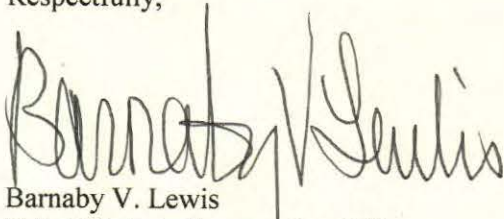
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Thank you for consulting with the GRIC-THPO on this project. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me or Archaeological Compliance Specialist Larry Benallie, Jr. at 520-562-7162.

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Table 1. Summary of Traditional Cultural Properties Identified in the TCP Overview

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Totshagi	Goldfield Mountains	Outside NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Mountain	Needs Data	
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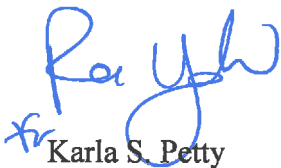
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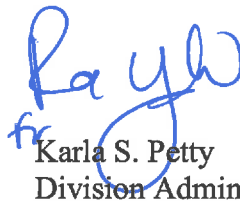
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FHWA is not making a finding of project effect at this time. Please review the enclosed report, the Table, and the information provided in this letter. If you agree with the adequacy of the report, the NRHP eligibility recommendations, and the definition of the APE please indicate your concurrence by signing below. Furthermore, if you have any questions or concerns regarding the locations of the proposed freeway alignments, or the project in general, please feel free to contact ADOT Historic Preservation Specialist Lori Sloat at (602) 712-6971 or email LSloat@azdot.gov.

Sincerely yours,



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Signature for Central Arizona Project Concurrence
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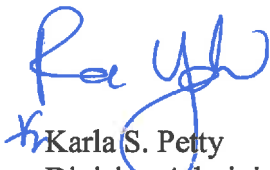
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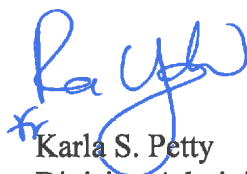
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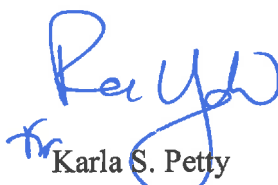
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 for Karla S. Petty
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Signature for Gila River Indian Community Concurrence Date
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FHWA is aware that there are traditional cultural properties located nearby but outside the Study Area important to the Hopi Tribe, such as Casa Grande Ruins, and that other TCPs may be present within the Study Area. At this time, FHWA is inquiring whether you have any concerns regarding historic properties of traditional, religious, cultural, or historic importance to your community within the APE. Any information you might provide within 30 days of receipt of this letter will be considered in the project planning. If your office opts to participate in cultural resource consultation at a later date, FHWA would make a good faith effort to address your concerns.

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Sincerely yours,



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Division Administrator

Signature for Hopi Tribe Concurrence
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In-Between Site	AZ U:10:152 [ASM]	Outside NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Bedrock Grinding	Needs Data	
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Sand Dune South Site	AZ U:10:32 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Ballcourt	Recommended	A,C,D
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Smiley's Well	AZ U:14:73 (ASM)	Alignment Corridor	O'odham-Pee Posh	Reservoir	Not Eligible	
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AZ U:14:54 (ASM)		NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Ballcourt	Recommended	A,C,D
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Grewe (Casa Grande)	AZ AA:2:2 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Ballcourt	Recommended	A,B,C,D
Casa Grande Ruins	AZ AA:2:17 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh, Hopi, Zuni	Ballcourt, Great House	Recommended	A,B,C,D
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FHWA is not making a finding of project effect at this time. Please review the enclosed report, the Table, and the information provided in this letter. If you agree with the adequacy of the report, the NRHP eligibility recommendations, and the definition of the APE please indicate your concurrence by signing below. Furthermore, if you have any questions or concerns regarding the locations of the proposed freeway alignments, or the project in general, please feel free to contact ADOT Historic Preservation Specialist Lori Sloat at (602) 712-6971 or email LSloat@azdot.gov.

Sincerely yours,



Karla S. Petty
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Signature for SCIDD Concurrence
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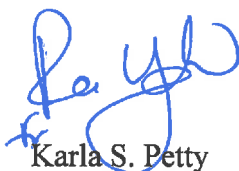
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Sand Dune South Site	AZ U:10:32 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Ballcourt	Recommended	A,C,D
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Adamsville Ruin	AZ U:15:1 (ASM)	Alignment Corridor	O'odham-Pee Posh	Ballcourt, Platform Mound	Recommended	A,C,D
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Casa Grande Ruins	AZ AA:2:17 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh, Hopi, Zuni	Ballcourt, Great House	Recommended	A,B,C,D
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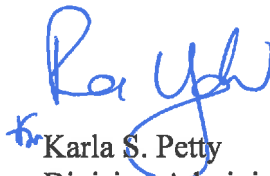
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Continuing Section 106 Consultation
TCP Overview and Technical Summary

Mr. Delbert Ray, Sr., President
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Tonto Apache Reservation #30
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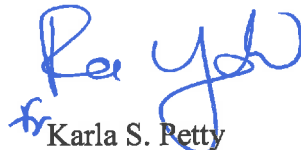
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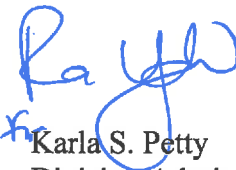
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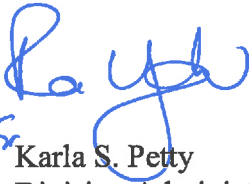
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Sincerely yours,



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Signature for Town of Queen Creek Concurrence
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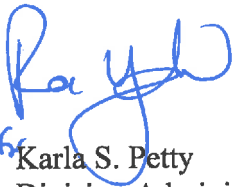
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FHWA is not making a finding of project effect at this time. Please review the enclosed report, the Table, and the information provided in this letter. If you agree with the adequacy of the report, the NRHP eligibility recommendations, and the definition of the APE please indicate your concurrence by signing below. Furthermore, if you have any questions or concerns regarding the locations of the proposed freeway alignments, or the project in general, please feel free to contact ADOT Historic Preservation Team Specialist Lori Sloat at (602) 712-6971 or email LSloat@azdot.gov.

Sincerely yours,



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Signature for Union Pacific Railroad Concurrence
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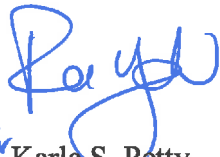
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Gook Vapchkī	Midvale Site, AZ U:10:43 (ASM)	Outside NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Reservoir	Recommended	A,B,D
In-Between Site	AZ U:10:152 [ASM]	Outside NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Bedrock Grinding	Needs Data	
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Sand Dune South Site	AZ U:10:32 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Ballcourt	Recommended	A,C,D
Mo'o 'Ialik	Picketpost Mountain, <i>lalgini kayeh</i> (shining glass)	Outside NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh, Yavapai, western Apache	Mountain	Recommended	A,D
Massera Ruin	AZ U:10:22 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Ballcourt	Recommended	A,C,D
Smiley's Well	AZ U:14:73 (ASM)	Alignment Corridor	O'odham-Pee Posh	Reservoir	Not Eligible	
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Shavikuḍ Do'ag	Rattle Mountain	Outside NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Butte	Recommended	A,D
AZ U:15:434 (ASM)	Florence Cinder Mine	Alignment Corridor	O'odham-Pee Posh	Basalt Quarry	Needs Data	
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Shonk		Alignment Corridor	O'odham-Pee Posh	Spring	Recommended	A,D
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Twin Buttes	Twin Buttes	Outside NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Butte	Recommended	D
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Poston Butte Site	AZ U:15:52 (ASM)	Alignment Corridor	O'odham-Pee Posh	Ballcourt	Recommended	A,B,C,D
AZ U:14:54 (ASM)		NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Ballcourt	Recommended	A,C,D
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Adamsville Ruin	AZ U:15:1 (ASM)	Alignment Corridor	O'odham-Pee Posh	Ballcourt, Platform Mound	Recommended	A,C,D
Grewe (Casa Grande)	AZ AA:2:2 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Ballcourt	Recommended	A,B,C,D
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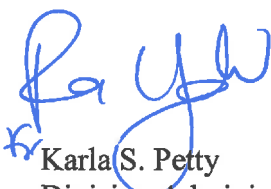
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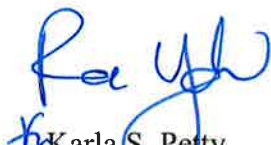
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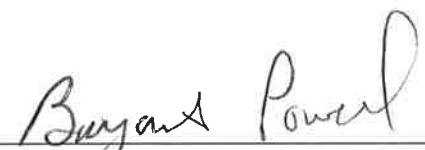
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In-Between Site	AZ U:10:152 [ASM]	Outside NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Bedrock Grinding	Needs Data	
Los Monticulos	AZ U:11:41(ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Ballcourt, Shrines	Recommended	A,C,D
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AZ U:14:54 (ASM)		NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Ballcourt	Recommended	A,C,D
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Picture Rocks		Outside NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Basalt Quarry, Rock Art	Needs Data	
Adamsville Ruin	AZ U:15:1 (ASM)	Alignment Corridor	O'odham-Pee Posh	Ballcourt, Platform Mound	Recommended	A,C,D
Grewe (Casa Grande)	AZ AA:2:2 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Ballcourt	Recommended	A,B,C,D
Casa Grande Ruins	AZ AA:2:17 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh, Hopi, Zuni	Ballcourt, Great House	Recommended	A,B,C,D
Grande Vista Site	AZ AA:2:63 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Platform Mound	Recommended	A,C,D
Tom Mix Big House	AZ AA:3:17 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Platform Mound	Recommended	A,C,D
I Chuulik	Eleven Mile Corner	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Place	Needs Data	
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Taatkam	Feeler Mountain, Newman Peak	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Mountain	Recommended	A,B,D
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Re: North-South Corridor Study

Dear Ms. Petty,

Thank you for your correspondence dated April 18, 2016, regarding the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) proposed new 45 mile long north-south highway from US 60 near Apache Junction to Interstate 10 between Picacho and Eloy. The Hopi Tribe claims cultural affiliation to earlier identifiable cultural groups throughout Arizona, including the Hohokam prehistoric cultural group in southern Arizona. The Hopi Cultural Preservation Office supports the identification and avoidance of our ancestral sites and Traditional Cultural Properties, and we consider the archaeological sites of our ancestors to be "footprints" and Traditional Cultural Properties. Therefore, we appreciate the FHWA and ADOT's continuing solicitation of our input and your efforts to address our concerns.

In the enclosed letter dated July 8, 2011, the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office reviewed the Class I Cultural Resources Inventory report and stated we understood that 313 cultural resources have been identified in the 24% of the study area has been previously surveyed. Therefore we determined that this proposal is likely to adversely affect cultural resources significant to the Hopi Tribe and stated that we looked forward to receiving additional information regarding project scope, alternatives, and historic properties, for review and comment as it becomes available. In the enclosed letter dated December 5, 2011, we stated that we understood that alignment alternatives are being developed, and that we will support the alternative that adversely affects the fewest National Register eligible prehistoric sites. In the enclosed letter dated January 28, 2014, we supported the Gila River Indian Community's request for an adequate assessment of their Traditional Cultural Properties in the project area. We have now reviewed the enclosed Traditional Cultural Properties overview.

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Respectfully,



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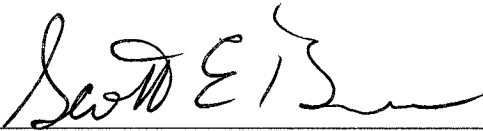
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Casa Grande Ruins	AZ AA:2:17 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh, Hopi, Zuni	Ballcourt, Great House	Recommended	A,B,C,D
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Tom Mix Big House	AZ AA:3:17 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Platform Mound	Recommended	A,C,D
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Taatkam	Feeler Mountain, Newman Peak	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Mountain	Recommended	A,B,D
McClellan Wash Platform Mound	AZ AA:7:4 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Platform Mound	Recommended	A,C,D
"Indian Mound"	AZ AA:6:39 (ASM)	Outside NSC study area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Platform Mound	Recommended	A,C,D
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TCP Technical Summary

Mr. Terry Rambler, Chairman
San Carlos Apache Tribe
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any concerns regarding historic properties of traditional, religious, cultural, or historic importance to your community within the APE. Any information you might provide within 30 days of receipt of this letter will be considered in the project planning. If your office opts to participate in cultural resource consultation at a later date, FHWA would make a good faith effort to address your concerns.

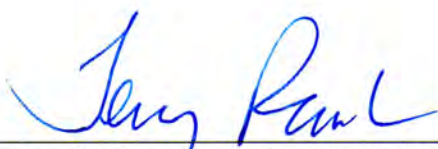
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Sincerely yours,

Rebecca Yedlin

Karla S. Petty
Division Administrator



Signature for San Carlos Apache Tribe Concurrence
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Ms. Vernelda Grant, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (same as addressee; with enclosures)
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Re: STP-999-A(365)X; TRACS No. 999 PN 000 H7454 01L

Dear Ms. Petty:

Thank you for including the San Carlos Irrigation Project (SCIP) in your continuing National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) compliance activities. My concurrence with the technical summary for Traditional Cultural Properties (TCPs) is enclosed.

As a reminder, crossing or altering SCIP irrigation facilities requires SCIP to issue an encroachment permit. In order for SCIP to issue an encroachment permit, the applicant must prepare and submit NEPA and NHPA compliance documentation. In addition to these requirements, crossings/alterations of our power and irrigation facilities requires SCIP to approve engineering plans in order to determine if the planned crossings/alterations meet SCIP's safety and operating standards.

Remove Anna Rago from your contact list for SCIP; she is no longer an employee. Address all correspondence to me, Ferris Begay, Project Manager.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'F. S. Begay'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Ferris Begay
Project Manager

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Consulting Native American tribes that concurred with the TCP approach include the Gila River Indian Community (Lewis [GRIC THPO] to Petty [FHWA], February 28, 2014), the Hopi Tribe (Kuwanwisiwma [Hopi] to Petty [FHWA], January 28, 2014), the San Carlos Apache Tribe (Rambler [San Carlos Apache Tribe] to Petty [FHWA], January 28, 2014), the Tohono O'odham Nation (Steere [Tohono O'odham Nation THPO] to Petty [FHWA], April 7, 2014), and the Yavapai-Apache Nation (Ogo [Yavapai-Apache Nation] to Petty [FHWA], April 15, 2014). The Ak-Chin Indian Community, the Pascua Yaqui Tribe, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, the Tonto Apache Tribe, and the Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe did not respond.

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The TCP overview and the TCP technical summary were provided to the Four Southern O'odham Tribes (Ak-Chin Indian Community, Gila River Indian Community, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, and Tohono O'odham Nation) for review. The Tohono O'odham Nation THPO concurred with the adequacy of the report and National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) eligibility recommendations (Petty [FHWA] to Steere and Joaquin [TON], concurrence November 6, 2015). The Gila River Indian Community THPO provided comments (Lewis [GRIC] to Petty [FHWA] to December 14, 2015) and both reports have been revised accordingly. The TCP technical summary report excludes sensitive information included in the TCP overview (Darling 2016a) and was prepared for consultation with SHPO and other consulting parties. A copy of the TCP technical summary is enclosed for your review and comment.

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Adamsville Ruin	AZ U:15:1 (ASM)	Alignment Corridor	O'odham-Pee Posh	Ballcourt, Platform Mound	Recommended	A,C,D
Grewe (Casa Grande)	AZ AA:2:2 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Ballcourt	Recommended	A,B,C,D
Casa Grande Ruins	AZ AA:2:17 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh, Hopi, Zuni	Ballcourt, Great House	Recommended	A,B,C,D
Grande Vista Site	AZ AA:2:63 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Platform Mound	Recommended	A,C,D
Tom Mix Big House	AZ AA:3:17 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Platform Mound	Recommended	A,C,D
I Chuulik	Eleven Mile Corner	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Place	Needs Data	
Brady Wash Site	AZ AA:3:19 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Platform Mound	Recommended	A,C,D
Taatkam	Feeler Mountain, Newman Peak	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Mountain	Recommended	A,B,D
McClellan Wash Platform Mound	AZ AA:7:4 (ASM)	NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Platform Mound	Recommended	A,C,D
"Indian Mound"	AZ AA:6:39 (ASM)	Outside NSC study area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Platform Mound	Recommended	A,C,D
Cheemod	Picacho Peak	Outside NSC study area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Mountain	Recommended	A,B,D
Wepeg Ka'akwulik		Outside NSC study area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Buttes	Recommended	A,D
Wegium Hodai Kawulik		Outside NSC Study Area	O'odham-Pee Posh	Butte	Recommended	A,D
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April 18, 2016

In Reply Refer To:

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Mr. Matthew Behrend, Archaeology Cultural Affairs Specialist
Arizona State Land Department
1616 West Adams Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

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Sincerely yours,

Karla S. Petty
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Signature for Arizona State Land Department Concurrence Date
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Mr. Harvey Krauss, AICP, City Manager
City of Eloy
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Sincerely yours,


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Karla S. Petty
Division Administrator

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Signature for City of Eloy Concurrence
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April 29, 2016

Karla S. Petty, Division Administrator
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RE: STP-999-A(365)X, TRACS No. 999 PN 000 H7454 01L, North-South Corridor Study, Continuing Section 106 Consultation, Traditional Cultural Properties (TCP) Overview and Technical Summary

Dear Ms. Petty,

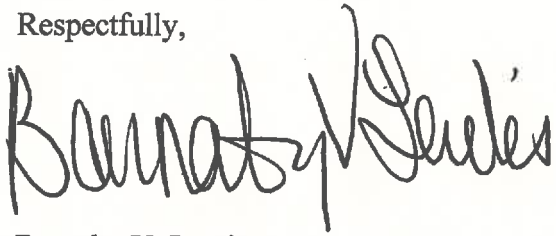
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The GRIC-THPO has completed our review of reports *Traditional Cultural Property Overview for the Proposed North-South (NSC) and SR 24 (Pinal County) Freeway Corridors, Maricopa and Pinal Counties, Arizona* and the redacted *Technical Summary* of the report. Our recommended changes have essentially been incorporated into the text of both reports. Thank you. We have a minor issue with the text on page 4, under heading 2, second paragraph. We recommend clarification of the phrase "culturally coherent." We believe the phrase means *consistent recognition which is certainly O'Odham and Pee Posh*. Word changes or additional definition should be made so that the reader fully understands the author's intended meaning.

The GRIC-THPO agrees that both reports are adequate and acceptable cultural resource management documents. The GRIC-THPO will continue to participate as lead in the consultation process of this undertaking. The proposed project area is within the ancestral lands of the Four Southern Tribes (Gila River Indian Community; Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community; Ak-Chin Indian Community and the Tohono O'Odham Nation).

Thank you for consulting with the GRIC-THPO on this project. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me or Archaeological Compliance Specialist Larry Benallie, Jr. at 520-562-7162.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Barnaby V. Lewis". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "B".

Barnaby V. Lewis
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Gila River Indian Community



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April 22, 2016

Karla S. Petty, Division Administrator
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Re: North-South Corridor Study


Dear Ms. Petty,

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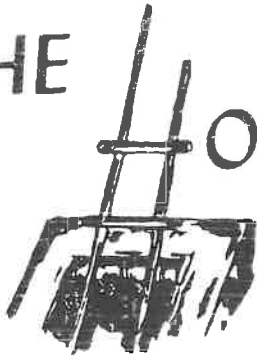
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Leigh J. Kuwanwisiwma, Director
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Enclosures: July 8 and December 5, 2011, January 28, 2014 letters
xc: Lori Sloat, Arizona Department of Transportation; Barnaby Lewis, Gila River Indian Community
Arizona State Historic Preservation Office

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January 28, 2014

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Re: North-South Corridor Study

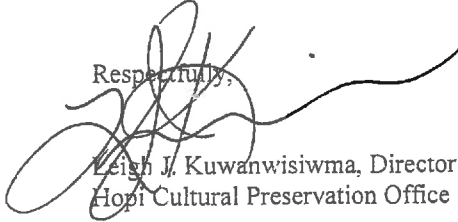
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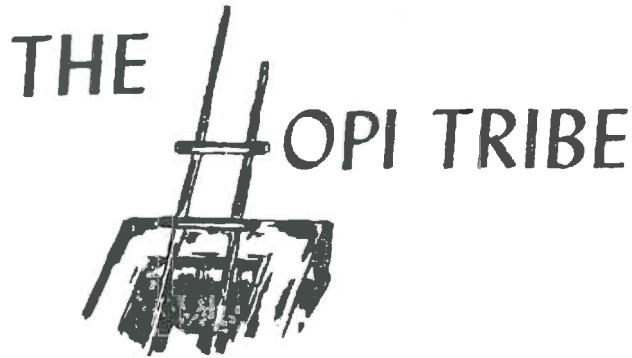
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December 5, 2011

Karla S. Petty, Division Administrator
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Phoenix, Arizona 85012-3500

Re: North-South Corridor Study

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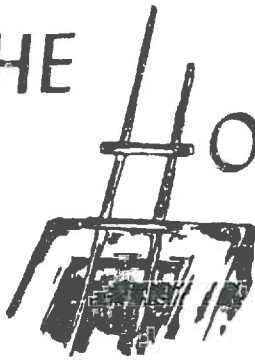
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Enclosure: August 8, 2011 letter to FHWA
xc: Erin Bodine, Arizona Department of Transportation
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July 8, 2011

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Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Terry Morgart at the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office. Thank you again for your consideration.

Respectfully,


Leigh J. Kuwanwisiwma, Director
Hopi Cultural Preservation Office

xc: Linda Davis, Arizona Department of Transportation
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Ms. Karla S. Petty
Division Administrator
U.S. Department of Transportation
Federal Highway Administration
4000 North Central Avenue, Suite 1500
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Dear Ms. Petty:

Re: STP-999-A(365)X, TRACS No. 999 PN 000 H7454 01L, North-South Corridor Study, Continuing Section 106
Consultation TCP Technical Summary

Pursuant to your request, enclosed please find the signed letter for Town of Queen Concurrence on referenced project.

In addition, be advised Wayne Balmer has retired from the Town's employment and should be removed from your list of authorized personnel to do business on behalf of Queen Creek. Please update your records to reflect the Town's current Planning Administrator is Brett Burningham; his contact information follows.

- Address: 22350 S. Ellsworth Road, Queen Creek, AZ 85142
- E-Mail: brett.burningham@queencreek.org
- Phone: (480) 358-3097

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Kross".

John Kross, ICMA-CM
Town Manager

cc: Brett Burningham, Planning Administrator
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San Carlos Irrigation and Drainage District
120 South 3rd Street
Coolidge, Arizona 85128

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STP-999-A(365)X acknowledge of Receipt.
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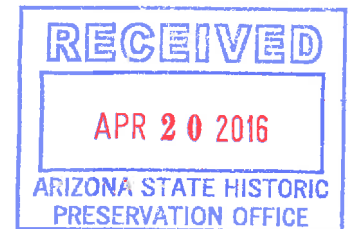
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State Historic Preservation Office
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Other consulting parties that concurred with the TCP approach included the Arizona Army National Guard (Ladd [AANG] to Petty [FHWA], April 3, 2014), the Arizona State Museum (Pitezel [ASM] to Petty [FHWA], February 22, 2014), the Arizona State Land Department (Ross [ASLD] to Petty [FHWA], February 25, 2014), the Bureau of Land Management Tucson Field Office (Sobiech [BLM] to Petty [FHWA], January 28, 2014), the Bureau of Reclamation (Smith [Reclamation] to Petty [FHWA], January 31, 2014), the City of Mesa (Wesley [Mesa] to Petty [FHWA], February 3, 2014), the San Carlos Irrigation Project (Begay [SCIP] to Petty [FHWA], February 3, 2014), the State Historic Preservation Office (Jacobs [SHPO] to Petty [FHWA], January 28, 2014), the Town of Florence (Melvin [Florence] to Petty [FHWA], March 11, 2014), the Town of Queen Creek (Kross [Queen Creek] to Petty [FHWA], January 28, 2014), and the Tucson Electric Power Company (Bonavia [TEPC] to Petty [FHWA], March 10, 2014).

Following concurrence by the consulting parties with the proposed approach, Southwest Heritage Research, LLC (SWHR), prepared a TCP overview report for the project. The results were reported in "*Traditional Cultural Property Overview for the Proposed North-South (NSC) and SR 24 (Pinal County) Freeway Corridors, Pinal County, Arizona*" (Darling 2016a). SWHR also prepared a TCP technical summary report titled "*Technical Summary: Traditional Cultural Property Overview for the Proposed North-South (NSC) and SR 24 (Pinal County) Freeway Corridors, Maricopa and Pinal Counties, Arizona*" (Darling 2016b).

The TCP overview and the TCP technical summary were provided to the Four Southern O'odham Tribes (Ak-Chin Indian Community, Gila River Indian Community, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, and Tohono O'odham Nation) for review. The Tohono O'odham Nation THPO concurred with the adequacy of the report and National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) eligibility recommendations (Petty [FHWA] to Steere and Joaquin [TON], concurrence November 6, 2015). The Gila River Indian Community THPO provided comments (Lewis [GRIC] to Petty [FHWA] to December 14, 2015) and both reports have been revised accordingly. The TCP technical summary report excludes sensitive information included in the TCP overview (Darling 2016a) and was prepared for consultation with SHPO and other consulting parties. A copy of the TCP technical summary is enclosed for your review and comment.

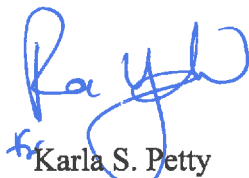
The TCP overview study identified 52 properties (Table 1, attached). Seventeen of these properties are located outside the study area, but were included because they have a bearing on the significance of TCPs located within the study area. Forty-two properties are recommended eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) as TCPs. These include 17

archaeological sites, 11 buttes, six mountains, three geoglyph sites, three reservoir sites, one spring, and one historic and extant O'odham village. Nine properties could not be evaluated for NRHP eligibility because additional data are required. These include four basalt quarries, three bedrock grinding sites, one mountain, and one named place. One property, a reservoir, is recommended not eligible for inclusion on the NRHP as a TCP. For the next step, SWHR will be documenting and evaluating TCPs within the project's APE. The results of this more detailed evaluation will be forthcoming through ongoing consultation.

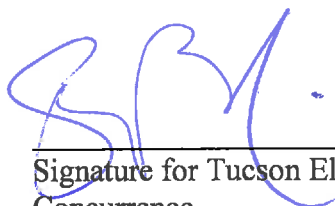
FHWA is not making a finding of project effect at this time. Please review the enclosed report, the Table, and the information provided in this letter. If you agree with the adequacy of the report, the NRHP eligibility recommendations, and the definition of the APE please indicate your concurrence by signing below. Furthermore, if you have any questions or concerns regarding the locations of the proposed freeway alignments, or the project in general, please feel free to contact ADOT Historic Preservation Team Specialist Lori Sloat at (602) 712-6971 or email LSloat@azdot.gov.

Sincerely yours,

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Signature for Tucson Electric Power Company
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