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Amy Eschberger
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Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
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Re: "Notice" of 112 Construction Materials Reclamation Permit Amendment Application
Consideration Las Animas County, Branson Gravel Pit, Permit No. M-1997-100-Am01 (SHPO
Project #68383)

Dear Ms. Eschberger:

Thank you for your correspondence dated June 3, 2015 (received by our office on June 8, 2015) regarding the subject project.

A search of the Colorado Cultural Resource Inventory database indicated that no cultural resource inventories have taken place in the vicinity of the proposed project area and no historic properties have been recorded within the subject property. However, our files contain incomplete information for this area, as most of Colorado has not been inventoried for cultural resources. As a result, there is the possibility that as yet unidentified cultural resources exist within the proposed project area.

Should human remains be discovered during the proposed project activities, the requirements under State law C.R.S. 24-80 (part 13) apply and must be followed.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. If we may be of further assistance, please contact Todd McMahon, Staff Archaeologist at (303) 866-4607 / todd.mcmahon@state.co.us or Amy Pallante, Intergovernmental Services Director at (303) 866-4678 amy.pallante@state.co.us

Sincerely,

Edward C. Nichols
State Historic Preservation Officer
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