



Brock F. Bowles
Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
1313 Sherman St., Room 215
Denver, Colorado 80203

Re: West Farm Pit – File No. M-2008-078, Prowers, Aggregate Operators, LLC. Amendment Application (AM-2) (HC#53799)

Dear Mr. Bowles:

Thank you for your correspondence on December 22, 2020 for the referenced project. Our comments are provided in accordance with the Colorado State Register Act (Colorado Revised Statute CRS 24-80.1).

A search of the Colorado cultural resource inventory database indicated three cultural resource inventories were conducted in or near the proposed permit area, and 15 previously recorded sites (see attached table) were record in the area of proposed action.

As none of the properties listed in the attached table have been nominated for inclusion in or accepted by the state register, additional protection is not required by this act. Nevertheless, we recommend avoidance of all officially eligible, field eligible, and officially needs data sites, if possible. Please keep in mind that our files contain incomplete information for this area, as most of Colorado has not yet been inventoried for cultural resources. As a result, there is the possibility that as yet unidentified cultural resources exist within the proposed permit area. Should human remains be discovered during mining activities, the requirements under State law CRS 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 Holly McKee-Huth, Cultural Resource Information/Section 106 Compliance at (303) 866-4670/holly.mckee@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Steve Turner, AIA
State Historic Preservation Officer

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| SITE ID | ASSESSMENT | ASSESSMENT DATE |
|----------------|---|----------------------------|
| 5PW.79 | Field not eligible | 05/16/1996 |
| 5PW.109 | Officially not eligible | 5/28/2002 |
| 5PW.152.6 | Supports eligibility of entire linear resource | 5/10/2011 |
| 5PW.171.1 | Field not eligible | 01/28/2002 |
| 5PW.171.5 | Does not support eligibility of entire linear resource | 5/10/2011 |
| 5PW.191.1 | Does not support eligibility of entire linear resource | 5/10/2011 |
| 5PW.191.2 | Does not support eligibility of entire linear resource | 5/10/2011 |
| 5PW.191.3 | Does not support eligibility of entire linear resource | 7/23/2014 |
| 5PW.407 | Officially not eligible | 7/23/2014 |
| 5PW.408 | Officially not eligible | 7/23/2014 |
| 5PW.411 | Officially not eligible | 7/23/2014 |
| 5PW.412 | Officially not eligible | 7/23/2014 |
| 5PW.414 | Officially not eligible | 7/23/2014 |
| 5PW.417 | Officially not eligible | 7/23/2014 |
| 5PW.418 | 106 - Officially eligible | 7/23/2014 |