

Tim A. Cazier Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, Colorado 80203

Re: Penrose Pit – File No M-1987-131, Fremont Paving & Redi-Mix, Inc. Amendment Application (AM-3) (HC#79278)

Dear Mr. Cazier:

We received your correspondence dated January 29, 2021 on February 8, 2021 initiating consultation with our office in accordance with the Colorado State Register Act (Colorado Revised Statute (CRS) 24-80.1).

A search of the Colorado Cultural Resource Inventory database indicates that two cultural resource inventories have been conducted in or near the proposed permit area, and three previously recorded sites were recorded in or near the area of proposed action:

Site Number	Assessment	Assessment Date
5FN.166	Field needs data	11/01/1977
5FN.167	Field not eligible	11/01/1977
5FN.2757	Officially not eligible	3/22/2013

As none of the above properties 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.

As a reminder, as of November 1, 2020, the Colorado State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) started requiring that all federal or state consultation requests use our electronic and secure file transfer system, MoveIT. Information and registration for MoveIT is available here: https://www.historycolorado.org/sites/default/files/media/document/2020/MoveIT\_OAHP.pdf

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. If we may be of further assistance, please contact Holly McKee-Huth, Cultural Resource Information/106 Compliance at (303) 866-4670/ <u>holly.mckee@state.co.us</u>.

Sincerely,

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