

Eric C. Scott Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, Colorado 80203

Re: North Star Pit – File No. M-2012-004, Superior Oilfield Services Co., LTD, Amendment Application (AM-2) (HC#65930)

Dear Mr. Scott:

We received your correspondence dated February 18, 2021 on February 23, 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 one cultural resource inventory has been conducted in or near the proposed permit area. In addition, one officially not eligible site (5WL.7334) has been recorded therein. As this property has not been nominated for inclusion in or accepted by the state register, additional protection is not required by this act. 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/106 Compliance at (303) 866-4670/ holly.mckee@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Steve Turner, AIA

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