

Dustin M. Czapla Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety 1313 Sherman St., Room 215 Denver, Colorado 80203

Re: R.B. Pit, File No. M-2022-002 (HC# 80953)

Dear Mr. Czapla:

We received your letter dated January 20, 2022 on January 31, 2022 initiating consultation with our office on the subject action pursuant to the Colorado State Register Act – Colorado Revised Statute (CRS) 24-80.1 et. seq.

A search of our database indicates that eight cultural resources are located within or adjacent to the permit area (see table below). Please

Site Number	Assessment	Assessment Date
5CF.687	Officially not eligible	6/7/1993
5CF.688	Officially eligible	9/29/2017
5CF.689	Officially not eligible	1/16/2013
5CF.690	Officially eligible	9/29/2017
5CF.1120.2	Officially not eligible	4/7/2011
5CF.1120.4	Officially not eligible	1/14/2013
5CF.1838	Officially not eligible	1/17/2013
5CF.2733	Not eligible	05/29/2010

As there are no properties of historical significance included or nominated for inclusion in the state register within the proposed permit area, a finding of no adverse effect is appropriate. As most of Colorado has not been inventoried for cultural resources, our files contain incomplete information. Consequently, there is the possibility that as yet unidentified cultural resources exist within the proposed permit area. The requirements under CRS 24-80 part 13 apply and must be followed if human remains are discovered during ground disturbing activities.

Please note that if the fill or disposal site location is associated with a Federal undertaking, it is the responsibility of the federal agency to meet the requirements of Section 106 as set forth in 36 CFR Part 800 titled "Protection of Historic Properties". This includes not only reasonable and good faith identification efforts of any historic properties located within the area of potential effects, but determining whether the undertaking will have an effect upon such properties. The State Historic Preservation Office,



Native American tribes, representatives of local governments, and applicants for federal permits are entitled to consultative roles in this process.

We 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,

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