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To: Danielle Gosselin, Acting Director Office of Environmental Analysis

Date: December 30, 2021

Re: Docket No. FD 36501, Union Pacific Railroad Company Construction/Operation Exemption

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The White Mountain Apache Tribe Historic Preservation Office appreciates receiving information on the project dated; December 10, 2021. In regards to this, please attend to the following statement below.

Thank you for allowing the White Mountain Apache tribe the opportunity to review and respond to the above proposed construction and operation of approximately six miles of new rail line that would connect UP's Phoenix Sub main line track in Maricopa County, to industrial properties southeast of Phoenix-Mesa Gateway, Phoenix, Arizona.

Please be advised, we reviewed the consultation letter and the information provided, and we've determined the project plans will have ***"No Adverse Effect"*** to the tribe's cultural heritage resources and/or traditional cultural properties, and concur with the recommendations.

Thank you for your continued collaborations in protecting and preserving places of cultural and historical importance.

Sincerely,

Mark T. Altaha

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Historic Preservation Office