

5/18/2022

Ms. Danielle Gosselin
Director
Office of Environmental Analysis
Surface Transportation Board

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Re: Docket No. FD 36501, Union Pacific Railroad Company- Construction and Operation
Exemption – in Maricopa County, Ariz.; Initiation of National Historic Preservation Act Section
106 Consultation and Proposed Area of Potential Effects

Review of cultural resources from the Arizona archaeological database AZSITE show more than 20 documented archaeological sites assigned within 0.5 miles either side of the APE central line. A Phase 2 archaeological review is warranted by a cultural resource management company. This entails a physical survey of the project area and results will determine whether testing and recovery are recommended. Consultation with associated descendants is necessary and through the Government to Government Toolkit website, the list of the Tribes with affiliation to the area can be found along with their contact details:

<https://sites.google.com/view/az-consultation-toolkit/home>.

Further considerations and review of cultural resource compliance are deferred to the State Historic Preservation Office, attention Kathryn Leonard at kleonard@azstateparks.gov or (602) 542 4009.

Sincerely,



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Date: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 5:33:26 PM
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Adam & Maggie,

Once again, thank you for your patience on this. Please see the attached letter response from the City of Mesa and our Historic Preservation Office after review of the request.

Please advise if you have any further questions or need anything else on this item.

Thank you,

JD Beatty

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Adam,

Thank you for the response, and appreciate the flexibility here. We will be sure to provide our response by Thursday at the latest, if not hopefully today or tomorrow.

Much appreciated,

JD Beatty

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Hi JD,

We had hoped to receive all substantive comments that could provide any insight ahead of major field investigation, currently scheduled to begin the week of May 23. Could you get us the City of Mesa's comments by Thursday at the latest?

Thank you,

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Adam & Maggie,
Hope you're both doing well! Just wanted to send a quick note to let you know that we are still planning to submit a comment back as per the request in the attached consult letter that was sent to me and few others at the City of Mesa. Our apologies in the delay and missing the May 6th deadline. We had a few important staff out on travel, which delayed things a bit in getting a proper letter routed and put together with signature. Hopefully you'll still be able to accept our comments, but please advise if there is any issue, or anything else we need to.

Again, thanks for the patience, and appreciate your assistance on the PIRATE Project. We hope to have a response letter back as soon as we can early next week.

Best,

JD Beatty

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