Categorical Exclusion

(Version: OCT06)

Compliance Tracking Number: 2007-038
PEPC Project Number: 17824

A. PROJECT INFORMATION

Title: Wawona Yosemite Association Residence (2618 W Bruce) Renovation

Location: Wawona, Mariposa County, California

Project Manager: Kathy Dimont, Interpretation, Yosemite National Park

B. COMPLIANCE DETERMINATION

This project is an action that has been determined to result in no measurable environmental effects. It is therefore categorically excluded from further National Environmental Policy Act analysis under Categorical Exclusion: DO12 3.4 *C* (3) - Routine maintenance and repairs to non-historic structures, facilities, utilities, grounds, and trails.

Necessary compliance coordination has been completed regarding the National Historic Preservation Act, the Wilderness Act, the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, and the Endangered Species Act, as applicable. Environmental impacts will be negligible or less when the project is implemented with the conditions stipulated under **Project Mitigations and Conditions** in **Section I** at the end of the attached *Environmental Screening Form*.

Additional supporting information for this determination and the stipulated conditions can be found in the following attachments (when checked):

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\sum_{Environmental Screening Form}
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\sum_{Preservation Assessment Form (YOSE-XXX)}
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☐ Wilderness Minimum Requirement Analysis☐ Wild and Scenic River Section 7 Determination

Other:

C. DECISION

On the basis of the environmental impact information in the statutory compliance file, with which I am familiar, I am categorically excluding the described project from further NEPA analysis. No exceptional circumstances or conditions in DO12 3.5 or 3.6 apply and the action is fully described in DO12, Section 3.4.

//MJTollefson// 3/12/07
Michael J. Tollefson, Superintendent Date

Original: Statutory Compliance File cc: Project Proponent

Attachments (2)



United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE Yosemite National Park P.O. Box 577

Yosemite, California 95389

Memorandum

To: Kathy Dimont, Project Manager, Interpretation, Yosemite National Park

Superintendent, Yosemite National Park From:

Subject: Notice to Proceed, 2007-038 Wawona Yosemite Association Residence (2618 W

Bruce) Renovation

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Necessary compliance coordination has been completed regarding the National Historic Preservation Act, the Wilderness Act, the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, and the Endangered Species Act, as applicable. This project clearance is valid providing that you adhere to any conditions that may be stipulated in the enclosed Categorical Exclusion Form and associated documents when implementing this project.

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Michael J. Tollefson	Date

Enclosure (with attachments)

cc: Statutory Compliance File

Environmental Screening Form(Version: NOV06)

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B. PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND

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Table B1 – Background Information

Other (Explain)

		Yes	No	N/A	Explanation/Notes
1.	Did NPS staff conduct a site visit? If yes, list attendees. If no, explain.	\boxtimes			Interpretation staff.
2a.	Is the project providing compliance for an action associated with but not covered by an approved plan? (Identify the plan and provide a section or page citation.); OR				
2b.	Is the project in an approved plan? (Identify the plan and provide a section or page citation.				
2c.	Is the project consistent with that plan?			\boxtimes	
2d.	Is the Plan's CE, FONSI, or ROD current?			\boxtimes	
3a.	Are there any interested or affected parties?		\boxtimes		
3b.	Has a diligent effort been made to communicate with them?				
4a.	Are there any affected agencies or tribes?		\boxtimes		
4b.	Has consultation been completed?				
Ta	ble B2 – Environmental Screening Form	ı Atta	chm		provide Attachment letter—A, B, etc.)
		Yes	No	N/A	Explanation/Notes
1.	Maps: 2 required (vicinity map & site map)	\boxtimes			Vicinity map; see Attachment A.
2.	Drawings (e.g., design, construction)		\boxtimes		
3.	Site Plans		\boxtimes		
4.	Photographs	\boxtimes			Existing residence; see Attachment B.
5.	Non-NEPA/NHPA Approvals (Explain)		\boxtimes		

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C. ASSESSMENT OF POTENTIAL RESOURCE EFFECTS

Are	Are any impacts possible on the following Yes No N/A Data Needed to Determine/Notes					
res	ources?				Data recuce to Determine/reces	
1.	Geologic resources: soils, bedrock, streambeds, etc					
2.	From geohazards		\boxtimes			
3.	Air quality	\boxtimes			Negligible; temporary during construction.	
4.	Soundscapes	\boxtimes			Negligible; temporary during construction.	
5.	Water quality or quantity		\boxtimes			
6.	Stream flow characteristics		\boxtimes			
7.	Marine or estuarine resources			\boxtimes		
8.	Floodplains or wetlands		\boxtimes			
9.	Land use, including occupancy, income, values, ownership, type of use		\boxtimes			
	Rare or unusual vegetation – old growth timber, riparian, alpine					
11.	Species of special concern (plant or animal; state or federal listed or proposed for listing) or their habitat		\boxtimes			
12.	Unique ecosystems, biosphere reserves, World Heritage Sites				Yosemite National Park is a World Heritage site; no historic properties would be adversely affected by implementing this project.	
13.	Unique or important wildlife or wildlife habitat		\boxtimes			
14.	Unique or important fish or fish habitat		\boxtimes			
15.	Introduce or promote non-native species (plant or animal)		\boxtimes			
16.	Recreation resources, including supply, demand, visitation, activities, etc.		\boxtimes			
17.	Visitor experience, aesthetic resources		\boxtimes			
	Cultural resources including cultural landscapes, ethnographic resources		\boxtimes			
19.	Socioeconomics, including employment, occupation, income changes, tax base, infrastructure		\boxtimes			
20.	Minority and low income populations, ethnography, size, migration patterns, etc.		\boxtimes			
21.	Energy resources		\boxtimes			
22.	Other agency or tribal land use plans or policies		\boxtimes			
23.	Resource, including energy, conservation potential		\boxtimes			
24.	Urban quality, gateway communities, etc.		\boxtimes			
25.	Long-term management of resources or land/resource productivity		\boxtimes			
26	Other important environment resources (e.g. geothermal, paleontological resources)?					
	nments, Mitigations and Conditions:					
1.	None					

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D. MANDATORY CRITERIA

If	implemented, would the proposed action:	Yes	No	N/A	Data Needed to Determine/Notes
	Have material adverse effects on public health or safety?		\boxtimes		Mitigated: see Condition 1, below.
2.	Have adverse effects on such unique characteristics as historic or cultural resources; park, recreation, or refuge lands; wilderness areas; wild or scenic rivers; national natural landmarks; sole or principal drinking water aquifers; prime farmlands; wetlands; floodplains; or ecologically significant or critical areas, including those listed on the National Register of Natural Landmarks?				Mitigated: the assessment of effect is "No Effect;" see the attached XXX.
3.	Have highly controversial environmental effects?		\boxtimes		
4.	Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks?		\boxtimes		
5.	Establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects?		\boxtimes		
6.	Be directly related to other actions with individually insignificant, but cumulatively significant, environmental effects?				
7.	Have adverse effects on properties listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places?				
8.	Have adverse effects on species listed or proposed to be listed on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species or have adverse effects on designated Critical Habitat for these species?		\boxtimes		
9.	Require compliance with Executive Order 11988 (Floodplain Management), Executive Order 11990 (Protection of Wetlands), or the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act?		\boxtimes		
10.	Threaten to violate a federal, state, local, or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment?		\boxtimes		
11.	Involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources (NEPA sec. 102(2)(E)?		\boxtimes		
12.	Have a disproportionate, significant adverse effect on low-income or minority populations (EO 12898)?		\boxtimes		
13.	Restrict access to and ceremonial use of Indian sacred sites by Indian religious practitioners or adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites (EO 130007)?		\boxtimes		
14.	Contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of federally listed noxious weeds (Federal Noxious Weed Control Act)?		\boxtimes		
15.	Contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of non-native invasive species or actions that may promote the introduction, growth or expansion of the range of non-native invasive species (EO 13112)?		\boxtimes		
16.	Require a permit from a federal, state, or local agency to proceed, unless the agency from which the permit is required agrees that a CE is appropriate?		\boxtimes		
17.	Have the potential for significant impact as indicated by a federal, state, or local agency or Indian tribe?		\boxtimes		
18.	Have the potential to be controversial because of disagreement over possible environmental effects?				
19.	Have the potential to violate the NPS Organic Act by impairing park resources or values?				

Comments, Mitigations and Conditions:

1. Develop and submit a Job Hazard Analysis to the park Safety Officer (Roger Farmer, 379-1079) that specifically addresses lead and asbestos abatement for review and approval before beginning any project work.

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E. SPECIAL STATUS SPECIES CHECKLIST

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	thin the area of potential effect, are there:	Yes	No	N/A	Data Needed to Determine/Notes
1.	Listed or proposed threatened or endangered species (Federal or State)?		\boxtimes		
2.	Species of special concern (Federal or State)?		\boxtimes		
3.	Park rare plants or vegetation?		\boxtimes		
4.	Potential habitat for any special-status species listed above?		\boxtimes		
If '	'yes" to any of the above questions, a Special-S	Status	Specie	es Che	cklist must be completed and attached.
	mments, Mitigations and Conditions:		1		<u>, </u>
1.	None				
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	NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVA	HON	AC.	ГСН	ECKLIST
Wi	thin the area of potential effect:	Yes	No	N/A	Data Needed to Determine/Notes
1.	Will there be ground disturbance?	Ш		Ш	
2.	Are there any archeological sites?				Assessment of effect is "No Effect;" see the attached XXX.
3.	Are there any Native American Indian traditional cultural resources?		\boxtimes		
4.	Is there a historic property (a building, structure, feature, or all or any part of an archeological district or site, or a historic district or site, or any associated landscape element) that is listed or eligible for listing on the <i>National Register</i> ?				
5.	Is there a National Historic Landmark?	П	\boxtimes	П	
6.	Is there a structure(s) on the park's <i>List of</i>				
	Classified Structures?			Ш	
7.	Is there any cultural resource requiring an evaluation of eligibility as a historic property under NHPA, Section 106, before an affect determination can be made?		\boxtimes		
8	Would there be alteration of any historic	_		_	
	property or associated landscape element	Ш	\boxtimes	Ш	
It (covered by 2-7, above?	of Effe	ota fo	(V	OCE VVV) must be completed and attached
	'yes" to <u>any</u> of the above, then an Assessment of	oi eiie	ects 10	rm (Y	OSE-XXX) must be completed and attached.
1.	tigations and Conditions: None				
<u> </u>	None				
G.	WILDERNESS ACT CHECKLIST				
Ist	the proposed project:	Yes	No	N/A	Data Needed to Determine/Notes
1.	Within designated Wilderness?		\boxtimes		
2.	Within a Potential Wilderness Addition?		\boxtimes		
If "	'yes' to either of the above, then a Wilderness Mi	nimun	n Requ	iiremei	nts Analysis must be completed and attached.
	tigations and Conditions:		· <u> </u>		
1.	None				

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H. WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS ACT CHECKLIST

Do	es the proposed project:	Yes	No	N/A	Data Needed to Determine/Notes
1.	Fall within a wild and scenic river corridor? If 'yes", name the river(s)		\boxtimes		
2.	Fall within the bed and banks AND affect the free-flow of the river?				
3.	Potentially affect water quality of the area?			\boxtimes	
4.	Diminish or other wise change the values for which the river was designated as a Wild and Scenic River? If "yes", explain.				
5a.	Fall on a tributary of a Wild and Scenic River?				
5b.	If 5a is "yes", will the project affect the Wild and Scenic River corridor?				
5c.	If 5a is "yes", will the project unreasonably diminish scenic, recreational, or fish and wildlife values?			\boxtimes	
If "	yes" to questions 2, 5b, or 5c, then a WSRA So	ection	7 dete	ermina	tion must be completed and attached.
Mi	tigations and Conditions:				
1.	None				

I. NEPA Analysis and Approval Conditions

When implemented as detailed in the project description and following all Project Mitigations and Conditions listed below, this project meets the terms and conditions of a categorical exclusion to NEPA.

Applicable Categorical Exclusion:

DO12 3.4 *C* (3) - Routine maintenance and repairs to non-historic structures, facilities, utilities, grounds, and trails.

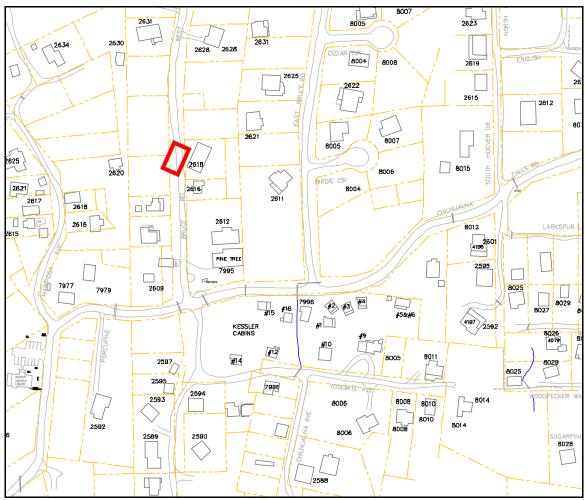
Project Mitigations and Conditions:

- 1. Develop and submit a Job Hazard Analysis to the park Safety Officer (Roger Farmer, 379-1079) that specifically addresses lead and asbestos abatement for review and approval before beginning any project work. (Safety Office)
- 2. Ensure that the Wawona Buildings and Grounds Supervisor (Brian Martin, 975-9508) provides oversight to the contract work. (Facilities Management)

This project has been reviewed in accordance with the above criteria and it has been determined that the project will result in no or minimal environmental effects. Therefore, it is categorically excluded from further environmental review required under the National Environmental Policy Act. Additionally, the necessary compliance coordination has been completed with regard to the National Historic Preservation Act, the Wilderness Act, the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, and the Endangered Species Act.

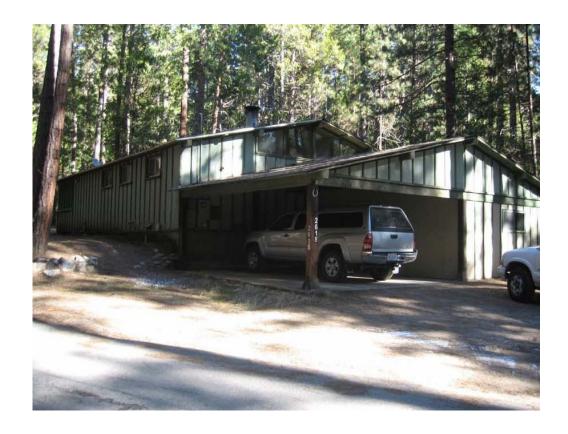
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Compliance Specialist	Date
//Mark A Butler//	3/5/07
Compliance Program Manager	Date
//Glen Rothell//	3/8/07
Chief, Project Management	Date

Attachment A

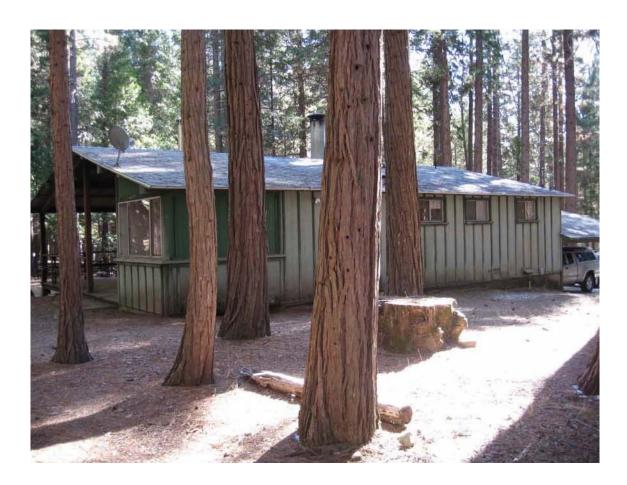


Map 1 – 2618 Bruce Road, Wawona, off Chilnualna Falls Road

Attachment B







Preservation Assessment Form (YOSE XXX)

(Version: AUG06)

Compliance Tracking Number: 2007-038
PEPC Project Number: 17824

A. DESCRIPTION OF UNDERTAKING

Title: Wawona Yosemite Association Residence (2618 W Bruce) Renovation

Project Location and Area of Potential Effect:

Wawona, Mariposa County, California

Wawona

Project Manager: Kathy Dimont, Interpretation, Yosemite National Park

Project Description: The project entails preparing the residence at 2618 W Bruce, Wawona, Yosemite National Park (assigned for use by the Yosemite Association), for occupancy. The work would entail enlarging one bedroom window to comply with fire standards for safe exit, painting the interior of the residence, installing a kitchen range, and seeking counsel on ways to rehabilitate the paint on the building exterior (asbestos siding).

1. Atta	ched Sensitive Information**	Yes	No	Explanation/Source/Notes
a.	Maps			
b.	Drawings			
c.	Site Plans			
d.	Photographs			
e.	Sample			
f.	List of Materials			
φ.	Other (Explain)			

^{**} Sensitive documents not for duplication or distribution beyond park management, subject matter experts, and the project statutory compliance file.

B. DESCRIPTION OF EFFECTS

		Yes	No	N/A	Explanation/Notes
1.	Has the Area of Potential Effect been surveyed to identify historic properties? If Yes, provide reference for the Survey (s).				
	a. Would the proposed action affect a known historic property?				
2.	List all Historic Properties in the Area of	Affec	ted?		E-mlanation/Natas
	Potential Effect:	Yes	No		Explanation/Notes
	a.				
	b.	Щ	Щ		
	c.	Ш	Ш		
3	List resources in the Area of Potential	Affec	tod?		
3.	Effect to which American Indians attach				Explanation/Notes
	cultural and religious significance:	Yes	No		
	a.				
	b.				
	c.	Ш			
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4.	The proposed action will:	Yes	No	N/A	Explanation/Note
	Destroy, remove, or alter features or elements from a historic structure				
	Replace historic features/elements in kind			П	
	Add nonhistoric features/elements to a				
	historic structure	Ш	Ш	Ш	
	• Alter or remove features/elements of a historic setting or environment (including terrain)				
	• Add nonhistoric features/elements (including visual, audible, or atmospheric) to a historic setting or cultural landscape				
	Disturb, destroy, or make archeological resources inaccessible, or alter associated terrain				
	• Disturb, destroy, or make ethnographic resources inaccessible, or alter associated terrain				
	Begin or contribute to the deterioration of historic fabric, terrain, setting, landscape elements, or archeological or ethnographic resources				
	 Involve a real property transaction affecting historic cultural properties (i.e., the exchange, sale, or lease of land or structures) 				
	• Potentially affect presently unidentified historic resources				
	• Other				

5. Describe any measures that are incorporated as part of this project that will be taken to prevent or minimize loss or impairment of prehistoric or historic fabric, setting, integrity, or data:					
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Checklist prepared by: Jeannette Simons	Date:				
Title: Historic Preservation Officer					

C. SPECIALIST SECTION

Specialists: Your comments here (or attached) show that you have reviewed this proposal for conformity with requirements of *National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106*; with the 1995 *Servicewide Programmatic Agreement* (if applicable); with applicable parts of the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archeology and Historic Preservation*; with the NPS *Management Policies* and *Cultural Resource Management Guideline*; and have given your best professional advice about this project and the issues relevant to the Section 106 process, including identification and evaluation of historic properties and further consultation needs.

Archeologist Comments:	Name: Laura Kirn	Date: 2/14/07
Ground Disturbance Involved Assessment of Effect: "No Effect" Recommended Conditions:	Yes: No: X	
Signature of Archeologist: _//Sonny	Montague// acting	
Cultural Anthropologist Comments:	Name: Sonny Montague	Date: 2/14/07
Assessment of Effect: "No Effect" Recommended Conditions:		
Signature of Cultural Anthropologis	st: <u>//Sonny Montague//</u>	
Curator Comments:	Name: Jonathan Bayless	Date:
Assessment of Effect: < Choose Effe	ect> or write it here >>	
Recommended Conditions:		
Signature of Curator:		

Historian Comments:	Name: Charles Palmer	Date: 2/14/07
Assessment of Effect: "No Effect"		
Recommended Conditions:		
Signature of Historian: //Charles P	Palmer//	
Historic Architect Comments:	Name: Sueann Brown	Date:
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Recommended Conditions:		
Signature of Historic Architect:		
Historic Landscape Architect Comments:	Name: Dave T. Humphrey	Date: 2/14/07
Assessment of Effect: "No Effect"		
Recommended Conditions:		
Signature of Historic Landscape Arc	chitect: //David T. Humphrey//	

Preservation Specialist Comments:	Name: Rod Kennec	Date: 2/14/07						
Assessment of Effect: "No Adverse	Assessment of Effect: "No Adverse Effect"							
Recommended Conditions: Recomm	nended Conditions							
Signature of Preservation Specialist	: <u>//Rod Kennec//</u>							
Native American Liaison	Name: Jeannette Simons	Date:						
Comments:								
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D. RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND SCIENCE DIVISION AND PARK 106 COORDINATOR REVIEWS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Review by specialists: The appropriate subject-matter experts have reviewed the project and entered their comments and recommendations in Section C, above.

mo	ınagem	ent policies, standards,	es, standards, guidelines, or US DOI standards and guidelines, Rehabilitation of or others, and incorporates measures to avoid Adverse Effects. epted by: Stephanie Nicholas// of Resources Management & Science Division Date: 2/21/07	
Re	viewe	d and Accepted by:		Date: _2/21/07 Date: _2/21/07
Sig	gnatur		ref of Resources Management & Science Division Requirements: The following is the park's assessment of Section 106 process needs and requirements for this undertaking. ard 36 CFR Part 800 Consultation tation under 36 CFR is needed subsequent to the preparation of this form and its review by riate historic resource management advisors. Ataking related to the 1995 NPS Programmatic Agreement ave action meets all conditions for a programmatic exclusion under Stipulation IV. A of the PS programmatic agreement, and is listed in Stipulation IV. B, as: see Type of Undertaking>	
2.	Com	pliance Requirements:		•
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		Flood-Recovery Relat	ed Undertaking	
		between the NPS, the Sta	ate Historic Preservation Office, and the	•
		Undertaking Related	to the 1999 Yosemite Programma	atic Agreement
			design, construction, operations and m	

3. Assessment of Effects: No Effect

4. Project Stipulations and Conditions

Following are listed any stipulations or conditions necessary to ensure that the assessment of effects above is consistent with 36 CFR 800 criteria of effect or to mitigate potential adverse effects:

a. None

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	Č	on 106 Coordinator	'		
Name:	Jeannette Simons				
Title:	Historic Preserva	tion Officer			
Signature:	//Jeannette Simons	//	Date: <u>2/21/07</u>		
E. SUPER	INTENDENT'S A	PPROVAL			
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Signature	of Superintendent:	//MJTollefson//		Date:	3/13/07
		Michael J. Tollefso	on		