

November 20, 2000

The Honorable Milton J. Hooper, Chairman
Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Reservation
P.O. Box 6104
Ibapah, UT 84034

SUBJECT: SECTION 106 OF THE NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT
CONSULTATION PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED PRIVATE FUEL
STORAGE PROJECT

Dear Chairman Hooper:

On October 23, 2000, the representatives of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), the U.S. Department of Interior's Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and Bureau of Land Management (BLM), and the Surface Transportation Board (STB) met with your representative, Mr. Ken Williams, with regards to the consultation process required under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act as it applies to the Private Fuel Storage, L.L.C. (PFS) project. Pursuant to Title 36 of the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 800 (36 CFR Part 800), the purpose of this consultation process is to provide the Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Reservation the opportunity to identify its concerns about historic properties, advise on the identification and evaluation of historic properties, including those of traditional religious and cultural importance, articulate its view on the project's effects on such properties, and participate in the resolution of adverse effects.

The meeting focused on the eligibility recommendations included in the Class III cultural resource inventory report and potential mitigation measures for anticipated adverse impacts to the cultural resources within the area of potential effects (APE). We also solicited information regarding cultural resources that the Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Reservation believe will be affected by the PFS project. Although Mr. Williams indicated he was not aware of any properties of cultural and traditional significance within the APE, he stated that he would discuss the project, the report, and the potential mitigation measures with the tribal Elders.

On November 14, 2000, Ms. Melanie Wong of NRC contacted Mr. Williams to discuss the tribal elders' review of the project. This is a follow-up letter confirming the information provided in the telephone conversation. Mr. Williams informed Ms. Wong that based on discussions with the tribal Elders (Mabel Salazar and Orlena McCurby), there were no properties of cultural and traditional significance to the Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Reservation within the APE. If your understanding of the telecon between Ms. Wong and Mr. Williams differs from the above, please notify us as soon as possible.

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If you have any further questions or comments regarding this request, please contact Scott Flanders (NRC) at (301) 415-1172, Laird Naylor (BLM) at (801) 977-4357, Garry Cantley (BIA) at (602) 379-6750, or Phillis Johnson Ball (STB) at (202) 565-1539.

Thank you for your assistance in helping us identify cultural resources within the APE.

Sincerely,

/RA/ original signed by /s/

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