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November 3, 2009

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Environmental Review Branch
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

re: Uranium One, Inc., Moore Ranch In-Situ Uranium Recovery Project Cultural Resources Inventory (SHPO File # 0608RLC007)

Dear Ms. Kock:

Thank you for consulting with the Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) regarding the above referenced project. We have reviewed the project report and find the documentation meets the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Archaeology and Historic Preservation (48 FR 44716-42). We concur with your finding that sites are not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) and no further work or protective measures are necessary:

48CA146	48CA963	48CA6173	48CA6693
48CA952	48CA971	48CA6691	48CA6695
48CA961	48CA3400	48CA6692	48CA6697

The following previously recorded sites have been recommended as ineligible for the NRHP but no eligibility justification has been submitted to our office for review. However, these sites meet the current definition of an Isolated Resources and no further work or protective measures are necessary:

48CA965	48CA966	48CA967	48CA968	48CA969
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Previously recorded site 48CA970 has been recommended as ineligible for the NRHP but no eligibility justification has been submitted to our office for review. However, this site is no longer extant and no further work or protective measures are necessary.

Previously recorded site 48CA964 has been recommended as eligible for the NRHP but no eligibility justification has been submitted to our office for review. We recommend that this site remain unevaluated for NRHP eligibility pending evaluative testing. Site 48CA964 will not be affected by the project as planned.



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Sites 48CA6694 and 48CA6696 have been determined eligible for the NRHP. However, we recommend that these sites remain unevaluated for NRHP eligibility pending evaluative testing. Sites 48CA6694 and 48CA6696 will not be affected by the project as planned.

We recommend the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission allow the project to proceed in accordance with state and federal laws subject to the following stipulation:

If any cultural materials are discovered during construction, work in the area shall halt immediately, the federal agency and SHPO staff be contacted, and the materials be evaluated by an archaeologist or historian meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards (48 FR 22716, Sept. 1983). Additionally, if any future disturbance is planned at the locations of sites 48CA964, 48CA6694 or 48CA6696 that evaluative testing be completed and submitted to our office with a determination of site eligibility and project effect. If eligible and adversely affected, a Memorandum of Agreement implementing appropriate mitigative measures will be required.

This letter should be retained in your files as documentation of a SHPO concurrence with your finding of no historic properties affected. Please refer to SHPO project #0608RLC007 on any future correspondence regarding this project. If you have any questions, please contact me at 307-777-5497.

Sincerely,



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