

Advisory Council On Historic Preservation

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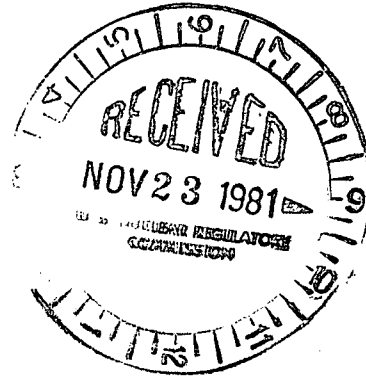
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November 16, 1981

Mr. Frank Miraglia
Branch Chief
Licensing Branch Number 3
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555



Dear Mr. Miraglia:

On November 6, 1981, the Council received a copy of the research proposal and methodology formulated by Cultural Systems Research, Incorporated, for the Southern California Edison Company (SCEC) which proposes to construct the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station to Black Star Canyon 230 KV Transmission Line, an undertaking licensed by NRC. We find this information useful for purposes of our review, but are confused regarding NRC's intent for its use in seeking the Council's comment. Previous correspondence in our case files indicates that the California State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) and NRC were considering creation of a Memorandum of Agreement for this undertaking. We refer to Mr. Scaletti's letter dated September 13, 1980 to the Council. However, the SHPO's letter dated December 18, 1980, and reproduced in the final environmental statement of April 1981, indicates his concurrence to a determination of no adverse effect based on data recovery regarding the treatment of the fifteen archeological properties located in the rights-of-way and subsequently determined eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. Likewise, the consultant's research proposal is striving for a no adverse effect determination based on data recovery and the principles promulgated in the Council's Handbook.

However, the files do not show that NRC has made a determination of no adverse effect or requested the Council's comment on such a determination. Assuming, based on the consultant's proposal and the SHPO's letter, this is the direction NRC wishes to pursue, we request that you make a formal determination of effect and, in accordance with Section 800.4(c) of the Council's regulations (36 CFR Part 800), forward the determination to the Executive Director for his review.

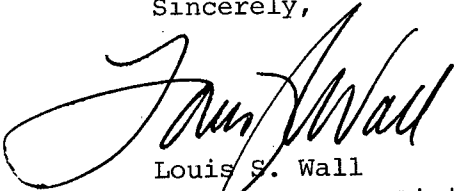
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In addition, if it is NRC's wish to support a determination of no adverse effect based on the nature of the sites and recovery of significant data, we request that the consultant's research proposal specifically address the questions raised in Part II, Section X of the Handbook as part of the documentation supporting NRC's determination of no adverse effect.

When we receive this documentation, plus NRC's formal determination of effect and request for Council comments, the Executive Director will continue his review of the undertaking. Should you have questions or need additional information, please contact Robert Fink of my staff at (303) 234-4946, an FTS number.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Louis S. Wall".

Louis S. Wall
Chief, Western Division
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