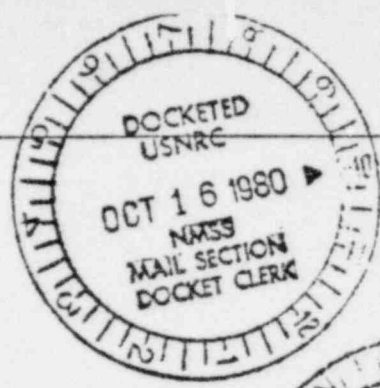


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Ms. Kathy Hamill  
Project Manager  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory  
Commission  
7915 Eastern Avenue  
Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Re: Cultural Clearance - Sand Rock Mill Project - Docket  
No. 40-8743

Dear Ms. Hamill:

Enclosed please find a copy of a letter from the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation dated October 2, 1980. The archaeological report in question has previously been furnished to the NRC as a Reference Document to the Environmental Report on August 25, 1980.

Please be advised that I have furnished the Advisory Council a copy of the archaeological report along with the associated clearance letter from the Wyoming Recreation Commission. I include a copy of that letter for your reference.

If you have any questions concerning the status of our cultural clearance, please contact me at (303) 575-6069.

Sincerely,

*T. W. Quigley*  
T. W. Quigley  
Environmental Project Leader  
Sand Rock Mill

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cc w/enc: J. E. Cearley  
S. W. Thomas

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# Advisory Council On Historic Preservation

This response does not constitute  
Council comment pursuant to  
Section 106 of the National Historic  
Preservation Act, nor Section 2(b)  
of Executive Order 11593.

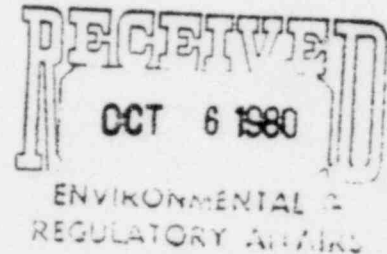
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October 2, 1980

Mr. Terence W. Quigley  
Environmental Project Leader  
Sand Rock Mill  
Continental Oil Company  
555 17th Street  
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Dear Mr. Quigley:

Thank you for your request of September 9, 1980, for comments on the environmental report for Sand Rock Mill Uranium Mill Operation, Campbell County, Wyoming. Pursuant to Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Council's regulations, "Protection of Historic and Cultural Properties" (36 CFR Part 800), we have determined that your environmental report does not contain sufficient information concerning historic and cultural resources for review purposes. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is responsible for such compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. Sec. 470f, as amended, 90 Stat. 1320). Evidence of such compliance should be included in the final environmental statement (FES).

From the evidence supplied in your report, no cultural properties were identified on an archeological field survey conducted in 1977 for the proposed project area. However, it is also stated that a survey was undertaken in 1980 to identify cultural properties in a proposed project area which was expanded to include Section 1, T41N, R75W. The results of that survey are not identified. To be complete for purposes of Council review the environmental statement must demonstrate that either of the following conditions exists:

1. No properties included in or that may be eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places are located within the area of environmental impact, and the undertaking will not affect any such property. In making this determination, the Council requires:

--evidence that you have consulted the latest edition of the National Register (Federal Register, March 18, 1980, and its monthly supplements);

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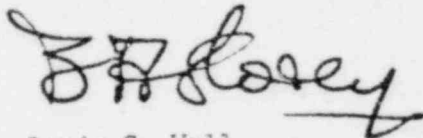
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--evidence of an effort to ensure the identification of properties eligible for inclusion in the National Register, including evidence of contact with the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), whose comments should be included in the FES. The SHPO for Wyoming is Ms. Jan Wilson.

2. Properties included in or that may be eligible for inclusion in the National Register are located within the area of environmental impact, and the undertaking will or will not affect any such property. In cases where there will be an effect, the FES should contain evidence of compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act through the Council's regulations.

Should you have any questions, please call Mrs. Betty J. LeFree at (303) 234-4946.

Sincerely,



Louis S. Wall  
Chief, Western Division  
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Lake Plaza South, Suite 616  
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Re: Conoco's Sand Rock Mill Project - NRC Docket No.  
40-8743

Dear Mr. Wall:

Thank you for your comments on Conoco's Sand Rock Mill Environmental Report. Your letter pointed out that we had stated the intention to gain cultural clearance on Section 1, T41N, R75W, but we did not include the results of that study.

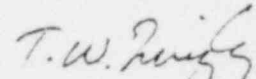
Enclosed for your information, please find the archaeological and paleontological results dated July 15, 1980. I also enclose a copy of my cover letter dated August 14, 1980, in which the results were forwarded to the State Historic Preservation Office in Cheyenne. Also included, you will find a letter from the Wyoming Recreation Commission dated September 17, 1980, in which Mr. John F. Carlson recommends cultural clearance for the project location in the section of land in question.

Conoco hopes that this material will satisfy the concerns you expressed in Item 1 and 2 in your letter of October 2.

Mr. Lewis S. Wall  
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October 7, 1980

If you have any further questions, please contact me at  
(303) 575-6-69.

Sincerely,



T. W. Quigley  
Environmental Project Leader  
Sand Rock Mill

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RE: Sand Rock Mill Project

Dear Mr. Quigley:

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on this project.

Based on the archeological and historical investigations which we have reviewed, the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) recommends cultural clearance of the project located in T41N, R75W, Section 1.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

John F. Carlson, Chief  
Resources Division and  
Deputy SHPO

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