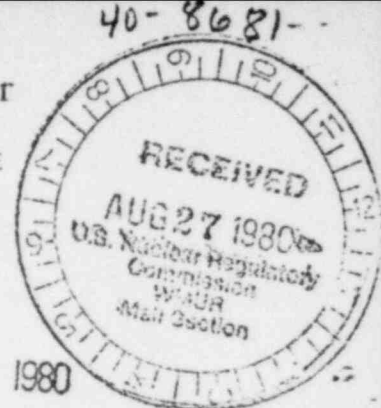




United States Department of the Interior

HERITAGE CONSERVATION AND RECREATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO: 436



Mr. Ross A. Scarano
Chief
Uranium Recovery Licensing
Branch
Division of Waste Management
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Scarano:

Thank you for your letter requesting a determination of eligibility for inclusion in the National Register pursuant to Executive Order 11593 or the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended. Our determination appears on the enclosed material.

As you understand, your request for our professional judgment constitutes a part of the Federal planning process. We urge that this information be integrated into the National Environmental Policy Act analysis in order to bring about the best possible program decisions. This determination does not serve in any manner as a veto to uses of property, with or without Federal participation or assistance. Any decision on the property in question and the responsibility for program planning concerning such properties lie with the agency or block grant recipient after the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation has had an opportunity to comment.

We are pleased to be of assistance in the consideration of historic resources in the planning process.

Sincerely yours,

Carol D. Shull

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Acting Keeper of the National Register

Enclosure

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DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY
NOTIFICATION DISTRIBUTION

cc: State Historic Preservation Officer: Dr. Melvin T. Smith

Federal Representative: Mr. Frederick J. Hebdon

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Advisory Council on Historic Preservation: Denver, Colorado

E.O. 11593

DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY NOTIFICATION National Register of Historic Places Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service

Name of property: Whate Mesa Archaeological District (extension)

Location: South of Blanding, San Juan County

State: Utah

Request submitted by: NRC/ROSS A. Scarano

Date received: 12-17-79

Additional information received:

Opinion of the State Historic Preservation Officer:

Eligible Not Eligible No Response

Comments:

The Secretary of the Interior has determined that this property is:

Eligible Applicable criteria: D Not Eligible

Comments:

The quarter-section extension of the White Mesa Archaeological District, when viewed in the context of the larger district, of which the previously determined White Mesa Archaeological District is a part, has the potential to yield data which can contribute to knowledge of the full range of prehistoric occupation of this region.

Documentation insufficient

(Please see accompanying sheet explaining additional materials required)

W. Ray Euce

FOR

Keeper of the National Register

Date: AUG 11 1980



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

DEC 12 1979

Mr. William J. Murtagh
Keeper of the National Register
Heritage Conservation and
Recreation Service
Washington, D. C. 20240

Dear Mr. Murtagh:

By letter dated March 28, 1979 the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) requested, pursuant to 36 CFR 63.3, that determinations be made concerning the eligibility of the White Mesa Archeological District and other non-archeological (historic) sites located within the Archeological District boundaries. Your letter of April 26, 1979 conveyed the determination that the White Mesa Archeological District is eligible for inclusion in the National Register, but that additional documentation would have to be provided before determinations could be made concerning the historic sites.

The purpose of this letter is to submit survey information for the NE 1/4 of Section 33, T37S, R22E (Exhibit A) and request that a determination be made that this quarter section is eligible as part of the White Mesa Archeological District for inclusion in the National Register. In addition, supplementary information is submitted as specified in your letter of April 26, 1979, in order to obtain a determination of eligibility for the "Earth Dam," "Range War Site," "Kumen Jones Homesite," "Posey War Sites," and "White Mesa Community" cultural sites (Exhibit B).

If you have any questions concerning this matter please feel free to contact E. A. Trager of my staff (phone 427-4103).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ross A. Scarano".

Ross A. Scarano, Chief
Uranium Recovery Licensing Branch
Division of Waste Management

Enclosures: As stated

cc: Dr. Melvin T. Smith, Director
Utah State Historic Preservation Officer

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

March 18, 1980

Chairperson
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MELVIN T. SMITH, DIRECTOR
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RE: White Mesa Archeological Survey, Site Significance
concurance with findings. San Juan Co.

Dear Chairperson:

In response to your request for review and in accordance with
your responsibility as outlined in 36 CFR 800.4, we are happy
to consult with you concerning your project.

The staff has determined, after review, that our office concurs
with the determinations of significance made by the Utah State
Archeologists Office.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact James L.
Dykman, Compliance Administrator, or Wilson G. Martin,
Preservation Development Coordinator, Utah State Historical
Society, 307 West 200 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101
533-6017.

Sincerely,

Melvin T. Smith
Director and
State Historic Preservation Officer

JLD:re B746 San Juan Co.

cc: Keeper of National Register, Carol Shull, Heritage Conservation
& Recreation Dept. of Interior, 440 G. St. N.W., Washington
D.C. 20243

(3) Concur with findings/recommendations

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