



March 30, 2022

Greg Newberry
Antiquus
401 S. 4J Road
Gillette, WY 82716

Re: Rare Earth Elements, Inc., Rare Earth Demonstration Project (DBI_WY_2022_162)

Dear Mr. Newberry,

Thank you for consulting with the Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) regarding the above referenced undertaking. We have reviewed the associated 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 no historic properties, as defined in 36 CFR § 800.16(l)(1), will be affected by the undertaking as planned.

We recommend the Nuclear Regulatory Commission allow the undertaking 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 must be contacted, and the materials evaluated by an archaeologist or historian meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards (48 FR 22716, Sept. 1983).

This letter should be retained in your files as documentation of a SHPO concurrence on your finding of no historic properties affected. Please refer to DBI_WY_2022_162 on any future correspondence regarding this undertaking. If you have any questions, please contact me at 307-777-5497.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Richard L. Currit'.

Richard L. Currit
Senior Archaeologist

Mark Gordon | Governor
Darin J. Westby, P.E. | Director
Sara Needles | SHPO Officer



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