



March 16, 2022

Susan R. Eikhoff, Forest Supervisor
U.S.D.A. Forest Service
Ashley National Forest
355 North Vernal Avenue
Vernal, UT 84078

Re: Ashley National Forest, Forest-wide Prescribed Fire Restoration Project (DBPR_WY_2022_172)

Dear Ms. Eikhoff,

Our staff has received information concerning the aforementioned project. Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to comment.

Management of cultural resources on U.S.D.A. Forest Service (USFS) projects is conducted in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and Advisory Council regulations 36 CFR Part 800, as stipulated in the Programmatic Agreement among the U.S.D.A. Forest Service, Wyoming Forests, Wyoming State Historic Preservation Officer and Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding Compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act on the National Forests and Grasslands of Wyoming (PA). This PA calls for survey, evaluation and protection of significant historic and archeological sites prior to any disturbance. Provided the USFS follows the procedures established in the PA, we have no objections to the project. Specific comments on the project's effect on cultural resource sites will be provided to the USFS when we review the cultural resource documentation called for in the PA.

Please refer to DBPR_WY_2022_172 on any future correspondence dealing with this project. If you have any questions 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
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Sara Needles | SHPO Officer



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