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Date: September 1st, 2022

Subject: Historic Preservation (NHPA) Compliance

To: Traci Silva

Pursuant to the 2018 Regional Programmatic Agreement (PA) with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), specifically Section 7.8(b): Undertakings with Historic Properties, the following undertaking has Historic Preservation clearance for project implementation:

ASR 05-09-1800: County of Siskiyou—Harvey Jones Butte Cable Install

The undertaking is located in T45N, R6E, Sections 14 and 15 on the Perez Quad, as measured from the Mount Diablo Baseline and Meridian.

The proposed project calls for Siskiyou County to repair or replace the high voltage underground electrical cable at Harvey Jones Butte that was installed in the 1960's. They will need to place poles along the route and install above ground cables per PP&L's requirements from Clear Lake Road (County Rd 136) to the County repeater on top of the hill approximately one mile long.

A heritage survey was conducted along the proposed route between Clear Lake Road to the County repeater. One heritage resource property was discovered during this survey. The following heritage resource property is present within the original proposed undertaking Area of Potential Effects (APE) for the project:

- FS-05-09-56-3908

An alternate route was proposed by Siskiyou County to avoid the heritage resource (56-3908) observed within their original proposed corridor. This new route and its new APE were surveyed by heritage staff, and no additional heritage resources were observed. Siskiyou County has determined that this new alternate corridor will be used for this project.

This new route maintains a half-mile stretch of the original route between Clear Lake Road to the County repeater. However, at the half-mile mark, the route is diverted to the west/northwest up an unnamed portion of this access road continuing up Harvey Jones Butte to the County repeater.

The prehistoric archaeological property located along the original proposed route was flagged for avoidance in red/black stripped flagging. No project activities may take place within archaeological sites.

Should the discovery of previously unknown heritage resources occur during the course of project implementation, then work must be halted in that area and the Forest Archaeologist contacted immediately to assess the nature of the discovery and make appropriate protection and management recommendations in consultation with the SHPO.

If the nature or scope of the undertaking changes, then the Forest Archaeologist must be contacted to re-evaluate the status of this clearance.

This proposed undertaking should have "no effect" on any heritage resource properties listed on or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.



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This letter is to be placed with the environmental documentation for the project to document Forest Service compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). A copy of the report and this letter shall be kept in the Forest HRM Inventory files.

This concludes the Agency's obligations defined in Section 106 of the NHPA for this undertaking. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the Forest Archaeologist/Heritage Resource Program Manager at the S.O.

Sincerely,

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