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Subject: Lila Canyon Tract Proposal

Dear Dr. Ernstsens:

On March 22, 2007, the Historic Preservation Department – Traditional Culture Program (HPD-TCP) received an email requesting consultation regarding the Lila Canyon Tract Proposal undertaking and/or project area. After cross referencing our Sacred Sites Database, HPD-TCP has concluded the proposed undertaking/project area **will not impact** any Navajo traditional cultural properties.

The undertaking/project area is outside of Navajo peoples' traditional aboriginal use area. However, HPD-TCP encourages your agency to continue its consultation work with tribes who do have traditional cultural interests in the project area.

The HPD-TCP appreciates your agency's consultation efforts, pursuant to 36 CFR Pt. 800.1 (c)(2)(iii). Should you have additional concerns and/or questions, do not hesitate to contact me. My contact information is listed below.

Sincerely,

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