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RE: Permit Revision, Soldier Creek Coal Company, Soldier Canyon Mine, ACT/007/018-91-01, Folder #2, Carbon County, Utah

In Reply Please Refer to Case No. I822

Dear Mr. Haddock:

The Utah State Historic Preservation Office received the above referenced report on January 28, 1991. The report states that five cultural resource sites were recorded within the project impact area; [42CB737-741]. We concur with your recommendation that one site recorded earlier; [42CB402] is Eligible for the National Register of Historic Places, and that the five sites recorded by this survey are Not Eligible. We also understand that 42CB402 will be avoided during work on the mine. We, therefore, also concur with your recommendation that there will be No Effect as a result of this project.

Technical Comments:

1. The use of sampling in an area with known historic structures may be questionable. Our office notes that a sampling level used to provided information about prehistoric and historic sites that are not readily visible is an excepted practice. However with standing structures; our office would recommend that Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Identification be followed for historic properties. Sample survey's are recommend in some cases for standing structures. However; each case should be considered separately. For this size and type of project, a survey of all of the 180 acres may have been appropriate.

2. The homestead that is mentioned west of 42CB741; is there any further information about the site? Would it provided any more information about sites in the area?

Our office has copies of Secretary of the Interior's Standards if there are any questions.

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This information is provided on request to assist the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining with its Section 106 responsibilities as specified in 36 CFR 800. If you have questions or need additional assistance, please contact me at (801) 533-7039.

Sincerely,

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