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Re: Heads up

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Paul Baker <paulbaker@utah.gov> Tue, Nov 4, 2014 at 2:51 PM
To: Christopher Merritt <cmerritt@utah.gov>
Cc: Leslie Heppler <lheppler@utah.gov>, Mike Bradley <mbradley@utah.gov>

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> 1) As is probably not surprising, I cannot and will not concur with the most recent eligibilities for the Kennecott project expansion down by Butterfield. The Queen Mine is clearly eligible, and those that wrote this report are probably the only archaeologists in a three-state radius to call it 'not eligible'. So expect that.
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> Christopher W. Merritt, Ph.D., RPA
> Senior Preservation Specialist
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> Phone: (801) 245-7263
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Paul Baker
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Mike Bradley <mbradley@utah.gov> Tue, Nov 4, 2014 at 3:13 PM
To: dan@pineridgeutah.com

Dan,
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Mike Bradley
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Mike Bradley <mbradley@utah.gov> Thu, Nov 6, 2014 at 1:21 PM
To: Leslie Heppler <lheppler@utah.gov>

This one...

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dan@pineridgeutah.com <dan@pineridgeutah.com> Tue, Nov 11, 2014 at 9:34 AM
To: Mike Bradley <mbradley@utah.gov>

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Mike Bradley <mbradley@utah.gov> Wed, Nov 12, 2014 at 10:02 AM
To: mpolk@sagebrushconsultants.com, dan@pineridgeutah.com

Hi Dan & Mike
Attached is the email with SHPO's comments (edited to remove references to another project). In his email, Chris Merritt said he will want "a cultural resources inventory for the property." However, we haven't received his official response letter yet where he probably tells us what he expects. Mike, you may need to contact Chris to see exactly what he wants. Dan, I stated in my email to you that you should only have an inventory done on areas you want to move your operation in to, not areas that are already disturbed. You'll need to provide that to Sagebrush. This time, include the immediate vicinity around your staging area west of the road. That is OGM's input into what's needed.
How this works on our end is we review the inventory and determine if, in our judgement, there will be any potential impacts. If we don't think there will be any impacts, we will write a letter to SHPO, they will respond with a concurrence letter for the file, and we can approve the NOI. If it looks like there is potential for impacts, we will write a different letter that will recommend avoidance of any identified CR's, and/or require a Management Plan or Protection Plan for our approval. Then we will forward that with a cover letter to SHPO for approval from them. Then we will incorporate that into the NOI and approve it.
Mike and Dan, let me know if you have any questions.
Thanks,
Mike Bradley

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dan@pineridgeutah.com <dan@pineridgeutah.com> Wed, Nov 12, 2014 at 11:26 AM
To: Mike Bradley <mbradley@utah.gov>

Mike in your opinion should we survey the land we intend to move into over the foreseeable future as indicated on the map we provided via sagebrush. I believe the 320 acres or two quarter sections. and include the area were we take steps outside the gate? I believe that is the area Mr. Polk and I had planned for next week. With the exception of disturbed areas and the addition of the acreage around our collection area outside the gate. In mind it would cover us well into the foreseeable future. thks Dan

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Mike Bradley <mbradley@utah.gov> Wed, Nov 12, 2014 at 11:43 AM
To: dan@pineridgeutah.com

Dan,
I would probably get surveyed whatever land you are under lease agreement with and foresee disturbing going into the future. Might as well get it all done now so you don't have to keep waking up this issue.
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dan@pineridgeutah.com <dan@pineridgeutah.com> Mon, Nov 17, 2014 at 9:18 AM
To: Mike Bradley <mbradley@utah.gov>

yes. I hoping with some 40's this week we can get it done over the next couple of weeks. Surely we will have a melt between now and the end of the year. Currently we have about 5 inches at the quarry.