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Washington, DC 20590

October 14, 2020

Ms. Lynda Ozan  
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer  
Oklahoma History Center  
800 Nazih Zuhdi Drive  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105-7917

RE: Determination of No Historic Properties Affected: *File #2043-17, File #1607-18, 2055-20*  
& USDOT – INFRA Grant Award: Rural Industrial Park Rail Switching Enhancement Project

Map Reference: Unincorporated Rogers County East of the City of Inola, Oklahoma Section 19,  
Township 19N, and Range 17E

Dear Ms. Ozan,

In June of 2020, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Maritime Administration (MARAD), awarded funds to the City of Tulsa-Rogers County Port Authority (“Tulsa Port of Catoosa”) under DOT’s Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA) Transportation Discretionary Grants Program for upgrades to an existing industrial lead track and newly constructed railroad infrastructure to safely and efficiently switch rail freight at the Tulsa Port of Catoosa’s newly acquired industrial property in southern Rogers County.

Pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (54 U.S.C. § 300101 et seq.), and its implementing regulations (36 CFR § 800), MARAD is initiating consultation with your office regarding this project.

#### Proposed Project

The project, illustrated in the attached exhibit, is in Sections 9, 15, 16, 18, and 19 of Township 19N, Range 17E, all in Rogers County. On June 6, 2018 and July 6, 2018 (*File #1607-18*), Oklahoma Archeological Survey (OAS) and SHPO, respectively, concurred with INCOG’s determination that no historic properties would be affected by the project and that no archeological sites exist or should be encountered in Sections 9, 15, and 16, T19N, R17E. On September 8, 2017 (*File #2043-17*) and October 9, 2017, SHPO and OAS, respectively, concurred similarly for Section 18, T19N, R17E.

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### Area of Potential Effect/Desktop Survey Results

The Tulsa Port of Catoosa has defined the Area of Potential Effect (APE) as the boundary of the property, encompassed by a total of 84 acres for the development of a 7,794 clear-track industrial rail loop in Sections 19, T19N, R17E.

Upon review of INCOG's correspondence submitted to SHPO (referenced above), MARAD has determined that the project will not affect historic properties. Therefore, pursuant to 36 CFR 800.4(d)(1), MARAD requests your concurrence with this finding.

If you have additional questions or comments, please contact me and/or the consultant for the action proponent, Brian Bigbie at (918)579-9493. Please note that for the purposes of this project, MARAD has authorized Brian Bigbie at INCOG to consult with your Agency on behalf of MARAD. We therefore request that you provide a copy your response to them.

Sincerely,

*Barbara Voulgaris*

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November 9, 2020

Ms. Barbara Voulgaris  
USDOT Maritime Administration  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

RE: File #0186-21; Rogers County Rural Industrial Park Rail Switching Project

Dear Ms. Voulgaris:

We have received and reviewed the documentation submitted on the referenced project in Rogers County. Additionally, we have examined the information contained in the Oklahoma Landmarks Inventory (OLI) files and other materials on historic resources available in our office. We find that there are no known historic properties affected within the referenced project's area of potential effect.

In addition to our review, you must contact the Oklahoma Archeological Survey (OAS), 111 E. Chesapeake, #102, Norman OK 73019-5111 (#405/325-7211, FAX #405/325-7604), to obtain a determination about the presence of prehistoric resources that may be eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. Should the OAS conclude that there are no prehistoric archaeological sites or other types of "historic properties," as defined in 36 CFR Part 800.16(l), which are eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places within the project area and that such sites are unlikely to occur, we concur with that opinion.

The OAS may conclude that an on-site investigation of all or part of the project impact area is necessary to determine the presence of archaeological resources. In the event that such an investigation reveals the presence of prehistoric archaeological sites, we will defer to the judgment of the OAS concerning whether or not any of the resources should be considered "historic properties" under the Section 106 review process. If sites dating from the historic period are identified during the survey or are encountered during implementation of the project, additional assessments by the State Historic Preservation Office will be necessary.

Should further correspondence pertaining to this project be necessary, please reference the above underlined file number. Please remember that per regulation, the 30-day review period starts on the day we receive documents in our office, not the date they were mailed. If you have any questions, please contact Catharine M. Wood, Historical Archaeologist, at 405/521-6381. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Deputy State Historic  
Preservation Officer

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CC: Mr. Brian Bigbie



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Kary L. Stackelbeck, Ph.D  
Oklahoma Archeological Survey  
The University of Oklahoma  
111 E. Chesapeake, Room 102  
Norman, Oklahoma 73079-5111

RE: Determination of No Archeological Sites or Materials Affected: *OAS FY20-2960* &  
USDOT – INFRA Grant Award: Rural Industrial Park Rail Switching Enhancement Project

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## Oklahoma Archeological Survey

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

October 24, 2020

US Department of Transportation  
Maritime Administration  
Attn: Barbara Voulgaris  
Federal Preservation Officer  
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Washington DC, 20590

Re: OAS FY21-0177 USDOT – INFRA Grant Award: Rural Industrial Park Rail Switching  
Enhancement Project: Industrial Loop Track on Public Right-of-Way.  
Legal Description: Sections 15-19, T19N, R17E, Rogers County, Oklahoma.

Dear Ms. Voulgaris:

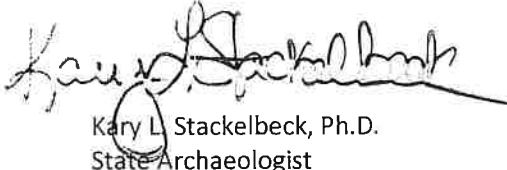
The Community Assistance Program staff of the Oklahoma Archeological Survey has reviewed the above referenced project to identify areas that may potentially contain prehistoric or historic archeological materials (historic properties). The location of your project has been crosschecked with the state site files containing approximately 26,000 archaeological sites, which are currently recorded for the state of Oklahoma. Our records indicate that parts of your project area have been previously surveyed for other projects, and that no significant prehistoric cultural resources were located. Thus, an additional field inspection is not considered necessary for your project. Should construction activities expose buried archeological materials such as chipped stone, tools, pottery, bone, historic crockery, glass, metal items or building materials, this agency should be contacted immediately at (405)325-7211.

This environmental review and evaluation is done in cooperation with the State Historic Preservation Office, Oklahoma Historical Society. The responsible federal agency or their official delegate must also have a letter from that office to document consultation pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

In addition to our review comments, under 36CFR Part 800.3 you are reminded of your responsibility to consult with the appropriate Native American tribe/groups to identify any concerns they may have pertaining to this undertaking and potential impacts to properties of traditional and/or ceremonial value.

Sincerely,

  
Harmony C. Cole  
Staff Archaeologist

  
Kary L. Stackelbeck, Ph.D.  
State Archaeologist

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cc: SHPO

Brian Bigbie, INCOG

