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Mr. Ben L. Hark
Environmental Section Head
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RE: Camp Creek Truss Replacement
FR# 05-793-CY-3

Dear Mr. Hark:

We have reviewed the archaeological survey report that was submitted for the above referenced project to determine its effects to cultural resources. As required by Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and its implementing regulations, 36 CFR 800: "Protection of Historic Properties," we submit our comments.

According to the report, Alternative 2C, which is the current preferred alternative, was investigated via pedestrian reconnaissance as well as shovel probe and bucket augur excavation. A geomorphological assessment was also conducted. Alternative 2 is no longer the preferred alternative preferred. Field investigations resulted in the documentation of previous disturbance over much of the project area. Shovel probes, which were excavated within the visually undisturbed area to the south-southwest of the existing bridge, also encountered disturbed sediments. Historic period artifacts were recovered from a disturbed context in one of the shovel probes. However, because of the disturbance, we concur that the artifacts do not constitute an archaeological site. No other cultural materials were recovered. In our opinion, no National Register eligible archaeological sites are present within the proposed project area. We also concur that no further work is necessary.

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service. *If you have questions regarding our comments or the Section 106 process, please contact Lora A Lamarre-DeMott, Senior Archaeologist, at (304) 558-0240.*

Sincerely,

Susan M. Pierce
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

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September 5, 2014

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RE: Camp Creek Truss Replacement
FR# 05-793-CY-2

Dear Mr. Hark:

We have reviewed the above mentioned project to determine its effects to cultural resources. As required by Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and its implementing regulations, 36 CFR 800: "Protection of Historic Properties," we submit our comments.

According to submitted information the West Virginia Department of Highways (DOH) is proposing to replace PFC Abraham G. Sams Memorial Bridge (also known as Camp Creek Truss Bridge) carrying Clay County Route 4/5 over the Elk River at the village of Camp Creek.

We have reviewed the submitted information, and we concur with your assessment that there are no architectural properties which are eligible for or listed in the National Register of Historic Places within the Area of Potential Effects. No further consultation is necessary regarding architectural resources; however, we ask that you contact our office if your project should change.

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service. If you have questions regarding our comments or the Section 106 process, please contact Ernest Blevins, Structural Historian, at (304) 558-0240.

Sincerely,

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June 17, 2014

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RE: Camp Creek Truss Replacement
State Project S308-4/5-2.95
FR#: 05-793-CY-1

Dear Mr. Hark:

We have reviewed the above referenced project to determine potential effects to cultural resources. As required by Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, and its implementing regulations, 36 CFR 800: "Protection of Historic Properties," we submit our comments.

According to submitted information the West Virginia Department of Highways (DOH) is proposing to replace PFC Abraham G. Sams Memorial Bridge (also known as Camp Creek Truss Bridge) carrying Clay County Route 4/5 over the Elk River at the village of Camp Creek.

Architectural Resources:

We cannot complete our review with the information submitted. The Historic Property Information (HPI) forms submitted consider eligibility of the buildings and structures individually. The church and the houses predominately date approximately to the 1940s and 1950s linking them in a narrow time frame. Please reevaluate the bridge and the properties in the context of a historic district.

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service. *If you have questions regarding our comments or the Section 106 process, please contact Ernest Blevins, Structural Historian, or Carolyn Kender, Archaeologist, at (304) 558-0240.*

Sincerely,

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RE: Camp Creek Truss Bridge
State Project S208-4/5-2.95
Federal Project BR-0045(36)E
FR#: 05-793-CY-1

Dear Mr. Bailey:

Our letter to you dated April 27, 2005 stated that we would complete our review following our site visit scheduled for May 24, 2005. It appears from our files that we did not submit our comments to you following the site visit.

The West Virginia State Historic Preservation Office has reviewed the proposed replacement of the Camp Creek Truss Bridge in Clay County for effects to architectural resources. Individually, we concur the Camp Creek Truss Bridge is not eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. It is our understanding that Alternative #2 is the preferred route which will relocate the bridge 20' down stream using the existing structure to maintain traffic during construction. No buildings will be removed and there will be no impact to the line-of-site for structures 50 years or older within the Area of Potential Effect. Unless there is a change to the scope of the project, no further consultation is necessary with this office regarding architecture for this project.

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service. If you have any questions regarding our comments or the Section 106 process, please call Ginger Williford, Structural Historian, at (304) 558-0240.

Sincerely,


Randall Reid-Smith
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CC: Susan Pierce



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April 27, 2005

Mr. Gregory L. Bailey
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RE: Camp Creek Truss Bridge
State Project S208-4/5-2.95
Federal Project BR-0045(36)E
FR#: 05-793-CY

Dear Mr. Bailey:

The mission of the West Virginia State Historic Preservation Office of the Division of Culture and History is to encourage, inform, support, and participate in the efforts of the people of West Virginia to identify, recognize, preserve, and protect West Virginia's prehistoric and historic structures, objects, and sites.

We have received the Management Summary Report for the above referenced project. As required by Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and its implementing regulations, 36 CFR 800: "Protection of Historic and Cultural Properties," we submit our comments.

Archaeological Resources:

It is our understanding that Alternative #2 is preferred at this time. The report addresses our concerns regarding the presence of intact archaeological sites within the proposed project area for Alternative #2. Systematic pedestrian and subsurface survey resulted in the recovery of a small scatter of historic artifacts from what is described as a disturbed context. It is recommended that no further archaeological work is warranted. We concur with that recommendation. We have determined, therefore, that this project will have no effect to any know archaeological site that is eligible for or included in the National Register of Historic Places. If, however, intact archaeological sites are encountered during construction of the bridge, we request that all activities cease in the area of discovery and that this office be contacted immediately.

Architectural Resources:

The West Virginia State Historic Preservation Office has reviewed the proposed replacement of the Camp Creek Truss Bridge in Clay County for effects to architectural resources. We cannot complete our review at this time. Staff from

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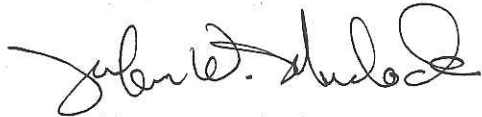
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the West Virginia State Historic Preservation Office had previously made plans to survey multiple architectural resources in Clay County on May 24, 2005. At this time we would appreciate the opportunity to see the bridge in its existing context and examine its eligibility for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. We will complete our review following the site visit on May 24, 2005.

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service. If you have any questions regarding our comments or the Section 106 process, please call Lora Lamarre, Senior Archaeologist, or Ryan Burns, Historian, at (304) 558-0240.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer W. Murdock". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "M".

Jennifer W. Murdock
Structural Historian for Review and Compliance

JWM:lal/rcb