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Mr. Paul Friedman
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street NE, Room 1A
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RE: Mountain Valley Pipeline Project
Proposed Laydown Yard MVP-LY-059, Access Road, and Temporary Workspaces
Raleigh County, WV
FERC Docket No. CP 16-10
FR: 15-67-MULTI-78

Dear Mr. Friedman:

We have reviewed the additional information that was submitted for the abovementioned undertaking. As required by Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and its implementing regulations, U.S. 36 CFR § 800: "Protection of Historic Properties," we submit our comments.

The submitted information states that Mountain Valley Pipeline (MVP) identified a location in Raleigh County to use as temporary laydown yard MVP-LY-059. The proposed yard is located west of State Route 16 and just north of Goodman Drive in Beckley, WV. Access to the proposed laydown yard extends from State Route 16 through an existing cut, graded, and graveled drive (proposed access road MVP-ANC-008). Two temporary workspaces (MVP-ATWS01546 and MVP-ATWS-1547) are proposed at the entrance of the access road to facilitate vehicle traffic to the laydown yard. The direct Area of Potential Effect (APE) for the proposed project is defined as the footprint for the laydown yard, access road and two temporary workspaces, which totals 10.9 acres.

Archaeological Resources:

As stated in the submitted materials, our records reflect that no previously documented archaeological sites are located within the proposed APE. In addition, Tetra Tech conducted a pedestrian reconnaissance of the proposed APE and documented significant disturbances resulting from a variety of activities associated with modern development. This makes it unlikely that significant archaeological resources are present. As a result, we concur that use of the parcel will have no effect on archaeological historic properties. No further consultation is necessary regarding this project.

Architectural Resources:

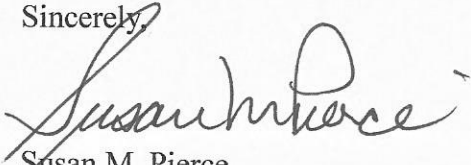
We concur with Tetra Tech's finding that the proposed laydown yard, access road, and workspaces will have no effect on historic architectural resources. The laydown yard is situated on landforms and topography that will prevent any major viewshed changes to nearby properties should tree clearance be

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changes in the area. No further consultation is necessary regarding the proposed laydown yard, workspaces, or access road; however, we ask that you contact our office if the 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 Lora A. Lamarre-DeMott, Senior Archaeologist, or Mitchell K. Schaefer, Structural Historian, at (304) 558-0240.*

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Susan M. Pierce". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Susan M. Pierce
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

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CC: Ms. Evelyn Tidlow, GAI Consultants