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Mr. Paul Friedman
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street NE, Room 1A
Washington, DC 20426

RE: Mountain Valley Pipeline Project
FERC Docket No. CP 16-10
Proposed Slip Mitigation Workspace MVP-ATWS-SM-013
FR: 15-67-MULTI-113

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) is proposing one new variance consisting of an additional temporary workspace (ATWS) needed to mitigate a slip that has occurred along the pipeline. The ATWS expands beyond the previously surveyed corridor between access road MVP-BR-088 and the pipeline corridor at MP 68.4 to MP 68.45, northwest of the community of Knawl, Braxton County, WV. The survey area encompasses 0.69 hectares. No tree clearance or above ground construction are proposed as part of this variance.

Archaeological Resources:

According to the submitted materials, pedestrian reconnaissance was conducted within the survey area. Steep terrain and/or previous disturbance were observed over the entire ATWS. As a result, no shovel probes were excavated. No archaeological resources were identified. We concur that no further archaeological investigation within the proposed ATWS is necessary. The proposed variance will have no effect on archaeological historic properties.

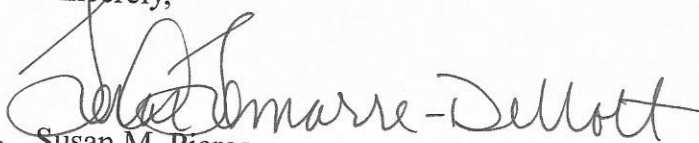
Architectural Resources:

We have reviewed the submitted information and determined no further consultation is necessary regarding the aforementioned project element. The project area will require no tree clearance. No new or additional historic architectural resources were documented within the project element's direct or indirect APEs. Therefore, it is our opinion the proposed temporary access road will have *no effect* on historic architectural resources. No further consultation is necessary regarding architectural resources; however, we ask that you contact our office if the project should change.

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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,



for Susan M. Pierce
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