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NAME: Diana T. Dyste, Senior Cultural Resources Specialist, Aspen Environmental Group	DATE: January 22, 2016	TIME: 4:35 PM
WITH: Kathleen Forrest, State Historian II, Office of Historic Preservation Beth Bagwell, Cultural Resources Group Manager, Aspen Environmental Group		
SUBJECT: Blythe Energy Project II (Sonoran Energy Project)		

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Initiated contact with Kathleen Forrest of the California State Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) in order to clarify:

1. The current status of historic resource CA-RIV-6370H concerning its eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places.
 - Ms. Forrest stated that OHP records concerning the eligibility status of CA-RIV-6370H are conflicting, showing the resource as determined both eligible and not eligible, and both with OHP concurrence.
2. The status of the 2005 signed Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) and SHPO concerning mitigation measures for CA-RIV-6370H.
 - Ms. Forrest reviewed the signed 2005 MOA and confirmed that a termination letter is not on file at OHP.
 - Ms. Forrest stated that termination of the 2005 MOA would have been based on stipulations contained in sections III D and III F 1-5 of the signed MOA.
 - Section III D stipulates that termination has occurred if the terms of the MOA have not been implemented by January 1, 2008, and that WAPA will reinitiate a review of the undertaking should the undertaking continue at a later point in time; it is unclear if the terms of the agreement were fully satisfied at this time.
 - Section III F 5 stipulates that the MOA is to be terminated should CA-RIV-6370H be determined not eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places; the status of eligibility remains unclear at this time.
 - Ms. Forrest suggested that given the length of time since the last MOA, the likelihood of continued project development, and the existing lack of clarity regarding the determination of eligibility, that the Office of Historic Preservation may recommend re-opening consultation for historic resource CA-RIV-6370H.
 - In an effort to help clarify the status of eligibility, Ms. Forrest suggested locating the final report of evaluation for CA-RIV-6370H, titled "Archaeological Testing and Evaluation Report for the Blythe Energy Project, Riverside County, California," prepared for Tetra Tech EC, Inc., by Pignolo, Andrew R., Teresita Majewski, Heather Kwiatkowski, Scott Thompson, Scott O'Mack, and James Ayres in 2006 or 2007.