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Re: Section 106 Consultation for Hydrogen Energy California Project, Kern County, CA

Dear Mr. Pozzuto:

Thank you for initiating consultation regarding the Department of Energy's (DOE) efforts to comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. 470f), as amended, and its implementing regulation found at 36 CFR Part 800.

The DOE is proposing to construct an Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle power facility in Kern County and are requesting my concurrence and comments with their Area of Potential Effect determination for historic architecture and archeology. Due to a lack of sufficient information I am presently unable to concur with these determinations. I look forward to reviewing additional information on this undertaking as it becomes available.

Thank you for seeking my comments and considering historic properties as part of your project planning. I look forward to continuing this consultation with the DOE. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Ed Carroll of my staff at (916) 445-7006 or ecarroll@parks.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jen Saunders".

Jenan Saunders
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