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Ms. Jill Conrad
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RE: Construction of 5 Staging & Stockpiling Areas Project
HCRC # 2011-100-043
Log No.: 040511-11-DOE

Dear Ms. Conrad;

Thank you for contacting our department. We have reviewed the professional archaeological report for the proposed Construction of 5 Staging & Stockpiling Areas Project on the Hanford Site, Benton County, Washington.

We concur with your Determination of No Historic Properties Affected.

We would appreciate receiving any correspondence or comments from concerned tribes or other parties that you receive as you consult under the requirements of 36CFR800.4(a)(4).

These comments are based on the information available at the time of this review and on the behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer in conformance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, and its implementing regulations 36CFR800. Should additional information become available, our assessment may be revised. In the event that archaeological or historic materials are discovered during project activities, work in the immediate vicinity must stop, the area secured, and this department notified. Thank you for the opportunity to comment and a copy of these comments should be included in subsequent environmental documents.

Sincerely,

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