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Dr. John Griggs
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Re: L&WCF Section 6(f)(3) Conversion within the Lake Brazos Recreation Area (also known as Fort Fisher Park, City of Waco, McLennan County, Texas)

Dear Dr. Griggs:

Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act requires Federal agencies to take into account the effects of their undertakings on historic properties. In accordance with 36 CFR 800.2(c), the National Park Service (NPS) invited interested parties to participate in the section 106 process as it concerns the section 6(f)(3) conversion of the Land and Water Conservation Fund (L&WCF) project 48-00034, Lake Brazos Recreation Area, Waco, Texas. We have received an expressed interest from all invitees (please see the enclosed contact list). We are pleased that the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation has decided to participate and assume a more formal role for this proposed undertaking. We received clarification of the Area of Potential Effect (APE) as it relates to the Federal undertaking at the Fort Fisher Park/First Street Cemetery/Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum site. (Please see enclosed map of APE)

We understand the city of Waco (City) does not have all the required information at this time to submit a complete 6(f)(3) conversion package to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, but we need to move forward with developing a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to minimize or mitigate adverse effects for this conversion.

With this letter, we are asking the consulting parties to review and provide comments of the enclosed correspondence and the draft MOA to the NPS. These comments can then be used to develop a revision responsive to consulting party concerns.

The City will post the draft MOA on its Web site so that interested individuals may have an opportunity to review and comment on the draft MOA.

Sincerely,



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Outdoor Recreation Planner
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Waco Consulting Party Contact List
Map of Area of Potential Effect
Letter from THC to NPS, historic sites, dated 12-17-08
Letter from NPS to THC, determination, dated 02-02-09
Letter from THC to NPS, outline, dated 03-04-09
Draft MOA

Similar correspondence has been sent to:

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