

Appendix F – Cultural Resources



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March 5, 2020

Mr. Bill McAbee
Environmental Project Manager
Garver, LLC
4701 Northshore Drive
North Little Rock, AR 72118

Re: Benton County – General
Environmental Assessment Technical Assistance – FHWA
Proposed Undertaking – XNA Connector Road Project
ARDOT Job Number 090069
AHPP Tracking Number 55434.01

Dear Mr. McAbee:

The staff of the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program (AHPP) reviewed the records for previous investigations and significant archaeological, architectural, and historic resources within or proximal to the proposed study area demarcated on the provided maps. According to our research, there are several archeological and structural resources within the study area that are determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) or unevaluated for NRHP eligibility. Additionally, the records show few previous cultural resources investigations within the study area.

We look forward to commenting on the recommendations or effect finding from the Federal Highway Administration when that information is available.

Tribes that have expressed an interest in the area include the Cherokee Nation (Ms. Elizabeth Toombs), the Osage Nation (Dr. Andrea Hunter), the Shawnee Tribe (Ms. Tonya Tipton), and the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians (Ms. Erin Thompson and Charlotte Wolfe). We recommend consultation in accordance with 36 CFR § 800.2(c)(2).

Thank you for the opportunity to review the study area. If you have any questions, please contact Eric Mills of my staff at (501) 324-9784 or eric.mills@arkansas.gov. Please refer to the AHPP Tracking Number above in any correspondence.

Sincerely,

Scott Kaufman
Director, AHPP

cc: Dr. Ann Early, Arkansas Archeological Survey