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David Price, Section 106 Coordinator Cultural Studies Office Division of Environmental Analysis 1120 N Street, PO Box 942873, MS-27 Sacramento, CA 94273-0001

Subject: Finding of Effect for the I-5 Managed Lanes Project, Sacramento County, California

Dear Mr. Price:

Caltrans is continuing consultation regarding the above project in accordance with the January 1, 2014 First Amended Programmatic Agreement Among the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the California State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), and the California Department of Transportation Regarding Compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as it Pertains to the Administration of the Federal-Aid Highway Program in California (106 PA). As part of your documentation, Caltrans submitted a Finding of Adverse Effect (FOAE) for the proposed project.

The City of Placerville, in cooperation with Caltrans, is proposing to replace the existing structurally deficient Clay Street Bridge over Hangtown Creek (Bridge No. 25C-0117) and realign Clay Street to accommodate the new bridge, creating a new 4-leg intersection with Main Street and Cedar Ravine Road.

Caltrans has identified four historic properties in the Area of Potential Effects (APE):

- Druid Monument at intersection of Main Street and Cedar Ravine Road (determined eligible for listing in the NRHP under Criteria A and C with SHPO concurrence on February 19, 2020).
- Placerville Main Street District (assumed eligible pursuant to Stipulation VIII.C.4 of the Section 106 PA).
- Cedar Ravine Historic Residential District (assumed eligible pursuant to Stipulation VIII.C.4 of the Section 106 PA).

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• Bedford Avenue-Clay Street Historic Residential District (assumed eligible pursuant to Stipulation VIII.C.4 of the Section 106 PA).

One additional potential historic-era archaeological resource, the Ivy House Archaeological Deposits, was identified through review of archival and historical records and trenching conducted within the APE. The location of this resource is currently under a paved parking lot. Caltrans proposes to phase evaluation of the archaeological deposit under a project-specific Programmatic Agreement (Clay Street PA) and Historic Property Management Plan (HPMP) that will stipulate the terms of the eligibility determination, effects analysis, and any potential mitigation once access is possible when the pavement is removed prior to construction.

Pursuant to Stipulation IX.B. of the PA Caltrans found that the project will have an adverse effect on historic properties. Specifically, the project will have an adverse effect on the Druid Monument and no adverse effect on the three districts assumed eligible for the purposes of this undertaking.

Permanent relocation of the Druid Monument approximately 45 feet west of its current location at the intersection of Main Street and Cedar Ravine Road to a new location on a raised concrete island between the through lane and right turn lane of eastbound Main Street will result in an Adverse Effect on the property. The movement of the monument from its original location in what was once a traffic calming feature and changing its orientation will affect the monument's character-defining elements that make it eligible under Criteria A and Criteria Consideration F, and will diminish the property's integrity of location.

Caltrans also looked at effects to the three historic districts and concluded the project will have no adverse effect. In all cases the project is on the outskirts of the historic districts and will not adversely effect those qualities that make the historic districts eligible for the NRHP.

Based on my review of the submitted documentation, I have no objections to Caltrans' finding of adverse effect for the project.

If you have any questions, please contact Natalie Lindquist at natalie.lindquist@parks.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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