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Matthew Hamlin
State Historic Preservation Officer
Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism
Historic Preservation and Museum Division
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Dear: Mr. Hamlin

This is to request your views concerning the identification of historic properties for the purpose of compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The Manataug Indian Housing Authority intends to use Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) funds, authorized by Title I of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996, to rehabilitate 20 units of single family housing in the White Bluff subdivision, and to increase the capacity of water lines serving the subdivision. The subdivision is located at the corner of County road 121 and Sturgeon Street in Sagamore, Connecticut. Rehabilitation of the buildings is necessary in order to replace worn and leaky asphalt shingle roofs, to repair or replace deteriorated wooden windows, and to upgrade plumbing and electrical systems to current code specifications. The water lines will be increased from 6 inches to 8 inches for the sole purpose of enhancing firefighting capability.

Given the nature and scope of the activities proposed, the area of potential effect (APE) for the undertaking is defined as the boundaries of the subdivision (see enclosed subdivision map).

All the housing units in the subdivision were built in 1984. The architectural style is contemporary. We have consulted with Naomi Warner, Tribal Archeologist, concerning the excavation work that will occur when installing the new pipelines. Her conclusions are that no historic properties are present within the APE (see enclosed report).

On the bases of the age of the buildings, and the findings in the archeological report, it is the Tribe's determination that no historic properties will be affected by the undertaking [pursuant to Section 800.4(d)(1)]. According to Section 800.3(g), we are requesting your concurrence with these findings.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (404) 925-1414.

Sincerely,

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Housing Specialist

cc: Cameron Wayne, Executive Director
Manataug Housing Authority

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