August 14, 2008

Michael Swanda
New Orleans District, Corps of Engineers
P.O. Box 60267
New Orleans, Louisiana 70160-0267
Attn: CEMVN-PM-RN

Subject: Lake Pontchartrain and Vicinity Hurricane Protection Project, New Orleans East, Individual Environmental Report #6, Orleans Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Mr. Swanda

The Tribal Historic Preservation Office of the Seminole Tribe of Florida (STOF-THPO) received your mail correspondence on August 13, 2008, concerning the aforementioned project. The STOF-THPO concurs with the findings of "no adverse effects on historical properties." However, STOF-THPO would like to be informed should any archaeological and/or historic resources be discovered inadvertently during the construction process. We thank you for the opportunity, per Section 106 of NHPA and 36CFR800, to comment on this project. Please reference project number THPO-002491 in any further correspondence.

We look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

Willard S. Steele
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Seminole Tribe of Florida
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ATTN: CEMVN-PM-RN

8/15/2008

Dear Mr. Swanda,

We concur with the No Adverse Effect regarding the following project:

1. Request to Continue Consultation Under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act for the Lake Pontchartrain and Vicinity Hurricane Protection Project, New Orleans East, Individual Environmental Report #6, Orleans Parish, Louisiana.

At this time, we have no interest in this site. However, we would like to reserve the right to participate in future consultation if discoveries are made or resources are impacted that are of significance to the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Johnson, M.Ed
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
September 4, 2008

U.S. Department of the Army
New Orleans District, Corps of Engineers
Attn: CEMVN-PM-RN
P.O. Box 60267
New Orleans, LA 70160-0267

Dear Chief Wiggins:

On behalf of Chief Oscola Clayton Sylestine and the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe, our appreciation is expressed on your efforts to consult with us concerning the draft Individual Environmental Report #6 for Orleans Parish.

Our Tribe maintains ancestral associations within Louisiana despite the absence of written records to completely identify Tribal activities, villages, trails, or grave sites. However, it is our objective to ensure any significances of Native American ancestry including the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe are administered with the utmost attention.

Upon reviewing the August 8, 2008 information summary submitted to our Tribe, a determination of immediate impact of burial, cultural, or historical significance to the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas could not be ascertained. Orleans Parish is within approximate migratory routes utilized by both the Alabama and the Coushatta Tribes. In the absence of archaeological artifacts and human remains, we concur with the “no adverse effect” finding.

However, in the event of inadvertent discovery of any human remains and/or archaeological artifacts, we appreciate your compliance with your statement, “work will be halted and your office will be contacted for further consultation.” Should you be in need of additional assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Respectfully submitted,

Bryant J. Celestine
Historic Preservation Officer
Gib Owen
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Planning, Programs, and Project Management
Environmental Planning and Compliance Branch
P.O. Box 60267
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Friday, May 01, 2009

Subject: IER# 6 Lake Pontchartrain and Vicinity, East Citrus Lakefront Levee, Orleans Parish, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Owen,

The Tribal Historic Preservation Office of the Seminole Tribe of Florida (STOF-THPO) has received your correspondence concerning the aforementioned project. The STOF-THPO concurs with the findings of "no adverse effects" to cultural resources within the APE for this project. However, the STOF-THPO would like to be informed should any archaeological and/or historic resources be inadvertently discovered during the construction process.

We thank you for the opportunity to review the information that has been sent to date regarding this project. Please refer to THPO-003396 for any related issues.

Sincerely,

Willard Steele,
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer

JLP:dh

Direct routine inquiries to:

Dawn Hutchins,
Compliance Review Supervisor
May 19, 2009

Mr. Gib Owen  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
New Orleans District  
P.O. Box 60267  
New Orleans, LA 70160-0267  

Dear Mr. Owen:

On behalf of Chief Oscola Clayton Sylestine and the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe, our appreciation is expressed on your agency’s efforts to consult us concerning Individual Environmental Report #6, “Lake Pontchartrain and Vicinity, New Orleans East Citrus Lakefront Levee” for Orleans Parish.

Our Tribe maintains ancestral associations within the state of Louisiana despite the absence of written records to completely identify Tribal activities, villages, trails, or grave sites. It is our objective to ensure any significances of Native American ancestry including the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe are administered with the utmost attention.

Upon review of your April 24, 2009 documents submitted to our Tribe, we have no objections to recommendations presented and therefore, we concur with the “no adverse effect” recommendation.

Should inadvertent discovery of human remains and/or archaeological artifacts occur, activity in proximity to the location must cease and appropriate authorities, including this office, notified without delay. Feel free to contact us in the event additional assistance becomes necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

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