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RE: SDCL 1-19A-11.1 Consultation

Project: 150904001S – Crowned Ridge II - Archaeological and Traditional Cultural Property Inventory,
Crowned Ridge II Wind Turbine Array

Location: Multiple Counties
(PUC)

Dear Mr. Phillips:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above referenced project pursuant to South Dakota Codified Law (SDCL) 1-19A-11.1. The South Dakota Office of the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) would like to provide the following comments concerning the effect of the proposed project on the non-renewable cultural resources of South Dakota.

On July 26, 2019, we received your letter dated July 23, 2019, and the report entitled “Level III Intensive Archaeological and Traditional Cultural Property Resources Inventory for the Crowned Ridge II Wind Turbine Array, Codington, Deuel and Grant Counties, South Dakota,” prepared by the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO), Spirit Lake THPO, Yankton Sioux THPO, HDR, Inc. and SWCA Environmental Consultants.

Based on the information provided in the report, we agree with the following determinations of eligibility.

- Seven newly identified properties 39CD0177: 421-09, 39CD0178: 453-01, 39DE0132: II-034-S8, 39DE0133: 649-02, 39DE0135: II-127-S2, 39DE0136: AR491-01 and two sections of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad, (39DE3016: CRIIF-RR-01 and 39DE2016: SA152-01) should be considered **not eligible/ non-contributing** for listing to National Register of Historic Places.
- One newly recorded segment of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad, (39DE3016: II-116-S1, should be considered **contributing** to the overall eligibility of the railroad property.
- A total of 141 properties were identified, recorded and evaluated as Traditional Cultural Properties (TCPs) by the THPOs. The following properties should be considered **eligible** for listing in the National Register of Historic Places for Criterion A:

TCP-CD-0318: 400-03	TCP-CD-0367: 682-04	TCP-DE-0016:593-02
TCP-CD-0319: 400-07	TCP-CD-0368: 682-03	TCP-DE-0017: II-044-S3
TCP-CD-0320: 400-04	TCP-CD-0369: 682-05	TCP-DE-0018:II-048-S4
TCP-CD-0321: 400-05	TCP-CD-0370: 652-03	TCP-DE-0019:II-048-S2
TCP-CD-0322: II-ALT1-S1	TCP-CD-0371: 652-05	TCP-DE-0020:II-048-S1
TCP-CD-0318: II-ALT1-S2	TCP-CD-0372: 652-01	TCP-DE-0021:649-01
TCP-CD-0324: 427-01	TCP-CD-0373: 652-02	TCP-DE-0022:445-05
TCP-CD-0325: 427-02	TCP-CD-0374: 652-07	TCP-DE-0023:445-04
TCP-CD-0326: 427-03	TCP-CD-0375: 652-06	TCP-DE-0024:445-02
TCP-CD-0327: 529-03	TCP-CD-0376: 689-01	TCP-DE-0025:605-08
TCP-CD-0328: 529-01	TCP-CD-0377: 689-02	TCP-DE-0026:665-01
TCP-CD-0329: 529-04	TCP-CD-0378: 453-03	TCP-DE-0027:605-07
TCP-CD-0330: 529-05	TCP-CD-0379: 453-07	TCP-DE-0028:605-06
TCP-CD-0331: 529-06	TCP-CD-0380: 453-02	TCP-DE-0029:605-05
TCP-CD-0332: 424-01	TCP-CD-0381: 453-14	TCP-DE-0030:605-04
TCP-CD-0333: 424-02	TCP-CD-0382: 453-12	TCP-DE-0031:605-03
TCP-CD-0334: II-030-S1	TCP-CD-0383: 453-04	TCP-DE-0032:605-02
TCP-CD-0335: II-030-S2	TCP-CD-0384: 453-08	TCP-DE-0033:605-01
TCP-CD-0336: II-033-S5	TCP-CD-0385: 453-09	TCP-DE-0034:II-113-S13
TCP-CD-0337: II-033-S3	TCP-CD-0386: 453-05	TCP-DE-0035:571-02
TCP-CD-0338: II-033-S4	TCP-CD-0387: 453-10	TCP-DE-0036:II-113-S12
TCP-CD-0339: 685-01	TCP-CD-0388: 453-06	TCP-DE-0037:II-113-S6
TCP-CD-0340: II-033-S2	TCP-CD-0389: 450-01	TCP-DE-0038:571-01
TCP-CD-0341: II-033-S1	TCP-CD-0407: 791-01	TCP-DE-0039:II-113-S8
TCP-CD-0342: II-033-S6	TCP-CD-0408: 663-16	TCP-DE-0040:II-113-S10
TCP-CD-0343: 685-02	TCP-CD-0409: 529-02	TCP-DE-0041:II-113-S14
TCP-CD-0344: 685-03	TCP-CD-0410: 682-02	TCP-DE-0042:II-113-S3
TCP-CD-0345: 685-04	TCP-CD-0411: 650-03	TCP-DE-0043: II-113-S2
TCP-CD-0346: 685-06	TCP-CD-0412: 650-02	TCP-DE-0044: II-113-S1
TCP-CD-0347: 685-05	TCP-CD-0413: CLII265-01	TCP-DE-0045:611-02
TCP-CD-0348: 421-08	TCP-CD-0414: 453-15	TCP-DE-0046: II-117-S1
TCP-CD-0349: 421-03	TCP-DE-0001:II-034-S10	TCP-DE-0047:567-01
TCP-CD-0350: 421-07	TCP-DE-0002: II-034-S7	TCP-DE-0048:567-02
TCP-CD-0351: 421-02	TCP-DE-0003: II-034-S11	TCP-DE-0049:II-117-S2
TCP-CD-0352: 421-05	TCP-DE-0004: II-034-S9	TCP-DE-0050:II-127-S1
TCP-CD-0353: 421-04	TCP-DE-0005: II-034-S6	TCP-DE-0051:642-02
TCP-CD-0354: 421-06	TCP-DE-0006: II-034-S1	TCP-DE-0052:691-02
TCP-CD-0355: 421-01	TCP-DE-0007: II-034-S5	TCP-DE-0053:691-01
TCP-CD-0357: 643-01	TCP-DE-0008: II-034-S4	TCP-DE-0054:AR491-04
TCP-CD-0358: II-041-S3	TCP-DE-0009: 671-06	TCP-DE-0055:AR491-05
TCP-CD-0359: 643-04	TCP-DE-0010: 671-05	TCP-DE-0056:695-01
TCP-CD-0360: II-041-S1	TCP-DE-0011: 671-04	TCP-DE-00059:AR495-02
TCP-CD-0361: 643-03	TCP-DE-0012: 671-02	TCP-DE-0069:709-01
TCP-CD-0362: 643-05	TCP-CD-0370: 652-03	TCP-DE-0070:642-01

TCP-CD-0363: II-041-S4	TCP-CD-0371: 652-05	TCP-DE-0356:II-041-S2
TCP-CD-0364: II-041-S6	TCP-DE-0013: 671-03	TCP-DE-0390:II-042-S2
TCP-CD-0365: II-042-S1	TCP-DE-0014: 671-01	TCP-DE-0016:593-02
TCP-CD-0366: 682-01	TCP-DE-0015:593-01	TCP-DE-0017: II-044-S3

According to the report, the THPO's have determined that the proposed project will alter characteristics that make the TCPs eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places in a way that will diminish the integrity of setting and feeling. NextEra Energy Resources, LLC, working in coordination with the THPOs, including the Rosebud THPO, have developed the document entitled "Historic Property Monitoring and Discovery Plan for Crowned Ridge Wind and Crowned Ridge II Projects, Deuel, Grant and Codington Counties." The document outlines avoidance, minimization and mitigation measures. We recommend implementing these measures for all eligible and unevaluated properties located in the project area.

Given the above, we have determined that the proposed project will not encroach upon, damage or destroy any archaeological property or Traditional Cultural Property that is listed in the State or National Register of Historic Places or the environs of such property pursuant to SDCL 1-19A-11.1.

We appreciate the efforts made by all parties to consider the effects of the project on the non-renewable cultural resources of South Dakota. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Paige Olson at Paige.Olson@state.sd.us or (605) 773-6004.

Sincerely,

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