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**Subject:** Project Review: 202100021



Re: Project Review under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and/or the Antiquities Code of Texas  
**THC Tracking #202100021**  
Proposed Construction and Operation, DFA VA National Cemetery  
2000 Mountain Creek Parkway  
Dallas, TX 75211

Dear Jennifer Peters:

Thank you for your submittal regarding the above-referenced project. This response represents the comments of the State Historic Preservation Officer, the Executive Director of the Texas Historical Commission (THC), pursuant to review under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

The review staff led by Rebecca Shelton, Caitlin Brashear and Alex Toprac has completed its review and has made the following determinations based on the information submitted for review:

### **Above-Ground Resources**

- Property/properties are eligible for listing or already listed in the National Register of Historic Places.
- No adverse effects on historic properties.

### **Archeology Comments**

- No identified historic properties, archeological sites, or other cultural resources are present or affected. However, if cultural materials are encountered during project activities, work should cease in the immediate area; work can continue where no cultural materials are present. Please contact the THC's Archeology Division at 512-463-6096 to consult on further actions that may be necessary to protect the cultural remains.
- This draft report is acceptable. Please submit a final report: one restricted version with any site location information (if applicable), and one public version with all site location information redacted. To facilitate review and make project information and final reports available through the Texas Archeological Sites Atlas, we appreciate submitting abstracts online at <http://xapps.thc.state.tx.us/Abstract> and e-mailing survey area shapefiles to [archeological\\_projects@thc.texas.gov](mailto:archeological_projects@thc.texas.gov) if this has not already occurred. Please note that these steps are required for projects conducted under a Texas Antiquities Permit.

We look forward to further consultation with your office and hope to maintain a partnership that will foster effective historic preservation. Thank you for your cooperation in this review process, and for your efforts to preserve the irreplaceable heritage of Texas. If you have any questions concerning our review or if we can be of further assistance, please email the following reviewers: [rebecca.shelton@thc.texas.gov](mailto:rebecca.shelton@thc.texas.gov), [caitlin.brashear@thc.texas.gov](mailto:caitlin.brashear@thc.texas.gov), [alex.toprac@thc.texas.gov](mailto:alex.toprac@thc.texas.gov)

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Sincerely,



For Mark Wolfe, State Historic Preservation Officer  
Executive Director, Texas Historical Commission

**Please do not respond to this email.**

## Peters, Jennifer T

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**From:** Fernandez, Fernando L. FM Fernando.Fernandez@va.gov  
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[EXTERNAL] Section 106 Review: Phase 3 Expansion and Improvement of Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery

Dear Mr. Fernandez,

Thank you for requesting our 106/EA determination. Based on the information provided, I do not believe that this project will have a negative impact on any archaeological, historic or cultural resources of the Coushatta people. Accordingly, we do not wish to consult further on this project. If any inadvertent discoveries are made in the course of this project, we expect to be contacted immediately and reserve the right to consult with you at that time.

Aliilamo (thank you),

Raynella Fontenot

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RE: Scoping for Dallas – Fort Worth National Cemetery Expansion Phase IV

Dear Mr. Fernando L. Fernandez:

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) has received and reviewed the August 27, 2019, scoping request regarding the above-referenced project.

**Project Description**

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is preparing an environmental assessment (EA) concerning the proposed expansion of the Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW) National Cemetery in Dallas County, Texas, in fulfillment of National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements. The VA intends to construct and maintain additional interment areas (including crypts and columbariums), expand the existing administration building, construct public restrooms and honor guard building, and construct a pond to be used for irrigation within the DFW National Cemetery Property. Temporary laydown and staging areas area also proposed. The disturbance footprint of the proposed action is approximately 80 acres, of which 67 acres is undeveloped.

As the state agency with primary responsibility for protecting the state's fish and wildlife resources, in accordance with the authority granted by Parks and Wildlife Code §12.0011 and per coordination under the NEPA, TPWD hereby provides the following comments and recommendations to minimize potential adverse impacts to the state's fish and wildlife resources, including rare, threatened and endangered species, in the construction and maintenance of the proposed project. Please address the following recommendations in the EA.

**Federal Regulations**

*Federal Regulations: Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA)*

The MBTA prohibits direct and affirmative purposeful actions that reduce migratory birds, their eggs, or their nests, by killing or capturing, to human control, except when specifically authorized by the Department of the Interior. This protection applies to most native bird species, including ground nesting species. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Migratory Bird Office can be contacted at (505) 248-7882 for more information on potential impacts to migratory birds.

The project area contains primarily undeveloped woodlands that consist of a patchwork of native invasive deciduous woodlands invading native grassland habitats and oak/hardwood slope forest adjacent to a wooded riparian stream corridor. Within the

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project area, potential impacts to migratory birds may occur during site preparation and grading activities through the disturbance of existing vegetation and bare ground that may harbor active bird nests, including nests that may occur in grass, shrubs and trees and on bare ground including gravel pads and roads.

**Recommendation:** TPWD recommends excluding vegetation clearing activities during the general bird nesting season, March 15 through September 15, to avoid adverse impacts to breeding birds. If clearing vegetation during the nesting season is unavoidable, TPWD recommends surveying the area proposed for disturbance to ensure that no nests with eggs or young will be disturbed by operations. If nests are observed during surveys, TPWD recommends retaining a 150-foot buffer of vegetation around active nests until eggs have hatched and the young have fledged.

The project area is located within the Central Flyway, a major bird migration corridor that leads to the Texas coast and Central/South America. Artificial nighttime lighting can attract and disorient night-migrating birds. Birds circling the lights' glare can cause exhaustion mortality.

**Recommendation:** As bird protection measures, TPWD recommends utilizing the minimum amount of night-time lighting needed for safety and security and to use dark-sky friendly lighting that is on only when needed, down-shielded, as bright as needed, and minimizes blue light emissions. Appropriate lighting technologies and best management practices (BMPs) can be found at the International Dark-Sky Association website.

### **State Regulations**

#### *State Regulations – Chapter 64, Birds*

TPW Code Section 64.002, regarding protection of nongame birds, provides that no person may catch, kill, injure, pursue, or possess a bird that is not a game bird. TPW Code Section 64.003, regarding destroying nests or eggs, provides that, no person may destroy or take the nests, eggs, or young and any wild game bird, wild bird, or wild fowl. TPW Code Chapter 64 does not allow for incidental take and therefore is more restrictive than the MBTA.

**Recommendation:** Please review the *Migratory Bird Treaty Act* section above for recommendations as they are also applicable for compliance with TPW Code.

#### *State Regulations: State-listed Species*

TPW Code Section 68.015 regulates state-listed species. Please note that there is no provision for the capture, trap, take, or kill (incidental or otherwise) of state-listed species. The TPWD online application identifying rare, threatened, and endangered species by county (RTEST) provides information regarding state-listed species that have potential to occur within each county in Texas. TPWD also maintains records of occurrence for these species within the Texas Natural Diversity Database (TXNDD),

and these data are publicly available by request. State-listed species could potentially be impacted if suitable habitat is present at or near the project site.

**Recommendation:** TPWD recommends the EA identify the state-listed species with potential to occur within the project area using the RTEST list for Dallas County. TPWD recommends conducting site surveys of the project disturbance areas to identify suitable habitat for state-listed species, to assess potential impacts to state-listed species, and to adjust the disturbance footprint to avoid or minimize adverse impacts to state-listed species.

**Recommendation:** TPWD recommends the EA identify impact avoidance and minimization measures that the VA will employ to protect state-listed species and other sensitive resources that may occur within the study area.

Terrestrial State-listed Species: Of the terrestrial species listed as potentially occurring in Dallas County, the state-threatened black-capped vireo (*Vireo atricapilla*), Texas horned lizard (*Phrynosoma cornutum*) and timber rattlesnake (*Crotalus horridus*) are more at risk for being impacted by construction activities than other state-listed terrestrial species due to potential habitat occurring within the project area and limited mobility. Where suitable habitat is present, vegetation disturbance during nesting could impact nesting black-capped vireos. The Texas horned lizard would be susceptible to earth moving equipment and compaction. The timber rattlesnake is a slow-moving, cryptic species that is less able to readily escape from heavy machinery than other wildlife and would be susceptible to loss during clearing in or near upland and riparian woodlands. Additionally, various small vertebrates including snakes, lizards, toads, and mice fall into trenches, become trapped, and are susceptible to loss from backfilling activities, starvation, dehydration, predation, and exposure to elements.

**Recommendation:** TPWD recommends the VA and its contractors to be informed of the federal- and state-listed species and species of greatest conservation need (SGCN) with potential to occur in the project area and to take precautions avoid impacts to rare species if encountered in the project area. Wildlife observed during construction should be allowed to safely leave the site. Additionally, the timber rattlesnake is a rather docile species, and injury to humans usually occurs when the snake becomes agitated following harassment or when someone attempts to handle a recently dead snake that still contains its bite reflex. Therefore, contractors should avoid contact with the species if encountered.

**Recommendation:** If the project is found to contain unavoidable habitat of a state-listed species, then TPWD recommends a biological monitor be present during clearing and construction activities to assist in detecting state-listed species. State-listed threatened species observed during construction that will not readily leave the project site may be translocated by a permitted individual to a nearby area with similar habitat that would not be disturbed during construction. TPWD recommends that any translocations of reptiles be the minimum distance possible no greater than one mile, preferably within 100-200 yards from the initial encounter location. For purposes of relocation, surveys, monitoring, and research, terrestrial state-listed species may only be handled by persons authorized through the TPWD Wildlife Permits Office.

**Recommendation:** Where trenching for utilities and footings is involved, TPWD recommends minimizing the length of trenches left open at any given time during construction. Trenches left open for more than two daylight hours should be inspected for the presence of trapped wildlife prior to backfilling. If trenches cannot be backfilled the day of initial trenching, then escape ramps, in the form of short lateral trenches or wooden planks sloping to the surface at an angle of less than 45 degrees, should be installed at least every 90 meters.

**Recommendation:** For soil stabilization and revegetation of disturbed areas within the proposed project area, TPWD recommends erosion and seed/mulch stabilization materials that avoid entanglement hazards to snakes and other wildlife species. Because the mesh found in many erosion control blankets or mats pose an entanglement hazard to wildlife, TPWD recommends the use of no-till drilling, hydromulching and/or hydroseeding rather than erosion control blankets or mats due to a reduced risk to wildlife. If erosion control blankets or mats will be used, the product should contain no netting or contain loosely woven, natural fiber netting in which the mesh design allows the threads to move, therefore allowing expansion of the mesh openings. Plastic mesh matting should be avoided.

**State Fish and Wildlife Resources**

The Texas Conservation Action Plan (TCAP) contains handbooks for each ecoregion of the state for use by all entities for guidance regarding species of greatest conservation need (SGCN) and important habitats. The TCAP identifies threats affecting native species and habitats such as loss of habitat due to development. In addition to state- and federally-listed species, TPWD tracks SGCN and natural plant communities and actively promotes their conservation. TPWD considers it important to evaluate and, if feasible, minimize impacts to SGCN and their habitat to reduce the likelihood of endangerment and preclude the need to list as threatened or endangered in the future. SGCN are included in the above-referenced RTEST application.

After reviewing the RTEST list for Dallas County and based on potentially suitable habitat, SGCN flora and fauna with potential to occur in the project area and with greater potential to be impacted by project activities include the following:

Taxon	SName	CName	GRank	SRank
Amphibians	Desmognathus conanti	southern dusky salamander	G5	S1
Amphibians	Anaxyrus woodhousii*	Woodhouse's toad	G5	SU
Amphibians	Pseudacris streckeri	Strecker's chorus frog	G5	S3
Birds	Athene cunicularia hypugaea	western burrowing owl	G4T4	S2
Mammals	Blarina carolinensis	southern short-tailed shrew	G5	S4
Mammals	Myotis austroriparius	southeastern myotis bat	G4	S3
Mammals	Myotis velifer	cave myotis bat	G4G5	S4
Mammals	Perimyotis subflavus	tricolored bat	G2G3	S3S4
Mammals	Eptesicus fuscus	big brown bat	G5	S5

Mammals	<i>Lasiurus borealis</i>	eastern red bat	G3G4	S4
Mammals	<i>Lasiurus cinereus</i>	hoary bat	G3G4	S4
Mammals	<i>Tadarida brasiliensis</i>	Mexican free-tailed bat	G5	S5
Mammals	<i>Ictidomys tridecemlineatus</i>	thirteen-lined ground squirrel	G5	S5
Mammals	<i>Microtus pinetorum</i>	woodland vole	G5	S3
Mammals	<i>Mustela frenata</i>	long-tailed weasel	G5	S5
Mammals	<i>Spilogale putorius*</i>	eastern spotted skunk	G4	S1S3
Mammals	<i>Spilogale putorius interrupta</i>	plains spotted skunk	G4T4	S1S3
Mammals	<i>Conepatus leuconotus</i>	western hog-nosed skunk	G4	S4
Reptiles	<i>Terrapene Carolina*</i>	eastern box turtle	G5	S3
Reptiles	<i>Terrapene ornata</i>	western box turtle	G5	S3
Reptiles	<i>Ophisaurus attenuatus</i>	slender glass lizard	G5	S3
Reptiles	<i>Thamnophis sirtalis*</i>	common garter snake	G5	S2
Reptiles	<i>Thamnophis sirtalis annectens*</i>	Texas garter snake	G5T4	S1
Reptiles	<i>Sistrurus tergeminus</i>	massasauga	G3G4	S3S4
Insects	<i>Bombus pensylvanicus*</i>	American bumblebee	G3G4	SNR
Insects	<i>Pogonomyrmex comanche</i>	Comanche harvester ant	G2G3	S2
Insects	<i>Arethaea ambulator</i>	No accepted common name	GNR	SNR
Plants	<i>Matelea edwardsensis*</i>	plateau milkvine	G3	S3
Plants	<i>Liatris glandulosa*</i>	glandular gay-feather	G3	S3
Plants	<i>Physaria engelmannii*</i>	Engelmann's bladderpod	G4	S3
Plants	<i>Cuscuta exaltata</i>	tree dodder	G3	S3
Plants	<i>Astragalus reflexus</i>	Texas milk vetch	G3	S3
Plants	<i>Dalea hallii*</i>	Hall's prairie clover	G3	S3
Plants	<i>Phlox oklahomensis</i>	Oklahoma phlox	G3	SH
Plants	<i>Agalinis densiflora</i>	Osage Plains false foxglove	G3	S2
Plants	<i>Yucca necopina*</i>	Glen Rose yucca	G1G2	S1S2
Plants	<i>Hexalectris nitida*</i>	Glass Mountains coral-root	G3	S3
Plants	<i>Hexalectris warnockii*</i>	Warnock's coral-root	G2G3	S2

\*Known occurrences from the TXNDD or iNaturalist near the project area.

(Note: The TXNDD is intended to assist users in avoiding harm to known locations of rare species or significant ecological features. Given the small proportion of public versus private land in Texas, the TXNDD does not include a representative inventory of rare resources in the state. Please note that absence of information in the database does not imply that a species is absent from that area. Although it is based on the best data available to TPWD regarding rare species, the data from the TXNDD do not provide a definitive statement as to the presence, absence, or condition of special species, natural communities, or other significant features within your project area.

These data are not inclusive, **cannot be used as presence/absence data**, and cannot be substituted for on-the-ground surveys.)

The Project study area is located within the EPA Level IV Northern Blackland Prairie Ecoregion. Within the Texas Blackland Prairies ecoregion, priority habitats identified in the TCAP for conservation of SGCN for the study area include tallgrass prairie communities, riparian woodlands, freshwater wetlands, and oak savannahs and woodlands. TPWD encourages landowners and land agents to conserve priority habitats of the ecoregion and discourages fragmentation and loss to such habitats.

The TPWD Landscape Ecology Program's Ecological Mapping Systems (EMS) data are available for download or available for use in the TPWD online interactive mapping tool, Texas Ecosystem Analytical Mapper. The EMS provides systems, mapping subsystems, and vegetative types for Texas and can assist in planning projects to avoid impacts to important habitats in an ecoregion. For example, in the study area, the EMS identifies oak/hardwood slope forests which is potentially suitable habitat for SGCN coral-root orchids, riparian hardwood forest which is suitable habitat for the state-listed timber rattlesnake, and invasive deciduous woodlands which is suitable habitat for the eastern spotted skunk. The TCAP and EMS vegetation data can assist in identifying and avoiding areas of potential priority habitats; however, the EMS should be used in conjunction site-specific soils data and on-the-ground surveys of the vegetation when assessing potential project impacts on listed species, SGCN, and priority habitats.

Riparian corridors provide valuable wildlife habitat and help to protect water quality. Review of the project site layout indicates that ground disturbances are proposed in upland areas void of aquatic habitats. The northeast disturbance boundary, however, does occur very close to a wooded riparian stream corridor.

**Recommendation:** TPWD recommends allowing wide natural buffers contiguous to wetlands or stream systems to remain undisturbed to preserve wildlife cover, food sources, and travel corridors. TPWD recommends adjusting the northeast disturbance area to create a wider buffer to the stream and to retain the oak/hardwood slope forest in this area.

Within the Texas prairie regions, native grasslands have become lost due to agricultural practices, development, and woody encroachment. With the loss of native grasslands, wildlife associated with grassland habitats have declined including the loss of pollinators due to declining floral resources. TPWD encourages landowners and land agents to conserve pockets of remaining native grassland habitats. A review of the TXNDD revealed some small pockets of Vertisol Blackland Prairies (*Schizachyrium scoparium* – *Sorghastrum nutans* – *Andropogon gerardii* - *Bifora Americana* Vertisol Grassland) Series G1G2SNR Communities within Dallas County. These occurrences indicate that prairie remnants have been found near the project area and that other areas not currently assessed may also exhibit native prairie remnants.

Although the DFW National Cemetery is set among an urban setting, it does contain undeveloped areas that may serve as suitable habitat for rare resources including remnants of native grasslands (either exposed or invaded by woody species) and oak-juniper woodlands on limestone slopes of the White Rock Escarpment. Rare plants

associated with native grasslands or oak-juniper woodlands are known to occur near the project area, as noted on the SGCN list above. The red-hatched disturbance area provided in the scoping materials is rather large and occurs within both woodlands and open grasslands that may include native grassland (either exposed or invaded by woody species) or oak-juniper slope woodlands. Without details regarding the species occurring at the project site, it is difficult to interpret the quality of the habitats using only publicly-available desktop datasets.

**Recommendation:** TPWD recommends delineating the vegetative species occurring within the proposed disturbance areas to identify the types of habitats being impacted.

**Recommendation:** TPWD recommends minimizing habitat removal and avoiding disturbance to native grasslands and oak/juniper slope forests. TPWD recommends only clearing portions of the red-hatched disturbance area that are necessary for the project. If portions of the red-hatched disturbance area include invasive deciduous woodlands that have invaded native grasslands, then those areas would be appropriate for tree removal, temporary construction staging, followed by restoration to native grassland. In areas exhibiting native grassland characteristics, scraping and grading of the herbaceous vegetation should be kept to a minimum to preserve existing native herbaceous vegetation.

**Recommendation:** If project disturbances must occur within remnants of native grasslands (either exposed or invaded by woody species) or oak-juniper slope woodlands, TPWD recommends surveying for SGCN plants during the season of highest detection and avoiding disturbance of rare plants to the extent feasible. TPWD encourages clearly marking individual rare plants or areas found to contain rare plants as work zone avoidance areas prior to construction, maintenance and operation activities.

**Recommendation:** If native prairie remnants or rare plants cannot be avoided by the proposed project activities, please make a detailed record of the occurrence and contact TPWD to determine if additional conservation practices for the resources are available.

**Recommendation:** To aid in the scientific knowledge of a species' status and current range, TPWD encourages reporting encounters of SGCN, threatened, and endangered species to the TXNDD according to the data submittal instructions found on the TXNDD website.

Significant declines in the population of migrating monarch butterflies (*Danaus plexippus*) have led to widespread concern about this species and other native insect pollinator species due to reductions in native floral resources. To support pollinators and migrating monarchs, TPWD encourages the establishment of native wildflower habitats on private and public lands across the state. Please refer to recent publications that can be found on TPWD's Native Pollinator website and TPWD's Monarch Butterfly website.

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**Recommendation:** To accrue benefits for grassland wildlife and pollinators and to mitigate for unavoidable loss of native vegetation, TPWD recommends the VA revegetate areas disturbed by project activities with site-specific native species, with attention to providing habitat for pollinator species. TPWD recommends incorporating native grass and floral species into the permanent landscaping plan as funding and seed/plant availability allow and utilizing maintenance practices to promote the availability of flowering species throughout the growing season.

Thank you for considering project impacts to the fish and wildlife resources of Texas. For questions, please contact me at [Karen.Hardin@tpwd.texas.gov](mailto:Karen.Hardin@tpwd.texas.gov) or (903) 322-5001.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Karen B. Hardin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Karen B. Hardin  
Wildlife Habitat Assessment Program  
Wildlife Division

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# COMANCHE NATION



Department of Veteran Affairs-National Cemetery Administration  
Attn: Mr. Fernando L. Fernandez  
Dallas, Dallas County, Texas

December 17, 2019

Re: Initiation of Section 106 consultation for the Proposed Construction and Operation of  
Phase IV at Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery

Dear Mr. Fernandez:

In response to your request, the above reference project has been reviewed by staff of this office to identify areas that may potentially contain prehistoric or historic archeological materials. The location of your project has been cross referenced with the Comanche Nation site files, where an indication of "**No Properties**" have been identified. (IAW 36 CFR 800.4(d)(1)).

Please contact this office at (580) 595-9960/9618) if you require additional information on this project.

This review is performed in order to identify and preserve the Comanche Nation and State cultural heritage, in conjunction with the State Historic Preservation Office.

Regards

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**TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION**  
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November 5, 2019

W. Edward Hooker, III  
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U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs  
National Cemetery Administration  
Design and Construction Service  
Washington DC 20420

Re: Project review under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 – *Proposed Construction and Operation of Phase IV at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery, Dallas County (VA/Track #202002003)*

Dear Mr. Hooker:

Thank you for submitting the request for consultation. This letter serves as comment on the proposed federal undertaking from the State Historic Preservation Officer, the Executive Director of the Texas Historical Commission (THC).

The Archeology Division staff, led by Rebecca Shelton, has completed its initial review of the above referenced project. However, we require additional information before we can complete our review. The Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery was determined **eligible** for listing on the National Register of Historic Places in 2015. Since the newly proposed Phase IV work on the east side of the National Cemetery has not been intensively surveyed, nor has an above ground review been conducted for potential indirect affects, we agree with the recommendations in the recent Cultural Resource Assessment (Terracon 2019) that “further field based archeological investigations may be deemed necessary in compliance with Section 106 of the NHPRA through regulatory review”.

Based on our records, there has only been reconnaissance level investigations on the east side of the cemetery (Skinner et al 1994). Recent investigations on the west side of the National Cemetery (Lindemuth and Fullen 2015) were not submitted to the THC until November 2019, therefore our agency has not had an opportunity to comment on these investigations.

In order for the THC to clarify which areas have been surveyed in the last 10 years, and which areas still require archeological and above ground investigations, please provide detailed maps of the proposed Phase IV Construction and Operation Plans in relation to areas that have been recently surveyed.



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The Division of Architecture staff, led by Christopher Meyers, has completed their initial review and they require detailed maps that show the memorial wall, ossuary, columbaria, and crypt which are new elements not discussed in the May 5, 2019 submission to the THC. At that time, we also requested additional information and field investigations. Finally, please provide drawings for these built items and view shed photos of the proposed locations.

Thank you for your cooperation in this federal review process, and for your efforts to preserve the irreplaceable heritage of Texas. If you have any questions concerning our review or if we can be of further assistance, please contact **Rebecca Shelton** at [Rebecca.Shelton@thc.texas.gov](mailto:Rebecca.Shelton@thc.texas.gov) or at **512/463-6043**.

Sincerely,



for  
Mark Wolfe  
State Historic Preservation Officer  
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Cc: Fernando Fernandez, Environmental Engineer, Department of Veterans Affairs, OCFM  
Douglas Pulak, Federal Preservation Officer, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs





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Apache Tribe of Oklahoma  
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**RE: Request for Stakeholder Participation  
Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery, Phase IV Proposed Construction and Operation Project**

Dear Chairman Komardley:

I am writing to notify your organization that the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) intends to construct and maintain additional interment areas (including crypts and columbariums), expand the existing administration building, construct public restrooms and honor guard building, and construct a pond to be used for irrigation at the a Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW) National Cemetery on approximately 67-acres of undeveloped area within the DFW National Cemetery property, in Dallas County, Texas (please see **Attachment 1**).

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August 27, 2019

Comanche Nation of Oklahoma  
Martina Callahan, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer  
PO Box 908  
Lawton, OK 73502

**RE: Request for Stakeholder Participation  
Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery, Phase IV Proposed Construction and Operation Project**

Dear Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Callahan:

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Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana  
Linda Langley, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer  
PO Box 818  
Elton, LA 70532

**RE: Request for Stakeholder Participation  
Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery, Phase IV Proposed Construction and Operation Project**

Dear Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Langley:

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Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana  
Kassie Darsey, Section 106 Coordinator  
PO Box 818  
Elton, LA 70532

**RE: Request for Stakeholder Participation  
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Dear Section 106 Coordinator Darsey:

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Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas  
Estavio Elizando, Chairperson  
2212 Rosita Valley Road  
Eagle Pass, TX 78852

**RE: Request for Stakeholder Participation  
Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery, Phase IV Proposed Construction and Operation Project**

Dear Chairperson Elizando:

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Casey Thomas, II, Mayor Pro Tem  
City Council, District 3  
City of Dallas  
1500 Marilla Street  
Dallas, TX 75201

**RE: Request for Stakeholder Participation  
Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery, Phase IV Proposed Construction and Operation Project**

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August 27, 2019

Honorable Eric Johnson  
Mayor  
City of Dallas  
1500 Marilla Street  
Dallas, TX 75201

**RE: Request for Stakeholder Participation  
Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery, Phase IV Proposed Construction and Operation Project**

Honorable Johnson:

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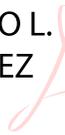
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Richard Stewart, Chairman  
Dallas County Historical Commission  
411 Elm Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Dallas, Texas 75202-3301

**RE: Request for Stakeholder Participation  
Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery, Phase IV Proposed Construction and Operation Project**

Dear Mr. Stewart:

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Cheryl Seager  
Compliance Assurance and Enforcement Division  
United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6  
1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200  
Mail Code: 6RA  
Dallas, TX 75202

**RE: Request for Stakeholder Participation  
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23 September 2019

Apache Tribe of Oklahoma  
Bobby Komardley, Chairman  
511 E Colorado  
Anadarko, OK 73005

**Subject: Initiation of Section 106 consultation for the Proposed Construction and Operation of Phase IV at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery**

Dear Chairman Komardley,

Pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations 36 CFR Part 800, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is proposing to complete the planned Phase IV expansion, including construction and operation, at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery (DFWNC) in Dallas, Texas, detailed in Figures 1 and 2 on page 3. The National Cemetery Administration (NCA) is conducting this cemetery expansion project to increase burial capacity at the DFWNC which serves veterans in North Texas and Southern Oklahoma.

Background

The DFWNC is located in Dallas, Dallas County, Texas, adjacent to Mountain Creek Lake. The cemetery is bound by the lake to the west, Texas Highway 408 to the east, and Mountain Creek Highway to the north. Undeveloped land is beyond the roadways and to the south of the cemetery. The only access to the cemetery is from Mountain Creek Parkway, an arterial road to Texas Highways 408 and 12.

The DFWNC opened on 12 May 2000. The cemetery is 638.5 acres and includes areas for cremated remains and casketed burial sites. The development of the cemetery grounds has been conducted in phases, to date three phases have been completed. Phase I, was completed when the cemetery opened in 12 May 2000 and included the development of 110 acres including traditional 12,000 gravesites and 2,220 columbariums/garden niches (for cremated remains). Phase II was completed by 2014 and included developing 53 acres and constructed 20,500 casketed burial sites and 4,000 columbarium niches. Phase III began in May 2016 and was completed in 2018. To date, the cemetery has 85,778 casketed burial sites and 31,918 columbarium niches.

Undertaking

The NCA has defined the undertaking as clearing and grading activities associated with the development of approximately 67 acres of land within DFWNC; no new property would be acquired. This project is identified as Phase IV. The undertaking would modify undeveloped, vegetated areas into burial sections, storage areas, irrigation pond, and associated roadways. Approximately 80 acres of previously undisturbed and developed areas will be disturbed as part of this proposed action. The expansion would

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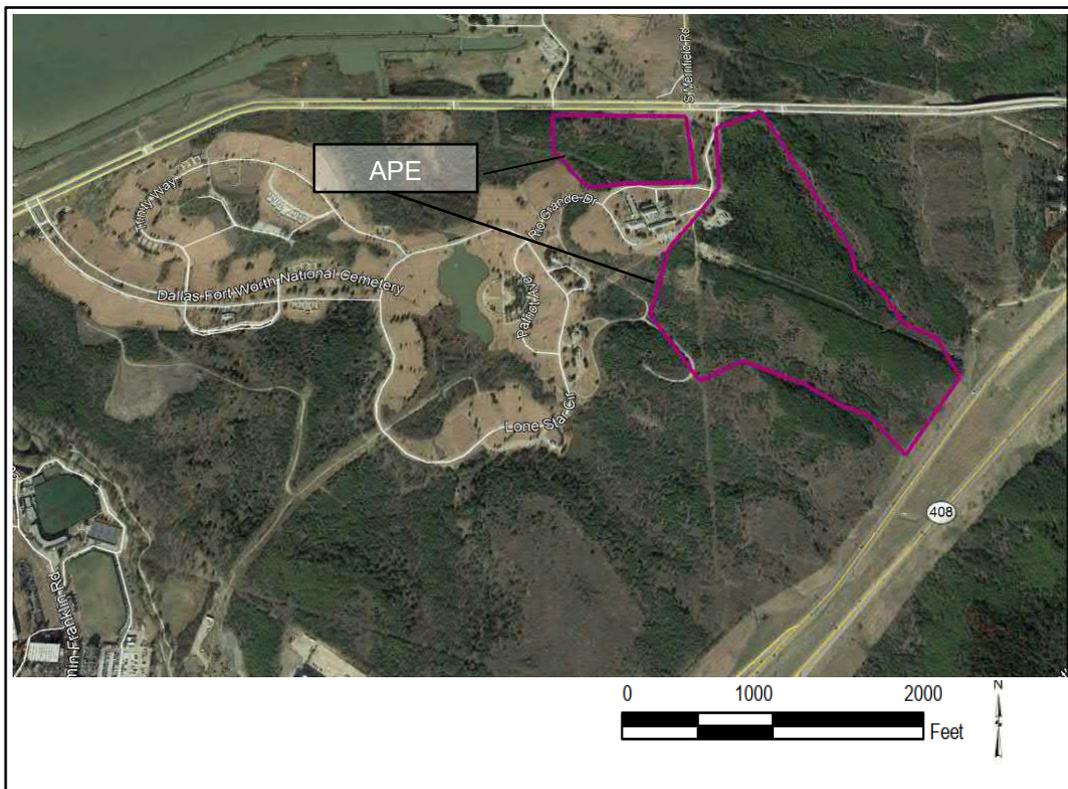


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23 September 2019

Comanche Nation of Oklahoma  
Martina Callahan, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer  
PO Box 908  
Lawton, OK 73502

**Subject: Initiation of Section 106 consultation for the Proposed Construction and Operation of Phase IV at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery**

Dear THPO Callahan,

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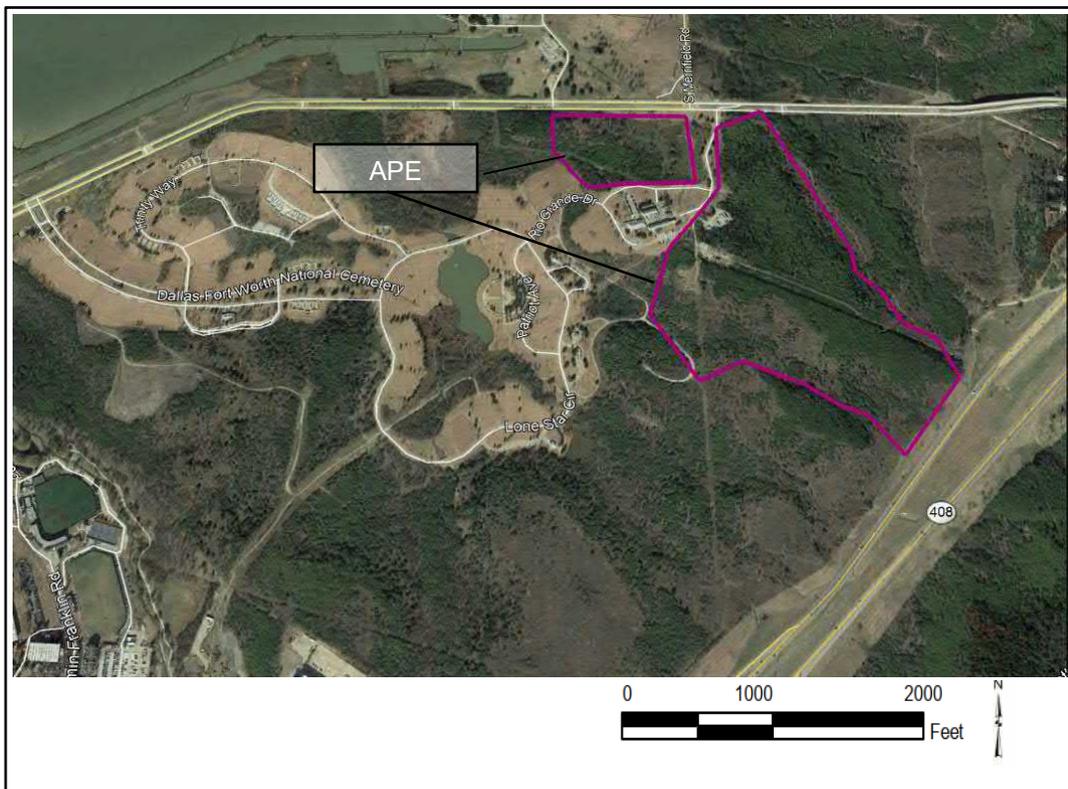


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23 September 2019

Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana  
Kassie Darsey, Section 106 Coordinator  
PO Box 818  
Elton, LA 70532

**Subject: Initiation of Section 106 consultation for the Proposed Construction and Operation of Phase IV at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery**

Dear Section 106 Coordinator Darsey,

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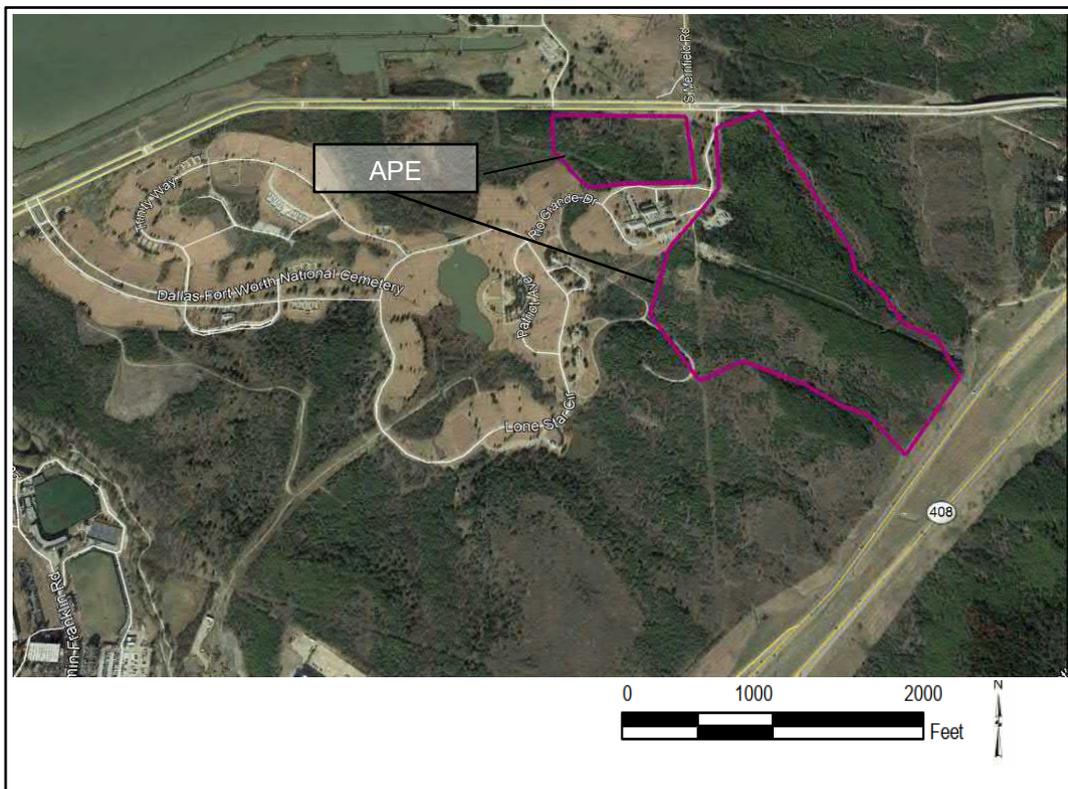


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Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana  
Linda Langley, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer  
PO Box 818  
Elton, LA 70532

**Subject: Initiation of Section 106 consultation for the Proposed Construction and Operation of Phase IV at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery**

Dear Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Langley,

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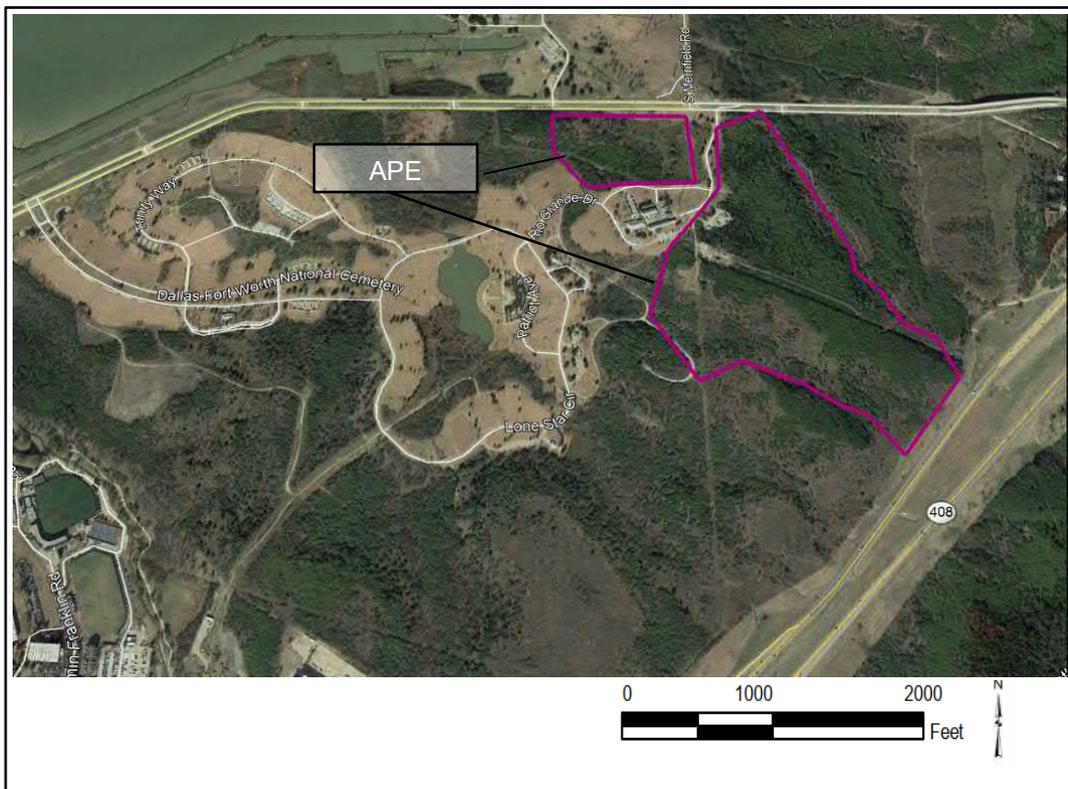


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Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas  
Estavio Elizando, Chairperson  
2212 Rosita Valley Road  
Eagle Pass, TX 78852

**Subject: Initiation of Section 106 consultation for the Proposed Construction and Operation of Phase IV at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery**

Dear Chairperson Elizando,

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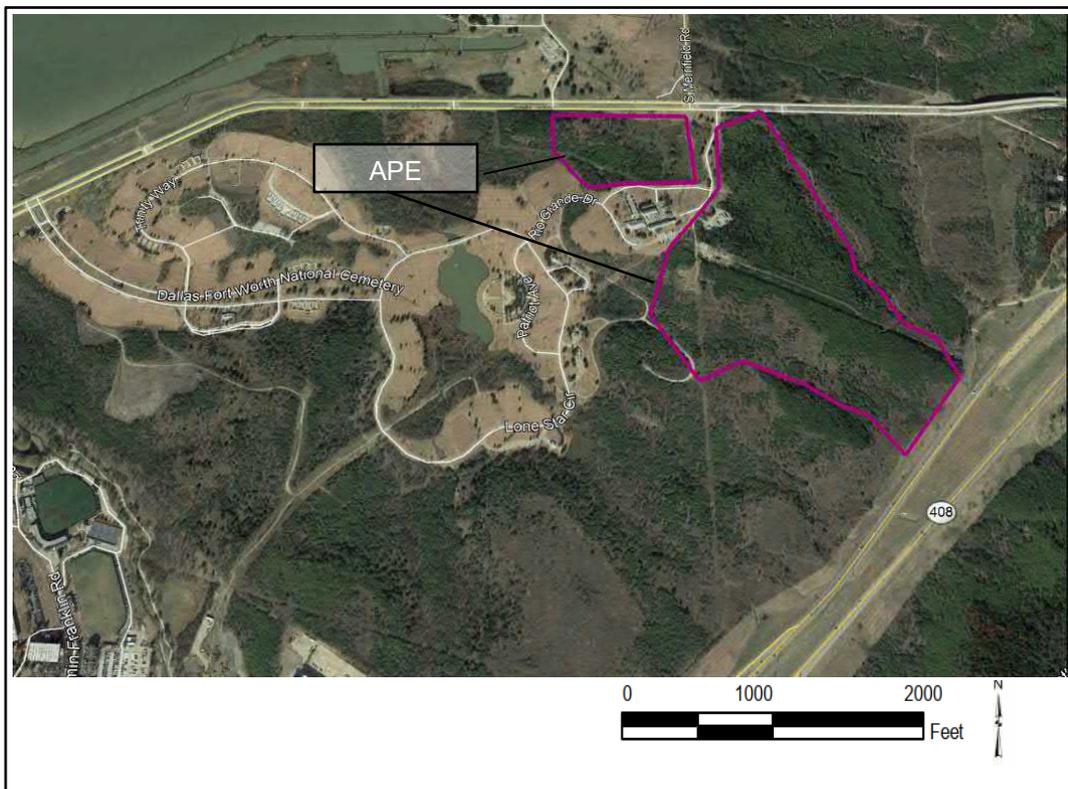


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Tonkawa Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma  
Lauren Brown, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer  
1 Rush Buffalo Road  
Tonkawa, OK 74653

**Subject: Initiation of Section 106 consultation for the Proposed Construction and Operation of Phase IV at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery**

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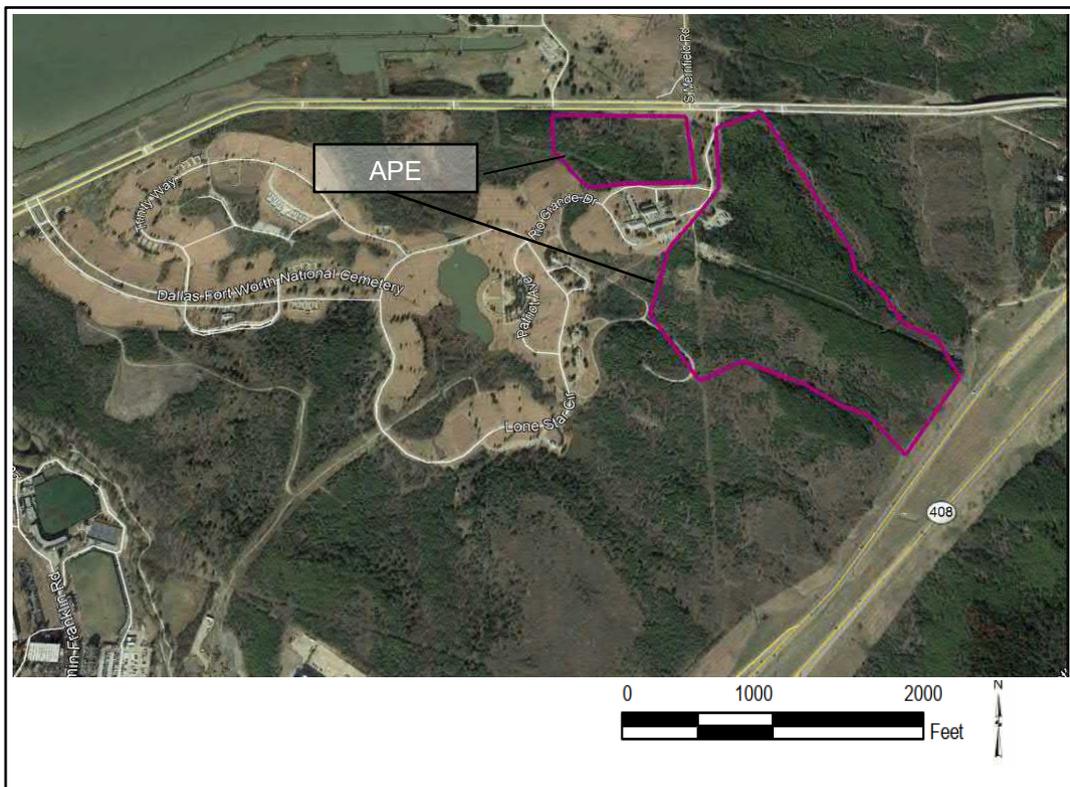


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To meet project timeframes, if you would like to be a consulting party on this project, please let me know of your interest within 30 days. If you have initial concerns with impacts of the project, please note them in your response. Please let me know if any of the provided materials are insufficient or if you have any questions.

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Ysleta del Sur Pueblo  
Carlos Hisa, Tribal Governor  
PO Box 17579  
Ysleta Station  
El Paso, TX 79917

**Subject: Initiation of Section 106 consultation for the Proposed Construction and Operation of Phase IV at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery**

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The DFWNC opened on 12 May 2000. The cemetery is 638.5 acres and includes areas for cremated remains and casketed burial sites. The development of the cemetery grounds has been conducted in phases, to date three phases have been completed. Phase I, was completed when the cemetery opened in 12 May 2000 and included the development of 110 acres including traditional 12,000 gravesites and 2,220 columbariums/garden niches (for cremated remains). Phase II was completed by 2014 and included developing 53 acres and constructed 20,500 casketed burial sites and 4,000 columbarium niches. Phase III began in May 2016 and was completed in 2018. To date, the cemetery has 85,778 casketed burial sites and 31,918 columbarium niches.

Undertaking

The NCA has defined the undertaking as clearing and grading activities associated with the development of approximately 67 acres of land within DFWNC; no new property would be acquired. This project is identified as Phase IV. The undertaking would modify undeveloped, vegetated areas into burial sections, storage areas, irrigation pond, and associated roadways. Approximately 80 acres of previously

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#### Area of Potential Effect

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#### Identification of Historic Properties

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#### Determination of Findings

Therefore, pursuant to 36 CFR 800.4(d)(1), the VAMC VA has determined that no historic properties will be affected by the undertaking and requests the tribe's concurrence on the agency's finding per 36 CFR Part 800 and Executive Order 13175.



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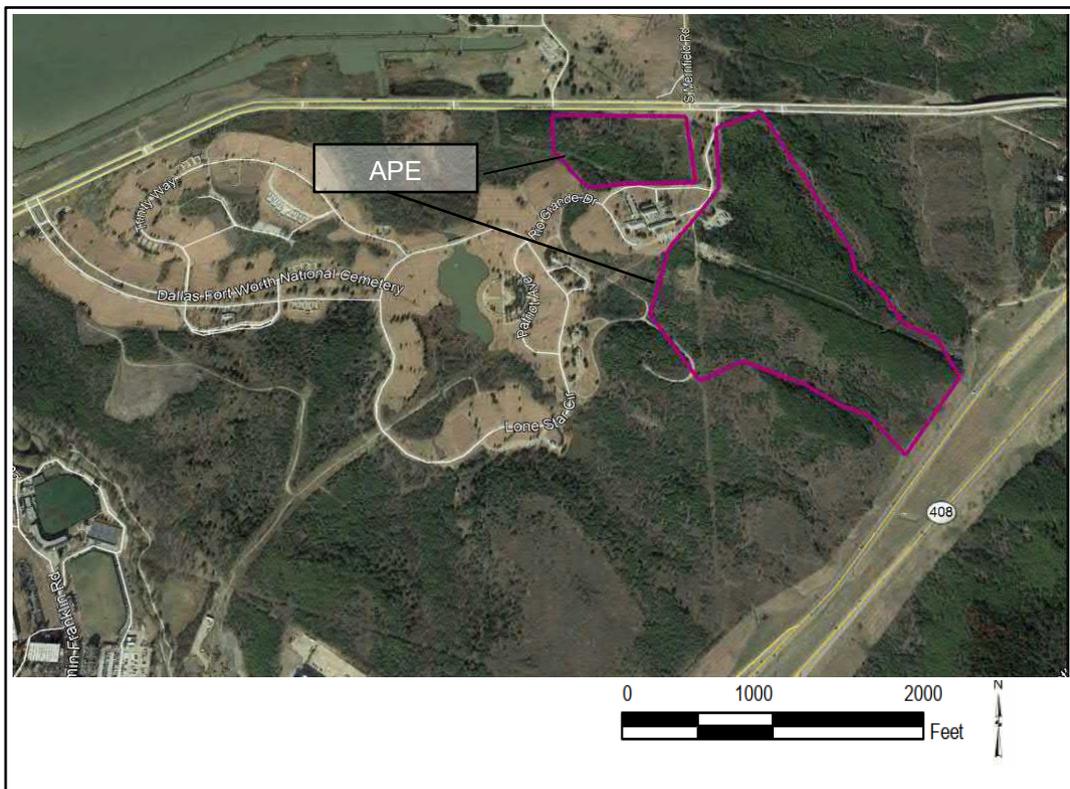


Figure 2: Dallas Fort Worth National Cemetery Phase IV APE

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS  
NATIONAL CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION  
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Washington DC 20420**

23 September 2019

Wichita and Affiliated Tribes (Wichita, Keechi, Waco & Tawakonie), Oklahoma  
Terri Parton, President  
PO Box 729  
Anadarko, OK 73005

**Subject: Initiation of Section 106 consultation for the Proposed Construction and Operation of Phase IV at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery**

Dear President Parton,

Pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations 36 CFR Part 800, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is proposing to complete the planned Phase IV expansion, including construction and operation, at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery (DFWNC) in Dallas, Texas, detailed in Figures 1 and 2 on page 3. The National Cemetery Administration (NCA) is conducting this cemetery expansion project to increase burial capacity at the DFWNC which serves veterans in North Texas and Southern Oklahoma.

Background

The DFWNC is located in Dallas, Dallas County, Texas, adjacent to Mountain Creek Lake. The cemetery is bound by the lake to the west, Texas Highway 408 to the east, and Mountain Creek Highway to the north. Undeveloped land is beyond the roadways and to the south of the cemetery. The only access to the cemetery is from Mountain Creek Parkway, an arterial road to Texas Highways 408 and 12.

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Undertaking

The NCA has defined the undertaking as clearing and grading activities associated with the development of approximately 67 acres of land within DFWNC; no new property would be acquired. This project is identified as Phase IV. The undertaking would modify undeveloped, vegetated areas into burial sections, storage areas, irrigation pond, and associated roadways. Approximately 80 acres of previously undisturbed and developed areas will be disturbed as part of this proposed action. The expansion would

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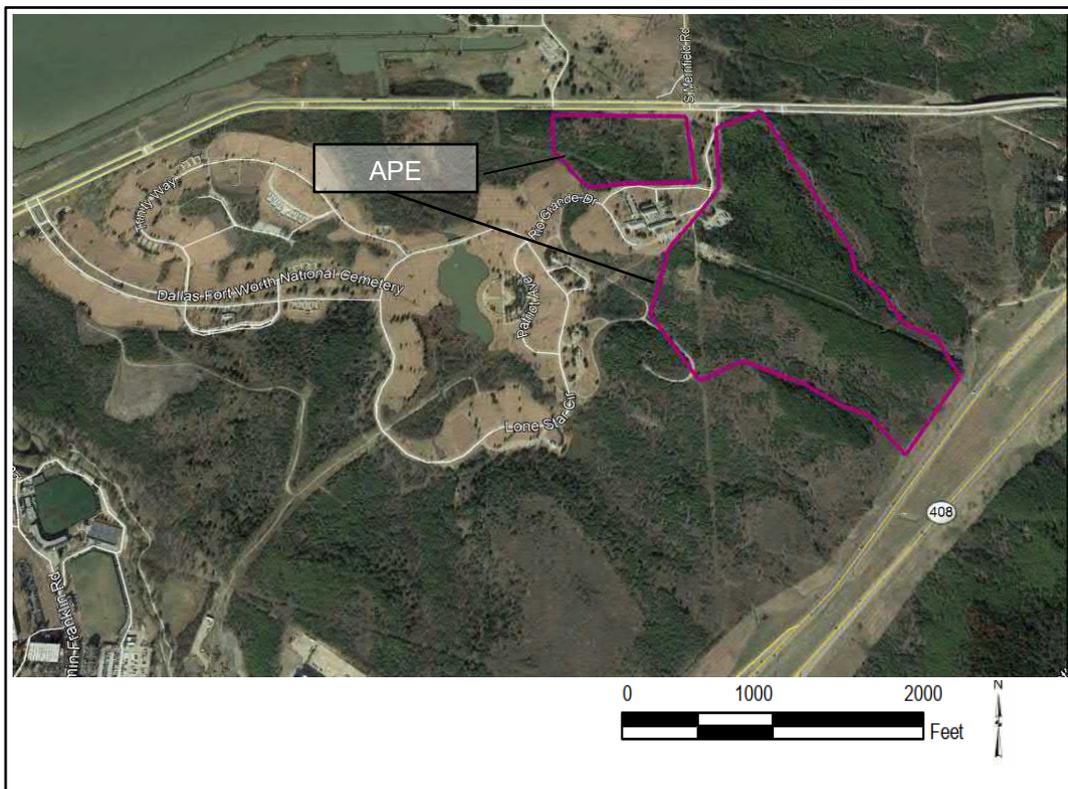


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23 September 2019

Mark Wolfe, Executive Director  
Texas Historical Commission  
1511 Colorado Street  
Austin, Texas 78701

**Subject: Initiation of Section 106 consultation for the Proposed Construction and Operation of Phase IV at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery**

Dear Mr. Wolfe,

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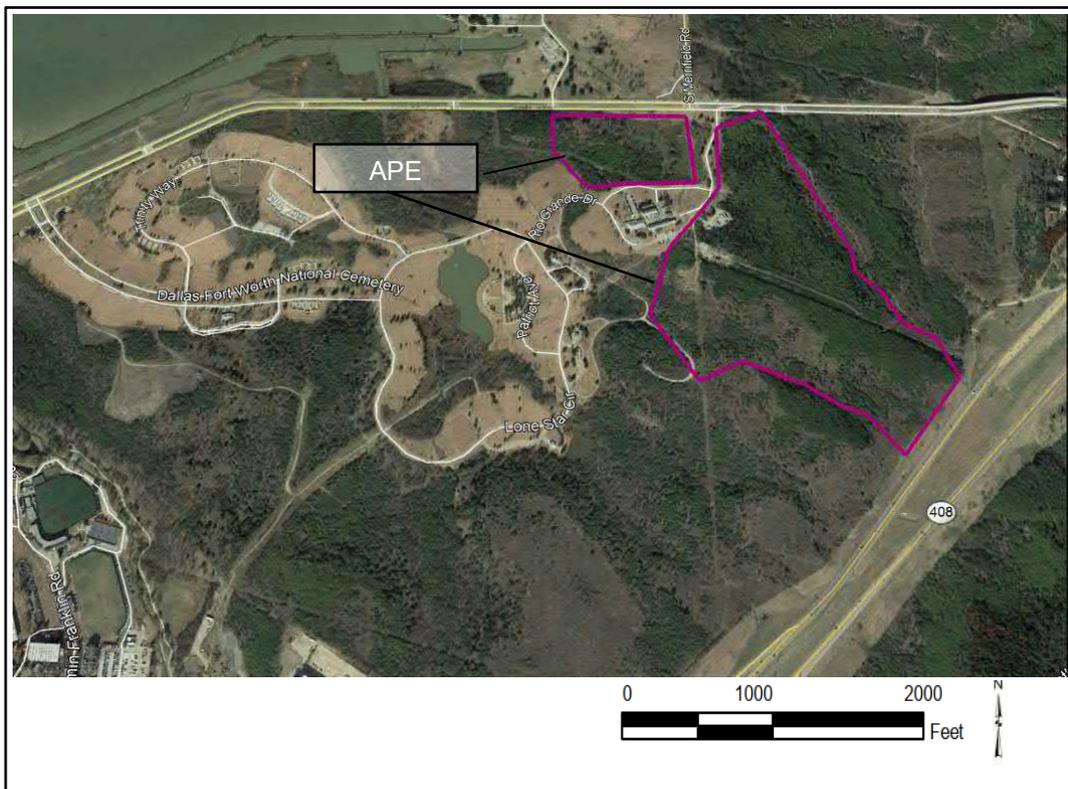


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 2005 NE Green Oaks Blvd Suite 140  
 Arlington, TX 76006-6247



2. Article Number (Transfer from service label)  
 7019 0700 0001 2511 3760

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Domestic Return Receipt

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A. Signature  
 Agent  
 Addressee

B. Received by (Printed Name)  
 [Signature]

C. Date of Delivery  
 9-20-19

D. Is delivery address different from item 1?  Yes  
 If YES, enter delivery address below:  No

3. Service Type
- Priority Mail Express®
  - Registered Mail™
  - Adult Signature Restricted Delivery
  - Certified Mail®
  - Return Receipt for Merchandise
  - Collect on Delivery
  - Collect on Delivery Restricted Delivery
  - Signature Confirmation™
  - Signature Confirmation Restricted Delivery
  - Insured Mail (over \$500)

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1. Article Addressed to:  
 Tony Walker  
 Regional Director  
 TCEQ, Region 4  
 2309 Gravel Drive  
 Fort Worth, TX 76118-6951



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 Agent  
 Addressee

B. Received by (Printed Name)  
 [Signature]

C. Date of Delivery  
 [Signature]

D. Is delivery address different from item 1?  Yes  
 If YES, enter delivery address below:  No

3. Service Type
- Priority Mail Express®
  - Registered Mail™
  - Adult Signature Restricted Delivery
  - Certified Mail®
  - Return Receipt for Merchandise
  - Collect on Delivery
  - Collect on Delivery Restricted Delivery
  - Signature Confirmation™
  - Signature Confirmation Restricted Delivery
  - Insured Mail (over \$500)

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1. Article Addressed to:  
 Karen Hardin  
 Texas Parks and Wildlife  
 00 Smith School Road  
 Austin, TX 78744



2. Article Number (Transfer from service label)  
 7019 0700 0001 2511 3371

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 Agent  
 Addressee

B. Received by (Printed Name)  
 [Signature]

C. Date of Delivery  
 9-20-19

D. Is delivery address different from item 1?  Yes  
 If YES, enter delivery address below:  No

3. Service Type
- Priority Mail Express®
  - Registered Mail™
  - Adult Signature Restricted Delivery
  - Certified Mail®
  - Return Receipt for Merchandise
  - Collect on Delivery
  - Collect on Delivery Restricted Delivery
  - Signature Confirmation™
  - Signature Confirmation Restricted Delivery
  - Insured Mail (over \$500)

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1. Article Addressed to:  
 Mark Wolfe, Executive Director  
 Texas Historical Commission  
 1511 Colorado Street  
 Austin, Texas 78701



2. Article Number (Transfer from service label)  
 7019 0700 0001 2511 3807

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 Agent  
 Addressee

B. Received by (Printed Name)  
 [Signature]

C. Date of Delivery  
 [Signature]

D. Is delivery address different from item 1?  Yes  
 If YES, enter delivery address below:  No

3. Service Type
- Priority Mail Express®
  - Registered Mail™
  - Adult Signature Restricted Delivery
  - Certified Mail®
  - Return Receipt for Merchandise
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 78701

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1. Article Addressed to:

Richard Stewart, Chairman  
Dallas County Historical Commission  
411 Elm Street, 4th Floor  
Dallas, TX 75202-3301



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2. Article Number (Transfer from service label)

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- A. Signature  Agent  
**X** *[Signature]*  Addressee
- B. Received by (Printed Name)  C. Date of Delivery  
*[Signature]*
- D. Is delivery address different from item 1?  Yes  
If YES, enter delivery address below:  No

3. Service Type
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Signature Restricted Delivery         | <input type="checkbox"/> Priority Mail Express®                     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certified Mail®                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Mail™                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Collect on Delivery                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Mail Restricted Delivery        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Collect on Delivery Restricted Delivery     | <input type="checkbox"/> Return Receipt for Merchandise             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Mail Restricted Delivery         | <input type="checkbox"/> Signature Confirmation™                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Mail Restricted Delivery (\$500) | <input type="checkbox"/> Signature Confirmation Restricted Delivery |

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A. Signature

Agent  
 Addressee

B. Received by (Printed Name)

C. Date of Delivery

D. Is delivery address different from item 1?  Yes  
If YES, enter delivery address below:  No

TX Comptroller Mail  
OCT 10 2019

3. Service Type

- Adult Signature
- Adult Signature Restricted Delivery
- Certified Mail®
- Certified Mail Restricted Delivery
- Collect on Delivery
- Collect on Delivery Restricted Delivery
- Insured Mail
- Insured Mail Restricted Delivery (over \$500)
- Priority Mail Express®
- Registered Mail™
- Registered Mail Restricted Delivery
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- Signature Confirmation™
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1. Article Addressed to:

Mark Wolfe, Executive Director  
Texas Historical Commission  
1511 Colorado Street  
Austin, Texas 78701



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2. Article Number (Transfer from service label)

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 Addressee

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1. Article Addressed to:

Chhatta Tribe of Louisiana  
Kassie Daisey, Section 106 Coordinator  
PO Box 218  
Elton, LA 70532



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2. Article Number (Transfer from service label)

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Agent  
 Addressee

B. Received by (Printed Name)

C. Date of Delivery

D. Is delivery address different from item 1?  Yes  
If YES, enter delivery address below:  No

Williams 10-10-19  
OCT 10 2019

3. Service Type

- Adult Signature
- Adult Signature Restricted Delivery
- Certified Mail®
- Certified Mail Restricted Delivery
- Collect on Delivery
- Collect on Delivery Restricted Delivery
- Insured Mail
- Insured Mail Restricted Delivery (over \$500)
- Priority Mail Express®
- Registered Mail™
- Registered Mail Restricted Delivery
- Return Receipt for Merchandise
- Signature Confirmation™
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1. Article Addressed to:

Comanche Nation of Oklahoma  
Martine Callahan, Tribal Historic  
Preservation Officer  
PO Box 908  
Lawton, OK 73502



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2. Article Number (Transfer from service label)

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Agent  
 Addressee

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C. Date of Delivery

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If YES, enter delivery address below:  No

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1. Article Addressed to:

Apache Tribe of Oklahoma  
Bobby K. Cardley, Chairman  
511 E Colorado  
Anadarko, OK 73005



9590 9402 5107 9092 0299 56

2. Article Number (Transfer from service label)

7019 0700 0001 2511 3654

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Article Addressed to:  
 Muskogean Tribe of Oklahoma  
 Lauren Brown, Tribal Historic Preservation  
 officer  
 Rush Buffalo Road  
 Muskogean, OK 74653

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A. Signature  Agent  
 Adult Signature Restricted Delivery

B. Received by (Printed Name)  
 Michelle Fixico

C. Date of Delivery  
 10-11-19

D. Is delivery address different from item 1?  Yes  
 If YES, enter delivery address below:  No

3. Service Type  
 Adult Signature Restricted Delivery  
 Certified Mail®  
 Collect on Delivery  
 Collect on Delivery Restricted Delivery  
 Insured Mail  
 Insured Mail Restricted Delivery (over \$500)

Priority Mail Express®  
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Article Addressed to:  
 Teta del Sur Pueblo  
 Carlos Hisa, Tribal Governor  
 Box 17579  
 Teta Station  
 Paso, TX 79917

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A. Signature  Agent  
 Adult Signature Restricted Delivery

B. Received by (Printed Name)  
 Kimberly Sanchez

C. Date of Delivery

D. Is delivery address different from item 1?  Yes  
 If YES, enter delivery address below:  No

3. Service Type  
 Adult Signature Restricted Delivery  
 Certified Mail®  
 Collect on Delivery  
 Collect on Delivery Restricted Delivery  
 Insured Mail  
 Insured Mail Restricted Delivery (over \$500)

Priority Mail Express®  
 Registered Mail™  
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Article Addressed to:  
 Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas  
 Estavio Elizando, Chairperson  
 2212 Rosita Valley Road  
 Eagle Pass, TX 78852

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A. Signature  Agent  
 Adult Signature Restricted Delivery

B. Received by (Printed Name)  
 Liz Sanchez

C. Date of Delivery

D. Is delivery address different from item 1?  Yes  
 If YES, enter delivery address below:  No

3. Service Type  
 Adult Signature Restricted Delivery  
 Certified Mail®  
 Collect on Delivery  
 Collect on Delivery Restricted Delivery  
 Insured Mail  
 Insured Mail Restricted Delivery (over \$500)

Priority Mail Express®  
 Registered Mail™  
 Registered Mail Restricted Delivery  
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 Signature Confirmation™  
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Article Addressed to:  
 Wichita and Affiliated Tribes (Wichita,  
 Keechi, Lacoco & Tawakonie), Oklahoma  
 Terri P. [redacted], President  
 PO Box 29  
 Anadarko, OK 73005

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A. Signature  Agent  
 Adult Signature Restricted Delivery

B. Received by (Printed Name)  
 Alesu Franklin

C. Date of Delivery

D. Is delivery address different from item 1?  Yes  
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 Adult Signature Restricted Delivery  
 Certified Mail®  
 Collect on Delivery  
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 Insured Mail  
 Insured Mail Restricted Delivery (over \$500)

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 Registered Mail™  
 Registered Mail Restricted Delivery  
 Return Receipt for Merchandise  
 Signature Confirmation™  
 Signature Confirmation Restricted Delivery

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