



August 5, 2020

Ms. Sarah Emery
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RE: SDCL 1-19A-11.1 Consultation

Project: 190507003S – Tatanka Ridge Wind, LLC - PUC Docket No. EL19-026 – Additional Supplemental Report
Location: Deuel County
(PUC)

Dear Ms. Emery:

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 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 27, 2020, we received a letter format report titled “Additional Supplemental Report to the Level III Intensive Archaeological Survey for the Tatanka Ridge Wind Project, Deuel County, South Dakota” by Scott Phillips and Aidan McCarty of SWCA Environmental Consultants. The report indicates that no properties were recorded during the survey of the additional project areas. In an email dated August 4, 2020, Mr. McCarty confirmed that no artifacts or features were located in the areas where topographic maps and aerial imagery indicated that structures had once stood.

Therefore, we have determined that the proposed changes to the project will not encroach upon, damage or destroy any 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.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the above document. Should you require additional information, please contact Jenna Carlson Dietmeier at (605) 773-8370 or

Jenna.CarlsonDietmeier@state.sd.us. Your concern for the non-renewable cultural heritage of South Dakota is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Jay D. Vogt
State Historic Preservation Officer



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Jon Thurber, South Dakota Public Utility Commission