



August 19, 2019

Mr. Scott Phillips  
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**RE: SDCL 1-19A-11.1 Consultation**

Project: 150904001S – Crowned Ridge Wind II Turbine Array – Architectural Resources Assessment  
 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 25, 2019, we received your letter dated July 23, 2019, and the report entitled “Historic Architectural Resources Assessment for the Crowned Ridge Wind II Turbine Array, Codington, Deuel, And Grant Counties, South Dakota,” prepared by SWCA Environmental Consultants.

Based on the information provided, there are four National Register of Historic Places (NRHP)-listed or NRHP-eligible architectural properties within one mile of a proposed turbine, as noted below:

- CD00000157, Nicholas T. Ries Farmstead. This property is listed in the NRHP.
- Object ID 6107 and 6107a, Frank Hupf Farmstead, barn and stable. SWCA recommends that these two properties are NRHP-eligible. SHPO concurs with this assessment.
- DE00000098, School House District #67. This building was previously determined eligible for NRHP listing.

Given that these properties are significant for their architecture and/or their contributions to the development of the area, the proposed wind turbines will not alter the characteristics which make these properties eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Therefore, the SHPO has determined that the proposed project will not encroach upon, damage or destroy any architectural

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.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kate Nelson at [Kate.Nelson@state.sd.us](mailto:Kate.Nelson@state.sd.us) or (605) 773-6005.

Sincerely,

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