



**Six County Rail Project**  
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Daniel,

Thank you for taking my call earlier. As promised, I'm sending some information related to our effort to comply with Section 106 of the NHPA for the Six County Association of Governments Rail Project in San Pete, Sevier and Juab Counties. I'm including a letter we sent back in September as well as a draft PA with attachments (maps, site list, etc.). We are circulating this Draft PA now, after consulting with a number of folks to invite participation. This draft document addresses a full range of consultation, inventory, evaluation and mitigation issues. See below for a list of PA highlights.

Please review this information and share any comments, concerns or edits. I am sending this to all signatories and concurring parties. Your tribe is listed as one of the latter. We received some feedback from the Kaibab Band in 2006 indicating an interest in the project and a desire to be kept informed.

Please feel free to contact me via email or phone and I'd be happy to answer questions, discuss any concerns, ideas or suggestions you have or provide additional information.

For information on our agency and our compliance with Section 106 see these links:  
<http://www.stb.dot.gov/stb/index.html> ; <http://www.stb.dot.gov/stb/environment/preservation.html>

Thank you for your time!



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#### *PA Stipulations Highlights*

- Establishes STB as primary coordinator of consultation
- Identifies Signatories and Concurring Parties
- Ensures applicant will support survey and evaluations and mitigation planning prior to construction
- Establishes existing inventory and provides process for additional inventory, as required
- Provides for a records search to update the existing inventory with any recently identified historic properties in the APE
- Provides for evaluation of properties not in the existing inventory
- Ensures process for review and comment on survey, testing, mitigation plans by all signatories and concurring parties
- Provides for consideration of archaeological connection to the Old Spanish Trail at a particular site within the right-of-way (42SV2738)
- Calls for effect determinations as construction plans are refined and finalized
- Establishes avoidance as a preferred approach to historic properties but allows for mitigation
- Ensures a public component of any mitigation
- Identifies standards for professionals executing stipulation requirements and documentation standards for mitigation
- Calls for protective measures during construction and notes potential monitoring opportunities
- Notes permits required for archaeological work on federal and state land
- Establishes curation standards for archaeological collections
- Includes confidentiality provision for archaeological data and information sensitive to tribes
- Includes procedures for inadvertent discovery of archaeological materials and human remains or cultural items

Regards,

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