

Agency Scoping Letters

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January 28, 2009

Mr. Kenny Pointer
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Dear Mr. Pointer:

Subject: Agency Coordination
Project Scoping Meeting and Request for Information
Callaway County Connector Project

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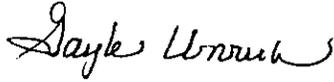
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Mr. Joe Cothorn
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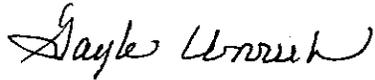
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Mr. Harold Deckerd
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Dear Mr. Deckerd:

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Ms. Jane Beetem
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Mr. Mike Smith, Policy Coordinator
Mr. Doyle Brown, Policy Coordinator (State Species of Concern)
Missouri Department of Conservation
2901 West Truman Boulevard
Jefferson City, Mo 65109

Dear Mr. Smith and Mr. Brown:

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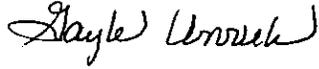
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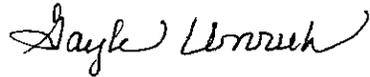
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Mr. Charlie Scott
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February 9, 2009

Federal Emergency Management Agency
9221 Ward Parkway, Suite 300
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Pete K. Rahn, Director

March 6, 2009

Mr. Kenny Pointer
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Jefferson City Field Office
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Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Mr. Pointer: *Kenny*

As a representative of the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), you requested confirmation that the two proposed federal actions, the Callaway County Connector project and the Callaway Plant Unit 2 project, are separate and independent projects requiring separate environmental review under NEPA. This request was made during the Agency Scoping meeting held on February 17, 2009, at the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Offices in Jefferson City. Other state and federal agencies in attendance included the FHWA, Missouri Department of Conservation, Missouri Department of Natural Resources and Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT). This letter serves as confirmation that each of the proposed federal actions demonstrates independent utility.

MoDOT and FHWA reviewed the proposed road improvement project and determined that an Environmental Assessment (EA) would be the appropriate level of NEPA documentation under the lead of the FHWA. The agencies determined that there is a need for doing a study on the Callaway County Connector project regardless of the Callaway Plant Unit 2 construction. This determination is based on questions about the safety, reliability, and connectivity of the existing transportation system in southeastern Callaway County.

The two lead federal agencies, represented by Ms. Peggy Casey of FHWA and Mr. Bruce Olson of the NRC, have completed discussions regarding the intent of each proposed federal action. They have determined that the EA for the Callaway Connector could occur independently of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that will be completed under the lead of the Nuclear Regulatory Agency (NRC) for the Callaway Plant Unit 2 project.

If you have any additional questions, please contact me at (573) 526-6676.

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ROBERT L. ZIEHMER, Director

March 26, 2010

Michael E. Herleth, P.E.
Senior Transportation Engineer
Burns & McDonnell
9400 Ward Parkway
Kansas City, MO 64114-6173

Dear Mr. Herleth:

RE: CALLAWAY COUNTY CONNECTOR ROADWAY LOCATION STUDY AND
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT MODOT PROJECT J5P2161

The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) appreciated the opportunity to meet with your team and discuss the potential 4 (f) implications involving the project's potential use of Hams Prairie Access and the current stage of environmental review for the entire study area. MDC understands that it is Federal Highway Administration who will make the decision regarding the 4(f) status of the property. MDC staff included representation from the Fisheries Division, the current management unit for the parcel, Wildlife Division and Policy Coordination.

Hams Prairie Access is a 28-acre Missouri Department of Conservation area with approximately 1000 feet bordering Auxvasse Creek. No federal interests are currently associated with the parcel. The area's primary use is to allow the public to access and recreate (i.e. bank fish, launch a small boat/canoe, and wade fish) along this reach of Auxvasse Creek. There is a small parking lot on the area to facilitate this recreational use. Heaviest use of the area occurs in the spring. The balance of the property consists of an uneven age forest/woodland community.

There are four alternatives being evaluated for the referenced project. Alternative 1 and 3 have no affect on Hams Prairie Access. Alternative 2 bisects Hams Prairie Access and would pass over the 1000 feet of stream frontage. The fishing experience and recreational use may be more affected by the newer crossing compared to the current crossing. Alternative 2 may add noise and create obstructions for the use of the stream frontage at Hams Prairie Access. A variation of Alternative 2 was discussed which would pass to the north of Hams Prairie Access. This variation may offset these issues, however it would create a new forest fragmentation. Alternative solutions may exist and MDC would be willing to further discuss any potential option.

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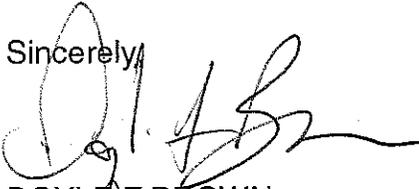
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Grand Pass

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Thank you for the opportunity to discuss the range of alternatives and its affect on public land uses. If you need further clarifications or have questions, please contact me by phone at (573) 522-4115 ext. 3355 or by e-mail at doyle.brown@mdc.mo.gov.

Sincerely,

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DOYLE F BROWN
POLICY COORDINATOR



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June 6, 2011

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Dear Ms. Bell:

Re: US 54 CONNECTOR STUDY AND POSSIBLE IMPACTS HAM'S PRAIRIE ACCESS
AND AUXVASSE GLADES NATURAL AREA

At your request, the Missouri Department of Conservation has reviewed two proposed routes connecting US 54 and the Callaway County nuclear plant.

The Southern Alternative Corridor if implemented will significantly degrade the function, utility and public use of the Ham's Prairie Access on Auxvasse Creek and could result in a request for compensation by the Missouri Department of Conservation.

The Preferred Alternative Corridor will likely have minor impacts to Auxvasse Glades Natural Area, such as affecting animal movements and additional noise. As such, the Department finds this corridor affecting fewer significant agency assets and natural resources in general than the Southern Alternative Corridor.

Your question about applicability of Section 4(f) as described in U.S. Transportation Acts is complex within the conservation community. The Department believes Hams Prairie Access and Auxvasse Glades Natural Area meets the purported Section (4) criteria of being publically owned, open to the public, and the lands in question are being managed as a natural area refuge, recreational area, or public access to Auxvasse Creek.

Auxvasse Glades Natural Area in particular serves as important habitat refuge to a variety of uncommon and rare nongame animals and plants. Replacement of such habitat is very unlikely if impaired or lost by road building. We request the final road plan avoid incidental impacts and preserve the ecological function and nature-based aesthetics of this area.

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Ameren Missouri Concurrence Letter



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Transportation Project Manager
Burns & McDonnell
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Chesterfield, MO 63017

Re: Callaway County Connector; Reform Conservation Area, Statement of Concurrence with Regards to No Impact Under 49 USC 303 (Section 4(f))

Dear Mr. Herleth:

Ameren Missouri is aware that the two proposed routes for the Callaway County Connector, including the Preferred Alternative and the Southern Alternative, would potentially affect the Reform Conservation Area (CA), located in Callaway County, Missouri. The Reform CA is an approximately 7,000-acre Ameren Missouri-owned property surrounding the Callaway Plant. The area is managed for public use by the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) and supports recreational activities such as hiking, fishing, hunting, and bird-watching.

As part of the Environmental Assessment (EA) being prepared for the Callaway County Connector, potential impacts to recreational facilities are being evaluated within the 500-foot corridor of both the Preferred Alternative and Southern Alternative. Portions of the Reform CA would be affected by both the Preferred Alternative and Southern Alternative; however, these potential impacts would be limited to land disturbance and vegetation loss, as well as noise and visual impacts from construction activities. As construction of either alternative would occur along existing roadways through the Reform CA, no wildlife habitat fragmentation would be anticipated, and no long-term impacts to recreational activities would be anticipated.

Because the Reform CA is considered an area open for public recreation, we understand that the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has made a decision that any unavoidable impacts to the Reform CA do not constitute an impact under 49 USC 303(c) (Section 4(f)). As the owner of the Reform CA property, Ameren Missouri has designated the management of the natural resources on the property to the MDC. The property is currently managed to maintain and enhance the existing wildlife and plant communities. No trails, parking areas, or other publicly-accessible areas would be affected by either alternative under consideration.

Therefore, Ameren Missouri supports the continued evaluation of both the Preferred and Southern Alternatives for the Callaway County Connector and concurs with the FHWA and the Missouri Department of Transportation that impacts to the Reform CA would not affect Section 4(f) resources.

Sincerely,

Pat Cryderman
Assistant Manager
Nuclear Generation Development

cc: Scott Bond Pat Cryderman Dave Shafer A160.5000
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SHPO Concurrence Letter



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November 30, 2011

Robert L. Reeder
Historic Preservation Manager
Missouri Department of Transportation
P.O. Box 270
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Re: Callaway County Connector, MoDOT Job No. ^{JSP2161}J5P02161 (FHWA) Callaway County, Missouri

Dear Dr. Reeder:

Thank you for submitting information on the above referenced project for our review pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (P.L. 89-665, as amended) and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's regulation 36 CFR Part 800, which requires identification and evaluation of cultural resources.

We have reviewed the September 2011 entitled *Section 106 Phase I Structures Review, Callaway County Connector, Callaway County, Missouri, MoDOT Job No. J5P02161* by Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc. Based on this review it is evident that a thorough and adequate reconnaissance level architectural survey has been conducted of the project area. We concur with your recommendation that Property 17/18, Property 46/47, Property 48, Property 40 and Property 152 may be eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

Please be advised that, as project plans develop, additional information should be submitted to this office for further review. In the event that cultural materials are encountered during project activities, all construction should be halted, and this office notified as soon as possible in order to determine the appropriate course of action.

If you have any questions, please write the State Historic Preservation Office, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102 attention Review and Compliance, or call Judith Deel at 573/751-7862. Please be sure to include the SHPO Log Number (001-CY-12) on all future correspondence or inquiries relating to this project.

Sincerely,

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE

Mark A. Miles
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State Historic Preservation Officer

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c Peggy Casey, FHWA
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Mr. Gregory E. Pyle, Chief
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
P.O. Drawer 1210
Durant, OK 74702-1210

ATTN: Mr. Terry Cole, Director of Historic Preservation

Subject: Callaway County Connector Project
MoDOT Job No. J5P2161
Invitation to Consult on Development of an Environmental Assessment

Dear Chief Pyle:

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Sincerely yours,

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Mr. Louis Deroin, Chairman
Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska
334B Thrasher Road
White Cloud, KS 66094

Subject: Callaway County Connector Project
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Invitation to Consult on Development of an Environmental Assessment

Dear Chairman Deroin:

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Ms. Janice Rowe-Kurak, Chairperson
Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma
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Perkins, OK 74059-9599

Subject: Callaway County Connector Project
MoDOT Job No. J5P2161
Invitation to Consult on Development of an Environmental Assessment

Dear Chairperson Rowe-Kurak:

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Mr. Guy Munroe, Chairman
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ATTN: Ms. Crystal Douglas

Subject: Callaway County Connector Project
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Mr. Thomas E. Gamble, Chief
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Subject: Callaway County Connector Project
MoDOT Job No. J5P2161
Invitation to Consult on Development of an Environmental Assessment

Dear Chief Gamble:

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Mr. John D. Red Eagle, Principal Chief
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ATTN: Dr. Andrea A. Hunter, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer

Subject: Callaway County Connector Project
MoDOT Job No. J5P2161
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Mr. Larry Wright, Jr., Chairman
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ATTN: Mr. Gary Robinette, Director of Cultural Affairs

Subject: Callaway County Connector Project
MoDOT Job No. J5P2161
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Dear Chairman Wright:

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Mr. Adrian Pushetonequa, Chairman
Sac and Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa
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ATTN: Mr. Jonathan Buffalo, Historic Preservation Coordinator

Subject: Callaway County Connector Project
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Ms. Twen Barton, Chairperson
Sac and Fox of the Missouri in Kansas and Nebraska
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ATTN: Ms Deanne Bahr, NAGPRA

Subject: Callaway County Connector Project
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ATTN: Ms. Sandra Kaye Massey, Cultural Resources

Subject: Callaway County Connector Project
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Dear Principal Chief Thurman

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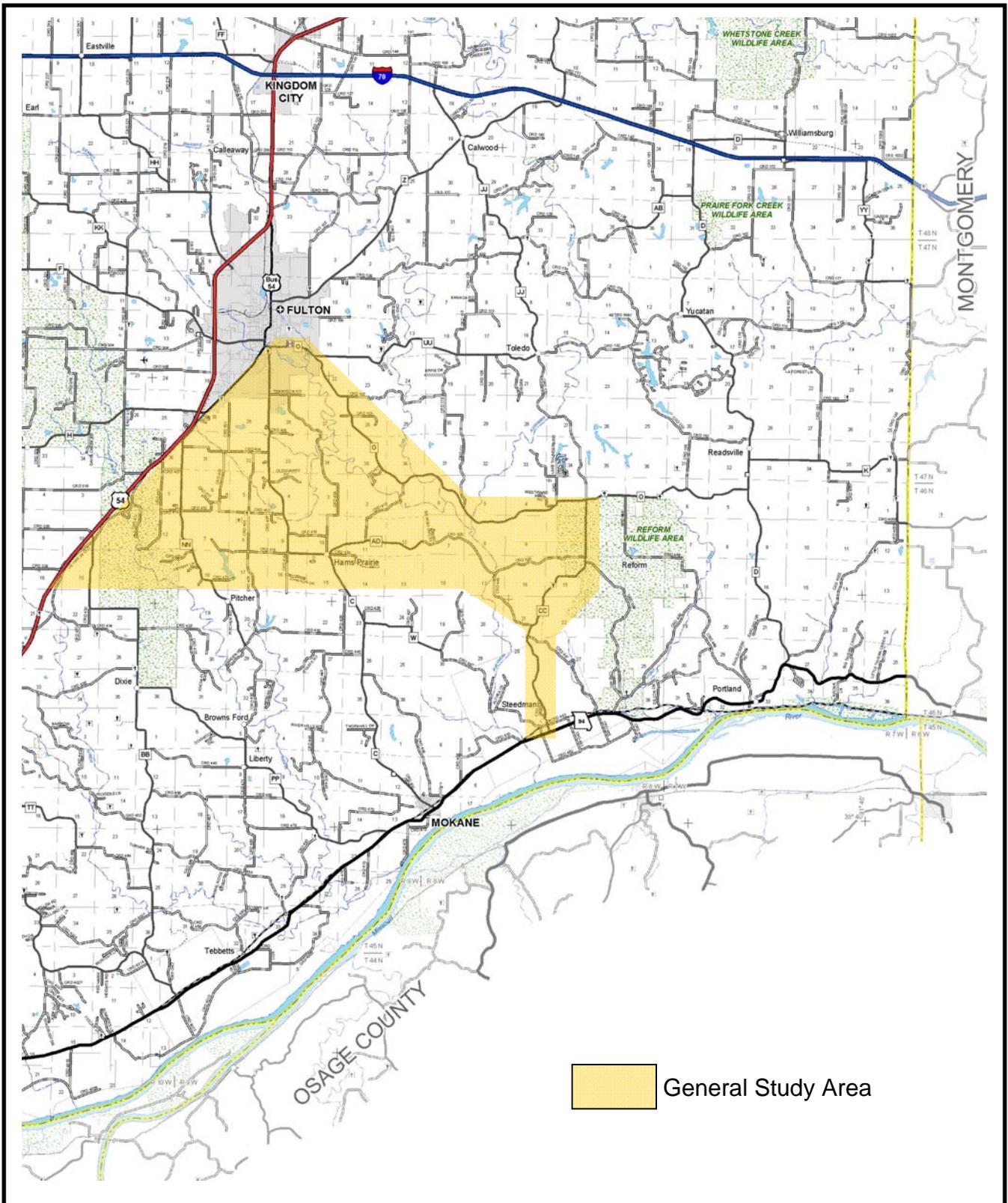
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 General Study Area

Source: MoDOT County Maps

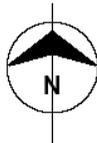


Figure 1
 Callaway County Connector
 Study Area
 Callaway County, Missouri

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Mr. Guy Munroe, Chairman
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Kaw City, OK 74641

ATTN: Ms. Crystal Douglas

Subject: Callaway County Connector Project
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The Kaw Nation has no direct interest in this project. It is not in our known Historic or Pre-Historic Territory. Please feel free to call 580-269-2552.	
Approved by:	<i>Crystal Douglas Hist P. Office</i>
Date:	<i>7-20-10</i>
Signature:	<i>[Signature]</i>
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Date: August 25, 2010

File: 1011-250MO-10

RE: MoDOT Job No. J5P2161 Callaway County Connector Project in Callaway County, Missouri

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Peggy Casey
FHWA, Missouri Division
3220 W. Edgewood, Suite H
Jefferson City, MO 65109

Dear Ms. Casey,

The Osage Nation Historic Preservation Office has received notification of the proposed project listed as MoDOT Job No. J5P2161 Callaway County Connector Project in Callaway County, Missouri.

In accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, (NHPA) [16 U.S.C. 470 §§ 470-470w-6] 1966, undertakings subject to the review process are referred to in S101 (d)(6)(A), which clarifies that historic properties may have religious and cultural significance to Indian tribes. Additionally, Section 106 of NHPA requires Federal agencies to consider the effects of their actions on historic properties (36 CFR Part 800) as does the National Environmental Policy Act (43 U.S.C. 4321 and 4331-35 and 40 CFR 1501.7(a) of 1969).

The Osage Nation has a vital interest in protecting its historic and ancestral cultural resources. **The Osage Nation requests that a cultural reconnaissance survey be conducted for the proposed MoDOT Job No. J5P2161 Callaway County Connector Project in Callaway County, Missouri.**

Please contact the Osage Nation Historic Preservation Office with your response to this request. The Osage Nation looks forward to receiving and reviewing the cultural resource survey report for the MoDOT Job No. J5P2161 Callaway County Connector Project in Callaway County, Missouri. The Osage Nation requires that cultural resource survey personnel and reports follow the Secretary of Interior's standards and guidelines.

Should you have any questions or need any additional information please feel free to contact me at the number listed below. Thank you for consulting with the Osage Nation on this matter.


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