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# USFS CRGNSA Comments for Mult Cty NSA Review-Coopey Quarry

1 message

Helfen, Morai - FS <moraihelfen@fs.fed.us> To: George PLUMMER <george.a.plummer@multco.us> Cc: "Shoal, Robin Z -FS" <rshoal@fs.fed.us>, "Gatz, Casey -FS" <cgatz@fs.fed.us> Thu, Jan 11, 2018 at 3:39 PM

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Good afternoon George. I've heard back from the specialists and have consolidated and listed the comments below. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this application! In addition, we would be interested in seeing the revised map and application once the topics below have been addressed.

• P. 17 of the application (the table) indicates that the quarry is excluded from the buffer. The quarry is indeed in the buffer. I recall when out at the site with the ODOT engineers they said something to the effect that because the site was developed, and not actively serving as protection and no longer "buffering" the resource that the site was not in the "buffer." They may not have understood the definition of "buffer" as per the management plan requirements. The buffer zone is there and established because of the sensitive resource and despite its performance.

(From the Glossary, The Management Plan for the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area) Buffer zone: An area adjacent to a wetland, stream, pond, or other sensitive area that is established and managed to protect sensitive natural resources from human disturbance. In instances that involve a wetland, stream, or pond, the buffer zone includes all or a portion of the riparian area.

- The hand drawn overlays over contour maps in Exhibit A3a show the actual location of the stream channel, which is 170'-200' from the western edge of the site. This conflicts with the Biological Resources Impact Memo (A3c) that indicates Coopey Creek is 1000' to the west.
- Exhibit A3b, p. 3 of 5 and Exhibit A3c, bottom of p. 2 show vernal pools being placed on the top of the rehabilitation fill material. Seems that it would make more sense to have the pools in the high spots and not in the low spots. A harder look and explanation for this would be appreciated. As it is shown, our Hydrologist doesn't think this is an intelligent choice.
- The Mitigation Report in Exhibit A3e does not include a buffer for Coopey Creek which is less than 200' to the west of the site. The access road appears to be located within the buffer of Coopey Creek. This should be acknowledged on the site plan, at a minimum.
- If additional mitigation is needed to offset the road within the Coopey Creek buffer or for other activities, the old access road, east of the site, is in need of decommissioning. It is located within a wetland and has been accessed illegally, resulting in additional resource damage.



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Kind regards,

Morai



Morai Helfen Landscape Architect

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 From: Helfen, Morai - FS

 Sent: Monday, January D8, 2D18 2:14 PM

 To: 'George PLUMMER' <george.a.plummer@multco.us>

 Subject: RE: MULTNOMAH COUNTY COLUMBIA GORGE NSA AGENCY REVIEW-Coopey Quarry

Hiya George! Sorry it has taken me so long to respond to your request for a date, but I needed to speak to the Specialists about the project before I could commit to a date, and the two in question just returned to work this week. We should have comments to you by the end of the week, Jan. 12. Thank you for your patience!

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From: George PLUMMER [mailto:george.a.plummer@multco.us] Sent: Tuesday, January 02, 2018 8:20 AM To: Helfen, Morai - FS <moraihelfen@fs.fed.us> Subject: Re: MULTNOMAH COUNTY COLUMBIA GORGE NSA AGENCY REVIEW-Coopey Quarry

Morai,

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We can accept comments later then Jan. 3rd. Please make sure that everyone that should see the application does. I would appreciate some estimate when you all could get comments to me. Thank you so much for you help looking this application over.

Sincerely,

George Plummer

On Wed, Dec 20, 2017 at 1:27 PM, Helfen, Morai - FS <moraihelfen@fs.fed.us> wrote:

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George,

My apologies, I replied to Kathy with my question when I meant to reply to you. Please see my question below... Thank you!  $\sim$ Morai



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From: Kathy FISHER [mailto:kathy.fisher@multco.us]

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To: Columbia River Gorge Commission <andring@gorgecommission.org>; Shoal, Robin Z -FS <rshoal@fs.fed.us>; Donnermeyer, Christopher J -FS <cjdonnermeyer@fs.fed.us>; Helfen, Morai - FS <moraihelfen@fs.fed.us>; Gatz, Casey -FS <cgatz@fs.fed.us>; robert.brunoe@ctwsbnr.org; Bambi Rodriguez <bambirodriguez@ctuir.org>; nakiaw@nezperce.org; Yakama Indian Nation <crp3@yakama.com>; ODOT <kristen.stallman@odot.state. or.us>; PSU INR <sue.vrilakas@pdx.edu>; todd.alsbury@state.or.us

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Subject: MULTNOMAH COUNTY COLUMBIA GORGE NSA AGENCY REVIEW

Subject: T3-2017-9784 Multhomah County Columbia Gorge National Scenic Area (NSA) Site Review, for Coopy Quarry, 1N5E14C-00600.

An application for a Conditional Use and NSA Site Review for Disposal Sites for Spoil Materials has been received by Multhomah County Land Use Planning for the above referenced area. Information about the application has been posted to our website at:

https://multco.us/landuse/east-coopey-creek-adjacent-e-hst-col-rvr-hwy

Please evaluate and comment on these materials so we can incorporate your feedback into our completeness review. A cover sheet with a more detailed description of the property is attached to the application. It also includes agencies or tribes we anticipate will want to comment, a list of resources likely to be impacted, and a staff contact. Please submit comments via US Mail or e-mail **George Plummer** at **george.a.plummer@multco.us**. George can be reached by phone at 503.988.0202.

Comments must be received by 4:00pm on Wednesday, January 3, 2018.

This is not considered a public notice of a complete application. Once that has been determined, a notice will be distributed offering you the opportunity to comment, or informing you of a public hearing date, whichever is applicable.

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From: Helfen, Morai - FS Sent: Wednesday, December 20, 2017 1:11 PM To: 'Kathy FISHER' <kathy.fisher@multco.us> Cc: Shoal, Robin Z -FS (rshoal@fs.fed.us) <rshoal@fs.fed.us> Subject: RE: MULTNOMAH COUNTY COLUMBIA GORGE NSA AGENCY REVIEW-Coopey Quarry

Kathy,

Myself and other specialists here would like to comment on this application, however many of our folks are gone for the holidays and may not get to review and consolidate their comments before the due date. Any chance you can extend the date for comments submittals?

Kind regards,

Morai



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# NOTE: PLEASE DIRECT QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS TO THE PLANNER LISTED ABOVE.

Thank you.

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January 12, 2018

Mr. Roy Watters ODOT Geo-Environ Section, MS#6 4040 Fairview Industrial Dr SE Salem, OR 97302

RE: SHPO Case No. 17-1365

ODOT Key M17016, Coopey Disposal Site Project Convert quarry to disposal site Columbia River Hwy MP 29.4, Multnomah County

Dear Mr. Watters:

Our office recently received a report of archaeological investigations for the project referenced above. The report has been assigned SHPO Report# 29357 and added to the SHPO Library. We have reviewed the report and concur that a good faith effort has been implemented and the project will likely have no effect on any significant archaeological objects or sites. Based on the information provided, additional archaeological research is not anticipated for this project.

In the unlikely event an archaeological object or site (i.e., historic or prehistoric) is encountered during project implementation, all ground disturbance at the location should cease immediately until a professional archaeologist can be contacted to evaluate the discovery. Under state law (ORS 358.905-955 & ORS 97.740) archaeological sites, objects and human remains are protected on both public and private land in Oregon. If you have not already done so, be sure to consult with all appropriate Indian tribes regarding your proposed project. If you have any questions regarding any future discovery or this letter, feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Matt Diederich, MAIS SHPO Archaeologist (503) 986-0577 Matthew.Diederich@oregon.gov

cc: George Plummer, Multnomah County





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File Code: 2360-3 Date: January 19, 2018

To: Katie Skekel, Planner Multnomah County Department of Community Services Land Use Planning 1600 SE 190<sup>th</sup> Ave. Portland, OR 97233

From: Chris Donnermeyer, Heritage Program Manager Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area

Re: Coopey Quarry: Archaeological Investigation with Technical Report, Multhomah County (ODOT Key M17016: Museum Report No. 2017-051; Permit # AP-2377)

### Dear Katie,

I have reviewed the Cultural Resource Report prepared by McAlister and Connolly at the University of Oregon, Museum of Natural & Cultural History, pertaining to the proposed use of the Coopey Quarry site as a disposal site. The report is entitled "Coopey Quarry: Archaeological Investigations with Technical Report, Multnomah County (ODOT Key M17016; Museum Report No. 2017-051).

A reconnaissance survey was conducted on August 7, 2017, with subsurface investigations in the form of five shovel probes, was conducted on August 8, 2017. These efforts revealed a domestic debris dump dating as early as the mid-1960s but more likely from the 1970s. Additionally, several possibly historic artifacts were identified including; a clear glass bottle base, produced at the Portland Owens-Illinois plant as early as 1962; a Mattel Co. VRROOM! X-15 trike produced in the mid-1960s; and a piece of non-diagnostic metal strapping.

Given the either modern or non-diagnostic nature of these findings, the authors consider that no cultural materials or historic properties exist within the Area of Potential Effect (APE). While no assessment of the potential effects of the proposed project is provided in the report, the negative findings imply an assessment of "No historic properties affected". I concur with this assessment.

Additionally, Oregon Department of Transportation Robert Hadlow assessed the potential effects of the proposed project to the Columbia River Highway National Historic Landmark District. Their finding of effect is "No Historic Properties Adversely Affected". I concur with this assessment.

As always, please include the stipulation for the discovery of cultural resources during construction and the "Discovery of Human Remains" requirements as conditions of the permit.

## **Cultural Resources Discovered After Construction Begins**

- The following procedures shall be effected when cultural resources are discovered during construction activities. All survey and evaluation reports and mitigation plans shall be submitted to the local government and the SHPO. Indian tribal governments also shall receive a copy of all reports and plans if the cultural resources are prehistoric or otherwise associated with Native Americans.
  - A. Halt of Construction. All construction activities within 100 feet of the discovered cultural resource shall cease. The cultural resources shall remain as found; further disturbance is prohibited.
  - B. Notification. The project applicant shall notify the local government and the Gorge Commission within 24 hours of the discovery. If the cultural resources are prehistoric or otherwise associated with Native Americans, the project applicant shall also notify the Indian tribal governments within 24 hours.

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C. Survey and Evaluation. The Gorge Commission shall survey the cultural resources after obtaining written permission from the landowner and appropriate permits from the SHPO. (See Oregon Revised Statute [ORS] 273.705, ORS 358.905 to 358.955, and Revised Code of Washington [RCW] 27.53). It shall gather enough information to evaluate the significance of the cultural resources. The survey and evaluation shall be documented in a report that generally follows the guidelines in the "Reconnaissance Survey Reports--Large-Scale Uses" and "Evaluation of Significance: Evaluation Criteria and Information Needs" sections of this chapter. Based on the survey and evaluation report and any written comments, the local government shall make a final decision on whether the resources are significant. Construction activities may recommence if the cultural resources are not significant.

A mitigation plan shall be prepared if the affected cultural resources are significant.

D. Mitigation Plan. Mitigation plans shall be prepared according to the information, consultation, and report guidelines contained in the "Mitigation Plans: Mitigation Plan Criteria and Information Needs" section of this chapter. Construction activities may recommence when the conditions in the mitigation plan have been executed.

### **Discovery of Human Remains**

- 1. The following procedures shall be effected when human remains are discovered during a cultural resource survey or during construction. Human remains means articulated or disarticulated human skeletal remains, bones, or teeth, with or without attendant burial artifacts.
  - A. Halt of Activities. All survey, excavation, and construction activities shall cease. The human remains shall not be disturbed any further.
  - B. Notification. Local law enforcement officials, the local government, the Gorge Commission, and the Indian tribal governments shall be contacted immediately.
  - C. Inspection. The county coroner, or appropriate official, shall inspect the remains at the project site and determine if they are prehistoric/historic or modern. Representatives from the Indian tribal governments shall have an opportunity to monitor the inspection.
  - D. Jurisdiction. If the remains are modern, the appropriate law enforcement officials shall assume jurisdiction and the cultural resource protection process may conclude.
  - E. Treatment. In Oregon, prehistoric/historic remains of Native Americans shall generally be treated in accordance with the procedures set forth in ORS 97.740 to 97.760. In Washington, the procedures set forth in RCW 27.44 and 68.05 shall generally be implemented if the remains are prehistoric/historic.

If the human remains will be reinterred or preserved in their original position, a mitigation plan shall be prepared in accordance with the consultation and report requirements specified in the "Mitigation Plans: Mitigation Plan Criteria and Information Needs" section of this chapter.

The mitigation plan shall accommodate the cultural and religious concerns of Native Americans. The cultural resource protection process may conclude when the conditions set forth in the "Mitigation Plans: Conclusion of the Cultural Resource Protection Process" section of this chapter are met and the mitigation plan is executed.

The attached report may be transmitted to the consulting Tribes and to the OR SHPO, with this letter.

Sincerely,

Chris Donnermeyer Heritage Program Manager



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# **FW: Coopey Quarry Application**

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Hi George,

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Good speaking with you today.

Brett

Brett Carré Wildlife and Fisheries Programs Manager

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From: Carre, Brett T -FS Sent: Tuesday, January 9, 2018 8:04 AM To: Helfen, Morai - FS <<u>moraihelfen@fs.fed.us</u>> Subject: RE: Coopey Quarry Application



Although new access and use of Coopey Quarry is within the buffer, access and use is not adversely impacting wildlife or fisheries resources in this already disturbed area. No fisheries or wildlife concerns.

Brett



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I didn't print this bc it's 147 pages. Let me know you're comments (if any) by the end of the week please. Thank you all! ~Morai

From: Kathy FISHER [mailto:kathy.fisher@multco.us] Sent: Monday, January 08, 2018 3:46 PM To: Helfen, Morai - FS <moraihelfen@fs.fed.us> Subject: Coopey Quarry link

## 11/15/2018

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Here you go. Sorry about that, the link disappears after the comment date, and I forgot to tell our IT person that George had extended that for your agency.

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