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Notice of Intent to Conduct Mineral Exploration-Operation
Project: Daniel Hoff (Operator)
Location: Section 18/T1S/R7E
County: Pennington

Dear Roberta:

We have completed a review of the *Notice of Intent to Conduct Mineral Exploration Operation* concerning Daniel Hoff's Proposed Project in Pennington County, SD. The Archaeological Research Center makes the following determination:

From a cultural resources perspective, the lands indicated above have been surveyed for cultural resources and this project will have no effect on known cultural resources. This location has been surveyed by Lennon, Wade & Sabin in 1984. While two cultural resources identified as lumber mills remains (39PN697) and mining features (39PN1088) were located in this section, these sites are located at least 400 m from the proposed exploration project and will not be impacted by the proposed submitted plan.

This office recommends that the project can proceed from a cultural resources perspective providing that and any unforeseen cultural resources identified during the mining project, the US Forest Service and the State Archaeologist be notified at once. However, this land and site is administered by the US Forest Service whose recommendations and protective measures supersede those of this office and we would concur with their recommendations.

If you have any questions or require further information, please let me know. Thank you for your concern in preserving South Dakota's cultural heritage.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Fosha
Assistant State Archaeologist