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Brad Beckham
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Re: Updated Information, I-25 Dillon Drive Environmental Assessment, Pueblo County.
(CHS #53973)

Dear Mr. Beckham:

Thank you for your correspondence dated February 16, 2010 and received by our office on February 18, 2010 regarding the review of the above-mentioned project under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106).

After review of the provided information, we concur that segment 5PE.1665.12 does not support the overall eligibility of the entire linear resource, 5PE.1665/Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad. After review of the assessment of adverse effect, we concur with the recommended finding of *no adverse effect* [36 CFR 800.5(b)] for resource 5PE.1665.

If unidentified archaeological resources are discovered during construction, work must be interrupted until the resources have been evaluated in terms of the National Register criteria, 36 CRF 60.4, in consultation with this office.

We request being involved in the consultation process with the local government, which as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.3 is required to be notified of the undertaking, and with other consulting parties. Additional information provided by the local government or consulting parties might cause our office to re-evaluate our eligibility and potential effect findings.

Please note that our compliance letter does not end the 30-day review period provided to other consulting parties.

If we may be of further assistance, please contact Amy Pallante, our Section 106 Compliance Manager, at (303) 866-4678.

Sincerely,

Edward C. Nichols
State Historic Preservation Officer