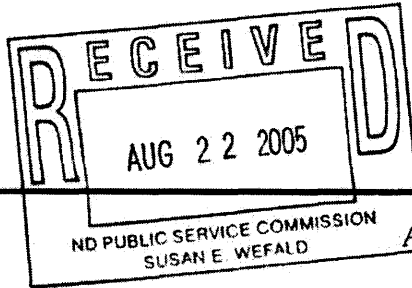




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ND SHPO REF.: 05-0635 COE Plains Pipeline L.P.: Richland County
Expansion and Trenton Loop, Williams and McKenzie Counties, North
Dakota--Class III CRI Report--Addendum B [T153N R103W Section 3 and
10 and T154N R102W Section 34, Williams County]
COE 200560121 Plains Pipeline L.P. Applicant, Missouri River Crossing

Dear Mr. Renschler and Mr. Holli:

We have reviewed project: "Addendum B: Plains Pipeline Trenton Loop: A
Class III Cultural Resource Inventory in Williams and McKenzie Counties,
North Dakota," by Ed Stine (Metcalf Archaeological Consultants, August
2005), and find it acceptable.

We concur with a "No Historic Properties Affected" determination provided
the project is of the nature stated, takes place in the re-route location mapped
and plotted in the report and in project correspondence, and avoids sites by
using the recommended routing corridor described in the report.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project. Please include the ND
SHPO Reference number listed above in any further correspondence for this
specific project. If you have any questions please contact either Paul Picha at
(701) 328-3574 or Fern Swenson at (701) 328-3575.

Sincerely,

Merlan E. Paaverud, Jr.
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