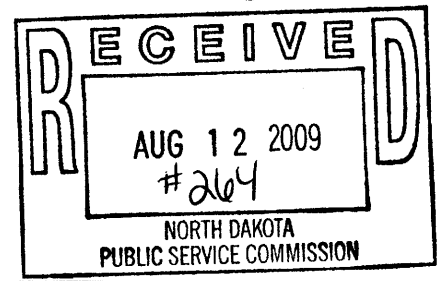




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Dear Mr. Dodd,

Diane K. Larson
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We reviewed ND SHPO REF: 09-1508 2009 Columbus Abandoned Mine Lands Site in a portion of SE ¼ [T162N R93W Section 21] Burke County, North Dakota. We concur with a "No Historic Properties Affected" determination, provided the project is of the nature specified and in the mapped locations attached to your letter to this office dated August 7, 2009.

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Thank you for the opportunity to review this project. If you have any questions please contact Susan Quinnell, Review and Compliance Coordinator at (701) 328-3576, e-mail squinnell@nd.gov


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