

# Memorandum

**Date:** 6/27/2019

**To:**

**From:** KLJ: Ryan Wendel

**RE:** Unanticipated Discoveries and Site Avoidance: Cenex Pipeline, LLC Refined Fuels Pipeline in Williams, Mountrail, and Ward Counties, North Dakota



The purpose of this memo is to report on the discovery of additional stone feature sites during construction monitoring, and the discovery of a previously unreported site during construction of the Cenex Sidney to Minot Pipeline in Williams, Mountrail, and Ward Counties (Project).

On June 4, 2019, while staking out a previously recorded site (32WI2301), additional stone features were identified in the area. These involved the updating of 32WI2301, as well as the creation of two new sites (32WI2346 and 32WI2347). 32WI2301 was updated to include an additional three stone circles, bringing its total to four. 32WI2346 is comprised of one stone circle. 32WI2347 is comprised of two stone circles and a potential effigy. All three sites are unevaluated for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP).

In addition, during a review of previous Project data, KLJ discovered a site not previously reported on during the Class III inventory and subsequent addendums (Hull and Wedel 2017, Hull 2017, Hull 2018). 32MN1511 is a prehistoric site consisting of two stone circles identified within the pipeline right of way. The site is recommended unevaluated for listing on the NRHP.

Construction work has not yet reached the area of these sites. The construction crews were informed to hold off any ground disturbing work within 50 feet of the sites until professional examination has been made and reports of such examination are filed with the State Historical Society of North Dakota (SHSND) and the Public Service Commission. See, Certification Relating to Order Provision No. 15. The proposed plan is to reroute the pipeline corridor to northeast, providing a 50-foot buffer between construction and the site (see attached map). In addition, KLJ will fence off the resource to ensure no incidental disturbance occurs.

KLJ, per the Project Unanticipated Discovery Plan (KLJ 2017), submitted the site information and avoidance measures to the SHSND. The SHSND has agreed with our findings and avoidance measures. SHSND's response is appended to this memo.



If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me at 406-447-3356 or at [ryan.wendel@kljeng.com](mailto:ryan.wendel@kljeng.com)

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ryan Wendel', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

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#### References Cited

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