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**SHSND Ref: 25-0334 Revision 42, Permit NAFK-8705, Falkirk Mine in portions of McLean County, North Dakota**

Dear Jonathan,

Thank you for sending the information for Revision 42 to Surface Coal Mining Permit NAFK-8705. We note that sites 32ML189 (Freborg Farmstead) and 3ML188 (Church and Cemetery) are located outside the NAFK-8705 permit boundary as shown on the maps, but we would like to again note that these sites should be avoided.

Please also note North Dakota State laws regarding human burials, NDCC 23-06-27 and NDAC 40-02-03.

If you have any questions please contact Margaret Patton, Research Archaeologist at 701-328-3576 or [mmpatton@nd.gov](mailto:mmpatton@nd.gov).

Sincerely,

for William D. Peterson, PhD  
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