

Upper Lightning Lake Water Level Management
Environmental Assessment Worksheet

Attachment F

State Historic Preservation Office Correspondence

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To: [Townley, Jill \(DNR\)](#)
Subject: FW: Upper Lightning Lake lift station and channel clean-out
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I have looked into this further and this response will be sufficient.

From: Call, Todd E (DNR)
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[SHPO review response](#)

From: Magner, Mike (DNR)
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Subject: Upper Lightning Lake lift station and channel clean-out

The proposed lift station at the Upper Lightning Lake outlet and associated channel clean-out was recently reviewed for potential effects to cultural and historic properties. This review—which included a field assessment, topographic landform analysis, and the examination of historic aerial photography—suggests that the corridor to be potentially impacted by the proposed undertaking will be limited to terrain previously impacted by ditching, while spoil disposition will be confined to presently or formerly cultivated settings. The undertaking therefore has minimal potential to affect undisturbed soils. Furthermore, archival research indicates that there are no historic properties in the immediate vicinity of the project. This activity therefore does not appear to meet the definition of an "undertaking with the potential to affect historic properties" for purposes of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). This determination has been guided by the "Draft Memorandum of Agreement Regarding USFS Activities that do not have the Potential to Cause Effects on Historic Properties" currently being negotiated between the Minnesota SHPO and the Region 3 USFWS Federal Aid Office.

No further cultural resource review is necessary.

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