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VIA EMAIL/FERC e-file (P-14803-001)

In reply refer to: FERC\_2018\_0507\_001

Ms. Laura Hazlett  
Chief Operations Officer  
Klamath River Renewal Corporation

RE: Section 106 consultation for the Lower Klamath Project—Built Environment Effects Finding

Dear Ms. Hazlett,

The California State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) received a consultation letter dated January 19, 2023 from the Klamath River Renewal Corporation (KRRC). KRRC was delegated authority by and consults on behalf of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (54 U.S.C. § 300101), as amended, and its implementing regulation, 36 CFR Part 800.

The January 19<sup>th</sup> letter formally requested SHPO comments on a finding of adverse effects as well as measures to mitigate effects for undertaking referenced above. The request is consistent with Stipulation II.B.2 of the *Programmatic Agreement Among the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the California State Historic Preservation Office, the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office, and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding License Surrender and Decommissioning of the Lower Klamath Project (FERC Project No. 14803-001) Klamath County, Oregon and Siskiyou County, California (PA)* and Sections 6.0, 8.2.4, and 8.2.5 of the *Lower Klamath Project Historic Properties Management Plan (HPMP)*; (KRRC, May 2022).

The following document was provided in support of the finding:

- *Historic Built Environment Resources Treatment Plan & Effects Finding (HPTP)*; (KRRC, January 2023)

The supporting document outlines the application of the criteria of adverse effects consistent with 36 CFR § 800.5(a) and finds that decommissioning activities will result in adverse effects to historic properties (determined to be eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places in consensus and with SHPO concurrence, letter FERC\_2018\_0507\_001 dated December 22, 2022). The activities include demolition of

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hydroelectric-related buildings and structures, changes to visual settings, changes in the use of historic properties, and loss of Section 106 protections by transfer of properties out of Federal ownership.

KRRC, on behalf of FERC find that there will be adverse effects to the following built-environment historic properties:

- Demolition of the J.C. Boyle Hydroelectric Historic District (and contributing resources: dam, water conveyance system, powerhouse, Amco Warehouse);
- Demolition of the Copco No. 1 Hydroelectric Historic District (and contributing resources: Copco No. 1 Dam, water conveyance system, Powerhouse/DPR Primary # 47-002267, Warehouse 1112, Guesthouse Remains/CA-SIS-2824H, Bungalows 1107 and 1108);
- Demolition or partial demolition of the Copco No. 2 Hydroelectric Historic District (and contributing resources: dam, water conveyance system, Powerhouse/DPR Primary # 47-002266, radio station, control center, bungalow, Fall Creek School, modern bunkhouse, four ranch houses);
- Demolition of the Iron Gate Hydroelectric Historic District (and contributing resources: dam, water conveyance system, powerhouse including substation, dam fish facilities, communication building, restroom building, two operator residences, hatchery building, eight hatchery raceways and two settling ponds, hatchery fish feed silos, hatchery office, hatchery shop, hatchery gas shed, four hatchery residences, Lakeview Road Bridge)

Following review of the HPTP, pursuant to 36 CFR § 800.5(b) and consistent with the HPMP, **I agree** with the finding of adverse effects to historic properties.

KRRC on behalf of FERC proposes in the HPTP to resolve adverse effects to historic properties with the following mitigation measures:

- National Parks Service Historic American Buildings Survey/Historic American Engineering Record/Historic American Landscapes Survey, completed by December 17, 2023 (HPTP Table 6-1 and 6-3);
- Adaptive Reuse Plan developed in consultation with consulting parties, completed by December 17, 2023 (HPTP Table 6-2 and 6-3);
- Public Interpretation Plan developed in consultation with consulting parties, completed by October 17, 2023 (HPTP Table 6-3).

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Following review of the proposed mitigation measures, **I agree** that they are appropriate and consistent with the PA and HPMP. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Associate State Archaeologist Brendon Greenaway at [Brendon.Greenaway@parks.ca.gov](mailto:Brendon.Greenaway@parks.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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