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RE: Town of Alderson – Water Treatment Plant Flood Mitigation
Thrasher Project # 010-10133
FR#: 24-0567-GB

Dear Mr. Lynn:

We have reviewed the information submitted in support of the above-referenced project. As required by Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, and its implementing regulations, 36 CFR 800: "Protection of Historic Properties, we submit our comments.

According to the submitted information, the Town of Alderson proposes to mitigate flood damage at its water treatment plant in Greenbrier County. The work will include the replacement and relocation of the existing plant to an adjacent lot on Johnson Street that is outside of the Greenbrier River floodplain. A vacant home will be removed from the new plant site prior to the construction of a new package water treatment plant. Funding for the project is being sought through the Cities Block Development Grant – Hazard Mitigation Grant, the West Virginia Infrastructure Development Council, and Economic Enhancement Grant Funds.

Architectural Resources:

We have reviewed the submitted information and determined that the proposed project will be located adjacent to the Alderson Historic District (NR# 93001231) that was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1993. However, the vacant house to be demolished was not included within the historic district, and it is our opinion that the vacant house lacks the significance and integrity necessary to be eligible for the National Register either individually or as a contributing resource to any potential historic districts. Therefore, we concur that the proposed project will not adversely affect the historic district or any other architectural resources eligible for or listed in the National Register. No further consultation is necessary regarding architectural resources; however, we do ask that you contact our office if your project should change.

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Archaeological Resources:

According to our records, no previously recorded archaeological resources are located within the proposed project area. Available information indicates that a vast majority of the proposed project activities will be confined to previously disturbed areas, which makes it unlikely that significant archaeological resources will be encountered. In our opinion, the proposed water treatment plant project will have no effect on archaeological historic properties. No further consultation is necessary regarding archaeological resources. However, if intact cultural materials are encountered during construction, cease all work within the area of discovery and contact this office immediately.

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service. *If you have questions regarding our comments or the Section 106 process, please contact Benjamin M. Riggle, Structural Historian, or Carolyn M. Kender, Archaeologist, at (304) 558-0240.*

Sincerely,



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