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Dear Cultural Resource Consultant:

Archaeological consultants working under a cultural resource use permit must submit reports to Wyoming Bureau of Land Management (BLM) that meet the Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) Format, Guidelines, and Standards for Class II and III Reports (hereinafter called Report Standards).

The Report Standards specifically state that reports should include the following sections **in this order** (emphasis added).

- I. Survey Report Cover Page/Site Summary Table (required)
- II. Abstract (as appropriate)
- III. Table of Contents (as appropriate)
- IV. Undertaking/Project Description (required)
- V. Environmental Setting (required)
- VI. Background Research (required)
- VII. Survey Methodology (required)
- VIII. Inventory Results (required)
- IX. Conclusions/Summary (required)
- X. References Cited (as appropriate)
- XI. Attachments (as appropriate)
- XII. Appendices (as appropriate)

Standard Permit Conditions, Part Three – Fieldwork and Reporting number t is not sufficiently clear on this issue. The stipulation states: “All site data and maps shall be placed in a confidential appendix to the report. No site forms will be transmitted to the project sponsor or to the general public. Copies of reports submitted to the project sponsor shall contain abbreviated site descriptions only and shall omit references to site features and artifacts. Maps provided to the project sponsor that indicate the relationship of undertaking boundaries or project reroutes to cultural properties shall show only site outlines; feature or artifact locations will not be shown.” BLM did not intend to contradict the Report Standards with this stipulation.

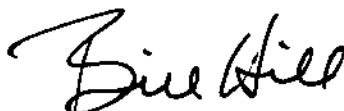
Reports where all site data were placed in an appendix have been accepted by WY BLM; however, since the reports do not meet the format in the Report Standards, the SHPO has expressed concern over this issue. In order to resolve this situation, Standard Permit Condition,

Part Three, number t is modified to read: "Site data and maps shall not be transmitted to the project sponsor or to the general public. Project sponsors should receive a letter or report that contains limited or abbreviated site descriptions only. All references to site features and artifacts shall be omitted. Any maps provided to the project sponsor should only indicate the relationship of undertaking boundaries or project reroutes to cultural property outlines; features or artifact locations will not be shown."

Permittees are expected to provide a full report to BLM in the Report Standards format. In order to comply with the permit stipulations, a second report with less information may need to be prepared for the client. Or you may want to use the BLM report, but delete the applicable portions from the report prepared for the client. It is your choice, however, if cultural resources are encountered during the project, it is expected that the client's report will be different from the BLM's report.

If you have any questions about this modification or the permit stipulations, please feel free to contact Ranel Stephenson Capron, 307-775-6108. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bill Hill".

Bill Hill
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