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Subject: Project Route 1 Improvements at Fort Belvoir
Fairfax County, Virginia
Request for Concurrence with Determinations of Effect

Dear Mr. Holma:

The Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division, of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), acting as the lead federal agency for the purposes of consultation with your agency under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (16 U.S.C. § 470), in cooperation with the U.S. Army Garrison, Fort Belvoir, the County of Fairfax, Virginia, and the Virginia Department of Transportation, is proposing improvements to Richmond Highway (Route 1) in Fairfax County, Virginia.

The FHWA, in consultation with interested parties, has been investigating the potential for the proposed undertaking to have adverse impacts on historic properties. FHWA has determined that the following properties within the Area of Potential Effect are listed, or are eligible for listing, on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), but will not be adversely affected by the undertaking:

- a) George Washington's Distillery and Grist Mill (029-0330); the undertaking, including ground disturbing activities, will not occur on the property, and will not significantly alter the setting or viewshed.
- b) Pope-Leighey House (029-0058); Pope-Leighey House is included on the NRHP for its architectural significance. The house does not retain its original setting, as it was moved from its original site in 1965. The proposed project will not adversely affect the architectural integrity of the house.
- c) Camp A. A. Humphreys Pump Station and Filter Building (029-0096); the property is eligible for the NRHP due to its significance to the World War I U.S. Army mobilization and the Army's construction of support facilities as part of the development of World War I cantonments. The undertaking will not result in alterations to the contributing buildings.

- d) William Herris Gravemarker (029-0562); the gravemarker is located in the Pohick Episcopal Church cemetery and will not be disturbed or affected in any way.
- e) Woodlawn Baptist Church Cemetery (44FX1212); the proposed realignment of Route 1 in the vicinity of Woodlawn Baptist Church will preserve the cemetery and will not require the relocation of any graves.
- f) Woodlawn Quaker Meetinghouse (029-0172) and Cemetery (44FX1211); the proposed realignment of Route 1 moves the road further from the Meetinghouse than it is currently, and avoids taking any church property. Moreover, the increased distance from the roadway will facilitate and enhance the Quaker practice of silent worship.

FHWA has determined that the undertaking will have no adverse effect on King's Highway/Old Colchester Road (029-0953), conditional upon the implementation of protective measures, which will be agreed upon and specified in the Programmatic Agreement under development.

FHWA has determined that the Undertaking will have an Adverse Effect on the following NR eligible historic properties:

- a) Woodlawn Plantation National Historic Landmark (029-0056); adverse effects include: taking of Woodlawn Plantation property, changes in land use and access between different parts of the property, and alteration of the viewshed.
- b) Woodlawn National Register Eligible Historic District (029-5181); adverse effects include: alteration of the viewshed; changes in relationship among the contributing properties; physical relocation of Otis T. Mason House; and changes in land use and circulation patterns.
- c) Fort Belvoir Military Railroad bed (029-5648); the portion of the railroad bed within the limits of construction will be physically altered and destroyed.
- d) Facility No. 1433, Railroad bridge (029-5424); the bridge will be removed from its current location, and may be permanently destroyed if a suitable recipient cannot be identified.
- e) Sharpe Stable Complex Bank Barn (029-5181-0005); changes in land use will impact the historic setting of the barn.

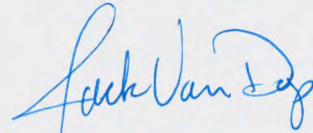
A determination of effect cannot be made at this time for the following historic properties:

- a) Pohick Episcopal Church (029-0046)
- b) Woodlawn Plantation archaeological deposits (44FX1146)

However, the Programmatic Agreement (PA) will include stipulations requiring vibration assessments and monitoring at Pohick Episcopal Church to determine whether the undertaking will have an adverse effect on the church building. Design charrettes will also address potential visual impacts to the property. The Woodlawn Plantation archaeological deposits will undergo additional archaeological survey to delineate the site and ensure avoidance, minimization of impacts, or mitigation for impacts that could result from proposed relocation of utilities or other mitigation measures. The PA will also contain provisions for actions to be taken should FHWA determine that there will be adverse effects to these properties.

If you have any questions, please contact either Mr. Ryan Kimberley, Environmental Protection Specialist, at Ryan.Kimberley@dot.gov or (703) 404-6211, or Ms. Lana Lau, Environmental Protection Specialist, at Lana.Lau@dot.gov or (703) 404-6314.

Yours sincerely,



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Enclosure: Concurrence sheet

The Department of Historic Resources concurs with FHWA's determination that:

- George Washington's Distillery and Grist Mill (029-0330), Pope-Leighey House (029-0058), Camp A. A. Humphreys Pump Station and Filter Building (029-0096), William Herris Gravemarker (029-0562), Woodlawn Baptist Church Cemetery (44FX1212), and Woodlawn Quaker Meetinghouse (029-0172) and Cemetery (44FX1211) will not be adversely affected by the undertaking;
- King's Highway/Old Colchester Road (029-0953) will not be adversely affected by the undertaking, if protective measures are implemented, as proposed; and
- A determination of effect cannot be made at this time for Pohick Episcopal Church (029-0046), or Woodlawn Plantation archaeological deposits (44FX1146).
- Woodlawn Plantation National Historic Landmark (029-0056), Woodlawn National Register Eligible Historic District (029-5181), Fort Belvoir Military Railroad bed (029-5648), Facility No. 1433, Railroad bridge (029-5424), and Sharpe Stable Complex Bank Barn (029-5181-0005) will be adversely affected by the Undertaking.

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