

APPENDIX B: Tribal Coordination



Osage Nation Historic Preservation Office

Date: May 5, 2022

File: 2122-6032KS-4

RE: KDOT, KA-6535-01 and KA-6535-02 FHWA NHPP-A653(502), US-54/East Kellogg Expansion, Sedgwick and Butler Counties, Kansas

Kansas Department of Transportation T.D. Blackwell 700 SW Harrison Street Topeka, KS 66603-3745

Sent Via Email

Dear Mr. Blackwell,

The Osage Nation Historic Preservation Office has great concerns for the proposed project listed as KDOT, KA-6535-01 and KA-6535-02 FHWA NHPP-A653(502), US-54/East Kellogg Expansion, Sedgwick and Butler Counties, Kansas.

The Osage Nation was not notified of the project by KDOT's Environmental Division or the Kansas Division of FHWA only being made aware of the project through a meeting invitation sent via email to Dr. Andrea Hunter and later forwarded onto Colleen Bell, from Ms. Shari Cannon-Mackey, Environmental Lead for IKE Transportation Partners. KDOT is well aware that the Osage Nation only accepts hardcopy notifications and seeing as this did not occur, relevant participants involved in the project/meeting were excluded from the discussion. Ms. Deseray Helton, the reviewing archaeologist of KDOT projects, was only made aware of the project/meeting after being forwarded the invitation sent by Ms. Cannon-Mackey.

The Osage Nation was not provided adequate time to fully prepare for the agency scoping meeting held on April 28th, 2022 due to the above missteps by KDOT. The Osage Nation is extremely concerned with how the project has been handled to date and feels as though cultural and tribal resources are being treated as an afterthought. The Osage Nation requests to know when the Section 106 process will be started, including formal Tribal Consultation, and takes this opportunity to remind KDOT that NEPA does not replace the Section 106 process.

In accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, (NHPA) [54 U.S.C. § 300101 et seq.] 1966, undertakings subject to the review process are referred to in 54 U.S.C. § 302706 (a), which clarifies that historic properties may have religious and cultural significance to Indian tribes. Additionally, Section 106 of NHPA requires Federal agencies to consider the effects of their actions on historic properties (36 CFR Part 800) as does the National Environmental Policy Act (43 U.S.C. 4321 and 4331-35 and 40 CFR 1501.7(a) of 1969).

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The Osage Nation has a vital interest in protecting its historic and ancestral cultural resources. The Osage Nation anticipates reviewing and commenting on the planned Phase I cultural resources survey report for the proposed KDOT, KA-6535-01 and KA-6535-02 FHWA NHPP-A653(502), US-54/East Kellogg Expansion, Sedgwick and Butler Counties, Kansas.

The Osage Nation Historic Preservation Office S106 Procedures and Survey Standards can be accessed at the web address listed in the footnote of this letter. Should you have any questions or need any additional information please feel free to contact me at the number listed below. Thank you for consulting with the Osage Nation on this matter.

Andrea A. Hunter, Ph.D. Director, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Deseray Helton, MA Archaeologist

CC: Javier Ahumada, Environmental, Freight and Innovation Coordinator, Kansas Division Office Cliff A. Ehrlich, Environmental Services Lead, KDOT Shari Cannon-Mackey, Environmental Lead, IKE Transportation Partners Raja Govindaswamy, Bureau Chief – Alternative Delivery & Project Director, US-54 East Kellogg Brian Kidwell, PE, Program Manager, IKE Transportation Partners Meghan Jansen, Public Involvement Lead, IKE Transportation Partners Colleen A. Bell, Deputy Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, Osage Nation Dwight D. Eisenhower State Office Building 700 S.W. Harrison Street Topeka, KS 66603-3745

Julie L. Lorenz, Secretary Raja Govindaswamy, P.E., Bureau Chief

July 14, 2022

Dr. Andrea Hunter, Director Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Osage Nation of Oklahoma 627 Grandview Avenue Pawhuska, OK 74056

Subject: KA-6535-02 NHPP-A653(502)

Sedgwick and Butler Counties Osage Nation Historic Preservation Office File: 2122-6032KS-4

Dear Dr. Hunter:

In accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act we are contacting your tribe to identify any potential impacts the referenced project may have on properties that have religious and cultural significance. This project will also be reviewed by professional archeologists and by the Kansas State Historic Preservation Office. You will be notified if any sites of potential interest are identified during their review.

Tech Location - US 54: from east of I-35/K-96/127th Street east to 0.5 mile east of S. Prairie Creek Road. A general description of the project is as follows: Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), will prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) for a proposal to expand a portion of the US 54/US 400/East Kellogg Corridor in Sedgwick and Butler Counties, Kansas to a controlled-access freeway.

If you have any questions, I can be reached by phone at 316-744-1271 Ext. 229, or by email at raja.govindaswamy@ks.gov.

Please send any comment on this project to me using either the address shown above or my email address, if preferred, within 60 days of the date of this letter.

Sincerely,

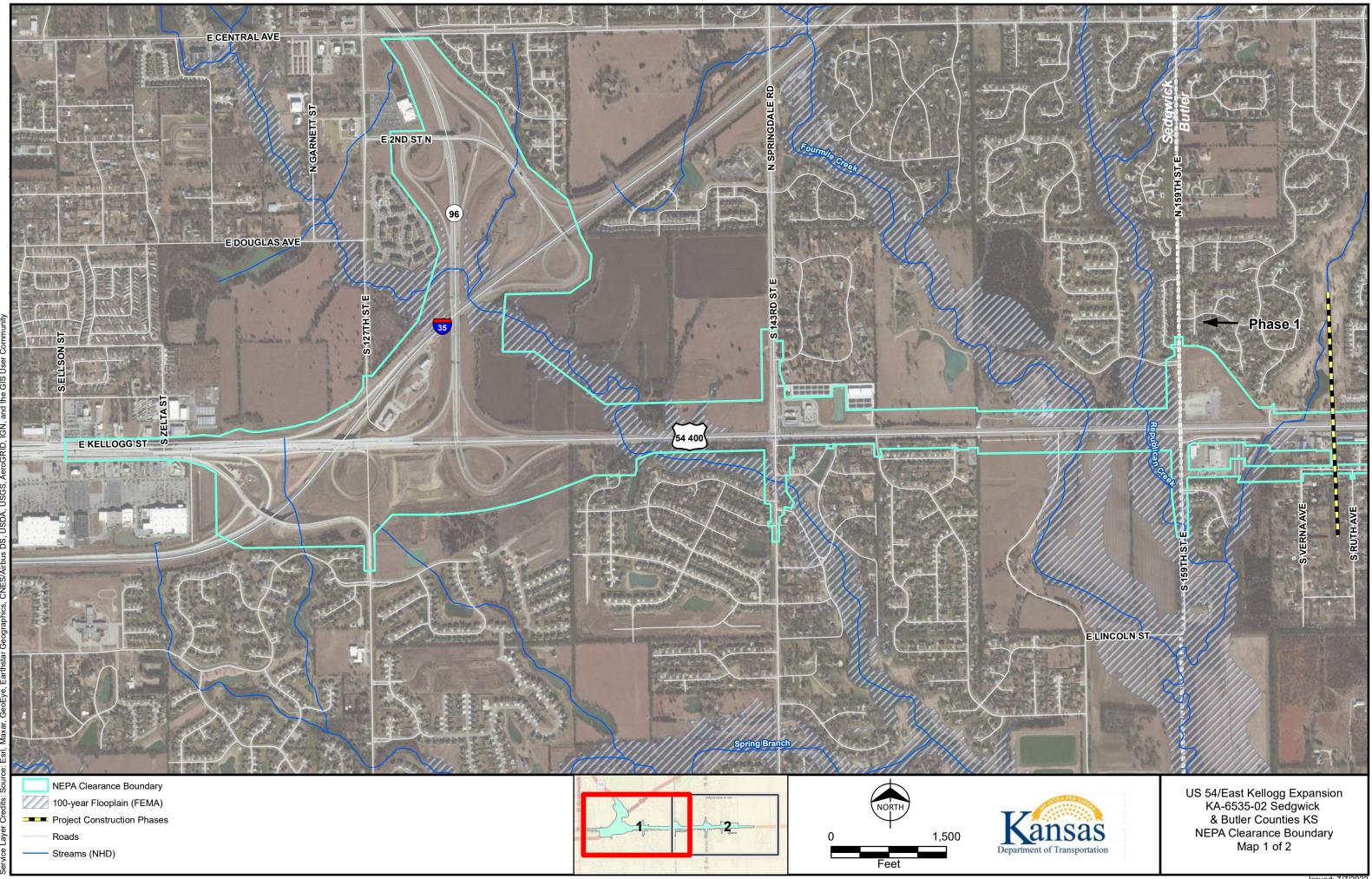
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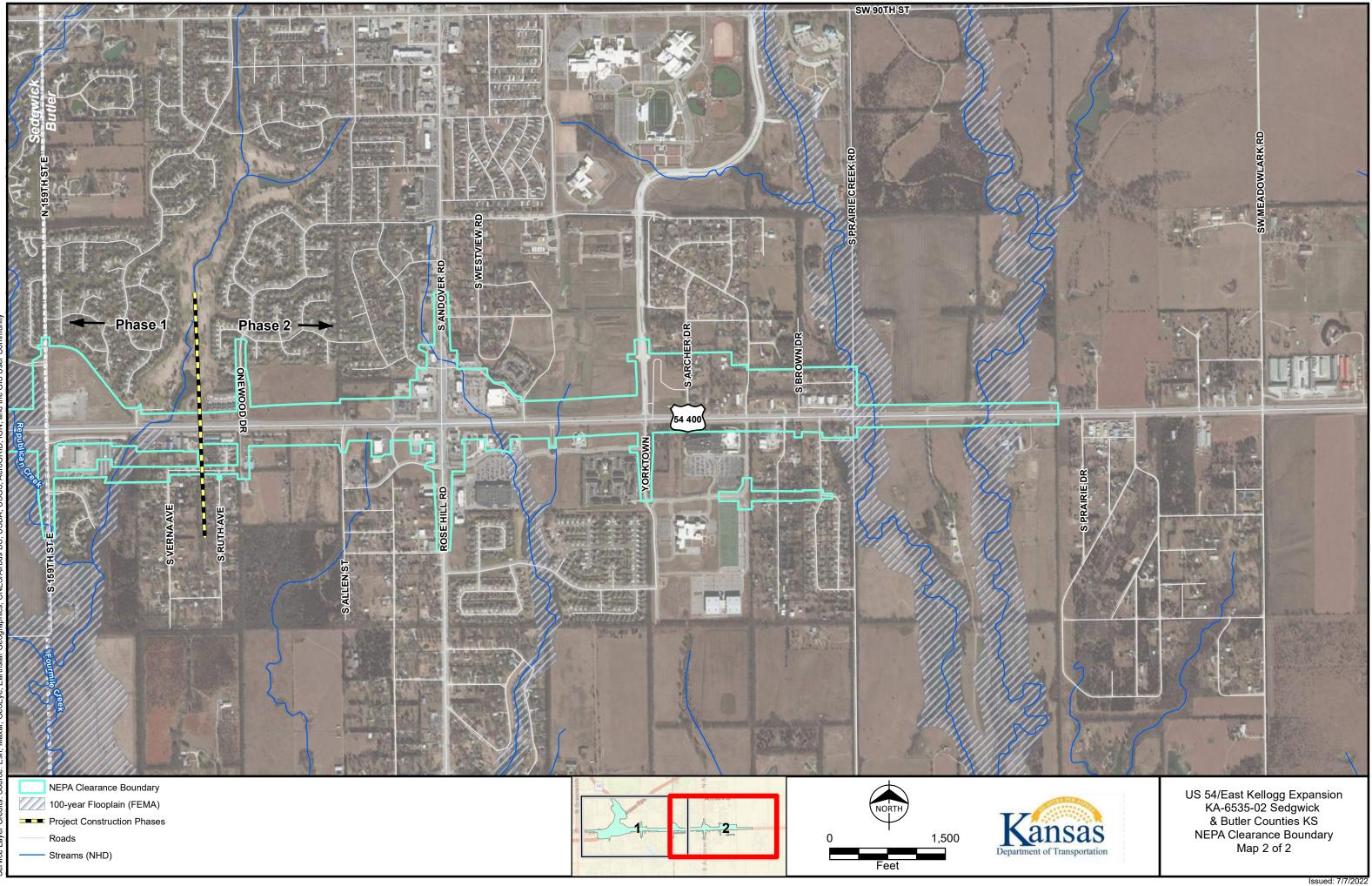
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Enclosure



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Osage Nation Historic Preservation Office

Date: July 20, 2022

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RE: KDOT, KA-6535-01 and KA-6535-02 FHWA NHPP-A653(502), US-54/East Kellogg Expansion, Sedgwick and Butler Counties, Kansas

Kansas Department of Transportation Raja Govindaswamy 700 SW Harrison Street Topeka, KS 66603-3745

Dear Mr. Govindaswamy,

The Osage Nation has received notification and accompanying information for the proposed project listed as KDOT, KA-6535-01 and KA-6535-02 FHWA NHPP-A653 (502), US-54/East Kellogg Expansion, Sedgwick and Butler Counties, Kansas.

The Osage Nation requests copies of the 2010 cultural resources report by Waggoner, Survey 4616, and Survey 4610 for review and comment.

The Osage Nation requests avoidance of previously identified Sites 14SG315, 14SG316, and 14SG317. If avoidance is not possible then further work to determine NRHP eligibility is required.

The Osage Nation requests a Phase II CRS with shovel testing occurring in all areas regardless of high surface visibility for the remaining portions of the APE. The Osage Nation requests a shovel test log and shovel test map be included in the cultural resources survey along with clear and legible figures throughout the report.

In accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, (NHPA) [54 U.S.C. § 300101 et seq.] 1966, undertakings subject to the review process are referred to in 54 U.S.C. § 302706 (a), which clarifies that historic properties may have religious and cultural significance to Indian tribes. Additionally, Section 106 of NHPA requires Federal agencies to consider the effects of their actions on historic properties (36 CFR Part 800) as does the National Environmental Policy Act (43 U.S.C. 4321 and 4331-35 and 40 CFR 1501.7(a) of 1969).

The Osage Nation has a vital interest in protecting its historic and ancestral cultural resources. The Osage Nation anticipates receiving copies of previous surveys (Waggoner 2010, 4616, and 4610) for review and comment, confirmation of avoidance of Sites 14SG315, 14SG316, and 14SG317, and reviewing the requested Phase II CRS with shovel testing for the remaining portions of the APE for the proposed KDOT, KA-6535-01 and KA -6535-02 FHWA NHPP-A653(502), US-54/East Kellogg Expansion, Sedgwick and Butler Counties, Kansas.



Should you have any questions or need any additional information please feel free to contact me at the number listed below. Thank you for consulting with the Osage Nation on this matter.

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Archaeologist

cc: Terry Blackwell, KDOT Environmental Services-Historic Preservation, Native American Consultation

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July 14, 2022

Ms. Terri Parton, President Wichita and Affiliated Tribes PO Box 729 Anadarko, OK 73005

Subject: KA-6535-02 NHPP-A653(502) Sedgwick and Butler Counties

Dear Ms. Parton:

In accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act we are contacting your tribe to identify any potential impacts the referenced project may have on properties that have religious and cultural significance. This project will also be reviewed by professional archeologists and by the Kansas State Historic Preservation Office. You will be notified if any sites of potential interest are identified during their review.

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Please send any comment on this project to me using either the address shown above or my email address, if preferred, within 60 days of the date of this letter.

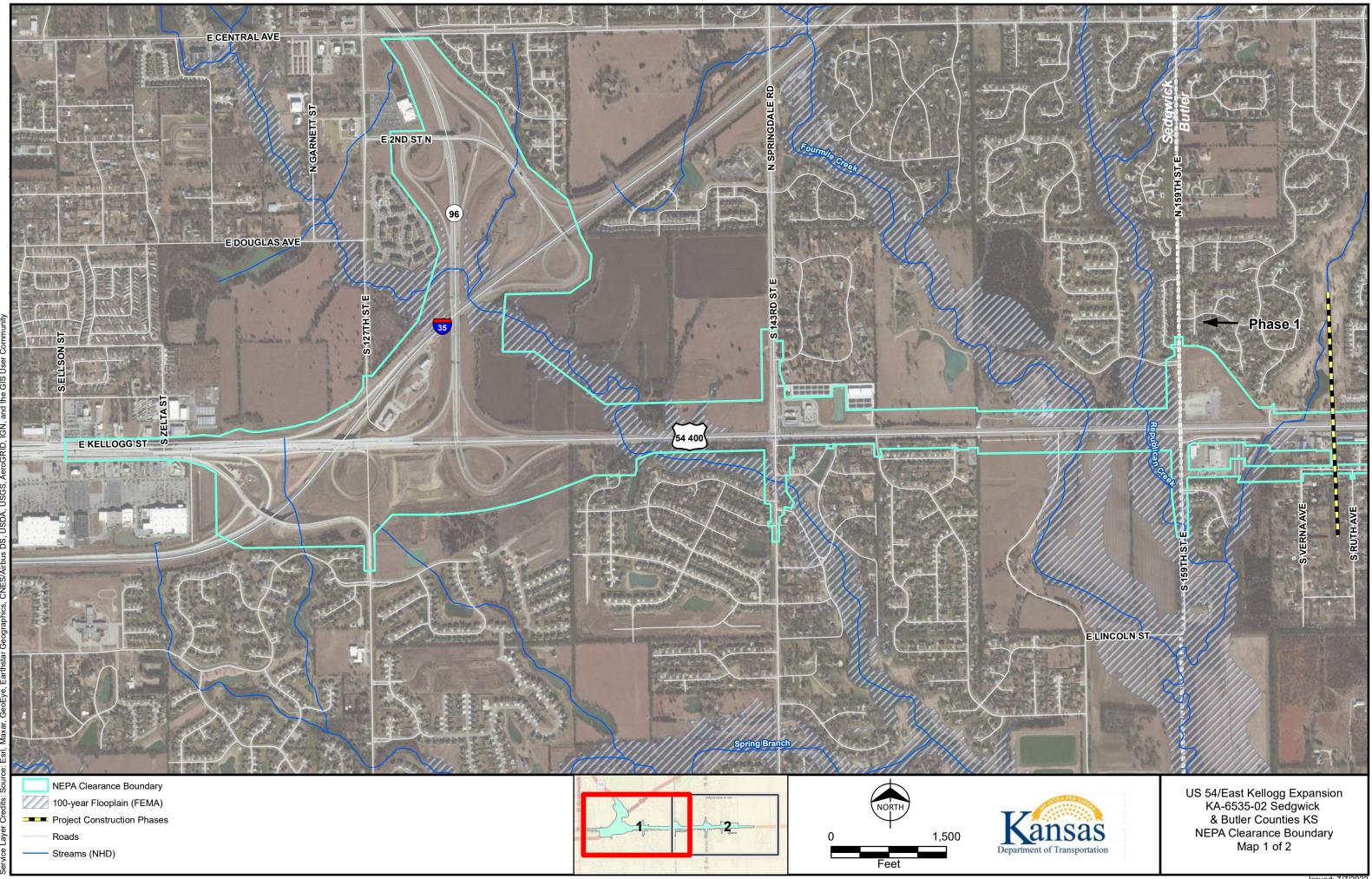
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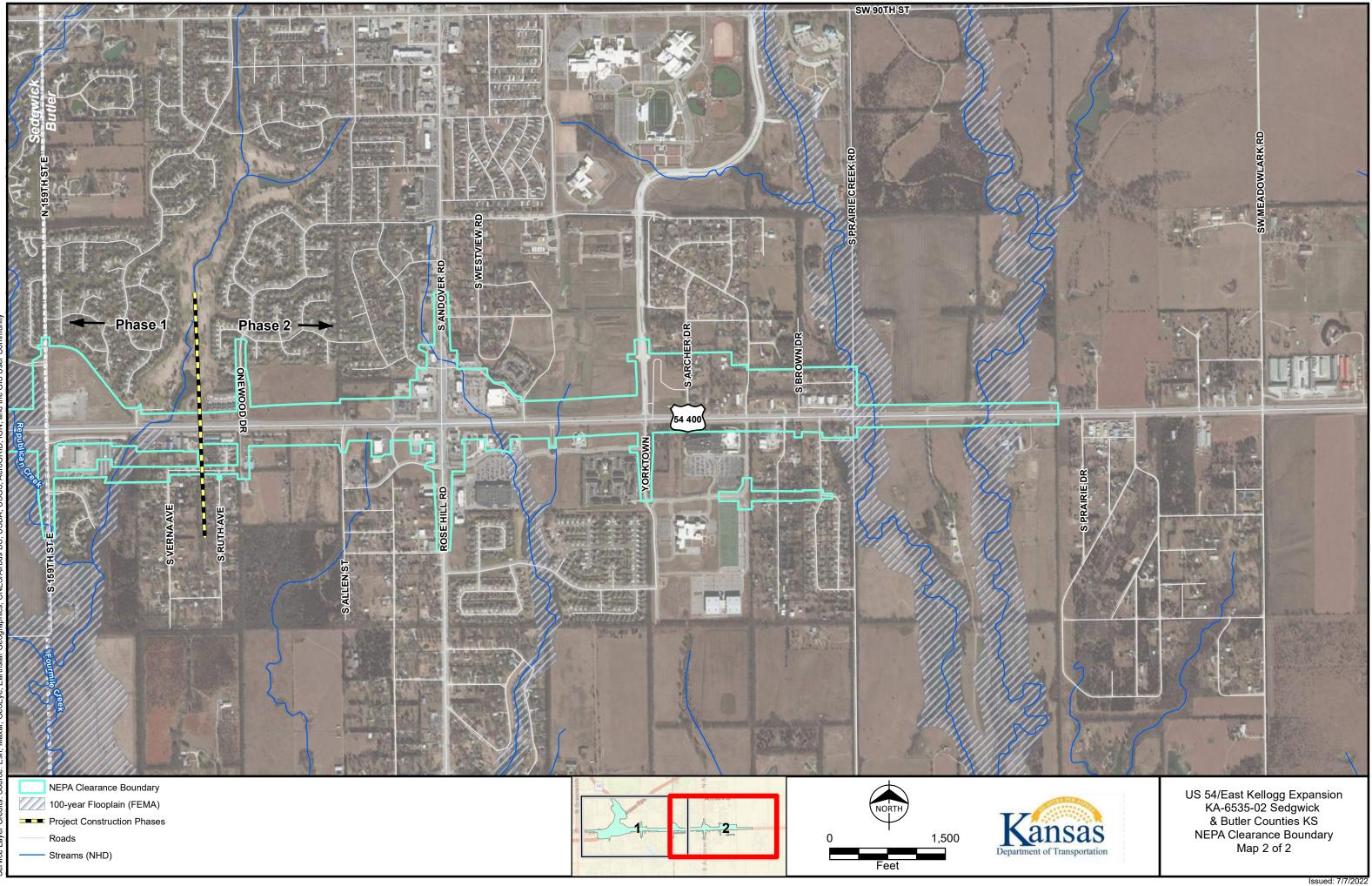
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Bureau Chief – Alternative Delivery & KDOT Project Director, US-54 East Kellogg

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Dear Mr. Govindaswamy:

At this time you will find attached our clearance letter, should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Gary McAdams, THPO at 405.247.2425 Extension 169 or via email at gary.mcadams@wichitatribe.com and\or Mr. Gerald Collins III, EPA Director at 405.247.2425 Ext. 141 or via email at gerald.collins3@wichitatribe.com. Thank you for time and attention, have a blessed day.

Sincerely, Mary M Botone Mary M BoTone THPO Administrative Assistant -AUG



Wichita and Affiliated Tribes Wichita Waco Keechi Tawakoni

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1 August 2022 - Monday

Raja Govindaswamy, PE\Bureau Chief Kansas Department of Transportation Dwight D Eisenhower State Office Building 700 Southwest Harrison Street Topeka, Kansas 66603-3745

Dear Mr. Govindaswamy:

The Wichita and Affiliated Tribes is requesting consulting party status on any proposed projects that the **US Department of Transportation - Federal Highway Administration** undertakes in the states of Oklahoma, Kansas, Texas, Missouri, Arkansas, Colorado and New Mexico.

Please accept the digital communication regarding US 54\Kellogg Expansion – KA-6535-02 Project, we understand the Kansas Department of Transportation is preparing an Environmental Assessment for a proposal to expand a portion of the US54\US 400\East Kellogg Corridor in located from Wichita, Sedgwick County & Andover, Butler County, Kansas. We also, understand that professional archaeologist and the Kansas State Historic Preservation Office will review said project upon their completion of review the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes request a copy of report.

In accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, (NHPA) [16 U.S C. 470 §§ 470-470w-6] 1966, undertakings subject to the review process are referred to in Section 101 (d) (6) (A), which clarifies that historic properties may have religious and cultural significance to Indian tribes. Additionally, Section 106 of NHPA requires Federal agencies to consider the effects of their actions on historic properties (36 CFR Part 800) as does the National Environmental Policy Act (43 U.S.C. 4321 and 4331-35 and 40 CFR 1501.7(a) of 1969).

Upon our review, we know of no known properties of cultural or sacred significance to the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes in this immediate area, therefore, is not likely to have a No Effect on HPs in the DE\VE-APE. However, as the project moves forward, the following conditions must be followed:

- Inadvertent Discoveries: In the event that human remains, burials, funerary items, sacred objects of cultural patrimony are found during project implementation, the proponent or his/her authorized agent shall cease work immediately. They shall take steps to protect the find from further damage or disruption. They shall contact the THPO, Gary McAdams at (405) 247-2425 Extension 200 to report the find. No further work shall be allowed on the project until the THPO has approved a plan for managing or preserving the remains or items.
- Post Review Discoveries: In the event that pre-contact artifacts (i.e., arrowheads, spear points, mortars, pestles, other ground stone tools, knives, scrapers, pottery or flakes from the manufacture of tools, fire pits, culturally modified trees, etc.) or historic period artifacts or features (i.e., fragments of old plates or ceramic vessels, weathered glass, dumps of old cans, cabins, root cellars, etc.) are found during project implementation, the proponent or his/her authorized agent shall cease work immediately. They then shall contact the THPO, Gary McAdams at (405) 247-2425 Extension 200 to report the find. No further work shall be allowed on the project until the THPO has approved a work plan in the new area has been completed.
- Activities that have the potential to disturb cultural resources outside the areas specified in the accompanying document(s) are not approved and will not proceed until cultural resources review of potential adverse effects in the new area has been completed.

Please note, these comments were based on the information provide to us, therefore, we also reserve the right to revise our comments as updates pertaining to this project is made available. Should you have any inquiries, please contact Ms. Gary McAdams, THPO at 405.247.2425 Ext. 169 or via email at gary.mcadams@wichitatribe.com and\or Mr. Gerald Collins III, EPA Director at 405.247.2425 Ext. 141 or via email at gerald.collins3@wichitatribe.com.

Sincerely, Mary M. Bolone

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Ms. Lynn Williams, Chair Kaw Nation of Oklahoma PO Box 50 Kaw City, OK 74641

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