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Comment: (6-7-10)

1. The contractor isn't requesting a CRAS from DHR, they're requesting a review to determine whether a CRAS is needed.

120-6.2.1 Clearance: To obtain the Engineer's approval to use an off-site construction activity area that involves excavation such as a borrow pit or local aggregate pit, request in writing, a ~~Cultural Resources Assessment~~ *review for cultural resources involvement*.

Response:

2. The proper term is "concurrence letter" not "clearance letter" (though we do always hope they will be clearance).

Do not start any work at the off-site construction activity area prior to receiving a ~~clearance~~ *concurrence* letter from ~~the~~ DHR *that no additional research is warranted*.

Response:

3. 120-3.2.1 (paragraph 2):

For certain locations, ~~the~~ *DHR*~~Division of Archives~~ will require a Cultural Resources ~~Field~~*Assessment* Survey before approval can be granted. When this is required, secure professional archaeological services to *complete an historical and archaeological survey report.*~~make the survey and prepare a report.~~ Submit the report to ~~the~~ *DHR*~~Division of Archives~~ with a copy to the Department. ~~The Engineer will base final approval or rejection of the use of the off-site construction activity area on the report~~*The Engineer will determine final approval or rejection of off-site construction activity areas based on input from the DHR.*

Response:

4. In paragraph two, it says to submit the report to DHR with a copy to the Dept. Do we want a chance to review the report first and comment on it before it goes to DHR? Just saying…., if the fieldwork wasn't sufficient or there were questions about the eligibility/non-eligibility of a resource, we could discuss that with the cultural resource consultant and come to a consensus prior to DHR reviewing.

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