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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
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John M. Fowler, Executive Director
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Re: Section (§) 106 Consultation
Napa Franklin Station
1351 Second Street
Napa, Napa County, CA 94559-9991 (the "Property")
National Register Information System # 85000133

Dear Dr. Roland-Nawi and Mr. Fowler:

The United States Postal Service (USPS) is initiating the § 106 process pursuant to 36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 800.3 because the above-referenced Property is being considered for demolition. USPS has determined this proposed demolition is an undertaking as defined in § 800.16(y) and is the type of activity that has the potential to cause effects on historic properties.

As you are aware, the Property sustained damage in the earthquake that occurred in August of 2014. The USPS prepared and the California SHPO office reviewed an amendment to the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) nomination of 1984 (Exhibit A attached hereto) documenting the alterations to the building since its original nomination and since the earthquake (Exhibit B attached hereto). The USPS determined and SHPO concurred that the Property remains eligible for listing under Criterion C in the area of architecture. The amendment with original signatures was filed with the National Park Service pursuant to 36 CFR § 60.9 on May 22, 2015.

The USPS has made a finding that the undertaking will have an adverse effect on the Property, which is an historic property. This determination was made under 36 CFR § 800.5(a)(2)(i). Thus, the USPS wishes to consult with the SHPO and other consulting to resolve the adverse effect pursuant to 36 CFR § 800.6. The USPS hereby provides for your review and for that of all consulting parties the documentation specified in 36 CFR § 800.11(e) as required by 36 CFR § 800.6 (a)(3). In accordance with 36 CFR §800.6(a)(1), the USPS is providing notice to the ACHP of its finding of adverse effect by copy of this letter and attachments.

Undertaking

As stated above, the demolition of the building located on the Property is the undertaking.

Plan to Involve the Public

The USPS intends to involve the public pursuant to 36 CFR § 800.6(a)(4) by posting a copy of this letter, including the documentation specified in 36 CFR § 800.11(e), in the active USPS Post Office closest geographically to the Property for thirty (30) days so that interested citizens can review the information and consult on the resolution of the adverse effect. USPS will provide the public an opportunity to submit

their views on resolving adverse effects and shall review such views and determine appropriate actions in response. Comments, concerns and suggestions from the public received by the USPS on or before the close of business on the thirtieth (30th) day following posting will be considered. The public will be copied on any additional correspondence, as appropriate.

Identification of Consulting Parties

The USPS has identified the following consulting parties who may wish to participate in the consultation concerning the resolution of adverse effects:

Ken McNab
Planning Manager
City of Napa Planning Department
PO Box 660
Napa, CA 94559

Board of Directors
Napa County Landmarks
1754 Second Street, Suite E
Napa, CA 94559

Rick Tooker
Community Development Director
City of Napa
1600 First Street
Napa, CA 94559

Brian R. Turner
Senior Field Officer and Attorney
National Trust for Historic Preservation
San Francisco Field Office
5 Third St., Suite 707
San Francisco, CA 94103

The USPS communicated with the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) for identification of sacred lands within the area of potential effects (APE). The NAHC responded in a letter dated April 22, 2015, that the sacred lands search file failed to indicate the presence of Native American cultural resources within such area. The USPS also reviewed the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act Native American Consultation Database for identification of federally recognized Indian tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations. No federally recognized tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations were identified for Napa County, California.

The USPS shall provide to all consulting parties the documentation specified in 36 CFR § 800.11(e) and such other documentation as may be used to resolve adverse effects.

Documentation under 36 CFR § 800.11(e)

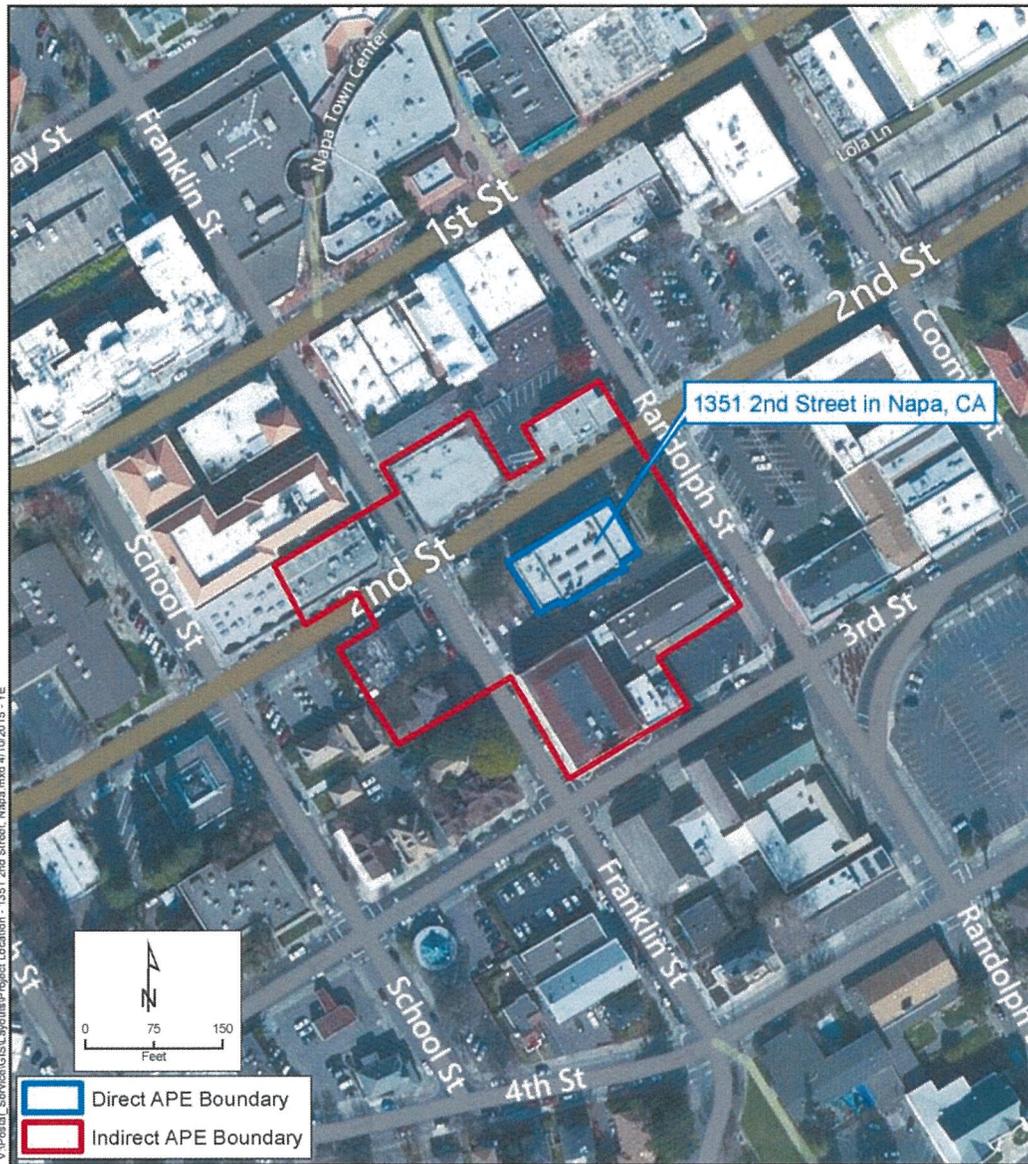
Pursuant to § 800.11(e), the following documentation is contained in this letter:

1. A description of the undertaking, specifying the Federal involvement, and its APE, including photographs, maps, and drawings, as necessary;
2. A description of the steps taken to identify historic properties;
3. A description of the affected historic properties, including information on the characteristics that qualify them for the National Register;
4. A description of the undertaking's effects on historic properties;
5. An explanation of why the criteria of adverse effect were found applicable or inapplicable, including any conditions or future actions to avoid, minimize, or mitigate adverse effects; and
6. Copies or summaries of any views provided by consulting parties and the public.

1. A Description of the Undertaking, Specifying the Federal Involvement, and its APE, Including Photographs, Maps, and Drawings, as Necessary

The USPS has determined that the undertaking, as such term is defined in Section 800.16(y) of 36 CFR 800, is the demolition of the Property. This determination is based upon the fact that the project will be funded in whole under the direction of the USPS, an independent establishment of the Executive Branch of the United States government.

The USPS reviewed the definition of APE as outlined in §800.16(d) to determine the APE based upon the scale and nature of the undertaking. The USPS has defined the APE for direct effects as the building footprint because building is proposed for demolition. The APE for indirect effects is the geographic area in which the undertaking has the potential to alter the characteristics of a historic property that qualify the property for inclusion in the NRHP in a manner that would diminish the historic integrity of the property. The APE for indirect effects includes two buildings determined eligible for listing in the NRHP, as shown in the figure below.



Area of Potential Effects

US Postal Service
Napa, California

2. A Description of the Steps Taken to Identify Historic and Non-Historic Properties

The USPS engaged an outside consultant who made an evaluation of historic properties in the direct and indirect APE. The consultant, reviewed records, previous historical surveys and maps of the area. A records search was conducted at the Northwest Information Center at California State University, Sonoma, on April 10, 2015. The search found no previously recorded archaeological sites within or adjacent to the Direct or Indirect APE. A review of City of Napa Survey Reports, Historic Structures Inventories (*the first inventory was done 1969, followed by surveys conducted in 1978, 1988, 1994, 1995 and 1998*). All revealed that there are architecturally historic properties within the Indirect APE. Of the ten buildings within the Direct and Indirect APE, none (0) are less than 50 years of age; five (5) buildings have been previously evaluated determined not eligible for the NRHP (one building has been determined eligible for listing in a local register only); two (2) buildings were not previously evaluated; two (2) properties are eligible for listing in the NRHP; and one (1) building (the subject Property) is listed in the NRHP. There are no previously determined historic districts within the Direct and Indirect APE.

Two buildings within the Indirect APE, 1320-1370 Second Street and 1405 Second Street were not previously evaluated for listing in the NRHP. No intensive-level architectural surveys or evaluations were conducted for this undertaking. During a reconnaissance-level field visit, these two buildings were photographed and appear not eligible for listing, using the professional judgment of the architectural historians.

The building at 1320-1370 Second Street, constructed in 1960, is a commercial building housing multiple retail shops. The building does not embody the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, nor does it possess high artistic values. The building at 1405 Second Street is also a commercial building, constructed sometime between 1948 and 1968 (as per historic aerials). As with 1320-1370 Second Street, the building at 1405 Second Street does not embody high architectural distinction to warrant listing in the NRHP.

3. A Description of the Affected Historic Properties, Including Information on the Characteristics that Qualify Them for the National Register

The USPS records search identified one previously recorded NRHP listed resource (the Property) within the direct APE and two NRHP eligible historical resources within the indirect APE, specifically, 1332-1364 Third Street (Uptown Theater) and 833 Franklin Street (Robert Sterling House). Please see the NRHP nomination and amendment for information describing the Property and the characteristics which qualified it for listing (Exhibits A and B attached hereto).

The Uptown Theater was constructed in 1935 and is an example of a Prohibition and Depression Era commercial building in Downtown Napa with Art Deco style. The Theater was already recognized as historic resource and was not further documented as part of the Downtown Napa Intensive-Level Survey. This property is eligible for listing in the NRHP as the property has exceptionally high architectural merit, and/or was designed by a master architect, according to the Downtown Napa Historic Context Statement and Survey Report from 2011.

The Robert Sterling House at 833 Franklin Street was constructed in 1872 and is an example of an Italianate villa. The House was already recognized as historic resource and was not further documented as part of the Downtown Napa Intensive-Level Survey. This property is eligible for listing in the NRHP as the property has exceptionally high architectural merit, and/or was designed by a master architect, according to the Survey.

The table below shows the addresses and NRHP status of each of the buildings within the Direct and Indirect APE.

NRHP Eligibility of Buildings in the Direct and Indirect APE

Address	Name (if any)	Construction Date	NRHP Status/NRHP Eligibility
1310 Second Street	n/a	c. 1954	Not Eligible (Local Landmark eligible only)
1320-1370 Second Street	n/a	1960	Not Previously Surveyed*
1351 Second Street	Napa Franklin Station	1933	Listed
1405 Second Street	n/a	1948-1968	Not Previously Surveyed*
1400-1420 Second Street	n/a	1953	Not Eligible
1324-1330 Third Street	n/a	1938	Not Eligible
1322 Third Street	n/a (share's parcel with Zeller's hardware store)	c. 1929	Not Eligible
1332-1364 Third Street	Uptown Theater	1935	Eligible
819 Randolph Street	Zeller's hardware store	C1929, 1940 ¹	Not Eligible
833 Franklin Street	Robert Sterling house	1872	Eligible

Notes:

* These buildings were not previously evaluated but were determined not eligible for listing by the consultant during the survey conducted for this undertaking.

n/a = Not applicable

¹ The 2011 *Downtown Napa Historic Context Statement and Survey Report* provides 1940 as the build date for 819 Randolph Street. The DPR 523 form created during the same survey states that the building was constructed c. 1929.



1310 Second Street, determined not eligible
Downtown Napa Historic Context Statement and Survey Report, 2011



1320-1370 Second Street, determined not eligible



1351 Second Street, Napa Franklin Station (Property), listed



1405 Second Street, determined not eligible



1400-1420 Second Street, determined not eligible
Downtown Napa Historic Context Statement and Survey Report, 2011



1324-1330 Third Street, determined not eligible
Downtown Napa Historic Context Statement and Survey Report, 2011



1322 Third Street, determined not eligible
Downtown Napa Historic Context Statement and Survey Report, 2011



1332-1364 Third Street, determined eligible



819 Randolph Street, determined not eligible
Downtown Napa Historic Context Statement and Survey Report, 2011



833 Franklin Street, determined eligible

4. A Description of the Undertaking's Effect on Historic Properties

The undertaking will have an adverse effect on the Property. As defined in 36 CFR § 800.5(a)(2), adverse effects on historic properties include physical destruction of or damage to all or part of the Property. The undertaking will have no adverse effect on historic properties within the Indirect APE. The two buildings that were previously determined individually eligible for listing in the NRHP, 833 Franklin Street and 1332-1364 Third Street, are a reasonable distance away and/or are oriented away from the Property so that the Property does not contribute to the significance of these buildings. The demolition of the Property will, consequently, not have an adverse effect on the 833 Franklin Street or 1332-1364 Third Street properties.

5. An Explanation of Why the Criteria of Adverse Effect Were Found Applicable or Inapplicable, Including Any Conditions or Future Actions to Avoid, Minimize, or Mitigate Adverse Effects

The criteria of Adverse Effect are applicable based upon 36 CFR §§ 800.5(a)(2), because the property will be physically destroyed. The conditions or future actions to avoid, minimize or mitigate adverse effects will be determined based upon consultation under 36 CFR §800.6.

6. Copies or Summaries of Any Views Provided by Consulting Parties and the Public

As consultation is just commencing, the views of the public and consulting parties have not yet been expressed. When such views are expressed, the USPS will supplement this letter with a summary of such views.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Should you have any comments on the undertaking please contact Julia Mates, Tetra Tech, (510) 302-6300 or by email at julia.mates@tetrattech.com.

Sincerely,

Daniel B. Delahaye

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