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Paul D. Carangelo, REM CESM
Port of Corpus Christi Authority
222 Power Street
Corpus Christi, Texas 78401

Re: Project Review under the Antiquities Code of Texas
Draft Reports: *Archeological Survey of Port of Corpus Christi 400+ Acres Near
Ingleside on the Bay, San Patricio County, Texas (Revised Draft) and
Archaeological Testing at the McGloin Bluff Site, 41SP11, San Patricio County,
Texas*
(TAC 3385)

Dear Mr. Carangelo:

Thank you for providing the above draft reports referenced above and for meeting with our staff in Austin on the 17th of February. This letter serves as comment on the drafts from the State Historic Preservation Officer, the Executive Director of the Texas Historical Commission.

The review staff, led by Ed Baker, has completed its review. We concur that archeological site 41SP11 is eligible as a State Archeological Landmark and for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. We concur that there are no eligible historic properties on the remainder of the 432 acres surveyed and construction in these areas should proceed as planned. The draft reports are acceptable as is and we look forward to receiving twenty copies of the combined final report.

At our meeting, you stated that the site will be impacted. A scope of work for archeological mitigation should be submitted to this office for review. You can obtain lists of most professional archeologists in Texas (many of which perform contract archeological investigations), on-line at: <http://www.counciloftexasarcheologists.org/> or <http://www.rpanet.org/>.

Since Federal participation is anticipated (e.g. through COE permitting) you may wish to contact their environmental and archeological staffs so that similar federal cultural resource reviews and consultations can run concurrently.

Paul Carangelo

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At the meeting, the status of cultural resources at the Ingleside Naval Air Station was discussed. Our office concurred with a determination of "No Historic Properties Affected" made by the Navy for the ca. 5 acres around archeological site 41SP183. An earlier cultural resources survey resulted in a similar finding for the Navy on about five more adjacent acres (per the attached reports). Other areas of the Ingleside Station may still need to be addressed. **If you have any questions concerning our review or if we can be of further assistance, please contact Ed Baker at 512/463-5866.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "William A. Austin".

for
F. Lawrence Oaks,
State Historic Preservation Officer
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cc: available documents and reports regarding cultural resources at Ingleside Naval Station