

Appendix E: Reclamation's Cultural Resources Determination

CULTURAL RESOURCES COMPLIANCE
Division of Environmental Affairs
Cultural Resources Branch (MP-153)

MP-153 Tracking Number: 15-SCAO-210

Project Name: Central Valley Project Interim Renewal Contract for Westlands Water District (WWD), Santa Clara Valley Water District (SCVWD), and Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency (PVWMA) 2016-2018

NEPA Document: EA-15-023

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This proposed undertaking by Reclamation is to enter into six interim renewal contracts with WWD, SCVWD, and PVWMA for a two-year period with existing contract water quantities. This is the type of undertaking that does not have the potential to cause effects to historic properties, should such properties be present, pursuant to the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106 regulations codified at 36 CFR Part 800.3(a)(1).

Reclamation proposes to execute six interim two-year contracts with the WWD, SCVWD, and PVWMA for 2016-2018. This proposed action would continue the existing interim renewal contracts with only minor administrative changes for the new contract period. The contract service areas have not changed. There is no ground disturbance, construction of new facilities, alternation of existing facilities, or change in land use associated with this proposed action.

This document is intended to convey the completion of the NHPA Section 106 process for this undertaking. Reclamation has no further obligations under NHPA Section 106, pursuant to 36 CFR § 800.3(a)(1). Please retain a copy in the administrative record for this action. Should changes be made to this project, additional NHPA Section 106 review, possibly including consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer, may be necessary. Thank you for providing the opportunity to comment.