

August 25, 2017

Sean Higgins
Capital Area Regional Planning Commission
City-County Building, Room 362
210 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard
Madison, WI 53703-2558

RE: Elderberry Neighborhood Central Urban Service Area, Dane County, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Higgins:

No previously recorded archaeological sites have been recorded within the Elderberry Neighborhood Central Urban Service Area. However, the area has not been surveyed for the presence of archaeological resources. Because of the identification in a recent survey of four pre-contact sites immediately east of this parcel, and because of similarities in the landforms, we recommend that an archaeological survey of the parcel be completed by a qualified archaeologist. When the archaeological field investigation is completed, please send two copies of the report to our office.

Please note that the West Middleton Lutheran Church Cemetery (BDA-84) is located in the very southwestern corner of the proposed expansion area.

Under Wisconsin law, Native American burial mounds, unmarked burials, and all marked and unmarked cemeteries are protected from intentional disturbance. If anyone suspects that a Native American burial mound or an unmarked or marked burial is present in an area, the Wisconsin Historical Society should be notified.

If human bone is unearthed during any phase of a project, **all work must cease**, and the <u>local</u> <u>authorities must be contacted</u>. The police or sheriff will determine if the burial is a criminal matter or if it should be referred to the Wisconsin Historical Society at 1-800-342-7834 to be in compliance with Wis. Stat. § 157.70 which provides for the protection of all human burial sites. If we are contacted, **work cannot resume until the Wisconsin Historical Society gives permission**. If you have any questions concerning the law, please contact the Wisconsin Historical Society at 1-800-342-7834.

If you have any questions, or if you need additional information, my contact information is listed below.

Sincerely

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