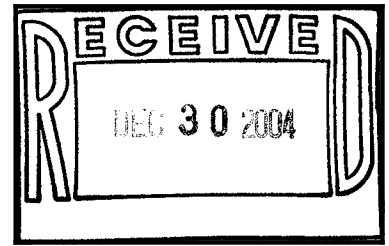




REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

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DEC 29 2004



Mr. Woody Corbine, Executive Director
Mni Sose Intertribal Water Rights Coalition
514 Mount Rushmore Road
Rapid City, South Dakota 57709-2890

Dear Mr. Corbine:

At the recent semi-annual consultation meeting held in Rapid City on December 14 to 16, 2004, the Corps provided and explained the two standard operating procedures and how they are being used to comply with stipulations 7 and 8A, respectively, of the Programmatic Agreement for the Operation and Management of the Missouri River Main Stem System. The attendees requested the Corps to distribute the standard operating procedures for review and comment.

Therefore, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Omaha District (Corps) is providing the Archeological Resources Protection Act and Antiquities Act Permitting Standard Operating Procedure, dated August 31, 2004 and the Section 106 Review Process Standard Operating Procedure, dated November 2, 2004 for your review and comment.

Please forward comments via mail, facsimile, or e-mail to Mr. Larry Janis, Cultural Resources Program Manager, no later than January 28, 2005 at the following address:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Omaha District
Attn: CENWO-PM-AE/Janis
106 South 15th Street
Omaha, Nebraska 68102

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The Corps looks forward to receiving your comments. If there are any questions, please contact me or Mr. Janis at (402) 221-3110.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey A. Bedey
Colonel, Corps of Engineers
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Enclosure