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Dear Mr. Wheeler

This letter forwards for your attention a read ahead version of the proposed Programmatic Agreement (PA) and supporting document prepared by the U.S. Air Force in compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and 36 CFR Part 800. This agreement concerns the proposed Powder River Training Complex (PRTC) and includes a provision whereby the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) designates lead agency status to the Air Force for purposes of compliance with the NHPA.

FAA staff has worked closely with Air Force personnel on the development of the PA and support document, including responses to comments from consulting parties. The Air Force appreciates this excellent teamwork. We request your consideration of these read ahead documents, which represent the Air Force's proposed best solution to resolve potential adverse effects during implementation of the PRTC undertaking, if approved.

As coordinated with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, we plan on forwarding the final version of the PA for signature by the consulting parties in about a week. If you have any questions, please contact me directly at 605-385-2801, or my airspace manager and tribal liaison, Mr. George Stone, at 605-385-1260, or george.stone@ellsworth.af.mil.

Sincerely


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2 Attachments

- 1. Programmatic Agreement**
- 2. Section 106 Supporting Documentation**