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June 28, 2019

RE: DHR Project File No.: 2019-2999, Received by DHR: May 28, 2019  
*Section 106 NHPA Consultation for Rehabilitating Flamingo Visitor Center, Everglades National Park*

Dear Mr. Ramos:

The Florida State Historic Preservation Officer reviewed the referenced project for possible effects on historic properties listed, or eligible for listing, in the *National Register of Historic Places*. The review was conducted in accordance with Section 106 of the *National Historic Preservation Act of 1966*, as amended, and its implementing regulations in *36 CFR Part 800: Protection of Historic Properties*.

The proposed undertaking includes the rehabilitation and modification of the Flamingo Visitor Center in Everglades National Park (ENP). The Flamingo Visitor Center (8MO1935) is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) and is a contributing resource to the NRHP-eligible Flamingo Mission 66 Developed Area (8MO2146). The Flamingo Visitor Center and the Flamingo Mission 66 Developed Area are significant as excellent examples of Mission 66 architecture, landscape, and planning. Although both resources have sustained repeated hurricane damage and other modifications, these resources retain a high level of historic character and integrity.

The proposed work includes both interior and exterior alterations that will harden the structure for storm activity, incorporate Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) qualities, and ensure ADA accessibility. Proposed work includes replacing all windows, adding infill to the exterior railing, expanding an exterior entry to create a new primary entrance, additional hardscape, altering interior and exterior circulation routes, and new signage. Other work focuses on the repair and rehabilitation of the building and is more consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation.

Based on the description and plans provided for the proposed project, our office concurs with ENP's determination of "Historic Properties Adversely Affected" for this undertaking. We note that the project will have an adverse effect on both the Flamingo Visitor Center and the Flamingo Mission 66 Developed Area. Since ENP and our office have determined the proposed undertaking will constitute an adverse effect, ENP is directed to follow the procedures described in 36 CFR Part 800.6, *Resolution of Adverse Effects*. We note that these procedures require notification of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) as well as involvement of consulting parties and the public.

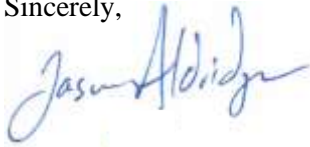


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We also concur that the documentation of the proposed activities, Area of Potential Effect, and level of cultural resources inventory effort for this undertaking are sufficient. Our office is available to continue consultation with ENP regarding measures to avoid, minimize, or mitigate the adverse effect.

If you have any questions, please contact me by email at [Jason.Aldridge@dos.myflorida.com](mailto:Jason.Aldridge@dos.myflorida.com), or by telephone at 850.245.6344.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jason Aldridge". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "J".

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