Jessica Mitchell - RE: [External] Re: HPO Comments - Jones House

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Good morning, Jessica,

The statement of archaeological potential is OSA's recommendation that any future work planned at the property, that involves ground disturbing activities, should consider the potential for archaeological remains. It is based on our desktop review of the property, its history, topographical setting, proximity to other known sites, amount of visible known disturbances, etc. that assesses the likelihood that buried deposits either associated with the historic use (or in some cases predating the historic occupation) of the property may exist. It is not a recommendation that any archaeological work (i.e., survey) be completed as part of the designation, only that the property has the potential for intact cultural deposits based on OSA's review and that should be considered if there is any work planned in the future that could potentially disturb those potential deposits.

I am not very familiar with the actual designation reports but would assume there is a place to include OSA's statement, rather than it being a separate document.

Hope that helps answer your questions.

Thanks
Michael

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Thanks, Kristi!

Hi, Michael, I would be interested in knowing more about your comment. Is this statement something that would be recommended to include in the designation report, or something to complete in the future if there is work done on the property?

Thanks your help!
Best,
Jessica

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Good question! I would include Michael's comments in the report, along with the date he made the comments (or you received them.) I think that may be helpful for future HPCs.

I've copied Michael in case he has anything to add.

Best,
Kristi

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