

Department of Cultural Affairs

Historic Preservation Division State of New Mexico

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Kersti Rock New Mexico Garden Clubs District II Director Los Alamos Garden Club Los Alamos, NM

RE: HPD Log #122724—Design Proposal for a deer fence to preserve the Los Alamos Memorial Rose Garden

VIA EMAIL: ankaere@gmail.com

Dear Ms. Rock:

Thank you for submitting the *Design Proposal for a Deer Fence to preserve the Los Alamos Memorial Rose Garden* to the New Mexico State Historic Preservation Office for review and comment.

A review of our cultural resource database indicates a portion of the property has undergone a previous cultural resource survey. The review also indicates an archaeological site is located to the north of the proposed project area. This site has been extensively investigated. No cemeteries or known burial grounds are located on the property, nor are any known archaeological sites within the project boundary.

Because the property is on private land, a survey is not required. Given that the property has been in use as a public rose garden since 1957, it is unlikely that intact archaeological remains are present. However, there remains the possibility for unidentified cultural resources to be found within the project area. If ground disturbing activities relating to the project result in the discovery of archaeological materials (i.e., ceramic sherds, lithic artifacts, bone, darkly stained sediment etc.), we recommend that construction activity is stopped and our office is contacted for further consultation.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at cortney.wands@dca.nm.gov or (505) 476-1341.

Sincerely,

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