

A NEGATIVE CULTURAL RESOURCES SURVEY REPORT FOR THE 1434 MONTIEL ROAD PROJECT

SAN DIEGO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

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<i>Report Title:</i>	A Negative Cultural Resources Survey Report for the 1434 Montiel Road Project, San Diego County, California (PDS2022- TM-5648)
<i>Type of Study:</i>	Phase I Intensive Pedestrian Survey
<i>New Sites:</i>	None
<i>Updated Sites:</i>	None
<i>USGS Quadrangle:</i>	<i>Valley Center, California</i> (7.5-minute)
<i>Acreage:</i>	2.05 acres
<i>Key Words:</i>	USGS <i>Valley Center</i> Quadrangle (7.5-minute); archaeological survey; negative; archaeological monitoring recommended.

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RE: A Negative Cultural Resources Survey for the 1434 Montiel Road Project, San Diego County, California (PDS2022-TM-5648)

Please be advised that a survey has been conducted for the above-referenced project. It has been determined that there are no cultural resources present on this property. The project has been plotted on the attached U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) *Valley Center, California* (7.5-minute) topographic quadrangle map (see Figure 2 in Attachment A). The pertinent survey data is presented below:

County: San Diego

USGS 7.5' Quadrangle: *Valley Center*

Date: Digital (no date)

Section: Unsectioned

Township: 12 South

Range: 2 West

Other Locational Data: Located northwest of the intersection of Montiel Road and Via Teramo at 1434 Montiel Road, San Diego County, California

Assessor's Parcel Number (APN): 228-171-16

UTM: 11S 489771.47 m E / 3665713.39 m N (taken from the center of the project)

Elevation: Elevation ranges from approximately 670 to 680 feet above mean sea level.

Owner and Address: NOAA Group, 4990 North Harbor Drive, Suite 201, San Diego, California 92106

Survey Type: Phase I Intensive Pedestrian Survey

Date of Survey: January 5, 2024

Field Crew: BFSa Field Operations Manager Clarence L. Hoff conducted the pedestrian survey. Native American monitor Vii Sialoi of Saving Sacred Sites was present for the cultural resources survey of the project.

INTRODUCTION

BFSA Environmental Services, a Perennial Company (BFSA), conducted an archaeological assessment for the 1434 Montiel Road Project to assess the potential for cultural resources within the project (APN 228-171-16). The proposed 2.05-acre (gross) project is located northwest of the intersection of Montiel Road and Via Teramo at 1434 Montiel Road, San Diego County, California (see Figures 1 and 2 in Attachment A). Historically, the property contained a residence and one ancillary structure. Currently, the subject property is vacant, having been cleared between 2020 and 2021. As designed, the project proposes to subdivide the subject property into 10 residential lots (see Figure 3 in Attachment A).

RESULTS OF THE INSTITUTIONAL RECORDS SEARCHES AND RESEARCH

BFSA reviewed an archaeological records search of a one-mile radius around the project (Attachment B) that was conducted by the South Coastal Information Center (SCIC) at San Diego State University (SDSU). The search did not identify any previously recorded cultural resources within the subject property; however, within one mile of the project, 28 historic addresses and 60 cultural resource (23 prehistoric, 35 historic, one multi-component, and one with no provided information) locations have been recorded (Table 1 in Attachment D).

The SCIC records search also identified 77 cultural resource studies which have been conducted within a one-mile radius of the project. Two of the previously conducted studies (Gavin 1980; Robbins-Wade 2003) overlap the subject property. Each of these studies are large overviews and neither directly address the proposed project location.

BFSA also reviewed the following historic sources, which did not indicate the presence of any additional resources within the project:

- The National Register of Historic Places Index
- The Office of Historic Preservation, Archaeological Determinations of Eligibility
- The Office of Historic Preservation, Built Environment Resources Directory
- The USGS 1901 and 1942 (15-minute) *Escondido, California* quadrangle maps
- The USGS 1949, 1955, and 1978 (7.5-minute) *Valley Center, California* quadrangle maps
- Aerial photographs (1947 to 2023)

The historic maps indicate that a residential structure was present within the property by 1942. The 1947 aerial photograph also shows this residence and one ancillary building, possibly a garage. Although subsequent aerial photographs are unclear, it appears that both buildings remained within the property until sometime between 2020 and 2021 when the property was cleared.

BFSA also requested a records search of the Sacred Lands File (SLF) by the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) (Attachment C). The purpose of the SLF search was to

determine whether Traditional Cultural Properties (TCPs) had been recorded within or nearby the subject property. The NAHC SLF search results were negative. Original correspondence may be found in Attachment C.

RESULTS OF THE FIELD SURVEY

The archaeological survey of the subject property took place on January 5, 2024. The intensive pedestrian survey was directed by Principal Investigator Tracy A. Stropes, M.A., RPA, and conducted by Field Operations Manager Clarence L. Hoff. Native American monitor Vii Sialoi from Saving Sacred Sites was present for the cultural resources survey of the project. A series of parallel survey transects were employed to conduct the reconnaissance, spaced at approximately 10-meter intervals. Photographs were taken to document project conditions at the time of the survey (Plates 1 through 4).



Plate 1: Overview of the project, facing west.



Plate 2: Overview of the project, facing northeast.



Plate 3: Overview of the project, facing northwest.



Plate 4: Overview of the project, facing southeast.

The entire project was accessible for the survey. However, the survey efforts were at times constrained by dense vegetation as well as piles of modern trash, pushed soil, and building debris, likely created from the demolition of structures previously located within the property. Vegetation found within the project primarily consisted of non-native weeds and grasses. In addition, eucalyptus, pepper, and palm trees were also identified within the project. The survey did not identify any prehistoric or historic resources within the property.

The Phase I archaeological survey for the 1434 Montiel Road Project was negative for the presence of cultural resources. While the survey did not result in the identification of any historic or prehistoric cultural resources, the property is located in proximity to multiple prehistoric and historic resources and has been impacted by past development and clearing. These impacts typically remove evidence of surface scatters of cultural artifacts. Therefore, given the past impacts to the property coupled with the frequency of resources within one mile, the obstructed ground visibility during the survey, and the noted historic occupation of the property, there still remains potential for the inadvertent discovery of archaeological resources during grading. As such, archaeological monitoring during grading is recommended as a condition of the grading permit.

Sincerely,

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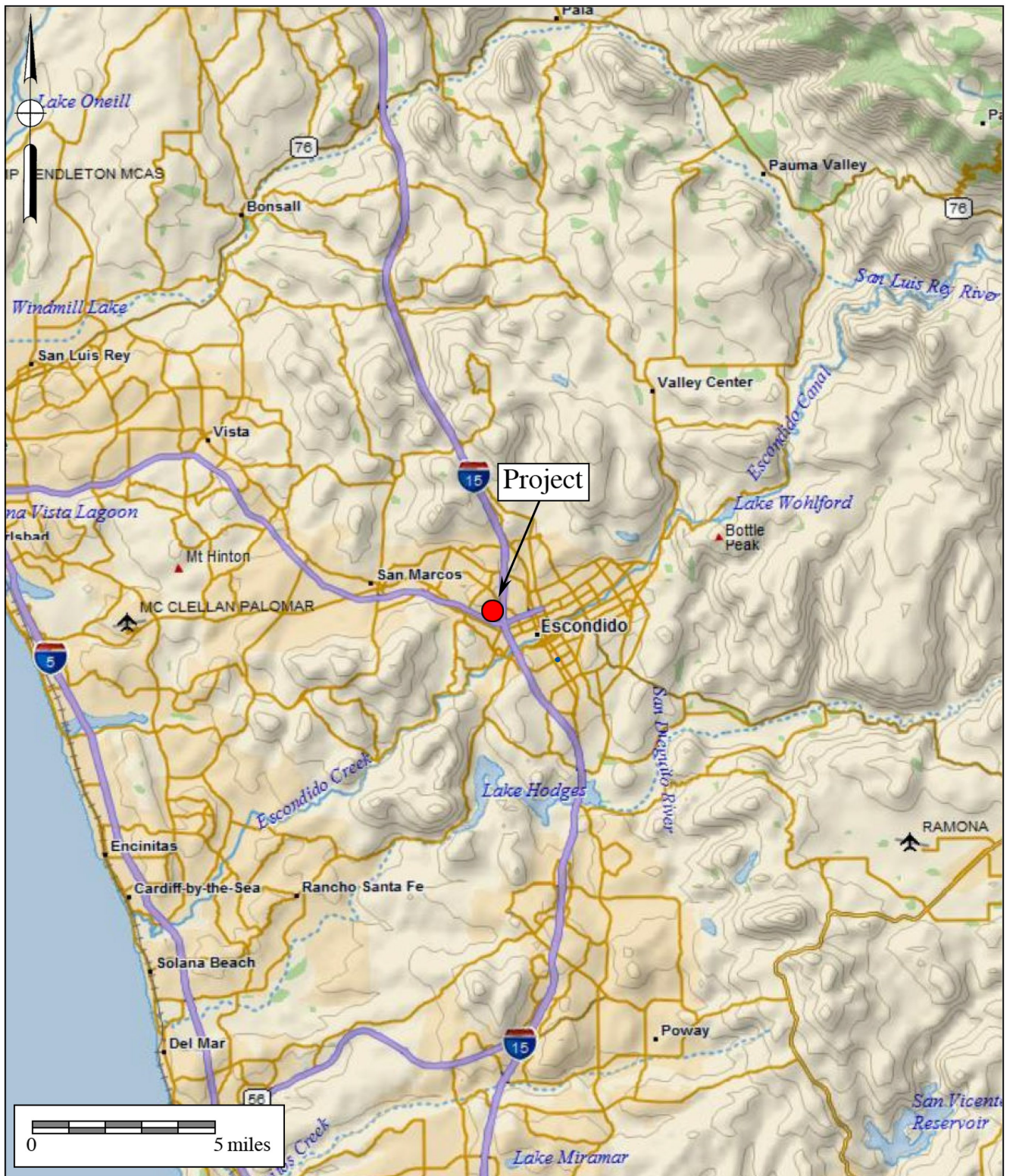
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Attachments:

Attachment A – Figures
Attachment B – Archaeological Records Search Results
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Attachment D – Table 1

APPENDIX A

Figures



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Figure 1 General Location Map

The 1434 Montiel Road Project
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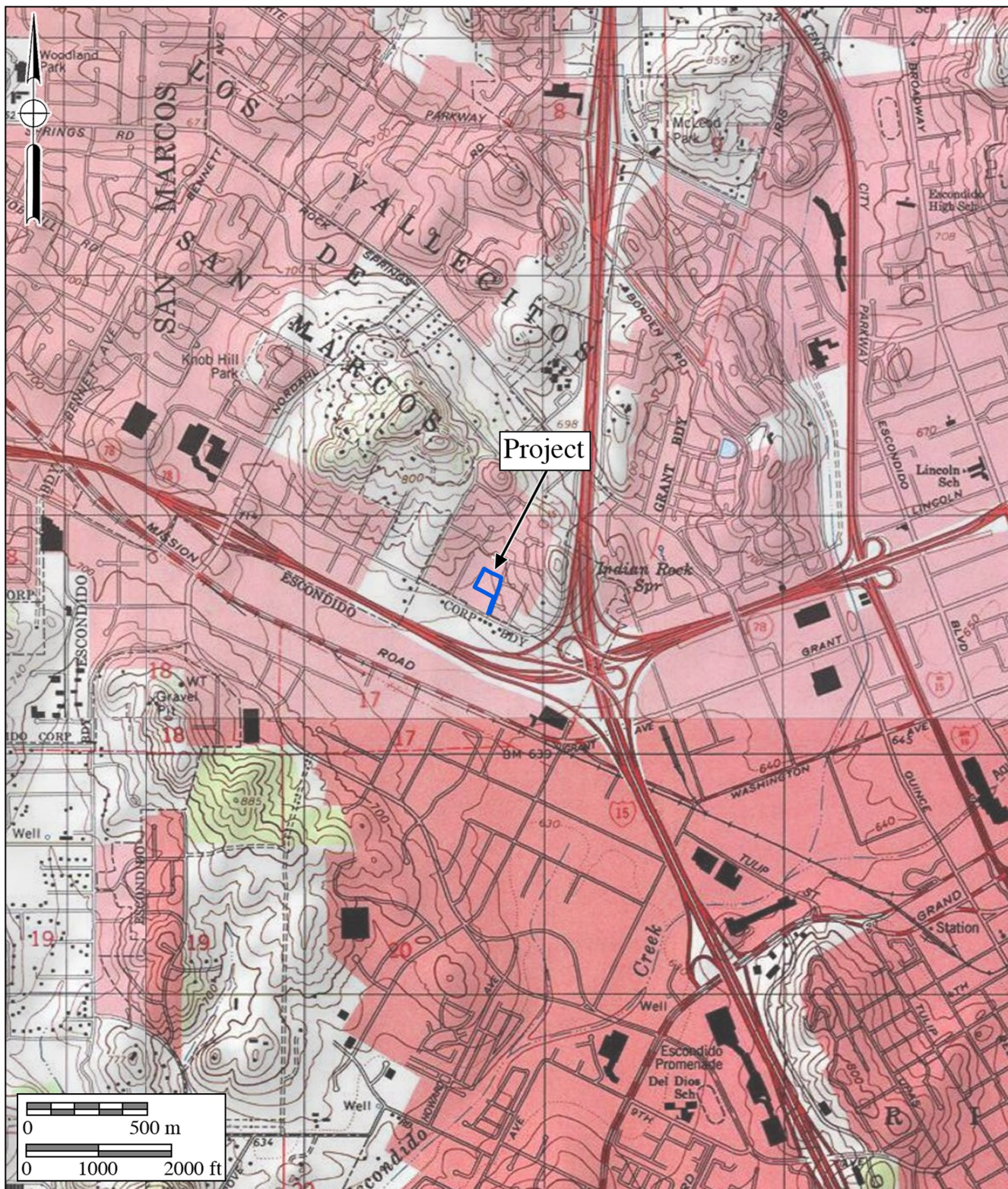


Figure 2

Project Location Map

The 1434 Montiel Road Project

USGS Valley Center, Escondido, San Marcos, and Rancho Santa Fe Quadrangles
(7.5-minute series)

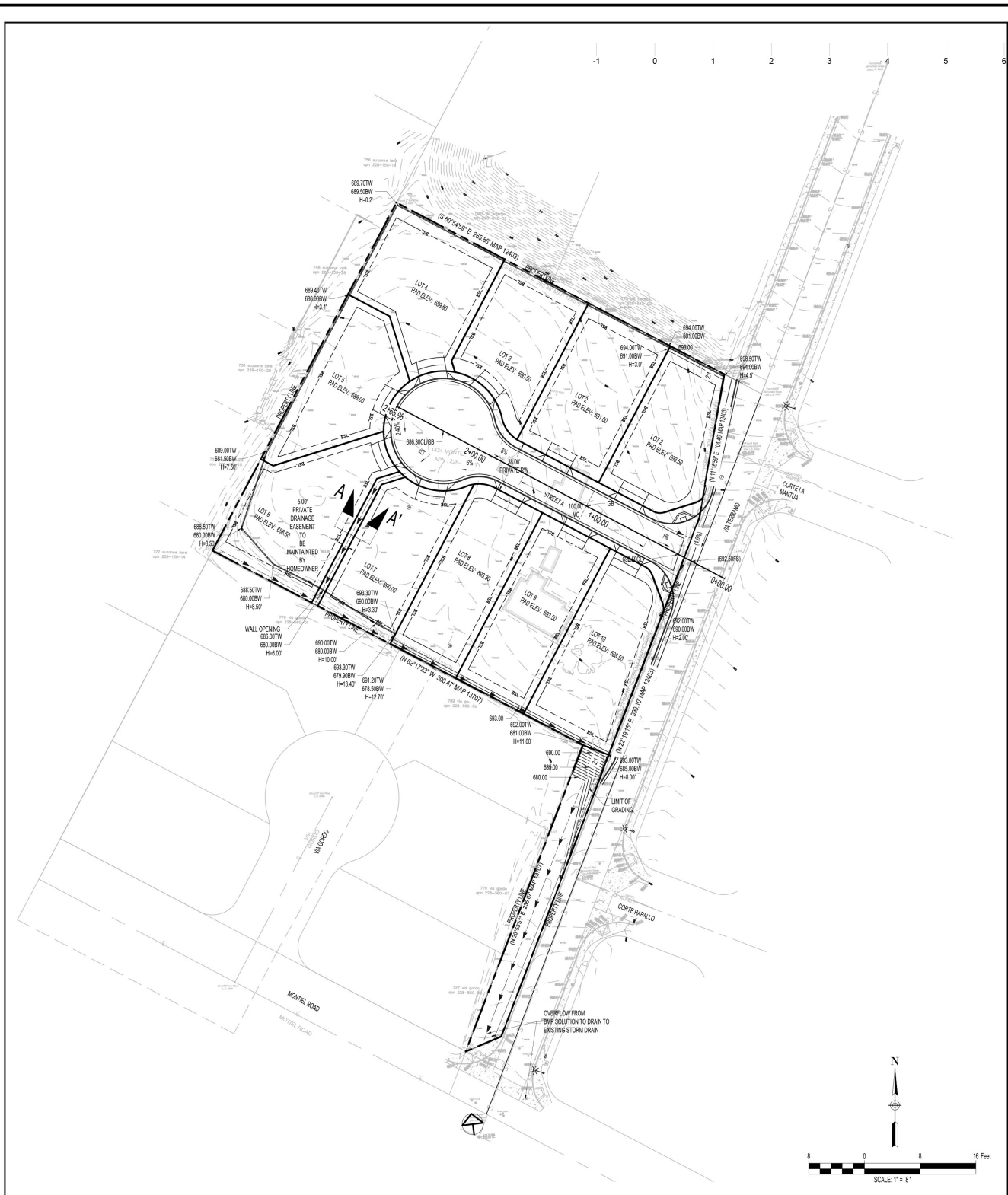


Figure 3
Project Development Map
 The 1434 Montiel Road Project

APPENDIX B

Archaeological Records Search Results

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APPENDIX C

NAHC Sacred Lands File Search Results

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APPENDIX D

Table 1

Table 1
Recorded Cultural Resources Located Within
One Mile of the 1434 Montiel Road Project

Site(s)	Site Type	Site Dimensions (m ²)*	Recording Event
SDI-152	Prehistoric bedrock milling site with midden	3,089	Treganza (ND); P. Chace and M. Sutton (1978)
SDI-153	No information provided	5,807	Treganza (ND)
SDI-1,035	Prehistoric bedrock milling site	3,071	D. True (1962)
SDI-1,036	Prehistoric bedrock milling site with lithic scatter	5404	D. True (1962); T. Wolfe (2020)
SDI-5210	Two Loci Locus A: Prehistoric bedrock milling site Locus B: Multi-component prehistoric bedrock milling site with habitation debris and historic trash scatter	A: 14,794 B: 4,577	P. Chace (1977; 1979); D. James, S. Briggs, and S. Campbell (1991)
SDI-5504	Prehistoric bedrock milling site with lithic scatter	583	D. Flower, D. Ike, and L. Roth (1978)
SDI-5505	Two Loci Locus A: Prehistoric bedrock milling site Locus B: Prehistoric lithic scatter	A: 700 B: 760	D. Flower, D. Ike, and L. Roth (1978)
SDI-6726	Prehistoric bedrock milling site	1,632	B. Bickford (1978)
SDI-6727	Prehistoric bedrock milling site with lithic scatter	1386	B. Bickford (1978)
SDI-6728	Prehistoric bedrock milling site	1124	B. Bickford (1978)
SDI-6729	Prehistoric bedrock milling site with lithic scatter	798	D. True (1962); B. Bickford (1978)
SDI-7785	Prehistoric bedrock milling site	5,743	D. Laylander (1980)
SDI-9828	Prehistoric bedrock milling site	671	P. Chace (1983)
SDI-9829	Prehistoric bedrock milling site	566	P. Chace (1983)
SDI-9830	Prehistoric bedrock milling site	509	P. Chace (1983)
SDI-14,325	Prehistoric bedrock milling site	1377	D. James, R. Bark, and T. Cooley (1996); M. Guerrero, T. Stropes, and D. Gallegos (2001)
P-37-019436	Historic industrial building	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019520	Historic residence	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019526	Historic barn	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019527	Historic residence	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019528	Historic industrial building	N/A	P. Leary (1983)

Site(s)	Site Type	Site Dimensions (m ²)*	Recording Event
P-37-019529	Historic residence	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019558	Historic barn	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019559	Historic residence	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019560	Historic residence	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019561	Historic commercial building	N/A	P. Leary (1983); C. Dolan (2002)
P-37-019562	Historic commercial building	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019563	Historic industrial building	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019564	Historic residence	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019565	Historic residence	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019566	Historic industrial building	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019567	Historic residence	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019622	Historic residence	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019623	Historic residence	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019624	Historic residence	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019625	Historic residence	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019632	Historic residence	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019633	Historic residence	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019634	Historic residence	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019699	Historic residence	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-019700	Historic barn	N/A	P. Leary (1983)
P-37-024439	Historic residence	N/A	C. Dolan (2002)
SDI-16,222	Prehistoric bedrock milling site	644	J. Underwood (2001)
SDI-16,223	Prehistoric bedrock milling site	935	J. Underwood (2001)
SDI-16,224	Prehistoric bedrock milling site	566	J. Underwood (2001)
SDI-16,225	Prehistoric bedrock milling site	676	J. Underwood (2001)
SDI-16,226	Prehistoric bedrock milling site	676	J. Underwood (2001)
P-37-024546	Historic transmission tower	N/A	L. Willey and C. Gregory (2002)
SDI-16,989	Prehistoric bedrock milling site with lithic scatter	466	Brian F. Smith and Associates, Inc. (2004)
SDI-16,990	Prehistoric lithic scatter	200	Brian F. Smith and Associates, Inc. (2004)
P-37-033557	Historic Highway 395	Linear resource multiple segments	Chasteene (2017); A. Foglia and K. Keckeisen (2017); Manchen and DeCarlo (2015); Ramos (2018); S. Stringer-Bowsher (2018); Tift (2021)
SDI-22,191	Historic wall	Linear resource (16 x 7.5ft)	A. Pignolio (2016)

Site(s)	Site Type	Site Dimensions (m ²)*	Recording Event
SDI-22,192	Prehistoric bedrock milling site with lithic scatter	26	A. Pignolio (2016)
P-37-035641	Historic residence	N/A	A. Pignolio (2016)
P-37-037787	Historic residence	N/A	K. Manchen (2015); L. Kung (2017)
SDI-22,824	Prehistoric bedrock milling site	544	J. Roy and M. Herrera (2018)
P-37-039453	Historic road	Linear resource	J. O'Connor (2020)
P-37-039454	Historic road	Linear resource	J. O'Connor (2020)
P-37-039455	Historic road	Linear resource	J. O'Connor (2020)
P-37-039621	Historic residence	N/A	H. Price (2019)

**Dimensions calculated from the SCIC provided shapefile unless otherwise noted.*