

Appendix A

Reclamation's Cultural Resources Determination

CULTURAL RESOURCE COMPLIANCE
Mid-Pacific Region
Division of Environmental Affairs
Cultural Resources Branch

MP-153 Tracking Number: 14-SCAO-300

Project Name: CVP Interim Renewal Contracts for Panoche WD. and San Luis WD. 2015-2017

NEPA Document: EA-14-007

MP 153 Cultural Resources Reviewer: Scott Williams



Date: September 25, 2014

The proposed undertaking by Reclamation is to continue two existing interim renewal contracts, with only minor, administrative changes to the contract provisions to update the previous interim renewal contracts for the new contract period, with no changes to the service area, no construction, and no ground disturbing activities. This is the type of undertaking that does not have the potential to cause effects to historic properties, should such properties be present, pursuant to the NHPA Section 106 regulations codified at 36 CFR § 800.3(a)(1). Reclamation has no further obligations under NHPA Section 106, pursuant to 36 CFR § 800.3(a)(1).

In the event a new long-term water service contract is executed, the interim renewal contract then-in-effect would be superseded by the long-term water service contract. No changes to the contractors' service areas or water deliveries are part of the Proposed Action. CVP water deliveries under the two proposed interim renewal contracts can only be used within each designated contract service area (see EA-14-007; Figure 2-1). The contract service area for the proposed interim renewal contracts have not changed from the existing interim renewal contracts. If the contractor proposes to change the designated contract service area separate environmental documentation and approval will be required.

This document is intended to convey the completion of the NHPA Section 106 process for this undertaking. Please retain a copy in the administrative record for this action. Should changes be made to this project, additional NHPA Section 106 review, possibly including consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer, may be necessary. Thank you for providing the opportunity to comment.