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Ms. Elizabeth Johnson
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
South Carolina Department of Archives and History
8301 Parklane Road
Columbia, SC 29223-4905

***RE: Phase I Archaeological Survey of the Proposed SC 72 Over Stony Fork Creek
Bridge Replacement, York County, South Carolina***

Dear Ms. Johnson:

Please find attached a copy of the above-referenced report that describes cultural resources investigations conducted for the proposed replacement of a bridge that carries SC 72 over Stony Fork Creek in **York County**, South Carolina. The replacement bridge will be constructed approximately fifty feet to the south of the existing bridge. A small amount new right of way will be required to complete the project.

The area of potential effect (APE) for the proposed project includes the existing and proposed new right-of-way within the project area. The archeological resources APE measures 0.88-kilometer or 0.55-mile long and has a width of 35 to 50 meters or 114 to 164 feet. The architectural resources APE includes the archeological resources APE and expands to include all architectural resources located within the viewshed of the proposed project, which is about 350 feet for this project.

The archaeological survey resulted in the discovery of no new sites or isolated finds.

The architectural resources survey resulted in the documentation of one previously unidentified structure 50 years of age or older. Resource # 3890 is a community store building constructed around 1930. The store is recommended **not eligible** for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). During the architectural resources survey one previously recorded structure, Resource # 1410, was revisited and reassessed. This resource consists of an abandoned residence and associated outbuildings that date to ca. 1880. The resource was originally recorded in the early 1990s and assessed at that time as **not eligible** for the NRHP. This assessment was reiterated during the current survey. The location of a third previously recorded structure, Resource # 1401, was also visited during the present survey but this structure was found to have been destroyed.

Based on the results of the background research and field investigations, the Department has determined that **no historic properties will be affected** by the proposed undertaking.

Per the terms of the Section 106 Programmatic Agreement executed on October 6, 2017, the Department is providing this information on behalf of the Federal Highway Administration. It is requested that you review the enclosed material, and, if appropriate, indicate your concurrence in

the Department's findings. Please respond within 30 days if you have any objections or if you have need of additional information.

Sincerely,

Bill Jurgelski

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Archaeologist

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I ~~(do not)~~ concur in the above determination.

Signed: *Kelly Seelus* Date: 08/22/2018

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