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Solveig Turpin, Ph.D.
TAS, Inc.
2047 Lakeshore Drive
Canyon Lake, TX 78133

Re: Revised Draft Phase I Report
La Division of Archaeology Report No. 22-5633
Pine Prairie 600 Pipeline, Phase I Cultural Resource Assessment

Dear Dr. Turpin:

We acknowledge receipt of your letter dated August 27, 2017 and two copies of the above referenced report. We have completed our review of this report and have the following comments to offer.

The report states that no artifacts were retained from either of the sites that were investigated as part of this project. This does not conform to the State of Louisiana's field standards, which explicitly state that all artifacts should be collected. We strongly recommend consultation with our office prior to any deviation from the standards. In the future, we may request additional field investigations when our standards are not met. Our field standards can be found here: <https://www.crt.state.la.us/cultural-development/archaeology/section-106/field-standards/index>.

In the discussions of previous work at 16EV80 and 16EV82, the author states that the sites were considered ineligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). This is not stated on the site forms, and as there was no Section 106 report generated from the project, they were never recommended as such. These statements, which are in both the background section and the site discussion sections, should be removed.

In the NRHP recommendation sections for sites 16EV80 and 16EV82, the sites' eligibility recommendations should be explicitly discussed in terms of the NRHP Criteria.

We concur that sites 16EV80 and 16EV82 are ineligible for listing in the NRHP and that no historic properties will be impacted by this project. Our office has no further concerns for this project.

We look forward to receiving one bound copy (printed double sided, if possible) and one pdf of the final report with our comments addressed. If shapefiles are available for the survey area, we request those as well.

If you have any questions, please contact Emily Dale at the Division of Archaeology by email at edale@crt.la.gov or by phone at 225-342-8166.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kristen P. Sanders". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'K' and a distinct 'P'.

Kristen Sanders,
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer