

Section 106 Consultation on demolition of aircraft shop, building 54 (B54) at Laughlin Air Force Base



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Attachment 1_LAFB ArcheologicalSites.pdf (~159 KB) Attachement 2_Project Location.pdf (~93 KB)

Good afternoon,

For your attention.

SUBJECT: Section 106 Consultation on demolition of aircraft shop, building 54 (B54) at Laughlin Air Force Base, Val Verde County, Texas

Reference: Tennis, Cynthia L., Marcie Renner, and Robert J. Hard (1996) Archaeological Survey of Laughlin Air Force Base, Val Verde County, Texas. Center for Archaeological Survey Report, No. 239. Center for Archaeological Research, The University of Texas at San Antonio.

Dear Chairman Bernard Barcena,

Laughlin Air Force Base (LAFB) located east of Del Rio in Val Verde County, Texas, would like to initiate a consultation with Lipan Apache Tribe of Texas. Among other things, we would like this consultation to address cultural and historic resource issues, pursuant to the regulations implementing Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

The project consists of demolish aircraft shop, B54. The facility is currently in closed status and programmed for demolition, per 47 CES/CC. The facility is not occupied nor used by the shops. Building 54 place in service date is July 1, 1986. It is about 384 square feet and prefabricated/modular materials were used for its construction.

According to our records, the base underwent a geoarchaeological investigation followed by a 100-percent archeological survey in 1994 recording 15 archeological sites (Attachment 1) located on the installation (Tennis et al. 1996). The distance between the archeological sites and B54 is more than 1,000 meters.

It is recommended that prior to any actions or onsite work, that any contractor or subcontractors be familiar with the Laughlin Integrated Cultural Resource Management Plan and to know all steps that are required to take if any archeological artifacts are unearthed.

47th Civil Engineer Squadron believes there will be no impact on historic or archeological properties. Although LAFB finds that this project will have no effect on historic properties, your response to this letter is greatly appreciated, acknowledging your interest in participating in this undertaking as a consulting party. We welcome your assistance in identifying any historic properties that may exist within the project's Area of Potential Effects (APE) and providing any key tribal contacts. Should you wish to discuss this project and its impacts with us further, you may contact me directly at [REDACTED] or by calling [REDACTED].

2 Attachments:

1. Laughlin Archeological Sites
2. Project Location

Respectfully,

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