WYOMING STATE PROTOCOL APPENDIX F AGREEMENT DOCUMENT PROCEDURES AND CHECKLIST

Project Name: _____

NOTE: Please use the Agreement Document Template found in Appendix G. Preparation of a MOA or PA follows consultation between the Signatories, Invited Signatories and the Concurring Parties. Generally the MOA/PA will be drafted by the responsible Field Office, who will also keep all parties apprised of the document's progress, and will schedule any necessary meetings and calls.

Before starting the Agreement Document process:

Action	YES	NO	Dates/Comments
Have SHPO concurrence on determination of eligibility			
and adverse effect that requires an agreement document,			
or have SHPO concurrence that a formal agreement			
document is required.			
Formally invite SHPO to participate in the agreement			
document			
Review the thresholds for ACHP participation-are they			
met?			
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met? If thresholds are met, invite ACHP via formal letter,			
including the information required at 800.11(e)			
Is ACHP Participating?			
Will this agreement be done under the Protocol or the	Protocol	Regs	
Regulations?			

MOA or PA

	Comments
Does this agreement need to be a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) or a	
Programmatic Agreement (PA)?	
Look at definitions of the two types at: 36 CFR Part 800.6(c) and 800.14(b).	
MOA	
Records the terms and conditions agreed upon to resolve the adverse effects	
of an undertaking on historic properties; and lays out how the undertaking	
will avoid, minimize, and/or mitigate those known effects.	
An MOA Is likely when:	
Is this a discrete undertaking?	
Has there been a complete inventory and have all	
historic properties been evaluated for eligibility and	
effect, and BLM has SHPO concurrence on both.	

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PA	
Records the terms and conditions agreed upon to resolve the potential	
adverse effects of an agency program, complex undertaking or other	
situations in accordance with 800.14(b); and lays out processes to determine	
eligibility, effects and ways to avoid, minimize and mitigate effects.	
A PA is likely when:	
Is this a complex undertaking?	
Is this a phased undertaking?	
Effects cannot be determined in advance	
Effects on historic properties are similar or repetitive,	
or are multi-state or regional in scope	
Nonfederal parties are delegated major decision	
making responsibilities	
Routine management activities are undertaken at	
Federal installations, facilities, or other land	
management units	
Other circumstances warrant a departure from the	
normal section 106 process	
May incorporate provisions from the State Protocol	
Will likely require a Historic Properties Treatment Plan	
Remember, ALL project specific PAs must now be done under the 106 Regulations at 36 CFR Part 800	

Setting up the Agreement Document:

Action	YES	NO	Dates/Comments
Work with SHPO to obtain an initial list of consulting			
parties and Indian tribes			
Send letters inviting consulting parties/Tribes to			
participate in the resolution of adverse effects (give them			
a respond by deadline)			
Compile lists of consulting parties who have and have not			
agreed to participate			
Send invites out for first meeting/conference call			
At first meeting: try to set a standard day/time and			
conference line/passcode numbers for each subsequent			
meeting /call			
Provide frequent drafts to all participants, and continue			
to do so throughout the consultation process until all			
parties approve document			
All parties will consult until an agreement is reached.			
Accept comments/edits during the meetings and in			
writing on drafts of the document			

The Agreement Document:

Topic/Section	YES	NO	Dates/Comments
Title, Preamble:			
Are all Signatories named in the title? (e.g. Federal Agencies, SHPO/THPO, Applicant/s, ACHP if participating, etc.)			
Is the entire undertaking and the nature of the Federal involvement described?			
Does the agreement note whether the agreement was developed pursuant to the State Protocol or the Section 106 Regulations at 36 CFR Part 800?			
Is the responsible Federal agency identified?			
If a multi-agency undertaking, has BLM been identified as the lead Federal agency? Identify the roles of other delegating agencies (see 36 CFR Part 800.2(a)(1)).			
Is an applicant for Federal permits, licenses, grants, or other assistance identified? Make sure to describe their roles and responsibilities clearly.			
Has the appropriate SHPO/THPO been identified?			
Are all other consulting parties identified? (see 36 CFR Part 800.2)			
Have the historic properties affected by the undertaking been identified?			
If doing a PA with phased identification, is the need for such an approach described?			
Does the preamble acknowledge historic properties will or may be adversely affected?			
Is a reference included to the agency's public involvement efforts?			
Stipulations:			
Are the stipulations preceded by a clear statement that the Federal agencies shall ensure that these terms are carried out?			
Are all of the provisions agreed upon during consultation included? Make sure they are grouped logically.			
Does each stipulation clearly identify who is responsible to carry it out?			
Do all tasks have clear time frames for initiation and completion?			
Are all stipulations written in the active voice?			
Are tasks assigned only to those parties that will sign the agreement (Signatories and Invited Signatories)?			
Has the use of qualified professionals been stipulated where appropriate?			

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If archaeological data recovery is stipulated, is the data recovery plan attached to or referenced in the		
document? Is the process for a post-execution decision making		
described in a complete, logical and organized way? (Who makes what decisions? Who is consulted with? When do		
decisions need to be made? What information is needed?)		
Are procedures for consulting party involvement included for any ongoing reviews carried out according to the agreement's terms?		
Are procedures for responding to the unanticipated discovery of historic properties or adverse effects to identified historic properties included?		
Is a dispute resolution procedure included?		
Are procedures for monitoring and reporting on agreement implementation included as appropriate to the project?		
Are provisions for the amendment or termination of the agreement included?		
Is the duration specified, and does it allow adequate time for the terms to be completed?		
Do the stipulations conclude with an affirmation statement consistent with the template agreement document?		

Completing the Agreement Document (housekeeping, approval, signatures):

Action	YES	NO	Dates/Comments
Housekeeping:			
Are all parties assigned responsibilities in the agreement			
document either a Signatory or Invited Signatory?			
Does each signature line include the printed name, title,			
agency/organization and date of signature?			
Are Signatories, Invited Signatories and Concurring Parties			
clearly separated from each other?			
Have all terms and references been used correctly and			
accurately?			
Are all acronyms and abbreviations identified and used			
consistently?			
Double check spelling, grammar, formatting, pagination,			
section numbers, etc. including on Appendices; remove			
all "draft" notations			
Are all attachments and appendices cited correctly, and			

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are they attached?		
Could a "cold reader" understand the agreement and		
what it requires?		
Approvals/Signatures:		
ALL Signatories have reviewed the document and		
approved it		
As applicable, email to DOI solicitors (SOL) for review and		
approval (through FM or DM) (if they make changes, send		
it back out to all parties for review and approval)		
Email to SHPO to send for AG review and approval (if they		
make changes, send it back out to all parties for review		
and approval)		
Have Wyoming Attorney General (AG) approval		
Send "Draft Final" document back out to all parties for		
one more look, request they respond via email/in writing		
of their approval (specify timeframe)		
Make enough originals to send around for signature for		
primary Parties to keep (SHPO, company/ies, Field Office		
and ACHP if participating), all others will receive a copy		
including the signatures		
Order of Signatures:		
BLM Field Manager		
BLM District Manager, as appropriate		
Applicant/s		
All other Invited Signatories		
Any Concurring Party that wants to sign (they do not		
have to sign)		
Send to State Office SHPO Liaison to obtain signatures:		
DSD for Resources Policy and Management		
State AG		
SHPO		
ACHP (if participating)		
Once all signatures are obtained, WSO or ACHP (if		
participating) will send originals back to Field Office for		
distribution (minus the SHPO copy), and will scan		
document and email to Field Office		
Once the document is fully signed/executed, then Section		
106 has been completed. Any decision document (e.g.		
ROD/DR, FONSI, CX, etc.) can then be signed and shall		
reference the agreement document.		

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Even if the ACHP did not participate, the Field Office shall		
send a copy of the fully executed document to them		

Tips:

Do not include information that is not relevant to Section 106

Do reference other laws as needed, but don't go into detail about how they will be carried out Bind sidebar agreements (e.g. HPTPs) to ROD/DR

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