



46 of 1966 (NHPA) and its implementing regulations, 36 CFR Part 800, as amended (collectively referred to  
47 as “Section 106”); and

48 WHEREAS, Fort Harrison VAMC has consulted with the Montana Historical Society as the Montana State  
49 Historic Preservation Officer (MT SHPO), pursuant to 36 CFR § 800.2(c)(1); and

50 WHEREAS, Fort Harrison VAMC invited the Apache Tribe of Oklahoma, Confederated Salish and  
51 Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation, Crow Tribe of Montana, Fort Belknap Indian Community of  
52 the Fort Belknap Reservation of Montana, Little Shell Chippewa Tribe, and the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes  
53 of the Fort Hall Reservation to participate in consultation as federally recognized Indian tribes that attach  
54 religious and cultural significance to historic properties in Lewis & Clark County, pursuant to 36 CFR §  
55 800.2(c)(2), and the Crow Tribe of Montana and the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes have responded with  
56 interest in participating in this consultation; and

57 WHEREAS, Fort Harrison VAMC invited the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council, Chippewa Cree Business  
58 Community, Fort Peck Tribal Executive Board, Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council, Helena-Lewis & Clark  
59 County Certified Local Government, Lewis & Clark County Historical Society, Preserve Montana, and the  
60 Fort William Henry Harrison Museum Foundation/Montana Military Museum to participate in  
61 consultation, pursuant to 36 CFR § 800.2(c)(3) and (5), and the Northern Cheyenne Tribal  
62 Council responded on June 14, 2023, that the Undertaking would have no adverse effects and the Helena-  
63 Lewis & Clark Certified Local Government has responded with interest in participating in this consultation;  
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65 WHEREAS, Fort Harrison VAMC, in consultation with the MT SHPO, has determined that the Area of  
66 Potential Effects (APE) includes the whole of the Fort Harrison VAMC campus as depicted on the map in  
67 Attachment A, pursuant to 36 CFR § 800.4(a)(1); and

68 WHEREAS, Fort Harrison VAMC identified the Fort Harrison Veterans’ Hospital National Register  
69 Historic District (NRHP No. 16000874), Site 24LC0123, and Site 24LC1143 as historic properties within  
70 the APE as shown in Attachment B, pursuant to 36 CFR § 800.4; and

71 WHEREAS, Fort Harrison VAMC provided the public with information about the Undertaking and its  
72 effects on historic properties and sought public comment and input, pursuant to 36 CFR § 800.2(d), through  
73 National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance efforts through a newspaper announcement on  
74 March 31, 2023, and April 2, 2023, in *The Independent Record* and no parties responded with information  
75 related to historic properties as of July 26, 2023, and hosted a consultation meeting with the Consulting  
76 Parties on July 19, 2023; and

77 WHEREAS, Fort Harrison has determined in consultation with the MT SHPO that construction of the  
78 Central Utility Plant and the Parking Garage will not adversely affect the Fort Harrison Veterans’ Hospital  
79 National Register Historic District but has the potential to affect deposits associated with 24LC0123; and

80 WHEREAS, Fort Harrison VAMC has determined in consultation with the MT SHPO that seismic and  
81 functional improvements to Buildings 141, 150, 154, 154A, and the Connecting Corridors and the removal  
82 of equipment from Building 171 will be limited to the interiors of the buildings and therefore will not  
83 adversely affect the Fort Harrison Veterans’ Hospital National Register Historic District; and

84 WHEREAS, Fort Harrison VAMC has determined in consultation with the MT SHPO that construction of  
85 the proposed addition to Buildings 154 and 154A has the potential to encroach on the Parade Ground and  
86 alter the viewsheds surrounding the Parade Ground, notably from Buildings 2, 3, 4, and 41, and the Flag  
87 Pole (Object 52) in ways that are adverse to the integrity of the Fort Harrison Veterans’ Hospital National  
88 Register Historic District and that these projects have the potential to affect deposits associated with  
89 24LC0123 but that Fort Harrison VAMC cannot fully determine the effects of this construction on historic  
90 properties until the designs are complete; and

91 WHEREAS, Fort Harrison VAMC has determined in consultation with the MT SHPO that campus utility  
92 and infrastructure improvements have the potential to affect deposits associated with 24LC0123, but that  
93 Fort Harrison VAMC cannot fully determine the effects of this construction on historic properties until the  
94 designs are complete; and

95 WHEREAS, Fort Harrison VAMC expects the Undertaking to be funded in at least two phases and  
96 budgetary constraints, including Congressional allocations, limit the detailed design of the individual  
97 projects at this time such that Fort Harrison VAMC cannot fully determine the effects of the alternatives on  
98 historic properties, or to evaluate ways to avoid, minimize, or mitigate those adverse effects, prior to  
99 completing the appropriate National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance; and

100 WHEREAS, Fort Harrison VAMC plans a phased selection and design of construction alternatives and  
101 shall use a phased approach to complete assessment of the Undertaking's effects on historic properties,  
102 pursuant to 36 CFR § 800.5(a)(3); and

103 WHEREAS, Fort Harrison VAMC has determined it is appropriate to develop a programmatic agreement  
104 (PA) in accordance with 36 CFR § 800.14(b), including § 800.14(b)(1)(ii), which recognizes that a PA may  
105 be used when effects on historic properties cannot be fully determined prior to approval of an undertaking;  
106 and

107 WHEREAS, pursuant to 36 CFR § 800.6(a)(1)(i)(C), Fort Harrison VAMC invited the Advisory Council  
108 on Historic Preservation (ACHP) to participate in consultation and the ACHP chose to participate on May  
109 22, 2023; and

110 NOW, THEREFORE, Fort Harrison VAMC, MT SHPO, and ACHP agree that the Undertaking will be  
111 implemented in accordance with the following stipulations in order to take into account the effects of the  
112 Undertaking on historic properties.

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STIPULATIONS

115 I. APPLICABILITY

- 116 a. Fort Harrison VAMC is responsible for ensuring implementation of the stipulations of this  
117 PA associated with the Undertaking.
- 118 b. The Anti-Deficiency Act, 31 U.S.C. § 1341, prohibits federal agencies from incurring an  
119 obligation of funds in advance of or in excess of available appropriations. VAMC's  
120 obligations under this Agreement are subject to the availability of appropriated funds, and  
121 the stipulations of this Agreement are subject to the provisions of the Anti-Deficiency Act.  
122 VAMC shall make reasonable and good faith efforts to secure the necessary funds to  
123 implement this Agreement in its entirety. If compliance with the Anti-Deficiency Act alters  
124 or impairs VAMC's ability to implement the stipulations of this Agreement, VAMC shall  
125 consult in accordance with the amendment and termination procedures found at  
126 Stipulations IV and V of this Agreement.

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128 II. GENERAL

- 129 a. Time designations shall be in calendar days.
- 130 b. Fort Harrison VAMC shall ensure that federal or contractor staff who meet the applicable  
131 Secretary of the Interior's *Professional Qualification Standards* for architectural history,  
132 history, archaeology, architecture, and/or historic architecture (36 CFR Part 61) participate  
133 as required by this PA.
- 134 c. Fort Harrison VAMC shall complete the identification and evaluation of historic properties  
135 prior to advancement of designs past 35% (approximately Schematic Design between  
136 phases one and two), following Undertaking component authorization and receipt of

137 funding, to assist in the avoidance and minimization of adverse effects to historic properties  
138 in advance of construction.

- 139 d. For all draft and final documents and deliverables produced in compliance with this  
140 Agreement, Fort Harrison VAMC shall provide documents electronically for formal  
141 review and for communications among the Consulting Parties. Fort Harrison VAMC also  
142 shall send a hard copy of formal correspondence to the MT SHPO. Failure to comment  
143 within specified time designations shall not prevent Fort Harrison VAMC from proceeding  
144 in the process as outlined in this PA.
  - 145 i. MT SHPO shall alert Fort Harrison VAMC if new submission policies are  
146 implemented and inform Fort Harrison VAMC if hard copies are no longer  
147 required.
- 148 e. Any written comments provided via email on draft documents, plans, and programs by the  
149 Consulting Parties within the time periods listed shall be considered in the revision of the  
150 document or deliverable. Failure of the Consulting Parties to respond within the established  
151 timeframe of any document or deliverable shall not preclude Fort Harrison VAMC from  
152 implementing this Agreement.
  - 153 i. Fort Harrison VAMC shall provide MT SHPO three days for postal service in  
154 setting time designations and schedules.
- 155 f. Fort Harrison VAMC shall provide a copy of final documents and deliverables to the  
156 Consulting Parties via email. Fort Harrison VAMC shall provide a hard copy to the MT  
157 SHPO.
- 158 g. Annually, within two weeks of the anniversary of the execution of this PA, until it is  
159 concluded, expires, or is terminated, Fort Harrison VAMC shall provide to all Consulting  
160 Parties a summary report detailing implementation of the Agreement and its mitigation  
161 measures and other work undertaken pursuant to its terms. The report shall include  
162 anticipated construction actions in the upcoming 12 months, any problems encountered in  
163 the past 12 months, any disputes or objections received in Fort Harrison VAMC's efforts  
164 to carry out the terms of this PA, and the resolutions thereof. Fort Harrison VAMC shall  
165 include information concerning upcoming consultation efforts, construction scheduling,  
166 and project planning in each Annual Report.

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169 III. TREATMENT OF BUILT RESOURCES

- 170 a. Design Review: Fort Harrison VAMC shall design the proposed building modifications in  
171 accordance with the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards for Rehabilitation (Standards)* to  
172 complement, but not mimic, the design and materials of campus buildings by incorporating  
173 compatible exterior materials, appropriate scaling, and design features and shall minimize  
174 impacts to lay-out and size of the Parade Ground to the maximum extent feasible.
  - 175 i. Fort Harrison VAMC shall submit preliminary schematic design plans at  
176 approximately 35% development to the Consulting Parties for review and  
177 comment. Fort Harrison VAMC shall include photos of the proposed location of  
178 the addition, a map of the campus, a summary of the proposed work, a statement  
179 of how the proposed work conforms to the *Standards*, and a rendering of the  
180 proposed construction as if viewed from Object 52 (the flag pole).
    - 181 1. The Consulting Parties shall have fifteen (15) days from distribution of the  
182 materials to request additional information.
      - 183 a. Fort Harrison VAMC shall not alter the comment period if the  
184 requested information is a minor clarification and Fort Harrison  
185 VAMC responds to the question within one (1) day. Fort Harrison  
186 VAMC shall reset the comment period to thirty (30) days if

- 187 documentation is missing or a summary of materials or massing is  
188 not included, or if the question is not answered within one (1) day.
- 189 2. Fort Harrison VAMC shall provide Consulting Parties thirty (30) days  
190 from distribution of the materials to review and comment on the proposed  
191 design and its conformance with the *Standards*. If a Consulting Party  
192 chooses to comment, their comments shall provide sufficient detail to  
193 inform Fort Harrison VAMC’s design and materials selection.
- 194 3. Fort Harrison VAMC shall take all timely and responsive comments into  
195 consideration in advancing the design plans.
- 196 ii. Fort Harrison VAMC shall submit advanced schematic design plans at  
197 approximately 65% development to the Consulting Parties for review and  
198 comment. Fort Harrison VAMC shall include a summary of the proposed work,  
199 how the proposed work conforms to the *Standards*, and a rendering of the proposed  
200 construction as if viewed from Object 52 (the flag pole).
- 201 1. The Consulting Parties shall have fifteen (15) days from distribution of the  
202 materials via email to request additional information.
- 203 2. Fort Harrison VAMC shall provide Consulting Parties thirty (30) days  
204 from distribution of the materials to review and comment on the proposed  
205 design and its conformance with the *Standards*. Fort Harrison VAMC  
206 shall take all timely and responsive comments into consideration in  
207 advancing the design plans.
- 208 3. If the MT SHPO concurs the plans meet the *Standards*, Fort Harrison  
209 VAMC shall proceed with finalization of design plans and construction.
- 210 4. If the MT SHPO does not concur that the plans meet the *Standards*, Fort  
211 Harrison VAMC shall consult with the MT SHPO to address the concern.  
212 Consultation may occur via email, webinar, or in-person at the discretion  
213 of Fort Harrison VAMC.
- 214 a. If Fort Harrison VAMC and the MT SHPO can reach consensus  
215 and agree the plans can be modified to meet the *Standards*, Fort  
216 Harrison VAMC shall alter its design in accordance with the  
217 decision reached between the two parties. Fort Harrison VAMC  
218 shall submit documentation of concurrence in hardcopy to the MT  
219 SHPO.
- 220 b. Resolution of Adverse Effects: If Fort Harrison VAMC and MT SHPO concur that the  
221 plans constitute an adverse effect, Fort Harrison VAMC shall develop and implement a  
222 Cultural Landscape Study and Management Plan for the campus.
- 223 i. Fort Harrison VAMC shall submit documentation of concurrence in hardcopy to  
224 the MT SHPO.
- 225 ii. Fort Harrison VAMC shall include a brief description of the campus landscape in  
226 the study and identify those features of the landscape which contribute to the Fort  
227 Harrison Veterans’ Hospital Historic District.
- 228 iii. Fort Harrison VAMC shall seek the recommendations and guidance of a certified  
229 arborist with experience in the vegetation of western Montana to develop  
230 management practices for the existing campus landscape and the proposed campus  
231 landscape.
- 232 iv. Fort Harrison VAMC shall develop this study based on the placement of trees and  
233 plants in the 1945 “Revised Tree Planting Plan” (Attachment C).
- 234 1. Fort Harrison VAMC shall develop the list of tree species to be planted  
235 based on the recommendations of the arborist, not the species proposed in  
236 1945 which are not native to Montana and in many cases are not suitable  
237 for the climate.

- 238 a. Fort Harrison VAMC shall circulate a draft of the Cultural  
 239 Landscape Study and Management Plan among the Consulting  
 240 Parties for review.  
 241 i. Fort Harrison VAMC shall provide Consulting Parties  
 242 thirty (30) days from distribution of the materials to  
 243 review and comment on the proposed Cultural Landscape  
 244 Study and Management Plan.  
 245 ii. Fort Harrison VAMC shall take all timely and responsive  
 246 comments into consideration in finalizing the Cultural  
 247 Landscape Study and Management Plan.  
 248 b. Fort Harrison VAMC shall begin to implement the study and plant  
 249 no fewer than 50% of the recommended additional trees, up to a  
 250 maximum of 100 trees, on campus between January 1, 2025, and  
 251 December 31, 2029.  
 252 c. Fort Harrison VAMC shall install at least three (3) signs on  
 253 campus to provide information about the significance of the  
 254 campus landscape.  
 255 i. Fort Harrison VAMC shall develop text and graphics  
 256 based on the campus landscape study.  
 257 1. The signs will be of a similar size, shape, and  
 258 color to the existing campus signage.  
 259 2. Topics described in the signs will include the  
 260 1945 Planting Plan and campus landscape  
 261 features.  
 262 ii. Fort Harrison VAMC shall provide Consulting Parties  
 263 thirty (30) days from distribution of the text and graphics  
 264 to review and comment on the proposed signs. Fort  
 265 Harrison VAMC may, at its discretion, submit the draft  
 266 signage text and graphics concurrent with the draft  
 267 Cultural Landscape Study and Management Plan.  
 268 iii. Fort Harrison VAMC shall take all timely and responsive  
 269 comments into consideration in finalizing the signs.  
 270 iv. Fort Harrison VAMC shall notify all Consulting Parties  
 271 once the signs are installed.  
 272 d. If Fort Harrison VAMC and the MT SHPO cannot concur, Fort  
 273 Harrison VAMC shall proceed in accordance with Stipulation VII.  
 274 c. Changes to Anticipated Plans: If plans for seismic retrofits and/or renovations change and  
 275 exterior modifications of Buildings 141, 150, 154, 154A, and the Connecting Corridors are  
 276 necessary for the long-term use and preservation of campus resources, Fort Harrison  
 277 VAMC shall follow the procedures of Stipulation III.a. Fort Harrison VAMC shall consult  
 278 in accordance with 36 CFR § 800.6 to resolve adverse effects, if any are identified, in lieu  
 279 of Stipulation III.b.

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 281 IV. TREATMENT MEASURES FOR ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES

- 282 a. Fort Harrison VAMC shall, to the extent feasible, limit staging areas and construction  
 283 laydown yards to areas that are hardscaped (i.e., on asphalt, concrete, or pavement). Fort  
 284 Harrison shall not utilize the Parade Ground for staging areas nor lay-down yards.  
 285 b. Fort Harrison VAMC shall ensure all ground disturbance in excess of twelve (12) inches  
 286 is monitored during ground disturbing activities by or under the direct supervision of a  
 287 person or persons meeting the *Professional Qualification Standards* for archaeology as  
 288 described in Stipulation II(e).

- 289 c. Fort Harrison VAMC shall authorize the supervising archaeologist to halt construction in  
290 a specific location if potential deposits are encountered. Should any cultural and/or  
291 archaeological resources be discovered during construction activities, all work shall stop  
292 within fifteen (15) feet of the deposit to provide for the security, protection, and integrity  
293 of the deposit while the archaeologist determines if the deposit meets the criteria  
294 established in 36 CFR § 60.4. Construction may continue in other locations while the  
295 monitor assesses the locus, so long as the areas remain monitored.
- 296 i. If a deposit is determined not eligible, construction may proceed.
  - 297 ii. If a deposit is determined to contain human remain and/or items of religious and  
298 cultural importance, Fort Harrison VAMC shall proceed in accordance with  
299 Stipulation V.
  - 300 iii. If a deposit is determined eligible and does not contain human remains or funerary  
301 objects, the qualified archaeologist shall submit documentation of the  
302 determination to Fort Harrison VAMC within forty-eight (48) hours of such  
303 determination. Fort Harrison VAMC shall proceed in accordance with Stipulation  
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306 V. TREATMENT OF HUMAN REMAINS AND ITEMS OF RELIGIOUS AND CULTURAL  
307 IMPORTANCE

- 308 a. If potential human remains and/or potential funerary objects are identified, Fort Harrison  
309 VAMC shall stop construction work within fifty (50) feet of the discovery and:
- 310 i. Contact Lewis & Clark County Sheriff's Office, Coroner Division to determine  
311 whether the human remains may be involved in a legal investigation or not,  
312 consistent with local and state laws.
  - 313 ii. If local law enforcement determines the remains are human and not subject to legal  
314 investigation, Fort Harrison VAMC shall:
    - 315 1. Treat non-Native American remains and objects with respect and within  
316 the directions given by the County Sheriff's office.
    - 317 2. Treat discoveries related to Native Americans and Native American  
318 lifeways with respect and in accordance with the Native American Graves  
319 Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) (Public Law 101-601, 25 USC  
320 3001 et seq., 104 Stat. 3048) including notifying and consulting with tribes  
321 regarding the treatment of human remains and funerary objects.
  - 322 iii. If Fort Harrison VAMC has questions or requires assistance, Fort Harrison VAMC  
323 shall consult with the MT SHPO.

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325 VI. POST-REVIEW DISCOVERIES

- 326 a. If historic resources are discovered, or unanticipated effects on historic resources occur  
327 during execution of the Undertaking and the discovery is not subject to Stipulation V of  
328 this PA, Fort Harrison VAMC shall notify the tribes and Consulting Parties and consult in  
329 accordance with 36 CFR § 800.6 to resolve adverse effects.
- 330 i. Fort Harrison VAMC may request expedited consultation to resolve adverse  
331 effects within its construction schedule.
  - 332 ii. Fort Harrison VAMC shall alert the tribes and Consulting Parties of the discovery  
333 and request an expedited review via email with the subject line "POST-REVIEW  
334 DISCOVERY: EXPEDITED REVIEW REQUEST." In this email, Fort Harrison  
335 VAMC shall describe the discovered resource or unanticipated effect with text and  
336 photos, assess any effects, and propose measures to avoid, minimize, and/or  
337 mitigate the effects to the historic property.
  - 338 iii. For seven days following distribution of the notification email, the Fort Harrison  
339 VAMC Point of Contact identified in the email shall answer questions from the

- 340 Consulting Parties about the discovery. Tribes and Consulting Parties may submit  
341 questions via email or by phone.
- 342 iv. Tribes and Consulting Parties shall respond to the expedited review within seven  
343 (7) days of receipt of the notification email either with their concurrence with Fort  
344 Harrison VAMC's proposed assessment and actions or their nonconcurrence.
- 345 1. If the tribes or Consulting Parties concur or do not respond, Fort Harrison  
346 VAMC may proceed with implementation of the proposed measures to  
347 avoid, minimize, and/or mitigate the effects to the historic property.
- 348 2. If a tribe or Consulting Party does not concur, Fort Harrison VAMC shall  
349 host a webinar to discuss the discovery and proposed measures to avoid,  
350 minimize, and/or mitigate the effects. The MT SHPO shall participate in  
351 this webinar. Fort Harrison VAMC shall distribute a summary of the  
352 meeting, including all decisions made in consultation, via email within  
353 three (3) days.
- 354 b. If Fort Harrison VAMC and the MT SHPO cannot reach consensus on measures to avoid,  
355 minimize, and/or mitigate effects following this meeting, Fort Harrison VAMC shall  
356 proceed in accordance with Stipulation VII.

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358 VII. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 359 a. Should any Signatory to this PA object via email to the manner in which any stipulation of  
360 this PA is implemented, Fort Harrison VAMC shall consult with that party or parties to  
361 resolve the objection. If Fort Harrison VAMC determines that such objection cannot be  
362 resolved, Fort Harrison VAMC shall:
- 363 i. Forward all documentation relevant to the dispute, including Fort Harrison  
364 VAMC's proposed resolution, to the ACHP. The ACHP shall provide Fort  
365 Harrison VAMC with its advice on the resolution of the objection within thirty  
366 (30) days of receiving adequate documentation.
- 367 1. Adequate documentation shall include reference to this PA, the written  
368 objection of the Signatory, Fort Harrison VAMC's response to the  
369 objection, and any supporting documentation.
- 370 ii. Fort Harrison VAMC shall forward the documentation relevant to the dispute to  
371 all Signatories for their review and comment. These parties shall provide Fort  
372 Harrison VAMC with written comments within thirty (30) days of receiving  
373 adequate documentation.
- 374 iii. Fort Harrison VAMC shall take into account any timely advice or comments  
375 received from the ACHP and other Signatories in determining a final decision on  
376 the dispute and provide a response to written objections to all signatories, tribes  
377 and other consulting parties.
- 378 iv. If the ACHP does not respond within thirty (30) days, Fort Harrison VAMC shall  
379 prepare a written response that takes into account timely comments from other  
380 Signatories regarding the dispute.
- 381 v. Fort Harrison VAMC shall prepare a written decision and distribute the decision  
382 and the documentation relevant to the dispute to all Signatories. Fort Harrison  
383 VAMC shall then proceed in accordance with its final decision.
- 384 b. Fort Harrison VAMC's responsibility to carry out all other actions subject to the terms of  
385 this PA that are not the subject of the dispute remain unchanged.

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387 VIII. AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION

- 388 a. This PA may be concluded by successful completion of Stipulation III. Upon completion,  
389 Fort Harrison VAMC shall distribute notice of completion to all Consulting Parties  
390 including all Signatories.



- 391 b. Any Signatory to this PA may propose that it be amended, whereupon the Signatories shall  
392 consult to consider such an amendment.  
393 c. Any amendment shall be agreed to in writing by all Signatories and shall be effective on  
394 the date a copy with all signatures is filed with the ACHP.  
395 d. If Fort Harrison VAMC determines that it cannot implement the terms of this PA, or if the  
396 MT SHPO or a Tribe determines that the PA is not being properly implemented, the  
397 Signatory may propose to the other Signatories that the PA be terminated.  
398 i. The Signatory proposing termination shall notify the other Signatories to this PA  
399 explaining the reason(s) for termination and affording at least thirty (30) days to  
400 consult and seek an alternative to termination.  
401 ii. Should such consultation fail, and the PA is terminated, VA shall either consult to  
402 develop a new agreement, in accordance with 36 CFR § 800.6, or request the  
403 comments of the ACHP, under 36 CFR § 800.7(a).  
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405 IX. ADMINISTRATION AND DURATION

- 406 a. This PA shall be executed in counterparts with a separate page for each Signatory. Fort  
407 Harrison VAMC shall file a complete copy of the executed PA, including all signatory  
408 pages and attachments, with the ACHP.  
409 b. This PA shall expire if its stipulations are not carried out within ten (10) years from the  
410 date of execution, unless it is terminated prior to that date. No less than 180 days prior to  
411 the expiration date, Fort Harrison VAMC may consult with the other Signatories to  
412 reconsider the terms of the PA and amend it in accordance with Stipulation VIII.

413 EXECUTION AND IMPLEMENTATION of this PA and implementation of its terms evidence that Fort  
414 Harrison VAMC has taken into account the effects of this undertaking on historic properties and afforded  
415 the ACHP an opportunity to comment.

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REGARDING SEISMIC UPGRADES AND SPECIALTY CARE IMPROVEMENTS  
AT THE FORT HARRISON VA MEDICAL CENTER,  
FORT HARRISON, LEWIS & CLARK COUNTY, MONTANA**

SIGNATORY:

Montana VA Health Care System

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Montana State Historic Preservation Officer

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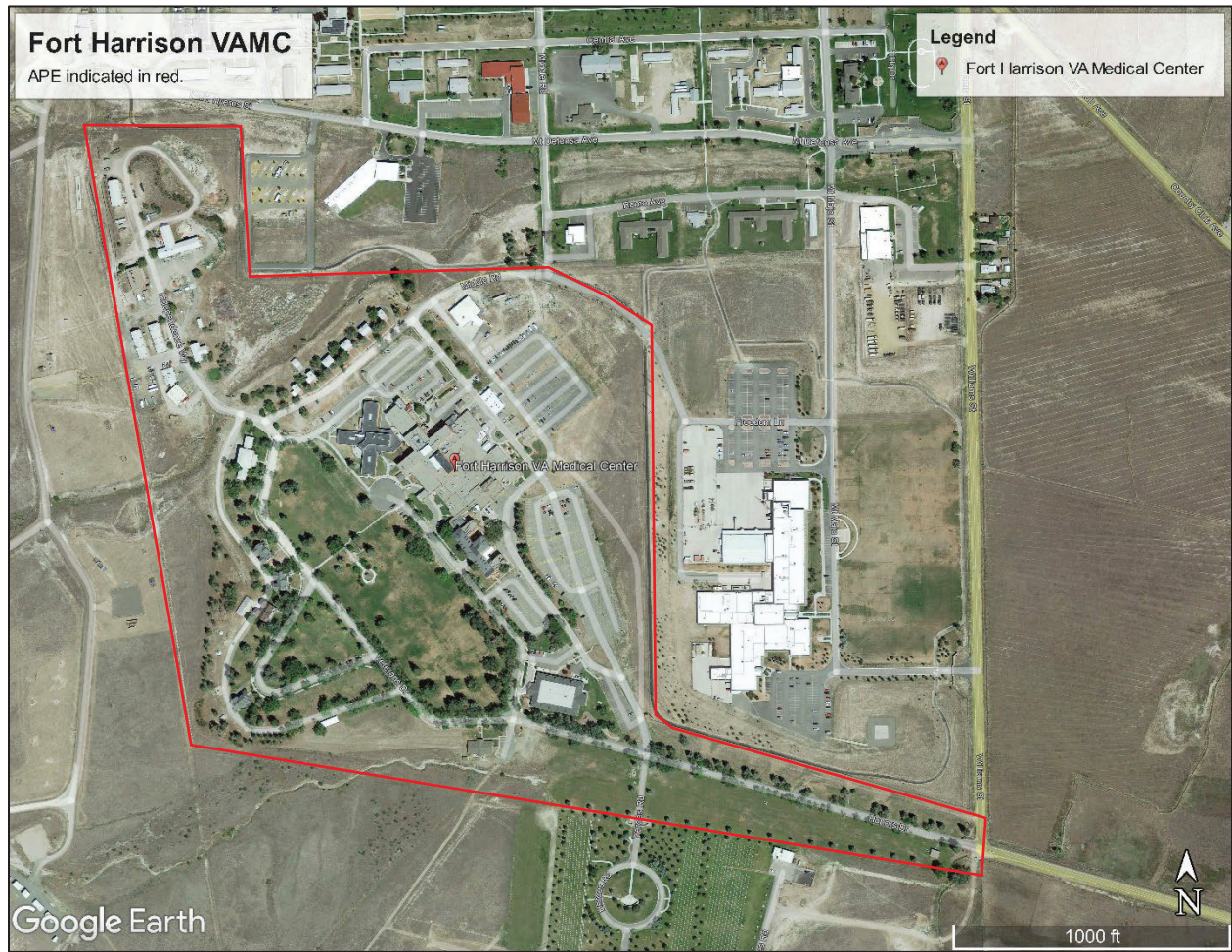
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480 ATTACHMENT A: APE Map

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 486 Figure 1 - The approximate location of Site 24LC01143 is identified on this map. This Site is not part of the Fort Harrison  
 487 Veterans' Hospital Historic District.  
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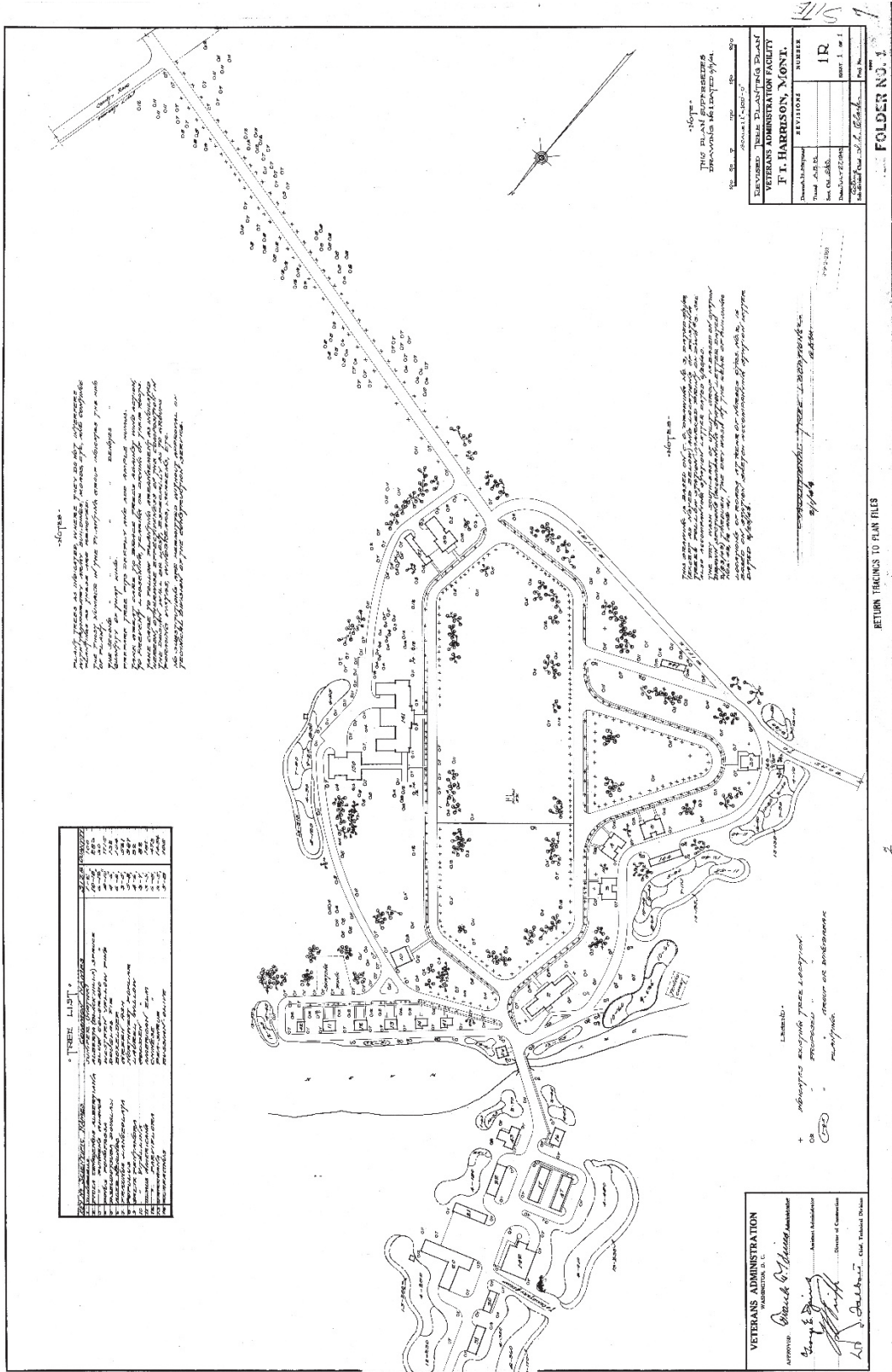
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2	1895	Original Post Hospital	EUL Dormitory	Contributing
3	1895	Officers' Quarters	EUL Quarters	Contributing
4	1895	Officers' Quarters	EUL Quarters	Contributing
5	1895	Officers' Quarters	EUL Quarters	Contributing
11	1899	NCO Quarters	EUL Quarters	Contributing
12	1895	NCO Quarters	EUL Quarters	Contributing
13	1895	NCO Quarters	EUL Quarters	Contributing
14	1895	Hospital Stewards Quarters	EUL Quarters	Contributing
16	1895	Bakery / Fire Station	Fire Station	Contributing
17	1895	Quartermaster's Storehouse	Warehouse	Contributing
20	1895	Stable / Laundry	Engineering Shops	Contributing
31	1897	Forge Storehouse	Engineering Warehouse	Contributing
35	1899	CO's Quarters	EUL Quarters	Contributing
36	2020	-	EUL Quarters	Noncontributing
41	1905	NCO Staff Officers Quarters	EUL Quarters	Contributing
42	1905	NCO Staff Officers Quarters	EUL Quarters	Contributing
43	1905	Civilian Employee Quarters	Storage	Contributing
47	1908	Supply Storehouse	Supply Storage	Contributing
52	1894	Parade Ground / Flag Pole	Parade Ground / Flag Pole	Contributing
54	1947	Animal Research Building	Misc. Storage	Contributing
141	1932	Montana VA Hospital	Administration Building	Contributing

142	1932	Heating Plant	Heating Plant	Contributing
144	1932	Garage	Garage	Contributing
145	1932	Garage	Garage	Contributing
146	1932	Garage	Garage	Contributing
151	1931	Gas Meter Building	Gas Meter House	Contributing
RG152	Ca. 2000	-	Storage	Noncontributing
153	1947	Chlorinator Building	Chlorinator House	Noncontributing
154 Includes 150, 154A, and 169	1936-2011	Hospital Complex	Hospital	Noncontributing
155	1974	-	Generator House	Noncontributing
156	1977	-	Bulk Oxygen Storage	Noncontributing
157	1977	-	High Voltage Switch Gear Building	Noncontributing
158	1979	-	Generator House	Noncontributing
159	1974	-	Generator House	Noncontributing
160	1983	-	Booster Pump House Building	Noncontributing
162	1980	-	Reservoir "Domestic Water"	Noncontributing
166	1996	-	Hazardous Waste	Noncontributing
167	2006	-	VBA Regional Office	Noncontributing
168	2006	-	Liberty House	Noncontributing
170	2009	-	Warehouse	Noncontributing
171	2013	-	Boiler Plant	Noncontributing
172	2020	-	Primary Care	Noncontributing



604	1942	Garage	-	Contributing
-	1946	American War Mothers Bench	American War Mothers Bench	Contributing
-	1894	Honor Drive	Honor Drive	Contributing
-	1894	Circulation Pattern	Circulation Pattern	Contributing
-	Ca. 2010	-	Mitakuye Oyasin	Noncontributing

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