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Tonya Richards  
Marion County Zoning Administrator  
230 E. Main St.  
Marion, KS 66681

Re: Holub Cabin Proposal – Marion County  
Within the Environs of Marion County Lake and Park

Dear Ms. Richards:

We have reviewed the materials received May 11, 2011 regarding the above-referenced project in accordance with the state preservation statute K.S.A. 75-2724. The law requires the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) be given the opportunity to comment on proposed projects affecting historic properties or districts.

According to the *Standards and Guidelines for Evaluating the Effects of Projects on Environs*, the following are recommended for new additions within the environs:

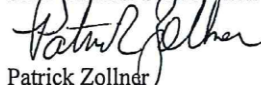
1. New additions, exterior alterations, infill construction, or related new construction should not destroy character-defining features or spatial relationships that characterize the environs of a property. The new work shall be compatible with the historic materials, character-defining features, size, scale and proportion, and massing of the environs.
2. New construction should relate to the setback, size, form, patterns, texture, materials, and color of the features that characterize the environs of listed properties.
3. Where there are inconsistent setbacks or varied patterns, the new construction should fall within the range of typical setbacks and patterns in the environs of the listed property.

The *Standards* are not meant to discourage new development, but rather to ensure compatibility. The environs of the listed property consist of both historic and non-historic elements including residences and support buildings. Due to the diversity of the structures in the environs, new construction is afforded flexibility. The proposed cabins are compatible with other residences on the lake in terms of size, scale, materials, patterns and form and the use is consistent with lake function. It does not appear that view sheds will be compromised by the construction of these cabins, as they are sufficiently distant from the established residences and will generally not be located in front of historic elements of the property. Based on the information provided, it does not appear that their construction will lessen the historic or architectural integrity of the National Register-listed property. Therefore, the SHPO has determined that the proposed project will not encroach upon, damage, or destroy any listed property or its environs. As far as this office is concerned, the project may proceed.

Please refer to the Kansas State Review & Compliance number (KSR&C#) listed above on any future correspondence. If you have any questions concerning this review, please contact Kim Gant at 785-272-8681, ext 225 or kgant@kshs.org

Sincerely,

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