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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

May 14, 1998

Project Management Branch  
Programs and Project Management Division

Elizabeth Schuppert  
Cheat and Potomac Ranger Districts  
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Parsons, West Virginia 26287

Subject: Contract DACA87-95-D-0027, Task Order #0019, Blackbird Knob Area

Dear Ms. Schuppert:

Please reference the enclosed letter from HFA discussing the absence of ordnance on 98.9 acres on or near Blackbird Knob. We request your concurrence with the proposal to delete this area. The contractor's work effort that would have been utilized at Blackbird Knob will be applied to the additional trails as discussed in the 11 May 98 Partnering Meeting. Please reply as soon as possible to minimize the impact on the contractor's operation. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

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Richard L. Meadows  
Project Manager

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ATTN: Mr. David Shafii

Subject: Contract DACA87-95-D-0027, Task Order #0019; Blackbird Knob Area

Dear Mr. Shafii:

A parcel consisting of some 98.9 acres on and near Blackbird Knob is included on TO 0019. It is assumed that this area was an impact area during WWII. Mr. Don Smith and the undersigned visited Blackbird Knob on several occasions last year. The area was checked visually and with metal detectors. No UXO or fragments of UXO were located. It is the opinion of the undersigned who has extensive experience in artillery and mortar impact areas; that this area was never an impact area. To clear this area would be a waste of time and money. Resources could be more effectively expended in those areas where UXO is known to exist.

It is my recommendation that no clearance action should take place in the 98.9 acre parcel until an EECA is performed in that area.

Sincerely,

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F. A. Kittle  
Project Manager

# FAX

*Date* 23 June, 1998

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*REMARKS:*  Urgent  For your review  Reply ASAP  Please Comment

We mailed this to you on May 14 and have not received a response yet. Could you please respond or, if you already have, resend that response as soon as possible? Thank you.

-Rick



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