Section 4(f) Initial Assessment Form

May 29, 2015

Project Name	Project Number
Ord South	STP-70-4(109)
Control Number	**Date Completed**
42575	July 11, 2016
Project Location *(Town, County)*	**Name of Preparer**
Valley County, Nebraska	Barbara G. Frost, PE

The following form was developed as an initial assessment of potential Section 4(f) properties within a project area. The number of each question block corresponds directly to the NDOR Section 4(f) Guidance section with the same number. **One Initial Assessment Form per PROJECT must be included as an attachment to the CE Form or incorporated into the appropriate chapter in the EA/EIS.**

NOTE: At the time the Section 4(f) Initial Assessment Form is filled out, the Section 106 process must be sufficiently complete that historic properties have been identified. A Section 106 Finding of Effect *(No Adverse Effect, Adverse Effect)* must be completed prior to determining whether the project results in a 'use' of an historic property. All Section 106 determinations and findings must be made and documented by NDOR Professionally Qualified Staff (PQS).

1. Identification of Section 4(f) Properties

A. *For historic properties*, based on the NDOR Section 106 Tier Review Form, are there properties that are listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places?

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A (Section 106 Tier I)

If Yes, provide the name, Finding of Effect, and any other pertinent information from the Section 106 review for each identified property.

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"No historic properties affected" per 02/11/16 Section 106 PQS Tier II Review

B. Are there existing or planned parks, recreation areas, or wildlife/waterfowl refuges present within a ¼ mile of the project area?

☒ Yes ☐ No

C. In consultation with the online resources identified in the Section 4(f) Guidance, list the **resources** used to determine if parks, recreation areas, or wildlife/waterfowl refuges are present.

Google Earth, outdoornebraska.ne.gov, Valley County, NE (co.valley.ne.us), City of Ord (ordnebraska.com)

D. Identify all potential Section 4(f) parks, recreation areas, and wildlife/waterfowl refuges *(include property name(s)*, *location(s) along project, etc.)*.

If No parks, recreation areas, or wildlife/waterfowl refuges are present, AND no historic properties need consideration from 1.A., indicate in the box below that no potential Section 4(f) properties are present. DOCUMENTATION IS COMPLETE.

Within 1/4 mile of the project area: Ord Golf Club is located approximately 0.2 miles to the north of the project limit at the junction of Nebraska Highways 70 (N-70) and 11 (N-11), along the east side of Nebraska Highway 11 (N-11). Just beyond 1/4 mile of the project area: Bussell Park is located approximately 0.3 miles northeast of the junction of N-70 and N-12.

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2. Applicability Criteria for Section 4(f) Parks, Recreation Areas, and Wildlife/Waterfowl Refuges (not Historic Properties)

A. List all properties from 1.D. that are (1) NOT publicly owned, or (2) NOT privately owned and leased to a public entity, for a Section 4(f) protected purpose, and how this was determined.

N/A

B. List all properties from 1.D. that are NOT open to the public, and how this was determined. (This does NOT apply to wildlife/waterfowl refuges.)

N/A

C. List all properties from 1.D. that are considered multiple-use properties, and what those uses are.

N/A

D. List all properties from 1.D. that were NOT called-out in 2.A. or 2.B.; **these properties will be carried forward in the Section 4(f) process. Also be sure to carry forward any multiple-use properties from 2.C. or historic properties from 1.A. that have temporary or permanent right-of-way acquisition or vibratory effects.** If no properties are carried forward, note below and DOCUMENTATION IS COMPLETE.

Properties listed in 1D, Parks/Recreation Areas: Ord Golf Club and Bussell Park Historic Property listed in 1A: VY00-090, Abandoned Farmstead

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3. Determination of Section 4(f) Use

A. Is there a potential *use* of the Section 4(f) applicable properties from 2.D. above? Will the properties be impacted by the project, including access restrictions? (See Guidance Section 3 for definition of *use*.)

☐ Yes ☒ No Is there a potential *permanent* use?

☐ Yes ☒ No Is there a potential *temporary* use (including exceptions)?

☐ Yes ☒ No Is there a potential *constructive* use?

Any Yes: complete the appropriate Section 4(f) analysis for each impacted property

No: state impact avoidance measures below, then DOCUMENTATION IS COMPLETE

B. List impact avoidance measures (for "No" answer only). If justification is needed to support a "No" answer in 3.A., describe below.

Although historic properties are located in the 1/4 mile study area, no impacts are anticipated as confirmed by the 02/11/16 Section 106 PQS Tier II Review finding of "no historic properties affected". Along N-70, the area beyond the existing right of way (ROW) from Mile Marker (MM) 115.60 to MM 115.85 would be identified on plans as a Sensitive Area. No grading or project activities would occur beyond the existing ROW in this area. These activities would include, but are not limited to, staging, borrowing, stockpiling material and/or equipment storage and the acquisition of property rights.
The Section 4(f) eligible parkland, Ord Golf Club, is located in the 1/4 mile study area and no impacts are anticipated. The ROW obtained for this project would not encroach on the Ord Golf Club and access would be maintained throughout construction. Likewise, there are no encroachments on Bussell Park, just outside the 1/4 mile study area and access would be maintained; therefore, no impacts are anticipated.

NDOR Reviewer Approval Signature: Date:

Ryan Walkowiak

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FHWA Environmental Signature: Date:
FHWA signature is only required in the following circumstances:

- If the property is leased
- If the property is considered multiple-use
- If the Official(s) with Jurisdiction claims that the property is NOT significant