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Subject: Section 106 Consultation for Hangar 1: Phase II Rehabilitation Project at Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, Santa Clara County, California (NASA_2020_0413_002)

Dear Ms. Polanco:

In support of ongoing consultation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Ames Research Center (ARC) is submitting additional documentation for the Hangar 1: Phase II Rehabilitation Project (project or undertaking) located at Moffett Field, Santa Clara County, California.

The Hangar 1 steel and concrete structure is coated in a polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB)- and lead-impacted paint. The rehabilitation of Hangar 1 will be phased in order to address the immediate environmental concerns. Phase I comprises the abatement and recoating project; Phase II comprises the exterior re-cladding, adaptive re-use, seismic and structural strengthening, and core interior improvements for occupancy of Hangar 1, and maintenance and repair of functionally related Buildings 32 and 33. NASA ARC determined that this project constitutes an undertaking under the NHPA. NASA ARC requests your review of the attached analysis, which addresses the Phase II Project and includes a description of the undertaking, the Area of Potential Effects (APE), and effects analysis for this phase of the undertaking. Phase I was submitted separately.

The Phase II Project rehabilitation includes installation of a metal skin, glazing systems, and roofing system to ensure that the hangar is enclosed and that past performance issues are addressed. These features have been designed to recreate the appearance of the original features and materials of Hangar 1, and the project has been designed to comply with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. Based on findings outlined in the attached Technical Report conducted by cultural resources specialists who meet the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards (48

Federal Register 44738), NASA ARC has determined that a finding of no adverse effect is appropriate for the undertaking, including both the Phase I and Phase II Projects.

The following groups have been consulted in compliance with 36 CFR Part 800.2(c)(3-5): the Moffett Field Historical Society; the City of Sunnyvale; the City of Mountain View; the Sunnyvale Historical Society; the Mountain View Historical Association; History San Jose; Silicon Valley Historical Association; the California Preservation Foundation; and the National Trust for Historic Preservation. In addition, although there are no Federally recognized Tribes associated with this location, the following Native American groups have been consulted: Muwekma Ohlone Indian Tribe of the San Francisco Bay Area; Indian Canyon Mutsun Band of Costanoan; Amah Mutsun Tribal Band; Amah Mutsun Tribal Band of Mission San Juan Bautista; and The Ohlone Indian Tribe. To date, the Moffett Field Historical Society, the Preservation Action Council of San Jose, and the Ohlone Indian Tribe have elected to participate as consulting parties. A virtual presentation will take place on June 3, 2020 to advise the consulting parties about the project details and invite their feedback. Further, NASA ARC is making its determination and supporting documentation available to the public via the NASA ARC Historic Preservation Office website (<https://historicproperties.arc.nasa.gov/>).

NASA ARC requests your concurrence on its finding of no adverse effect, pursuant to 36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 800.5(b). NASA ARC requests your response within 30 days of receipt of this letter, as specified in 36 CFR 800.5(c).

Please contact me at jonathan.d.ikan@nasa.gov or at (650) 604-6859 with your comments or questions.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures: One (1) copy of the Phase II Section 106 Technical Report