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RE: DHR Project File No.: 2015-4077, Received by DHR: August 24, 2015
Project: *Old Fort Park – Erosion Control*
County: St. Lucie

Dear Ms. Benton:

Thank you for providing the State Historic Preservation Office the opportunity to comment on the proposed stabilization activities at the Old Fort Park.

A review of the Florida Master Site File indicates that the project area is within the boundary of archaeological site 8SL3, Ft. Pierce Mound and Midden. Human remains have been identified at this site.

Therefore, it is the opinion of this office that all ground disturbing activities for the proposed project be monitored by a professional archaeologist. The purpose of monitoring will be to identify archaeological deposits or significant artifacts that may be encountered. Should significant archaeological deposits, features or artifacts be encountered, the archaeologist must be empowered to direct the project activities to shift away from such resources. This discretionary power would enable the monitor to contact this office and to determine measures that must be taken to avoid, minimize adverse effects to the site; or to proceed to recover the archaeological resources in a professional manner. When the archaeologist has completed recordation and/or recovery measures the project activities would be allowed to continue as planned. At completion of the project, the archaeological monitor must compile a report and an updated archaeological site form to be forwarded to this office.

For any questions concerning our comments, please contact Mary Berman, Historic Sites Specialist, by phone at 850.245.6333 or by electronic mail at Mary.Berman@dos.myflorida.com.

Sincerely,

Robert F. Bendus, Director
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& State Historic Preservation Officer



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