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## MEMORANDUM

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Date: August 5, 2022

To: Deadwood City Commission

From: Kevin Kuchenbecker, Historic Preservation Officer

Re: Permission to Contract with South Dakota Archaeological Research Center for

Whitewood Creek Embankment Project

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In July 2019 the City of Deadwood had a heavy rainstorm that caused major damage along Whitewood Creek from the Comfort Inn to the entrance of the box culvert at the Deadwood Mountain Grand. This was considered a natural disaster and City staff secured funding from FEMA to assist in restoring the damaged areas.

FEMA Public Assistance has not yet approved a scope-of-work for this project due to the archaeological sensitivity of the damaged sites. FEMA is requiring the City conduct a Class III Intensive Cultural Resources Investigation for the Project DR-4476-SD. Staff has received two quotes to perform the investigation of the FEMA project and recommend contracting with South Dakota Archaeological Research Center for a cost of \$5,975.64.

## RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Move to enter into a contract with the South Dakota Archaeological Research Center at a cost of \$5,975.64 to perform a Levell III Archaeological Survey of the entire project area, including staging areas and borrow sites for the FEMA project known as 123107 DR4467SD Whitewood Creek Embankments - EHP. Project reimbursed through FEMA funding.