Appendix A: Permits

Appendix A: Permits. This Draft EA has been prepared in accordance with the NEPA and VA's regulations for implementing NEPA (38 CFR Part 26). In addition, the EA has been prepared as prescribed in VA's NEPA Interim Guidance for Projects (VA 2010). The following Federal, State, and/or Local environmental permits that may be required as part of the Proposed Action are identified within this EA and summarized below:

- National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit (NPDES) – KDHE
- Hazardous Waste Permits - KDHE

Appendix B: Agency Correspondence and Consultation

Appendix B: Agency Correspondence and Consultation. This appendix contains the correspondence and consultation documents referenced throughout Draft EA; including an example scoping letter and comments received from stakeholders detailed in the below table.

Stakeholder	Comment Date	Comment Response
Kansas Historical Society (SHPO)	December 26, 2024	Comments received included in appendices and are included in Draft EA narrative.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
Office of Construction & Facilities Management
Washington DC 20420

October 4, 2024

Sent via email

SUBJECT: Scoping Notice for the Proposed Acquisition of 10-Acres of Land Adjacent to the Fort Scott National Cemetery located in Fort Scott, Bourbon County, Kansas [VA ID# EAXX-029-40-NCA-1727875568]

Dear Valued Stakeholder:

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is proposing to acquire approximately 10-acres of land adjacent to the Fort Scott National Cemetery located at 900 East National Avenue, Fort Scott, Bourbon County, Kansas (Figures 1 and 2). The purpose of the proposed action is to provide additional interment capacity to serve the projected burial needs of Veterans in the region.

VA is preparing an environmental assessment (EA) to analyze the potential environmental impacts of the proposed action. VA is seeking input from stakeholders as part of the scoping process in the development of this document. VA is preparing the EA in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) (42 U.S. Code [USC] § 4321- 4370), as implemented by the Council on Environmental Quality (40 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] Parts 1500-1508), and VA's NEPA regulations (38 CFR Part 26).

Through this notice, VA is also providing the public with information about the undertaking and seeking public comment and input about the undertaking's effects on historic properties pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966, as amended, (54 USC § 306108), and its implementing regulations (36 CFR Part 800 – Protection of Historic Properties). VA is using its procedures for public involvement under NEPA in lieu of public involvement requirements in Subpart B of the Section 106 regulations per 36 CFR Part 800.2(d)(3). This notice does not serve as an invitation to consult under Section 106, it is solely to seek and consider the views of the public. VA conducted its Section 106 review and consultation separately.

If you have comments on the scope of the EA, the range of alternatives, and environmental issues for in-depth analysis, please email your comments to vacoenvironment@va.gov with the subject line "Fort Scott National Cemetery 10-Acre Acquisition".

VA will publish the Draft EA for a 30-day public review and comment period. VA will notify stakeholders, publish a notice of availability of the Draft EA in the *Fort Scott Tribune*, and invite comments on the Draft EA at that time.

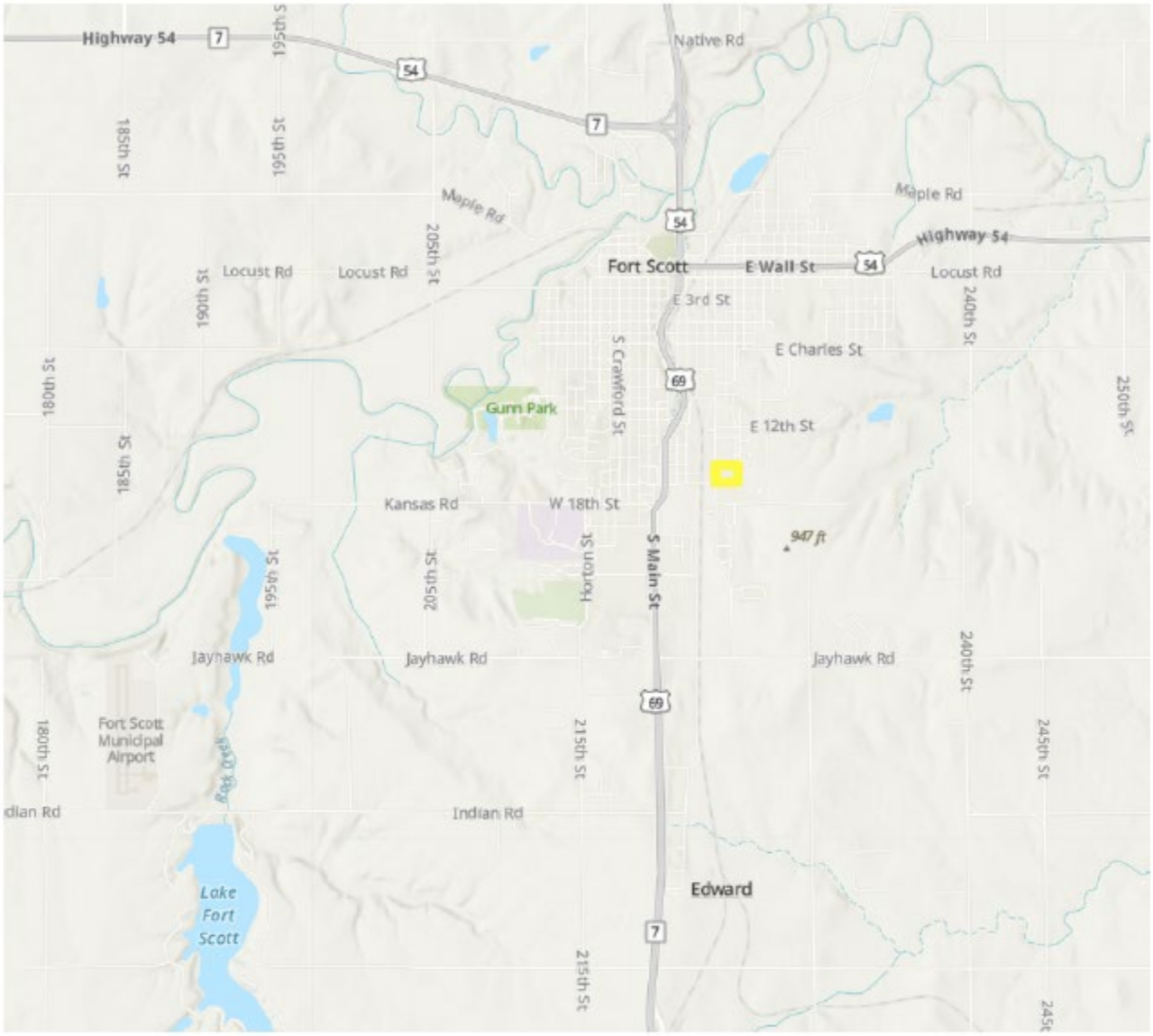
Respectfully,

Glenn Elliott
Director, Project Development Services Division
Office of Construction and Facilities Management

Figure 1. Site Vicinity Map

Fort Scott VA Acquisition
Fort Scott, Kansas

Figure 1
Site Vicinity Map



Legend

Project Extent

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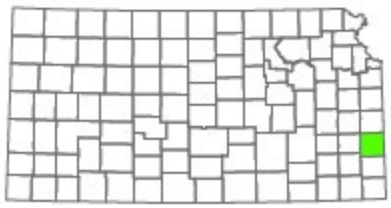
Fort Scott, KS 66701
Lat/Long: 37.822428,-94.696282
PID: : Multiple
Project No: 17885
Date: 5.19.2024

0 0.5 1 2 mi
0 0.75 1.5 3 km

ANDERSON
13605 1st Ave N #100, Plymouth, MN 55441
P 763.412.4000 F 763.412.4090 ae-mn.com

Project Location



City of Fort Scott
Bourbon County, KS

SOURCE: XX DNR, USDA, ESRI, TIGER, Bing, XXXXXX Co., Anderson Engineering

Figure 2. Site Location Map

Please contact the Kansas State Historic Preservation Office of the Kansas Historical Society with any questions at 785-272-8681 x240 or kshs.shpo@ks.gov

PROJECT DOCUMENTS

Date

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Subject

24-12-134 - Fort Scott National Cemetery Proposed Expansion

Body

24-12-134 - Fort Scott National Cemetery Proposed Expansion

Katy Coyle

We have reviewed the information received December 13, 2024 regarding the above-referenced project in accordance with 36 CFR Part 800. In reviews of this nature, the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) determines whether a federally funded, licensed, or permitted project will adversely affect properties that are listed or determined eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The SHPO has determined that the proposed project will not adversely affect any National Register-listed or National Register-eligible properties. This concludes the SHPO's role in this review.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to comment on this proposal. Please refer to the Kansas State Review & Compliance number (KSR&C#) listed above on any future correspondence. Please submit any comments or questions regarding this review to me at 785-272-8681, ext. 227 or robert.elder@ks.gov

On behalf of:
Katrina Ringler
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
Kansas Historical Society

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