

## SPC AME Public Meeting #1 Public Comments/Questions

2/23/2021

Name	Comment/Question	Addressed in Call?	Followed up?	Notes
	I suggest that making NR eligibility determinations is premature. Reviewers are being asked to comment only on a subsection of both the history and archaeology of the site. We do not have a reasonably complete picture upon which to make such judgements. I am not suggesting that it is possible from limited archaeological investigations to have omniscience of the archaeology and history of any given site. However, the current report makes no mention of the Spanish Colonial, Mexican, and Republic of Texas history and use of the site.	✓		
Clint McKenzie	Further, the work reported clearly documents archaeological features that suggest earlier occupation of the site. The report also documents that few if any investigations were made that could have reached deposits below the 1846 structural remnants of Klemcke's Soap Works and/or Menger's additions to those earlier improvements.			
Roma1974	Thanks for your very thoughtful comments, Clint. The door has not been closed to additional archaeological research on the site. This is one of the potential future avenues regarding how to move forward with the project. I believe that the THC and USACE also are in agreement with this view. How to proceed, how much to do, where to do it, and how it implicates the overall project are all aspects of the project that will need to be taken into consideration.	✓		
Clint McKenzie	Thank you, Roma1974! So NR consideration now doesn't obviate additional NR review later if significant uninvestigated or unknown archaeological deposits are exposed during subsequent development work?	✓		
Leslie Crippen	That's correct. the first sentence of Chapter 2, at the top of page 5 states: "The first owner to make improvements to the property was Charles Frederick William Klemcke (1816-1860) and his wife, Emilie Augusta Ernestine Ratzel Klemcke (1819-1894)." The first deeds for this property date back to 1737 and 1740 and those deeds themselves are ratifications of property ownership previously conferred prior to 1731. While we may never know the date that the property was first utilized, we can say with some degree of certainty that the property was in use between 1724 and 1731. Spanish citizens did not petition the Spanish administration for property to build homes and gardens so that they could remain unutilized for 125 years until the Klemcke's showed up. Just saying.	✓		
Clint McKenzie				
Jerry Geyer	*Talking about committee and weighing in on comments,	✓		
Belinda Gavallos	Thank you for an excellent presentation	✓		
Belinda Gavallos	my apologies...Belinda Mora Gavallos	✓		
Clint McKenzie	Further comments about the above ^^	✓		
Mari Tamez	Thank you. Look forward to learning more about which one of these options will be considered as we move forward.	✓		
Clint McKenzie Acuna	Thank you for the presentations. Thank you!	✓		