



## DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

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July 23, 2004

Mayor Jim Shaw  
City of Rapid City  
300 Sixth Street  
Rapid City, SD 57701

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

Dear Mayor Shaw:

The Department of Corrections is nearing the completion of the environmental assessment process for the proposed 200-bed minimum-security housing unit to be built in northeast Rapid City. I want to provide City of Rapid City the opportunity to comment on any potential adverse environmental impacts of the proposed project.

The project is subject to National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) guidelines as it is being funded, in part, with federal funds from the United States Department of Justice.

Enclosed is the draft Finding of No Significant Impact and the draft environmental assessment for the proposed project. Any comments that the City of Rapid City may have on the proposed project should be received in our office by August 16, 2004 and may be submitted to:

Darwin Weeldreyer  
South Dakota Department of Corrections  
3200 E Highway 34  
Pierre, SD 57501

Any comments received will be included in the final environmental assessment that is filed with Department of Justice.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Douglas L. Weber  
Interim Secretary