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Joseph Studlick
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RE: Archaeological Reconnaissance and Assessment
Butts Hill Fort, Portsmouth

Dear Mr. Studlick,

Thank you for sending Jay Waller's archaeological assessment to us. It's a thorough overview of the site and should be a very valuable aid to ongoing planning. Jay's recommendations are on point, and we concur with them all. In particular, the possibility of remote sensing is very intriguing; as Jay points out, this could provide both interesting information and guidance in how to manage the landscape of the fort.

RIHPHC continues to commend your committee for your stewardship of this important site, brining into the public eye as an asset to the state, and we commend Mr. Waller as well for this important contribution to your efforts.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey D. Emidy
Acting Executive Director
Acting State Historic Preservation Officer

Cc: J. Waller, PAL