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TRIBAL CONSULTATION

C.1 INTRODUCTION

As a part of the government's Treaty and Trust responsibilities, federal agencies engage in government-to-government consultation with federally recognized Native American Tribes when assessing the impacts of projects that may affect Tribal Nations. Accordingly, governmentto-government consultation has been ongoing throughout the production of this Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS). This appendix contains a discussion of relevant statutes and orders requiring consultation, a description of the consultation process for this project, a summary of the consultation that has occurred, 1 a summary of Native American concerns, lists of the Native American Tribes contacted, and copies of the materials provided to the Tribes.

The Energy Policy Act (EPAct) of 2005 addresses Tribal interests on many levels. Title V – Indian Energy establishes the Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs within the Department of Energy (DOE) with mandates to promote Tribal Nation energy development. Section 504 requires maximum consultation Tribal Nations regarding Title V. Section 1301 deals with the development of coal by Tribal Nations. Section 1813 mandates a study of energy rights-of-way on Indian lands. Sections 126 and 210 provide for grants to Tribal Nations for energy development. Sections 369, 372, and 1221 require consultation with affected Tribes regarding the development of oil shale/tar sand resources, the designation of energy rights-of-way on public lands, and the

siting of interstate energy transport facilities, respectively.

Section 368, addressed in this PEIS, mandates the designation of federal energy corridors on federally managed lands and does not include Tribal lands. However, the siting of the proposed corridors adjacent to Tribal lands may affect those lands. Tribes retain an interest in federal lands that were their ancestral homelands. Many resources of importance to Tribes are located on federally managed lands. These can include trust resources, treaty rights, and historic properties of religious and cultural significance to Tribes. These resources are discussed in Section 3.11. In compliance with the laws, regulations, and orders discussed below, Tribes have been kept informed of the development of energy corridor proposals from early on in the project and have been invited to consult as described in this appendix.

C.2 THE SPECIAL STATUS OF TRIBES

Tribal Nations have a special status within the United States. The courts have found them to be "domestic dependent nations" that exercise sovereignty within their own territories. They existed as sovereign entities before the arrival of European immigrants, and the treaties between them and the government of the United States were treaties between sovereign governments. While Native Americans have ceded lands, usually under duress, and been removed from their ancestral homelands (see Appendix Q), in many cases they have reserved rights on the lands they ceded, such as access to traditional hunting grounds, fishing areas, and sacred landscapes. Even federal lands where no treaty rights have been reserved include cultural properties important to Native American religion and culture. While treaties have often been ignored and attempts have been made to end

Shaded text indicates portions of the document that underwent revision between the draft and the final PEIS in response to comments received during the public comment period as well as additional information provided by local federal land managers and resource specialists.

Tribal sovereignty, in the last three decades the federal government has reaffirmed the sovereign status of Tribal Nations, their right to their own cultural identity, and their right to practice their traditional religions. Recent federal statutes, regulations, and executive orders (Table C-1) require federal agencies to enter into government-to-government consultations when proposed actions have the potential to adversely affect resources important to Tribes. In general, these laws apply to federally recognized Tribes as determined by the Secretary of the Interior (25 USC 479a-1).

The action proposed here, the designation of energy corridors on federal lands throughout the West, would result in a change in land management plans that could potentially affect resources important to Native Americans (see Section 3.11). Executive Order (E.O.) 13175, "Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments"; the Federal Land Policv and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA); and the National Forest Management Act of 1976 (NFMA) all require consultation with affected Tribal governments while evaluating proposed land management changes. The National Preservation Act Historic (NHPA); American Indian Religious Freedom Act of 1978 (AIRFA); the Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979 (ARPA); the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act of 1990 (NAGPRA); and E.O. 13007, "Indian Sacred Sites," all require some form government-to-government consultation with Tribal Nations when proposed actions of federal agencies have the potential to adversely affect resources important to Tribes. The regulations implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 require that in the course of the evaluation of environmental effects of proposed actions, federal agencies invite the participation of any affected Tribe in the scoping process (40 CFR 1501.7), invite comments on the draft PEIS from Tribes when there could be effects of the Proposed Action on reservations (Part 1503.1), give Tribes notice of public hearings when there may be effects on reservations (Part 1506.6) and provide Tribes the

opportunity to act as cooperating agencies when they may be affected (Part 1508.5).

The Agencies sought government-to-government consultation with Native American Tribes as set out in E.O. 13175 and the policies of the individual Agencies. These ongoing consultations are intended to ensure that the designation of energy corridors considers and accounts for the interests of Native American Tribes. These consultations also establish working relationships that will assist the Agencies in compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA during the NEPA process.

There are 250 federally recognized Tribes with ancestral territorial claims in the 11 western states. Table C-2 shows the extent of Native American Tribal ties to the federal lands for which corridors are proposed. No corridors are proposed for Tribal lands. Organized by state, and by state and corridor segment within each state, for each segment, Table C-2 lists: (1) which Native American cultural area or areas (see Appendix Q) the segment would pass (Figure 3.10-2); through (2) which ethnohistorically established Tribal territories the segment would pass through (Figure C-1); and (3) which judicially established historical Tribal land claims the corridor would pass through (Figure C-2). It is recognized that traditional Tribal territories overlap. federally recognized Tribes in the 11 western states were invited to comment on all parts of the proposed system of corridors.

Because traditional Tribal territories usually extend well beyond modern reservation boundaries, steps were taken to inform all 250 Tribes regarding the implementation of Section 368 and to provide opportunities for them to participate in scoping and governmentto-government consultation (Table Because of the potential scale of consultation activities, a range of informative consultative activities were employed. addition government-to-government to consultations reserved for Tribes, Tribes were encouraged to participate in the scoping and

TABLE C-1 Laws, Orders, and Regulations Requiring Tribal Consultation

| Law on Ondon Nama | Intent of Law on Onder |
|---|---|
| Law or Order Name National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966, as amended (16 USC 470) | Intent of Law or Order This law creates the legal framework for considering the effects of federal undertakings on cultural resources. It requires consultation with relevant Native American traditional cultural authorities regarding the status of potentially affected properties and the notification of affected Tribes before excavation or disposition of cultural materials. |
| National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 (42 USC 4321 et seq.) | Implementing regulations (40 CFR 1500-1508) for NEPA studies assessing environmental effects of a proposed project or program require agencies to invite potentially affected Tribes to participate in the scoping process, notify Tribes of public meetings, invite comment from Tribes on the draft EIS, and provide for Tribes to act as cooperating agencies. |
| Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) of 1976 (43 USC 1701) | FLPMA requires the Secretaries of Interior and Agriculture to consider the policies of land resource management programs on Tribal lands that have been developed and approved by Tribes when developing or revising agency land use plans. |
| National Forest Management Act (NFMA) of 1976 (16 USC 472 et seq.) | NFMA directs the Forest Service to consult with and coordinate forest planning with Tribes. |
| American Indian Religious Freedom Act (AIRFA) of 1978 (42 USC 1996) | AIRFA requires consultation with Native American organizations if an agency action will affect a sacred site on federal lands. |
| Archaeological Resources Protection Act (ARPA) of 1979 (16 USC 470aa-mm) | ARPA requires notification of the relevant Tribe(s) if granting an excavation permit may result in harm to, disturbance to, or destruction of any Tribal religious or cultural site. |
| Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) of 1990 (25 USC 3002) | NAGPRA requires federal agencies to consult with the appropriate Native American Tribes prior to the intentional excavation of human remains and funerary objects and to report unintentionally excavated human remains on federal land to the affected Tribe(s). |
| Executive Order 13007, "Indian Sacred Sites" (1996) | E.O. 13007 requires that a federal agency give notice to and consult with Tribes when planning actions that might affect sacred sites on federal land. |
| Executive Order 13175, "Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments" (2000) | E.O. 13175 requires federal agencies to develop an "accountable process" for insuring meaningful and timely input by Tribal officials in the development of legislation and regulatory policies that have Tribal implications. |

TABLE C-2 Ancestral Tribal Territories in Which Corridors Are Proposed^a

| State | Segment | Culture Area | Traditional Range | Judicially Established Land Claims |
|------------|---------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Arizona | 30-52 | Southwest | Halchidhoma Yavapai | Quechan Yavapai |
| | 41-46 | Southwest | Hualapai Mojave | Mojave Hualapai |
| | 41-47 | Southwest | Hualapai | Hualapai |
| | 46-269 | Southwest | Hualapai Yavapai | Yavapai |
| | 46-270 | Southwest | Hualapai Yavapai | Hualapai |
| | 47-68 | Southwest | Havasupai | Havasupai |
| | 47-231 | Southwest | Hualapai | Hualapai |
| | 61-207 | Southwest | Havasupai | Havasupai |
| | 62-211 | Southwest | Yavapai Western Apache Yavapai | Yavapai Western Apache Yavapai |
| | 68-116 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |
| | 81-213 | Southwest | Chiricahua Apache | Chiricahua Apache |
| | 113-116 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |
| | 115-208 | Southwest | Papago Upper Pima | Maricopa |
| | 115-238 | Southwest | Maricopa Quechan | Quechan Pima-Maricopa |
| | 116-206 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |
| | 234-235 | Southwest | Papago Upper Pima | Quechan |
| California | 3-8 | California Plateau | Achumawi Klamath Modoc | Modoc Pitt River |
| | 6-15 | California Great Basin | Nisenan Washoe | Indians of California Washoe |

TABLE C-2 (Cont.)

| State | Segment | Culture Area | Traditional Range | Judicially Established Land Claims |
|-----------------------|----------------|--|--|--|
| California (Cont.) | 7-8 | Plateau | Klamath Modoc | Modoc |
| | 8-104 | California Plateau | Achumawi Klamath Modoc | Modoc Pitt River Tribe |
| | 15-104 | California Great Basin | Achumawi Atsugewi Maidu Northern Paiute Washoe | Indians of California Washoe |
| | 16-104 | California Great Basin | Achumawi | Indians of California Northern Paiute |
| | 18-23 | California Great Basin | Owens Valley Paiute Northern Paiute Western Shoshone | Indians of California Northern Paiute Western Shoshone |
| | 23-25 Great Ba | | Kawaiisu Serrano Western Shoshone | Indians of California Western Shoshone |
| | 23-106 | California | Kawaiisu Western Snoshone | Indians of California Western Shoshone |
| | 27-41 | California Great Basin Southwest | Serrano Southern Paiute | Chemehuevi Indians of California Mojave |
| | 27-225 | California Great Basin | Serrano Southern Paiute | Indians of California Southern Paiute |
| | 27-266 | California | Serrano | Indians of California |
| | 30-52 | California Great Basin Southwest | Cahuilla Halchidhoma Southern Paiute | Indians of California Quechan |
| | 101-263 | California | Lassik Nongati Wintu | Indians of California |
| | 107-268 | California | Gabrielino Tataviam | California Indians |

TABLE C-2 (Cont.)

| State | Segment | Culture Area | Traditional Range | Judicially Established Land Claims |
|-----------------------|-------------|--|--|--|
| California (Cont.) | 108-267 | California | Cahuilla Gabrielino Serrano | Indians of California |
| | 115-238 | California Great Basin Southwest | Southern Paiute Quechan Kumeyaay | Indians of California Quechan |
| | 236-237 | California | Gabrielino Luiseño | Indians of California |
| | 261-262 | California | Shasta Wintu | Indians of California Modoc |
| | 264-265 | California | Tataviam | Indians of California |
| Colorado | 73-133 | Great Basin Great Plains | Ute Cheyenne | None |
| | 87-277 | Great Basin Great Plains | Arapaho Ute | Cheyenne Arapaho Northern Cheyenne Northern Arapaho |
| | 126-133 | Great Basin | Ute | None |
| | 130-131 (N) | Great Basin | Ute | None |
| | 130-131 (S) | Great Basin | Ute | None |
| | 130-274 | Great Basin | Ute | Navajo Nation |
| | 130-274 (E) | Great Basin | Ute | None |
| | 131-134 | Great Basin | Ute | None |
| | 132-133 | Great Basin | Ute | None |
| | 132-136 | Great Basin | Ute | None |
| | 132-276 | Great Basin | Ute | None |
| | 133-142 | Great Basin | Ute | None |
| | 134-136 | Great Basin | Ute | None |
| | 134-139 | Great Basin | Ute | None |

TABLE C-2 (Cont.)

| State | Segment | Culture Area | Traditional Range | Judicially Established Land Claims |
|----------|---------|-----------------------------|--|---|
| Colorado | 136-139 | Great Basin | Ute | None |
| (Cont.) | 136-277 | Great Basin | Ute | None |
| | 138-143 | Great Basin Great Plains | Ute Cheyenne | None |
| | 139-277 | Great Basin | Ute | None |
| | 144-275 | Great Basin Great Plains | Arapaho Cheyenne Ute | Arapaho Cheyenne Northern Cheyenne Northern Arapaho |
| Idaho | 11-228 | Great Basin | Northern Paiute | None |
| | 24-228 | Great Basin | Northern Paiute | None |
| | 29-36 | Great Basin | Northern Shoshone Bannock | None |
| | 36-112 | Great Basin | Northern Shoshone Bannock | Shoshone |
| | 36-226 | Great Basin | Northern Shoshone Bannock | Shoshone |
| | 36-228 | Great Basin | Northern Paiute Northern Shoshone Bannock | None |
| | 49-112 | Great Basin | Northern Shoshone Bannock | Shoshone |
| | 49-202 | Great Basin | Northern Shoshone Bannock | Shoshone |
| | 50-203 | Great Basin | Northern Shoshone Bannock | Shoshone |
| | 111-226 | Great Basin | Northern Shoshone Bannock | Shoshone |
| | 112-226 | Great Basin | Western Shoshone Northern Shoshone Bannock | Shoshone |

TABLE C-2 (Cont.)

| State | Segment | Culture Area | Traditional Range | Judicially Established Land Claims |
|---------|-------------|-----------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Idaho | 229-254 | Plateau | Coeur d'Alene | Coeur D'Alene |
| (Cont.) | 229-254 (N) | Plateau | Coeur d'Alene | Coeur D'Alene |
| | 229-254 (S) | Plateau | Coeur d'Alene | Coeur D'Alene |
| Montana | 50-51 | Great Plains Plateau | Flathead Pend d'Oreille Northern Shoshone | None |
| | 50-203 | Great Basin Great Plains | Northern Shoshone Bannock | None |
| | 51-204 | Plateau Great Plains | Flathead Pend d'Oreille | None |
| | 51-205 | Plateau | Flathead Pend d'Oreille | None |
| | 79-216 | Great Plains Plateau | Crow Flathead Pend d'Oreille | Crow |
| | 229-254 | Plateau Great Plains | Flathead Pend d'Oreille | Flathead Upper Pend d'Oreille |
| | 229-254 (N) | Plateau | Flathead Pend d'Oreille Kalispel | Upper Pend d'Oreille |
| | 229-254 (S) | Plateau | Flathead Pend d'Oreille Kalispel | Upper Pend d'Oreille |
| Nevada | 6-15 | Great Basin | Washoe | Washoe Northern Paiute |
| | 15-17 | Great Basin | Washoe Northern Paiute | Northern Paiute |
| | 15-104 | Great Basin | Washoe | Northern Paiute |
| | 16-17 | Great Basin | Northern Paiute | Northern Paiute |
| | 16-24 | Great Basin | Northern Paiute | Northern Paiute |
| | 16-104 | Great Basin | Northern Paiute | Northern Paiute |

TABLE C-2 (Cont.)

| State | Segment | Culture Area | Traditional Range | Judicially Established Land Claims |
|-------------------|------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Nevada (Cont.) | 17-18 | Great Basin | Northern Paiute | Northern Paiute |
| | 17-35 | Great Basin | Northern Paiute Western Shoshone | Northern Paiute Shoshone Western Shoshone |
| | 18-23 | Great Basin | Northern Paiute | Northern Paiute |
| | 18-224 | Great Basin | Northern Paiute Western Shoshone | Northern Paiute Western Shoshone |
| | 27-225 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |
| | 35-43 | Great Basin | Western Shoshone | Shoshone |
| | 35-111 | Great Basin | Western Shoshone | Shoshone |
| | 37-39 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |
| | 37-223 (N) | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |
| | 37-223 (S) | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |
| | 37-232 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |
| | 39-113 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |
| | 39-231 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |
| | 43-44 | Great Basin | Western Shoshone | Shoshone |
| | 43-111 | Great Basin | Western Shoshone | Shoshone |
| | 44-110 | Great Basin | Western Shoshone | Goshute |
| | 44-239 | Great Basin | Western Shoshone | None |
| | 47-231 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |
| | 110-114 | Great Basin | Western Shoshone | Goshute |
| | 110-233 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute Western Shoshone | Goshute Southern Paiute |
| | 111-226 | Great Basin | Western Shoshone | Shoshone |
| | 113-114 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |

TABLE C-2 (Cont.)

| State | Segment | Culture Area | Traditional Range | Judicially Established Land Claims |
|-------------------|-------------|---|---|---|
| Nevada (Cont.) | 113-116 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |
| ` ' | 223-224 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute Western Shoshone | Southern Paiute |
| | 224-225 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute Western Shoshone | Southern Paiute |
| | 225-231 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |
| | 232-233 (E) | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |
| | 232-233 (W) | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |
| New Mexico | 80-273 | Great Basin Southwest Rio Grande Ute | Navajo Jemez Keresens | Navajo Pueblo of Jemez Pueblo of Santa Ana Pueblo of Zia |
| | 81-213 | Southwest | Chiricahua Apache Jocome Jano | Chiricahua Apache |
| | 81-272 | Southwest | Chiricahua Apache Mescalero Apache Piro Jocome Jano | Chiricahua Apache |
| | 89-271 | Southwest | Mescalero Apache | None |
| Oregon | 4-247 | Northwest Coast Plateau | Athaposkans Kalapuyans Molala Shasta Takelma | None |
| | 5-201 | Northwest Coast Plateau | Chinookans Clatskanie | None |
| | 7-8 | Plateau | Klamath Modoc | Klamath |
| | 7-11 | Plateau Great Basin | Klamath Modoc Northern Paiute | Klamath |

TABLE C-2 (Cont.)

| State | Segment | Culture Area | Traditional Range | Judicially Established Land Claims |
|-------------------|---------|------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Oregon (Cont.) | 7-24 | Great Basin Plateau | Klamath Modoc Northern Paiute | Klamath Northern Paiute |
| | 10-246 | Plateau | Molala Wasco Wishram Cascades | Warm Springs |
| | 11-103 | Great Basin | Northern Paiute | None |
| | 11-228 | Great Basin | Northern Paiute | Snake |
| | 16-24 | Great Basin | Northern Paiute | Northern Paiute |
| | 24-228 | Great Basin | Northern Paiute | Northern Paiute |
| | 230-248 | Plateau | Molala | None |
| | 250-251 | Great Basin | Cayuse Nez Perce Northern Paiute Umatilla Walla Walla | None |
| Utah | 44-239 | Great Basin | Western Shoshone | Goshute |
| | 66-209 | Great Basin | Ute | Uintah Ute |
| | 66-212 | Great Basin | Ute | Uintah Ute |
| | 66-259 | Great Basin | Ute | Uintah Ute |
| | 68-116 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |
| | 110-114 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute Western Shoshone | None |
| | 113-114 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |
| | 113-116 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute | Southern Paiute |
| | 114-241 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute Ute Western Shoshone | Goshute Uintah Ute |
| | 116-206 | Great Basin | Southern Paiute Ute | Southern Paiute Uintah Ute |

TABLE C-2 (Cont.)

| State | Segment | Culture Area | Traditional Range | Judicially Established Land Claims | | | | | | | | |
|--------------|---------|-----------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Utah (Cont.) | 126-133 | Great Basin | Ute | None | | | | | | | | |
| | 126-218 | Great Basin | Ute | Shoshone | | | | | | | | |
| | 126-258 | Great Basin Great Plains | Ute Cheyenne | None | | | | | | | | |
| | 256-257 | Great Basin | Western Shoshone | Shoshone | | | | | | | | |
| Washington | 102-105 | Northwest Coast Plateau | Southern Coast Salish Middle Columbia River Salishans | Snoqualmie | | | | | | | | |
| | 244-245 | Northwest Coast Plateau | neighboring groups Southern Coast Salish | | | | | | | | | |
| Wyoming | 55-240 | Great Basin | Eastern Shoshone | Shoshone | | | | | | | | |
| | 73-129 | Great Basin Great Plains | Cheyenne | None | | | | | | | | |
| | 73-133 | Great Basin Great Plains | Cheyenne | None | | | | | | | | |
| | 73-138 | Great Basin Great Plains | Cheyenne | None | | | | | | | | |
| | 78-138 | Great Basin Great Plains | Cheyenne | Cheyenne Arapaho Northern Cheyenne | | | | | | | | |
| | 78-85 | Great Basin Great Plains | Cheyenne | Cheyenne Arapaho Northern Cheyenne | | | | | | | | |
| | 78-255 | Great Basin Great Plains | Cheyenne | Cheyenne Arapaho Northern Cheyenne | | | | | | | | |
| | 79-216 | Great Plains Great Basin | Cheyenne Crow Eastern Shoshone | Crow Sioux (Dacontah) | | | | | | | | |
| | 121-220 | Great Basin | Eastern Shoshone | Shoshone | | | | | | | | |
| | 121-221 | Great Basin Great Plains | Cheyenne Eastern Shoshone | Shoshone | | | | | | | | |
| | 121-240 | Great Basin | Eastern Shoshone | Shoshone | | | | | | | | |

TABLE C-2 (Cont.)

| State | Segment | Culture Area | Traditional Range | Judicially Established Land Claims |
|-----------------|---------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Wyoming (Cont.) | 126-218 | Great Basin Great Plains | Cheyenne Eastern Shoshone | Shoshone |
| | 129-218 | Great Basin Great Plains | Cheyenne Eastern Shoshone | Shoshone |
| | 129-221 | Great Basin Great Plains | Cheyenne | None |
| | 138-143 | Great Basin Great Plains | Cheyenne | None |
| | 218-240 | Great Basin | Eastern Shoshone | Shoshone |
| | 219-220 | Great Basin | Eastern Shoshone | Shoshone |
| | 220-221 | Great Basin Great Plains | Cheyenne Eastern Shoshone | Shoshone |

Culture areas and traditional Tribal territories are based on maps found in the Smithsonian Institution's *Handbook of North American Indians*. Land claims are based on information provided by the National Park Service in the *Native American Consultation Database* (NPS 2008; USGS 1993).

comment avenues open to all citizens, and were encouraged to use familiar and established channels of communication with local Agency personnel to get and give information about the project. In addition, special regional Tribal information meetings were held, a governmentto-government consultation section was included on the project Web site (www.corridoreis.anl.gov), an interagency consultation working group established, and a central point of contact for receiving and tracking Tribal requests was designated.

Public scoping for the project began on September 28, 2005, with the publishing of the Notice of Intent to prepare the PEIS for the designation of federal energy corridors. The public scoping process remained open from September 28, 2005, to November 28, 2005. Scoping meetings were held in each of the

11 western states during the weeks of October 24 and October 31, 2005. During the public scoping period, potentially affected Tribes were contacted by mail by either Bureau of Land Management (BLM) state directors or Forest Service (FS) regional foresters. The letters outlined the scoping process and encouraged the Tribes to submit comments either at scoping meetings, by mail, or electronically through the project Web site (Exhibit C-1 is an example). Nine federally recognized Tribes or Tribal organizations presented issues and concerns to the project team through the public scoping process.

In April 2006, following the scoping period, Mr. Kevin Kolevar, Director of the Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, sent letters to all federally recognized Tribes in the 11 western states inviting Tribal representatives to regional information meetings to be held in

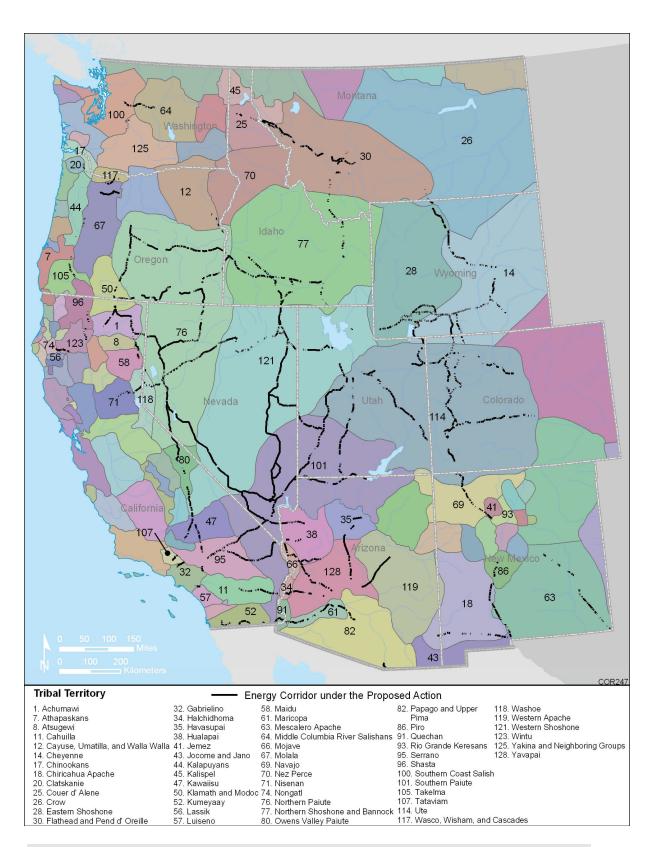


FIGURE C-1 The Proposed Corridors in Ethnohistorically Established Tribal Territories

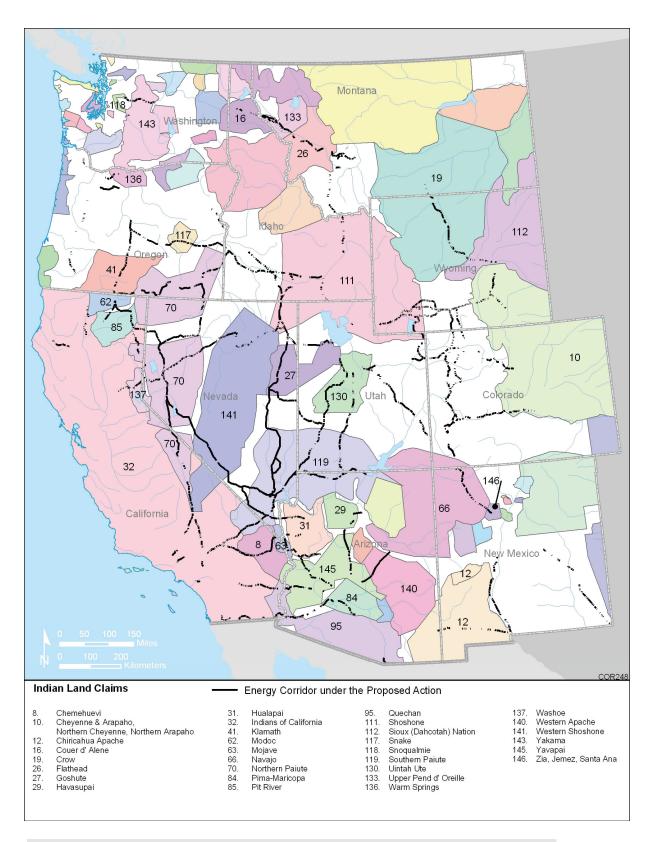


FIGURE C-2 The Proposed Corridors in Judicially Established Tribal Land Claims

TABLE C-3 Tribes Contacted by State

| ZIP | | 85239 | 85350 | 85344 | 85268 | 85247 | 86435-0010 | 86039 | 86434 | 86022 | 86515 | 86515 | 85746 | 85366 | 85256 | 85550 | 86045 | 85634 | 85541 | 85941 | 86322 | 86301-2038 | | 92262 | 96101 | 92236 | 92040 | 95551 | 93512 | 99656 | 95570 | 93513 | 93602 | 95453 | 93514 |
|-----------|---------|----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------------|---|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------|--|--------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--|----------------------|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| State | | AZ | AZ | AZ | ΑZ | AZ | AZ | AZ | AZ | AZ | AZ | ΑZ | ΑZ | AZ | ΑZ | ΑZ | ΑZ | AZ | AZ | ΑZ | ΑZ | AZ | | CA | CA | CA | CA | CA | CA | CA | CA | CA | CA | CA | CA |
| City | | Maricopa | Somerton | Parker | Fountain Hills | Sacaton | Supai | Kykotsmovi | Peach Springs | Fredonia | Window Rock | Window Rock | Tucson | Yuma | Scottsdale | San Carlos | Tuba City | Sells | Payson | Whiteriver | Camp Verde | Prescott | | Palm Springs | Alturas | Coachella | Lakeside | Loleta | Benton | Oroville | Trinidad | Big Pine | Auberry | Lakeport | Bishop |
| Address 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 825 South Main Street | | | |
| Address | | 42507 W. Peters & Nall Rd. | County 15th & Avenue G | Rt. 1, Box 23-B | P.O. Box 17779 | P.O. Box 97 | P.O. Box 10 | P.O. Box 123 | P.O. Box 179 | HC65, Box 2 | P.O. Box 9000 | P.O. Box 3390 | 7474 S. Camino de Oeste | P.O. Box 1899 | 10005 E. Osborn | P.O. Box 0 | P.O. Box 1989 | P.O. Box 837 | Tonto Apache Reservation #30 | P.O. Box 700 | 2400 W. Datsi Rd. | 530 E. Merritt Street | | 600 East Tahquitz Canyon Way | P.O. Box 340 | P.O. Box 846 | 1095 Barona Road | 32 Bear River Drive | 567 Yellow Jacket Rd. | 5 Tyme Way | P.O. Drawer 3060 | P.O. Box 700 | P.O. Box 337 | 2726 Mission Rancheria Rd. | 50 Tu Su Lane |
| Tribe | Arizona | Ak Chin Indian Community | Cocopah Indian Tribe | Colorado River Indian Tribes | Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation | Gila River Indian Community | Havasupai Tribe | Hopi Tribe | Hualapai Tribal Nation | Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians | Navajo Nation | Navajo Nation Council | Pascua Yaqui Tribe | Quechan Tribe | Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community | San Carlos Apache Tribe | San Juan Southern Paiute Tribe | Tohono O'odham Nation | Tonto Apache Tribe | White Mountain Apache Tribe | Yavapai-Apache Nation | Yavapai-Prescott Tribe | California | Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians | Alturas Indian Rancheria | Augustine Band of Cahuilla Indians | Barona Band of Mission Indians | Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria | Utu Utu Gwaitu Paiute Tribe | Berry Creek Rancheria of Maidu Indians | Big Lagoon Rancheria | Big Pine Paiute Tribe of the Owens Valley | Big Sandy Rancheria of Mono Indians | Big Valley Rancheria of Pomo Indians | Bishop Paiute Tribe |

TABLE C-3 (Cont.)

| Tribe | Address | Address 2 | City | State | ZIP |
|--|----------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------|------------|
| California (Cont.) | | | | | |
| Blue Lake Rancheria | P.O. Box 428 | | Blue Lake | CA | 95525 |
| Bridgeport Paiute Indian Colony | P.O. Box 37 | | Bridgeport | CA | 93517 |
| Buena Vista Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians | P.O. Box 162283 | | Sacramento | CA | 95816 |
| Cabazon Band of Mission Indians | 84-245 Indio Springs Drive | | Indio | CA | 92201 |
| Cahto Indian Tribe | P.O. Box 1239 | Laytonville Rancheria | Laytonville | CA | 95454 |
| Cahuilla Band of Mission Indians | P.O. Box 391760 | | Anza | CA | 92539-1760 |
| California Valley Miwok Tribe | 10601 Escondido Place | | Stockton | CA | 95212 |
| Campo Kumeyaay Nation | 36190 Church Road, Suite 1 | | Campo | CA | 91906 |
| Cedarville Rancheria | 200 South Howard Street | | Alturas | CA | 96101 |
| Chemehuevi Indian Tribe | P.O. Box 1976 | | Havasu Lake | CA | 92362 |
| Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians | P.O. Box 1159 | | Jamestown | CA | 95327 |
| Cloverdale Rancheria of Pomo Indians | 555 S. Cloverdale Blvd., Suite 1 | | Cloverdale | CA | 95425 |
| Cold Springs Rancheria of Mono Indians | P.O. Box 209 | | Tollhouse | CA | 29966 |
| Colusa Rancheria | 3730 Highway 45 | | Colusa | CA | 95932 |
| Cortina Rancheria of Wintun Indians | P.O. Box 1630 | | Williams | CA | 28656 |
| Coyote Valley Band of Pomo Indians | P.O. Box 39 | | Redwood Valley | CA | 95470 |
| Dry Creek Rancheria of Pomo Indians | P.O. Box 607 | | Geyserville | CA | 95441 |
| Elem Indian Colony of Pomo Indians | P.O. Box 989 | | Clearlake Oaks | CA | 95423 |
| Elk Valley Rancheria | 2332 Howland Hill Road | | Crescent City | CA | 95531 |
| Enterprise Rancheria of Maidu Indians | 1940 Feather River Blvd. Suite B | | Oroville | CA | 59656 |
| Ewiiaapaayp Band of Kumeyaay Indians | P.O. Box 2250 | 4054 Willows Road | Alpine | CA | 91903-2250 |
| Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria | 320 Tesconi Circle Suite G | | Santa Rosa | CA | 95401 |
| Fort Bidwell Reservation | P.O. Box 129 | | Fort Bidwell | CA | 96112 |
| Fort Independence Reservation | P.O. Box 67 | | Independence | CA | 93526 |
| Fort Mojave Indian Tribe | 500 Merriman Avenue | | Needles | CA | 92363 |
| Greenville Rancheria of Maidu Indians | P.O. Box 279 | 410 Main Street | Greenville | CA | 95947 |
| Grindstone Rancheria of Wintun-Wailaki Indians | P.O. Box 63 | | Elk Creek | CA | 95939 |
| Guidiville Rancheria | P.O. Box 339 | | Talmage | CA | 95481 |
| Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake | P.O. Box 516 | 375 E. Hwy 20Suite I | Upper Lake | CA | 95485 |
| Hoopa Valley Tribe | P.O. Box 1348 | | Hoopa | CA | 95546 |
| Hopland Band of Pomo Indians | 3000 Shanel Road | | Hopland | CA | 95449 |
| Inaja-Cosmit Reservation | 309 S. Maple Street | | Escondido | CA | 92025 |
| Ione Band of Miwok Indians | P.O. Box 1190 | | Ione | CA | 95640 |
| Jackson Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians | P.O. Box 1090 | | Jackson | CA | 95642 |
| Jamul Indian Village | P.O. Box 612 | | Jamul | CA | 91935 |

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| California (Cont.) | | | | | |
| Karuk Tribe of California | P.O. Box 1016 | | Happy Camp | CA | 96039 |
| La Jolla Band of Luiseno Indians | 22000 Highway 76 | | Pauma Valley | CA | 92061 |
| La Posta Band of Mission Indians | P.O. Box 1120 | | Boulevard | CA | 91905 |
| Lone Pine Painte Shoshone Reservation | P.O. Box 747 | 1103 S. Main St. | Lone Pine | CA | 93545 |
| Los Coyotes Band of Cahuilla and Cupeno Indians | P.O. Box 189 | | Warner Springs | CA | 92086 |
| Lower Lake Rancheria | P.O. Box 3162 | | Santa Rosa | CA | 95402 |
| Lytton Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians | P.O. Box 7882 | 1300 N. Dutton, Suite A | Santa Rosa | CA | 95401 |
| Manchester-Point Arena Band of Pomo Indians | P.O. Box 623 | 24 Mamie Laiwa Dr. | Point Arena | CA | 95468 |
| Manzanita Band of Mission Indians | P.O. Box 1302 | | Boulevard | CA | 91905 |
| Mechoopda Indian Tribe of the Chico Rancheria | 125 Mission Ranch Blvd. | | Chico | CA | 95926 |
| Mesa Grande Band of Mission Indians | P.O. Box 270 | | Santa Ysbel | CA | 92070 |
| Middletown Rancheria of Pomo Indians | P.O. Box 1035 | 22223 Hwy 29 @ Rancheria R | Middletown | CA | 95461 |
| Mooretown Rancheria of Maidu Indians | 1 Alverda Drive | | Oroville | CA | 99656 |
| Morongo Band of Mission Indians | 11581 Potrero Road | | Banning | CA | 92220 |
| North Fork Rancheria | P.O. Box 929 | | North Fork | CA | 93643-0929 |
| Pala Band of Mission Indians | 12196 Pala Mission Road | | Pala | CA | 92059 |
| Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians | P.O. Box 398 | 1012 South Street | Orland | CA | 95963 |
| Pauma/Yuima Band of Mission Indians | P.O. Box 369 | | Pauma Valley | CA | 92061 |
| Pechanga Band of Mission Indians | P.O. Box 1477 | | Temecula | CA | 92593 |
| Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians | 46575 Road 417 | | Coarsegold | CA | 93614 |
| Pinoleville Pomo Nation | 367 North State Street, Suite 204 | | Ukiah | CA | 95482 |
| Pit River Tribe | 37118 Main Street | | Burney | CA | 96013 |
| Potter Valley Tribe | 2251 South State Street | | Ukiah | CA | 95482 |
| Quartz Valley Indian Community | 13601 Quartz Valley Road | | Fort Jones | CA | 96032 |
| Ramona Band of Mission Indians | P.O. Box 391372 | | Anza | CA | 92539 |
| Redding Rancheria | 2000 Redding Rancheria Rd. | | Redding | CA | 96001 |
| Redwood Valley Rancheria of Pomo Indians | 3250 Road I | | Redwood Valley | CA | 95470 |
| Resighini Rancheria | P.O. Box 529 | | Klamath | CA | 95548 |
| Rincon Band of Mission Indians | P.O. Box 68 | | Valley Center | CA | 92082 |
| Robinson Rancheria of Pomo Indians | P.O. Box 4015 | | Nice | CA | 95464 |
| Round Valley Reservation | P.O. Box 448 | | Covelo | CA | 95428 |
| Rumsey Indian Rancheria of Wintun Indians | P.O. Box 18 | | Brooks | CA | 90956 |
| San Manuel Band of Mission Indians | P.O. Box 266 | | Patton | CA | 92369 |
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| City | | Hemet | Lemoore | Santa Ynez | Santa Ysabel | Lakeport | Willits | Shingle Springs | Smith River | San Jacinto | Santa Rosa | Susanville | El Cajon | Friant | Bishop | Thermal | Trinidad | Porterville | Tuolumne | Coachella | Rocklin | Alpine | Loleta | Markleeville | Klamath | | Ignacio | Towaoc | | Plummer | Bonners Ferry | Lapwai | Fort Hall |
| Address 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 23736 Sky Harbour Road | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 850 A Street | | | |
| Address | | P.O. Box 609 | P.O. Box 8 | P.O. Box 517 | P.O. Box 130 | 301 Industrial Avenue | 190 Sherwood Hill Drive | P.O. Box 1340 | 140 Rowdy Creek Road | P.O. Box 487 | 3535 Industrial Drive, Suite B-2 | Drawer U | 5459 Sycuan Road | P.O. Box 410 | 785 N. Main Street Suite Q | P.O. Box 1160 | P.O. Box 630 | P.O. Box 589 | P.O. Box 699 | 46-200 Harrison Place | 575 Menlo Drive Suite 2 | P.O. Box 908 | 1000 Wiyot Drive | 96 Washoe Blvd. | P.O. Box 1027 | | P.O. Box 737 | P.O. Box 248 | | P.O. Box 408 | P.O. Box 1269 | P.O. Box 305 | Fort Hall Business Council |
| Tribe | California (Cont.) | Santa Rosa Band of Cahuilla Indians | Santa Rosa Rancheria | Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians | Santa Ysabel Band of Mission Indians | Scotts Valley Band of Pomo Indians | Sherwood Valley Rancheria of Pomo Indians | Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians | Smith River Rancheria | Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians | Stewarts Point Rancheria | Susanville Indian Rancheria Wiyot Tribe | Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation | Table Mountain Rancheria | Timbisha Shoshone Tribe | Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians | Trinidad Rancheria | Tule River Indian Tribe | Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians | Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians | United Auburn Indian Community | Viejas Band of Mission Indians | Wiyot Tribe | Woodfords Community | Yurok Tribe | Colorado | Southern Ute Indian Tribe | Ute Mountain Tribe | Idaho | Coeur d'Alene Tribe | Kootenai Tribe | Nez Perce Tribe | Shoshone-Bannock Tribes |

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| Montana Blackfeet Tribe Chippewa Cree Indians Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the | P.O. Box 850 RR 1, P.O. Box 544 Box 278 | | Browning Box Elder Pablo | MT MT MT | 89417 59521 59855 |
| Flathead Reservation Crow Tribe Fort Belknap Indian Community Fort Peck Tribal Executive Board Northern Cheyenne Tribe | P.O. Box 400 RR 1, Box 66 P.O. Box 1027 P.O. Box 128 | | Crow Agency Harlem Poplar Lame Deer | MT MT MT | 59022 59526 59255 59043 |
| Nebraska Santee Sioux Nation | 108 Spirit Lake Ave. West | | Niobrara | Z | 09/89 |
| Nevada Battle Mountain Band | 37 Mountain View Prive | | Rattle Mountain | N | 06808 |
| Carson Colony | 2900 S. Curry Street | | Carson City | > | 89703 |
| Dresslerville Colony | 919 Highway 395 | | Gardnerville | N | 89410 |
| Shoshone-Paiute Tribe of Duck Valley | P.O. Box 219 | | Owyhee | N | 89832 |
| Duckwater Shoshone Tribe | P.O. Box 140068 | | Duckwater | N | 89314 |
| Elko Band | 1745 Silver Eagle Drive | | Elko | N | 89801 |
| Ely Shoshone Tribe | 16 Shoshone Circle | | Ely | N | 89301 |
| Paiute Shoshone Tribe of the Fallon Reservation | 565 Rio Vista Road | | Fallon | N | 89406-9159 |
| Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribes | P.O. Box 457 | | McDermitt | N | 89421 |
| Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada | 680 Greenbrae Drive | | Sparks | N | 89431 |
| Las Vegas Indian Colony | Number One Paiute Drive | | Las Vegas | N | 89106 |
| Lovelock Paiute Tribe | P.O. Box 878 | | Lovelock | N | 89419 |
| Moapa Band of Paiute Indians | P.O. Box 340 | | Moapa | N | 89026-0340 |
| Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe | P.O. Box 256 | | Nixon | N | 89424 |
| Reno-Sparks Indian Colony | 98 Colony Road | | Reno | NV | 89502 |
| South Fork Band | HC 30, Box B-13 - Lee | | Spring Creek | N | 89815 |
| Stewart Community | 5300 Snyder Ave. | | Carson City | N | 89701 |
| Summit Lake Paiute Tribe | 653 Anderson Street | | Winnemucca | NV | 89445 |
| Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone | 525 Sunset Street | | Elko | N | 89801 |
| Walker River Paiute Tribe | P.O. Box 220 | | Schurz | N | 89427 |
| Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California | 919 Highway 395 South | | Gardnerville | NV | 89410 |
| Wells Dand | D O D 5., 900 | | Wells | 1111 | 80825 |

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| Nevada (Cont.) | | | | | |
| Winnemucca Indian Colony | P.O. Box 1370 | | Winnemucca | N | 89446 |
| Yerington Paiute Tribe | 171 Campbell Lane | | Yerington | N N | 89447 |
| Yomba Shoshone Tribe | HC 61, Box 6275 | | Austin | N | 89310 |
| New Mexico | | | | | |
| All Indian Pueblos Council | 2401 12th St. NW | | Albuquerque | NM | 87103 |
| Eight Northern Indian Pueblos Council | P.O. Box 969 | | San Juan Pueblo | NM | 87566 |
| Five Sandoval Indian Pueblos | 1043 Highway 313 | | Bernalillo | NM | 87004 |
| Jicarilla Apache Nation | P.O. Box 507 | | Dulce | NM | 87528 |
| Mescalero Apache Tribe | P.O. Box 227 | | Mescalero | NM | 88340 |
| Ohkay Owingeh | P.O. Box 1099 | | San Juan Pueblo | NM | 87566 |
| Pueblo of Acoma | P.O. Box 309 | | Acoma | NM | 87034 |
| Pueblo of Cochiti | P.O. Box 70 | | Cochiti | NM | 87072 |
| Pueblo of Isleta | P.O. Box 1270 | | Isleta | NM | 87022 |
| Pueblo of Jemez | P.O. Box 100 | | Jemez Pueblo | NM | 87024 |
| Pueblo of Laguna | P.O. Box 194 | | Laguna | NM | 87026- |
| Pueblo of Nambe | Route 1, Box 117-BB | | Santa Fe | NM | 87501 |
| Pueblo of Picuris | P.O. Box 127 | | Penasco | NM | 87553 |
| Pueblo of Pojoaque | 17746 U.S. Highway 84/285 | | Santa Fe | NM | 87506 |
| Pueblo of San Felipe | P.O. Box 4339 | | San Felipe Pueblo | NM | 87001 |
| Pueblo of San Ildefonso | Route 5, Box 315-A | | Santa Fe | NM | 87501 |
| Pueblo of Sandia | 481 Sandia Loop | | Bernalillo | NM | 87004 |
| Pueblo of Santa Ana | 2 Dove Road | | Santa Ana Pueblo | NM | 87004 |
| Pueblo of Santa Clara | P.O. Box 580 | | Espanola | NM | 87532 |
| Pueblo of Santo Domingo | P.O. Box 99 | | Santo Domingo | NM | 87052 |
| | | | Pueblo | | |
| Pueblo of Taos | P.O. Box 1846 | | Taos | NM | 87571 |
| Pueblo of Tesuque | RR 42, Box 360-T | | Santa Fe | NM | 87506-2632 |
| Pueblo of Zia | 135 Capitol Square Drive | | Zia Pueblo | NM | 87053-6013 |
| Ramah Navajo Chapter | Route 2, Box 13 | | Ramah | NM | 87321 |
| Zuni Tribe | P.O. Box 339 | | Zuni | NM | 87327 |

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| Tribe | Address | Address 2 | City | State | ZIP |
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| North Dakota Standing Rock Sioux Tribe of North and South Dakota Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation | P.O. Box D 404 Frontage Road | | Fort Yates New Town | ND QN | 58538 58763 |
| Oklahoma Apache Tribe of Oklahoma Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma Comanche Nation Fort Sill Apache Tribe of Oklahoma Kiowa Indian Tribe of Oklahoma | P.O. Box 1220 P.O. Box 38 HC 32, Box 1720 Route 2, Box 121 P.O. Box 369 | | Anadarko Concho Lawton Apache Carnegie | 0K 0K 0K | 73005 73022 73502 73006 73015 |
| Burns Paiute Tribe Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Reservation Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation Coquille Tribe Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians Klamath Tribes Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Reservation | 100 Pasigo Street 1245 Fulton Avenue 9615 Grand Ronde Road P.O. Box 638 P.O. Box C P.O. Box 783 2371 N.E. Stevens Suite 100 P.O. Box 436 P.O. Box 436 P.O. Box 549 | 3050 Tremont Street | Burns Coos Bay Grand Ronde Pendleton Warm Springs North Bend Roseburg Chiloquin Siletz | OR OR OR OR | 97720 97420 97347-0038 97801-0638 97761-3001 97549 97624-0436 97624-0436 |
| South Dakota Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Crow Creek Sioux Tribe Lower Brule Sioux Tribe Oglala Sioux Tribe of the Pine Ridge Reservation Rosebud Sioux Tribe | P.O. Box 590 P.O. Box 50 187 Oyate Circle P.O. Box 2070 P.O. Box 430 | | Eagle Butte Fort Thompson Lower Brule Pine Ridge Rosebud | SD SD SD SD SD | 57625 57339 57548 57770 57570 |
| T exas Ysleta del Sur Pueblo | 119 S. Old Pueblo Rd. | | El Paso | TX | 719917 |

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| Tribe | Address | Addicss 2 | CIIS | State | ZIL |
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| Utah | | | | | |
| Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Reservation | P.O. Box 6104 | | Ibapah | UT | 84034 |
| Northwestern Band of Shoshoni Nation | 427 North Main Street, Suite 101 | | Pocatello | | 83204-3016 |
| Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah | 440 N. Paiute Drive | | Cedar City | UT | 84720-2613 |
| Skull Valley Band of Goshute Indians | 3359 South Main Street #808 | | Salt Lake City | UT | 84029 |
| Ute Indian Tribe of the Uintah and Ouray Reservation | P.O. Box 190 | | Ft. Duchesne | UI | 84026 |
| Washington | | | | | |
| Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation | P.O. Box 536 | | Oakville | WA | 89586 |
| Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation | P.O. Box 150 | | Nespelem | WA | 99155-0150 |
| Cowlitz Indian Tribe | P.O. Box 2547 | 1417 - 15th Ave.#5 | Longview | WA | 98632-8594 |
| Hoh Indian Tribe | 2464 Lower Hoh Road | | Forks | WA | 98331 |
| Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe | 1033 Old Blyn Hwy. | | Sequim | WA | 98382 |
| Kalispel Indian Community | P.O. Box 39 | | Usk | WA | 99180-0039 |
| Lower Elwha Tribal Community | 2851 Lower Elwha Road | | Port Angeles | WA | 98363 |
| Lummi Tribe | 2616 Kwina Road | | Bellingham | WA | 98226 |
| Makah Indian Tribe | P.O. Box 115 | | Neah Bay | WA | 98357-0115 |
| Muckleshoot Indian Tribe | 39015 172nd Avenue S.E. | | Auburn | WA | 26086 |
| Nisqually Indian Tribe | 4820 She-Nah-Num Drive S.E. | | Olympia | WA | 98513-9199 |
| Nooksack Indian Tribe | P.O. Box 157 | 5016 Deming Road | Deming | WA | 98244-0157 |
| Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe | 31912 Little Boston Rd. N.E. | | Kingston | WA | 98346 |
| Puyallup Tribe | 1850 Alexander Avenue | | Tacoma | WA | 98421 |
| Quileute Tribe | P.O. Box 279 | | LaPush | WA | 98350 |
| Quinault Indian Nation | P.O. Box 189 | | Taholah | WA | 98587-0189 |
| Samish Indian Nation | P.O. Box 217 | 1618 D Avenue | Anacortes | WA | 98221 |
| Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe | 5318 Chief Brown Ln. | | Darrington | WA | 98241-9421 |
| Shoalwater Bay Tribe | P.O. Box 130 | | Tokeland | WA | 98590-0130 |
| Skokomish Tribe | N. 80 Tribal Center Road | | Skokomish Nation | WA | 98584 |
| Snoqualmie Tribe | 8130 Railroad Avenue | Suite 103 | Snoqualmie | WA | 98065 |
| Spokane Tribe | P.O. Box 100 | | Wellpinit | WA | 99040-0100 |
| Squaxin Island Tribe | 10 SE Squaxin Lane | | Shelton | WA | 98584-9200 |
| Stillaguamish Tribe | P.O. Box 277 | | Arlington | WA | 98223-0277 |
| Suquamish Indian Tribe | P.O. Box 498 | | Suquamish | WA | 98392-0498 |
| Swinomish Indians | P.O. Box 817 | 11404 Moorage Way | LaConner | WA | 98257-0817 |

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| Tribe | Address | Address 2 | City | State | ZIP |
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| Washington (Cont.) Tulalip Tribes | 6700 Totem Beach Road | | Marysville | WA | 98271-9715 |
| Upper Skagit Indian Tribe | 25944 Community Plaza Way | | Sedro Woolley | WA | 98284-9739 |
| Yakama Nation | P.O. Box 151 | | Toppenish | WA | 98948-0151 |
| Wyoming Arapaho Tribe of the Wind River Reservation Shoshone Tribe of Wind River Reservation | P.O. Box 396 P.O. Box 217 | | Fort Washakie Fort Washakie | WY WY | 82514 82514 |

May throughout the West (Exhibit C-2). Twenty-nine Tribes sent representatives to these meetings. These meetings were not intended to replace government-to-government consultation; they were intended to provide sufficient information to allow Tribes to decide whether they wished to enter into formal government-togovernment consultations with the Agencies. In these information sessions, the project was discussed. Tribal concerns were aired, and Tribes were invited to enter into consultation. The Tribes were also invited to comment on the draft corridor map to be released in June of 2006. Five Tribes submitted comments on the map. All Tribes invited to the information meetings, along with all attendees, received a summary report of the meetings (Exhibit C-3) and updated state-wide corridor maps. Later, letters inviting consultation and summarizing the information presented at the Tribal meetings were sent to 13 additional Tribes with traditional territorial claims in the 11 western states, but with reservations in other states.

Seventy-six federally recognized Tribes responded to the materials provided with either questions, comments, or requests consultation (TableC-4). As early as the scoping process, Tribes began to request government-togovernment consultation. A single point of contact was established at Argonne National Laboratory to process Tribal requests for information and facilitate consultation. At the same time, an interagency Tribal Consultation Group was set up to implement consultation with the Agencies. It developed a consultation protocol, including points-of-contact (POCs) within each agency, to manage contacts with interested Tribes (Exhibit C-4) and approved a packet of basic information on the Proposed Action to be provided to Tribes desiring consultation (Exhibit C-5). The protocol took advantage of existing relationships between local Agency representatives and the Tribes. Once a request for consultation was received, it was forwarded to the Tribal Consultation Group, which assigned a local Agency POC to initiate discussions. Consultation was made available at any level desired by the Tribe. In general, local

POCs provided basic information and fielded requests for additional information and for more detailed maps. In cases where further consultation was desired, the Agency POCs acted as facilitators setting up consultation with program managers. As necessary, Agency project managers traveled to the West to meet with Tribal groups, or Tribal representatives came to Washington, D.C., for discussions. One Tribe, the Coeur d'Alene Tribe of Idaho, became a consulting agency.

incorporation of local Agency The experience with Native American concerns in their areas played an important role in the consultation process. Even before the onset of government-to-government consultations, local Agency knowledge of areas of concern to Native Americans was incorporated into the siting process. As consultation got under way, state and local BLM and FS offices used their knowledge to follow up on the initial contacts with letters, telephone calls, and meetings with those groups expressing a desire to consult, or who would be most directly affected by the proposed corridors. The most common Tribal request was for more detailed maps (which were provided), to meet again after the draft PEIS was issued, and to be given adequate notice of any planned development in the proposed corridors. Other concerns commonly expressed throughout the consultation process included potential effects on Tribal economic development, potential effects on the availability of energy to Tribal groups, potential effects on the environment, as well as potential effects on traditional cultural properties. Information on potentially culturally sensitive areas was also acquired. When requested, proposed corridors were moved to avoid areas of Native American concern. Where there was local precedent and the established working relationship with local Tribes required it, Agency offices included Native Americans in the internal review process of the draft of this document.

The draft PEIS was made available to all 250 federally recognized Tribal groups with traditional interests in the 11 western states.

TABLE C-4 Federally Recognized Tribes Requesting Consultation or Additional Information

| | Responsible | |
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| Tribe | Agency | Status |
| Arizona | | |
| Cocopah Tribal Council | BLM | Information request filled |
| • | FS | • |
| Hopi Tribe | BLM | Written comments received; response sent |
| Hualapai Nation | BLM | Local Agency management has met with Tribal council; |
| _ | | written comments received |
| Kaibab Paiute Tribe | BLM | Met with local Agency management; written comments received |
| Navajo Nation | Management | Project management met with Tribal officials; provided |
| | Team | written and verbal comments |
| Pascua Yaqui Tribal Council | BLM | Information request filled |
| Quechan Indian Tribe | BLM | Written comments received; corridor rerouted |
| Tohono O'odham Nation | BLM | Written comments received on PEIS |
| White Mountain Apache | NA | Sent written determination of no adverse effect |
| California | | |
| Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians | BLM | Met with local Agency management; response letter sent |
| Big Pine Paiute Tribe of Owens Valley | FS | Met with project management; written comments received; response letter sent |
| Bishop Paiute Tribe | FS | Written comments received |
| Cahuilla Band of Cahuilla Indians | BLM | Met with local Agency management at Riverside Intertribal |
| | | Meeting – no further consultation requested |
| Campo Kumeyaay Nation | FS | Requested consultation with DOE; consultation is ongoing |
| Enterprise Rancheria | FS | Agency POC met with Tribal chair; request additional consultation at development |
| Fort Mojave Indian Tribe | BLM | Corridor proximity contact; Agencies proposed a reroute |
| La Posta Kumeyaay Band | FS | Corridor proximity contact; consultation is ongoing |
| Lone Pine Paiute-Shoshone | FS | Attended Big Pine meeting; written comments received |
| Lytton Band of Pomo Indians | FS | Information request filled; consultation at development phase |
| Morongo Band of Mission Indians | FS | Corridor proximity contact; met with program management; |
| | | met local Agency management at Riverside; consultation ongoing |
| Pechanga Band of Mission Indians | FS | Met with program management; written comments received consultation ongoing |
| Pit River Tribe of California | FS | Met with local Agency management; consult at |
| | BLM | development |
| Robinson Rancheria | FS | Information request filled |
| San Manuel Band of Serrano Mission | BLM | Met with local Agency management at Riverside Intertribal |
| Indians | | Meeting – no further consultation requested |
| Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians | BLM | Met with local Agency management at Riverside Intertribal Meeting – no further consultation requested |
| Timbisha Shoshone | BLM | Met with local Agency management for California and Nevada |
| Viejas Band of Mission Indians | FS | Information request filled |
| Colorado | | |
| Southern Ute Indian Tribe | BLM | Corridor proximity contact; information request filled |
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| Tribe | Agency | Status |
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| Idaho | DIM | |
| Coeur d'Alene Tribe | BLM | Cooperating agency; provided technical comments; met |
| Shoshone-Bannock | BLM | with program management Met with program management; written comments received |
| Northwestern Band of the Shoshone | BLM | Met with program management |
| Nation | DEM | Met with program management |
| | | |
| Montana | | |
| Blackfeet Nation | BLM | Initial consultation request modified to information request |
| Crow Tribal Council | BLM | Corridor proximity contact; met with program |
| North and Character | DIM | management; no current concerns |
| Northern Cheyenne Confederated Salish and Kootenai | BLM BLM | Information request filled Met with local Agency management; written comments |
| Tribes | FS | received; Tribe feels fully informed |
| 111063 | T O | received, Thos iceis fully illionlied |
| Nevada | | |
| Fallon Paiute – Shoshone | BLM | Met with local Agency management; consult at |
| | | development |
| Fort McDermitt Paiute-Shoshone Tribes | BLM | PEIS request filled |
| Moapa Band of Paiutes | BLM | Corridor proximity contact – no response |
| Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe | BLM | Corridor proximity contact; met with local Agency |
| | | management; provided verbal comments and concerns; |
| Reno-Sparks Tribal Council | BLM | consult at development Met with local Agency management; consult at |
| Reno-Sparks 1110ai Councii | DLIVI | development |
| Shoshone-Paiute of Duck Valley | BLM | Met with program management; written comments received; |
| , | | met with program management to resolve comments |
| Summit Lake Paiute Tribe | BLM | Clarification request filled |
| Te-Moak Western Shoshone | BLM | Corridor proximity contact; information request filled |
| Walker River Paiute Tribe | BLM | Met with local Agency management; information request |
| W 1 7 1 | DIM | filled; consult at development |
| Washoe Tribe | BLM | Met with local Agency management; consult at |
| Yerington Paiute Tribe | BLM | development Met with local Agency management; consult at |
| Termgion Faidic 1110c | DLM | development or corridor expansion |
| | | action of contact expansion |
| New Mexico | | |
| Navajo Nation - Canoncito Band | BLM | Met with local Agency management; no current concerns |
| Navajo Nation - Ojo Encino Chapter | BLM | Met with local Agency management; suggest wider Navajo |
| | | contacts (see Navajo under Arizona) |
| Navajo Nation – Torreon Chapter | BLM | Met with local Agency management; suggest wider Navajo |
| D -11 C A | DIM | contacts (see Navajo under Arizona) |
| Pueblo of Acoma | BLM | Met with local Agency management; attended All Indian |
| Pueblo of Isleta | BLM | Pueblo Council presentation; consult at development Met with local Agency management; attended All Indian |
| 1 debito di Isieta | DLWI | Pueblo Council presentation; opposed to corridors on |
| | | Tribal lands |
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TABLE C-4 (Cont.)

| Т. 1 | Responsible | Cr. s |
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| Tribe | Agency | Status |
| New Mexico (Cont.) | | |
| Pueblo of Jemez | BLM | Met with local Agency management; attended All Indian Pueblo Council presentation |
| Pueblo of Laguna | BLM | Met with local Agency management; no request for further consultation |
| Pueblo of Nambe | BLM | Attended All Indian Pueblo Council presentation; no reques for consultation |
| Pueblo of Ohkay Owingeh | BLM | Attended All Indian Pueblo Council presentation; no reques for consultation |
| Pueblo of Pojoaque | BLM | Attended All Indian Pueblo Council presentation; no reques for consultation |
| Pueblo of San Felipe | BLM | Attended All Indian Pueblo Council presentation; submitted written comments; no response to further contacts |
| Pueblo of Sandia | BLM | Met with local Agency management; consultation ongoing |
| Pueblo of Santa Ana | BLM | Met with local Agency managements; commented at public meeting |
| Pueblo of Santa Clara | BLM | Attended All Indian Pueblo Council presentation; provided verbal comments |
| Pueblo of Santo Domingo | BLM | Met with local Agency management; attended All Indian Pueblo Council presentation |
| Pueblo of Tesuque | BLM | Attended All Indian Pueblo Council presentation; no comment |
| Pueblo of Zia | BLM | Met with local Agency management; attended All Indian Pueblo Council presentation with new leadership; consultation is ongoing |
| Pueblo of Zuni | BLM | Corridor proximity contact; met with local Agency managements; commented at public meeting; consultation is ongoing |
| Oklahoma | | |
| Comanche Nation | NA | Written response; no current concerns; consult at development |
| Oregon | | |
| Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians | FS | CD request filled |
| Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians of Oregon | FS | CD request filled |
| Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde | FS | Request consultation; no response to further contacts |
| Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla | FS | Submitted written comments; met with local Agency management; met with project management |
| Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation | FS | Attended Tribal information meeting; corridor proximity contact; Met with local Agency managements |
| Utah | | |
| Confederated Goshute Tribes | FS BLM | Information request filled; met with local Agency management; did not submit comments |
| Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah, Shivwits Band | BLM | Submitted written comments; met with local Agency management; consult at development |

TABLE C-4 (Cont.)

| | Responsible | |
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| Tribe | Agency | Status |
| Utah (Cont.) | | |
| Skull Valley Band of Goshute Indians | BLM | Commented at public meeting; contact with local Agency management; no interest in further consultation |
| Ute Indian Tribe of the Uintah and Ouray Reservation | BLM | Corridor proximity contact; no response |
| Washington | | |
| Colville Reservation | FS | Draft provided for comment; corridor of interest deleted; no further comments |
| Stillaguamish Tribe of Indians | NA | Written response; no current concerns |
| Yakama Nation | FS | Request for additional copies filled; no comment received |
| Wyoming | | |
| Eastern Shoshone Tribe of the Wind River Indian Reservation | NA | Submitted written comments; no consultation requested |

Tribes were given special notice of the impending release of the draft PEIS in mid-October 2007. The leaders of the Tribes listed in Table C-3, as well as other Tribal officials listed in Table C-5, received a preliminary notice that the draft was to be released. Leaders of all Tribes that had entered into some kind of communication with the Agencies received the letter shown in Exhibit C-6. Tribes that had not yet responded to previous contacts received the letter shown in Exhibit C-7. These letters informed Tribal leaders of the scheduled release of the draft PEIS, notified them that they would be receiving a copy or copies if more had been requested, informed them of how to acquire additional copies, provided information on when and how to comment on the draft and invited them to consult with the Agencies. The Agencies sent copies of the draft PEIS to all of the Tribes and government officials listed in Tables C-3 and C-5 beginning on November 7, 2007 (see Exhibit C-8). Letters accompanying the draft once again invited comments and consultation. The public notice of availability appeared in the Federal Register November 16.

The public comment period lasted for 90 days until mid-February 2008. Tribes took advantage of all formal comment avenues and

submitted letters and e-mails, and spoke at public meetings (see Table C-6). Tribes continued to submit comments after the public comment period was concluded. Comments from federally recognized Tribes received after the deadline were taken into account to the extent possible consistent with the publication schedule.

C.3 TRIBAL CONCERNS

Tribes expressed a variety of concerns by means of public comments, formal letters, meetings, and consultation with the Agencies. The Agencies took these comments into account in revising the draft PEIS. Responses to public comments are found in Volume IV. In addition. the Agencies have responded directly to Tribes regarding issues raised during consultation. The issues raised by Tribes fall into two broad categories — those relevant to the energy corridor designation process and those concerned with the development of the corridors after designation. Tribes also used opportunity to comment and consult to raise issues related to energy development and Tribal sovereignty beyond the scope of this PEIS. Agency **POCs** addressed these issues independently, often at a local or regional level.

TABLE C-5 Additional Tribal Officials Receiving the Draft PEIS

| Suffix Title | Cultural Resources Manager | Director THPO | Cultural Resources Director Environmental Program Manager Vice President | Chairperson, Resources Committee Chairperson, Education Committee Chairperson, Budget and Finance | Committee | Chairperson, Judiciary Committee Chairperson, Government Services | Committee | Committee | Chairperson, Navajo/Hopi Land Commission | Chairperson, Human Services | Chairperson, Economic Develonment Committee | Chairperson, Ethics and Rules | Chairperson, Health and Social Services Committee | THPO and Department Manager Program Manager | 5 | |
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| Su | | | Jr. | | _3 | Jr. Sr. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Surname | McCormick Begay Clark Deschene | Kuwanwisiwma Jackson-Kelly Bulletts | Bulletts Skrzynski Dayish | Authur Ayze Bates | 0 | Begay Keeswood | | MacDonald-Lone Tree | Maxx | Noble | Platero | Redhouse | Walker | Downer Maldonado | | - |
| Name | Jill Steven C. Christopher L. | Leigh Loretta Daniel | Charlie LeAnn Frank | George Andy LoRenzo C. | 77 C A 11 cm | Kee Allen Ervin M. | , | Норе | Raymone | Larry | Lawrence R. | Francis | Thomas | Allan S. Ron | | 5 |
| Organization | Cocopah Indian Tribe Dine Power Authority Dine Power Authority | Hopi Cultural Preservation Office Hualapai Tribe, Department of Cultural Resources Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians | Kaibab Paiute Tribe Kaibab Paiute Tribe Navajo Nation | Navajo Nation Council Navajo Nation Council Navajo Nation Council | Normal Market Command | Navajo Nation Council Navajo Nation Council | | Navajo Nation Council | Navajo Nation Council | Navajo Nation Council | Navajo Nation Council | Navajo Nation Council | Navajo Nation Council | Navajo Nation, Dept. of Historic Preservation Navajo Nation, Cultural Resources Compliance | Section | |
| State | Arizona | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| State | Organization | Name | Surname | Suffix | Title |
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| Arizona | | | | | |
| (Cont.) | | | | | |
| | Navajo Nation, Fish & Wildlife, Natural Heritage | Ron W. | Malecki | | Wildlife Biologist - Environmental |
| | Program | | | | Reviewer |
| | Navajo Nation, Birdsprings Chapter | | | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Black Mesa Chapter | | | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Blue Gap/Tachee Chapter | Joe | Jim | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Bodaway-Gap Chapter | Billy | Arizona | Jr. | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Cameron Chapter | Jack | Colorado | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Chilchinbeto Chapter | Lee | Gambler | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Chinle Chapter | Dwayne | Billsie | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Coalmine Canyon Chapter | Charlie | McCabe | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Coppermine Chapter | Sid | Whitehair | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Cornfields Chapter | Jimmie | Taliman | Sr. | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Cove Chapter | Irvin | Tsosie | Sr. | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Dennehotso Chapter | Chester | Begay | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Dilkon Chapter | Manuel | Shirley | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Forest Lake Chapter | Donald | Chee | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Fort Defiance Chapter | Lorraine | Wauneka-Nelson | President | Fort Defiance |
| | Navajo Nation, Ganado Chapter | Martin | Begay | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Greasewood Springs Chapter | Franklin | Gishey | Sr. | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Hardrock Chapter | Percy | Deal | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Houck Chapter | Anderson | Morgan | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Indian Wells Chapter | Laverne | Yazzie-Benally | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Inscription House Chapter | Larry | Goodman | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Jeddito Chapter | Bahe | Jackson | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Kaibeto Chapter | Frieda | Sage | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Kayenta Chapter | Albert | Bailey | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Kinlichee Chapter | Christine | Wallace | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, Klagetoh Chapter | Nancy | Chee | | President |
| | Navajo Nation, LeChee Chapter | Yvonne | Bigman | | President |
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| Title | | President | President President |
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| Surname | | Cody Ahasteen Yazzie Begay Tsedah Tsosie Begay Claw Allen Harrison Begay Yazzie Roessel Begay Grass Ross Whitehorse Clark Joe Nez Bilagody Begay Claw Begay | Salabye Dale |
| Name | | I homas Gerald Samual Paul Aljerino Jerry Arnold Johnson Bessie Phillip Clarence Alfred Ruth Herman Jones Albert Jack Lena Rodger Virgil Frank Keith Chester Wesley Harrison | Robert Shawnevan |
| Organization | | Navajo Nation, Leupp Chapter Navajo Nation, Low Mountain Chapter Navajo Nation, Luyton Chapter Navajo Nation, Lupton Chapter Navajo Nation, Many Farms Chapter Navajo Nation, Many Farms Chapter Navajo Nation, Navajo Mountain Chapter Navajo Nation, Nazlini Chapter Navajo Nation, Oak Springs Chapter Navajo Nation, Pinon Chapter Navajo Nation, Red Valley Chapter Navajo Nation, Rock Point Chapter Navajo Nation, Rough Rock Chapter Navajo Nation, Sawmill Chapter Navajo Nation, Shonto Chapter Navajo Nation, Steamboat Chapter Navajo Nation, Steamboat Chapter Navajo Nation, Steeto Chapter Navajo Nation, Teesto Chapter Navajo Nation, Testo Chapter Navajo Nation, Testo Chapter Navajo Nation, Testo Chapter Navajo Nation, Testo Chapter Navajo Nation, Toh Nanees Dizi Chapter Navajo Nation, Tohanie Chapter Navajo Nation, Teslani/Cottonwood Chapter Navajo Nation, Tselani/Cottonwood Chapter | Navajo Nation, Wide Ruins Chapter |
| State | Arizona | | |

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| Title | Tribal Planner THPO THPO Manager Special Counsel THPO | THPO Spokeswoman THPO THPO THPO THPO THPO Spokesperson THPO EPA Planner; Site Monitor Pechanga Legal Counsel Morongo Legal Counsel Tribal Council Member Cultural Information Officer CRM Representative Spokesman Spokesman |
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| Suffix | | 년 년 |
| Surname | Hoyos Nash Grant Sam Steere Mignella Altaha | Begay Park Welch-Scalco Alvarez Helmer Stone-Yanez Angell Morningstar Pope Tushingham Reynolds Otero Clary Schlichting Muncy Woodard Elsmore Hitchcock Marrufo Lawson Hernandez |
| Name | Artemio Bridgette Vernelda Lorinda Peter L. Amy T. Mark | Richard M. Margaret Rhonda Sheilla Bill Theresa A. Paul Rhonda L. Shannon Ren Linda Donald M. Melissa John Karen Sharon Ralph Meyo Allen E. |
| Organization | Pascua Yaqui Tribe Quechan Tribal Council San Carlos Apache Tribe Tohono O'odham Nation Tohono O'odham Nation, Cultural Affairs White Mountain Apache, Heritage Program Historic Preservation Office | Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians Barona Band of Mission Indians Barona Tribal Government Big Pine Paiute Tribe of the Owens Valley Bishop Paiute Tribe Blue Lake Rancheria Elk Valley Rancheria Enterprise Port Mojave Indian Tribe Holland & Knight, LLP Karshmer & Associates Morongo Band of Mission Indians Pit River Tribe of California Ralph E. Hitchcock & Associates Robinson Rancheria Environmental Center San Pasqual Band of Diegueno Indians Santa Ysabel Band of Mission Indians |
| State | Arizona (Cont.) | California |

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| Suffix Title | | | THPO | THPO | | | | Spokesman | THPO | | Spokesman | Community Development Program | Manager | THPO | THPO | | Legal Counsel | | | NAGPKA Representative | NAGPRA Representative | | | Office Manager, Land Services | THPO | Cultural Resource Coordinator | THPO |
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| Surname | | La Massa | Steinruck Saloado Sr | | | Dixon | Johnson | Tucker | Durham | Tomaras | Mike | Haws | | Rouvier | Gates | | Schaff | | Schaff | Cloud | Knight Sr. | | Courtright | Door | Matheson | Smith | Pinkham |
| Name | | Devon Reed | Suntayea Robert | Reno | | Teresa | Melany | Daniel | Barbara | Brenda L. | Darrell | Lisa | | Helene | Thomas M. | | Margaret | | Margaret | Neil William | VIIIdilli Terry | | Clav | Gary F. | Quanah | Carolyn | Josiah |
| Organization | | Santa Ysabel Band of Mission Indians | Smith River Rancheria Soboba Rand of Luiseno Indians | Stewart's Point Rancheria Kashia Band of Pomo | Indians | Susanville Indian Rancheria | Susanville Indian Rancheria | Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation | Timbisha Shoshone Tribe | Tomasas & Ogas, LLP | Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians | Viejas Tribal Government | | Wiyot Tribe, Table Bluff Reservation | Yurok Tribe Cultural Department | | Affiliated Tribes of NW Indians; Dine Power | Authority, Navajo Nation Enterprise | Colville Confederated Tribes | Southern Ute Indian Tribe | Ute Mountain Ute Tribe | | Coeur d'Alene Tribe | Coeur d'Alene Tribe | Coeur d'Alene Tribe | Fort Hall Business Council | Nez Perce Tribe |
| State | California (Cont.) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Colorado | | | | | | ļ | Idaho | | | | |

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| State | Organization | Name | Surname | Suffix | Title |
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| Idaho (Cont.) | Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Shoshone-Bannock Tribes | William Willie Carolyn B. | Edmo Preacher Smith | | NAGPA Contact |
| Montana | Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation Crow Tribe Legal Council The Blackfeet Nation | Alvin Windy William John | Boy Watt Murray | | THPO |
| Nevada | Cultural Resources Coordinator Duck Valley Indian Reservation Duckwater Shoshone Tribe of the Duckwater | Kenny Ted Maurice | Anderson Howard Churchill | | Cultural Resources Coordinator Cultural Resources Director |
| | Ely Shoshone Tribe Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribal Business Council Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Reno-Sparks Tribal Council Walker River Paiute Tribe | Michael Sharon Rochanne Daryl Michon Scott A. Raymond | Dalton Thomas Downs Crawford Eben Nebesky | AICP | Cultural Resources Director Administrative Assistant Cultural Resource Coordinator Executive Director Cultural Resource Coordinator Planning Director Cultural Resource and Language |
| New Mexico | Washoe Tribal Council Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California Acoma Pueblo Eight Northern Indian Pueblos Council Five Sandoval Indian Pueblos | Lynda Darrell Waldo W. Petuuche Terry Roger | Shoshone Cruz Walker Gilbert Aguilar Madalena | | Trogram Coordinator THPO Environmental Specialist II THPO Executive Director Executive Director |

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| Suffix Title | | | THPO | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President |
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| Su | | | | | | | | Sr. | | | | Sr. | | | | | | | Jr. | Sr. | | Jr. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Surname | | | Houghten | Mexicano | Emerson | Vandever | Billie | John | Emerson | Davis | McDonald | Lancer | Livingston | Sage | John | DeVore | Wilson | Descheenie | Jones | Ray | Katenay | Padilla | Jim | Davidson | Martinez | Bitsoi | Garcia | | Bryant | | Yazzie | Martin |
| Name | | | Holly | Buddy | David M. | Gary | Pauleen | Frank | David | Albert | Tommy | Raymond | Johnny | Samuel | Chavez | Jamison | Реггу | Напту | Charlie | Wilson | Karl | Tony | George | Milton | David Bronco | Anselm | Calvert | | Hoskie | | Thomas | Raphael |
| Organization | | | Mescalero Apache Tribe | Navajo Nation, Alamo Chapter | Navajo Nation, Baahaali Chapter | Navajo Nation, Baca/Prewitt Chapter | Navajo Nation, Becenti Chapter | Navajo Nation, Beclabito Chapter | Navajo Nation, Breadsprings Chapter | Navajo Nation, Burnham Chapter | Navajo Nation, Casamero Lake Chapter | Navajo Nation, Chichiltah Chapter | Navajo Nation, Churchrock Chapter | Navajo Nation, Counselor Chapter | Navajo Nation, Coyote Canyon Chapter | Navajo Nation, Crownpoint Chapter | Navajo Nation, Crystal Chapter | Navajo Nation, Gadii ahi (Cudeii) Chapter | Navajo Nation, Hogback Chapter | Navajo Nation, Huerfano Chapter | Navajo Nation, Iyanbito Chapter | Navajo Nation, Lake Valley Chapter | Navajo Nation, Little Water Chapter | Navajo Nation, Manuelito Chapter | Navajo Nation, Mariano Lake Chapter | Navajo Nation, Mexican Springs Chapter | Navajo Nation, Nageezi Chapter | Navajo Nation, Nahodishgish Chapter | Navajo Nation, Naschitti Chapter | Navajo Nation, Nenahnezad Chapter | Navajo Nation, Newcomb Chapter | Navajo Nation, Pinedale Chapter |
| State | New Mexico | (Cont.) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Title | | Drasident | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | President | | | | Tribal Council Member | | Lieutenant Governor | | NAGPRA Contact | Cultural Resource Contact | Lands Director | |
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| Suffix | | Ž | ; | | | | | Jr. | Sr. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Jr. | Sr. | | | |
| Surname | | Willetto | Pino | Mastach | Tom | Haswood | Begay | Benally | Begay | Yazzie | Willie | Johnson | Miller | Hardy | Morris | Lee | Sandoval | Mason | Jim | Begay | Gilbert | Watchempino | Puglisi | Chewiwi | Padilla | Zuni | Hooper | Mooney | Mirabal | Ferguson | |
| Name | | Frank | Leo | Jonas | Martha | Tulley | Wilbert | Emil | Kellywood | Duane | Bobby | Johnny | Beth | Stanley | Herman | David | Bob | James | Andrew | John | Petuuche | Laura | Alex A. | Antonio | Nick | Max | Jim | Bob E. | Ernest | Michael | |
| Organization | | Navaio Nation Bueblo Pintado Chanter | Navajo Nation Ramah Chanter | Navajo Nation, Red Lake #18 Chapter | Navajo Nation, Red Rock Chapter | Navajo Nation, Rock Springs Chapter | Navajo Nation, San Juan Chapter | Navajo Nation, Sanostee Chapter | Navajo Nation, Sheepsprings Chapter | Navajo Nation, Shiprock Chapter | Navajo Nation, Smith Lake Chapter | Navajo Nation, Standing Rock Chapter | Navajo Nation, Thoreau Chapter | Navajo Nation, Toadlena/Two Grey Hills Chapter | Navajo Nation, Tohatchi Chapter | Navajo Nation, Tsayatoh Chapter | Navajo Nation, Twin Lakes Chapter | Navajo Nation, Upper Fruitland Chapter | Navajo Nation, Whitehorse Lake Chapter | Navajo Nation, Whiterock Chapter | Pueblo of Acoma | Pueblo of Acoma | Pueblo of Dandia | Pueblo of Isleta | Pueblo of Isleta | Pueblo of Isleta | Pueblo of Laguna | Pueblo of Lau | Pueblo of Nambe | Pueblo of Sandia | |
| State | New Mexico | (Cont.) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Title | | Environmental Director | Environmental Culturalist Lieutenant Governor Cultural Resource Contact | ТНРО | ТНРО | Chief Financial Officer | Member - Board of Trustees | | Cultural Resources Manager | General Manager - Natural Resources | THPO General Manager Tribal Attornev | |
|--------------|-----------------------|--|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|
| Suffix | | | | | Sr. | | | | | | | |
| Surname | | Puglisi Chavarria Chavarria | Gutierrez Tenorio Gachupin | Damp | Mentz | Bennett | Quaempts Bailor | Ganuelas | Bird | Brunoe | Miller Manion Noteboom | |
| Name | | Alex Joseph Joseph Mark Gilbert | Jackie Patricio Celestino | Jonathan E. | Tim | Rodger L. | William Thomas | Lisa | Sally | Robert | Carey Jim Iim | |
| Organization | | Pueblo of Sandia Pueblo of Santa Clara Pueblo of Santa Clara Pueblo of Santa Clara | Pueblo of Santo Domingo Pueblo of Zia | Zuni Heritage & Historic Preservation | Standing Rock Sioux Tribe | Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians | Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation | Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation | Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon | Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation, Tribal Council | Cultural Resources Protection Program Warm Springs Power & Water Enterprises Warm Springs Reservation | G. C. |
| State | New Mexico (Cont.) | , | | North Dakota | Oregon | 0 | | | | | | |

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| State | Organization | Name | Surname | Suffix | Title |
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| South Dakota | CRST Preservation Office Rosebud Sioux Tribe of Indians | Albert M. Russell Eagle | LeBeau Bear | H | ТНРО ТНРО |
| Utah | Cultural Rights and Protection Goshute Business Council Navajo Utah Commission Navajo Nation, Aneth Chapter Navajo Nation, Oljato Chapter Navajo Nation, Red Mesa Chapter Northwestern Band of Shoshone Nation | Betsy Ed Clarence Bill James Russell Patty | Chapoose Naranjo Rockwell Todachennie Black Gould Timbimboo-Madsen | | Director Director President President President |
| | Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah, Cedar Band Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah, Indian Peaks Band Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah, Kanosh Band Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah, Koosharem Band Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah, Shivwits Band Skull Valley Band of Goshute Indians General | Dorena Alex Jeannie Phil Cyndi Glenn Lawrence | Martineau Shepherd Borchardt Pikyavit Charles Rogers | | Culural Resources Director Chairman Chairwoman Chairwoman Chairwoman Chairman Chairman |
| Washington | Council Ute Business Committee Ute Tribe Cultural Resources | John Clifford | Jurrius Duncan | | |
| 0 | Confederated Bands and Tribes of the Yakama Nation Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation Cultural Program Division Lummi Nation Makah Cultural and Research Center Skokomish Indian Tribe Squaxin Island Tribe Upper Skagit Tribal Council | V. Kate Camille Randy Lena Janine Delbert Rhonda Lauren | Valdez Pleasants Abrahamson Tso Bowechop Miller Foster Rich | | THPO THPO THPO THPO THPO and Director THPO THPO |

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| State | Organization | Name | Surname | Suffix | Title |
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| Washington | | | | | |
| (Cont.) | | | | | |
| | Yakama Nation | Patricia | Goudy | | |
| | Yakama Nation | Philip | Rigdon | | Director of Natural Resources |
| | Yakama Nation Department of Commerce | Anna | Ward | | |
| | Yakama Nation Department of Commerce | Elmer | Ward | | |
| | Yakama Nation GIS | HollyAnna | Pinkham | | Rights-of-Way Specialist |
| | Yakama Nation Realty Office | Rocco | Clark | Jr. | |
| | Yakama Nation Trust Real Estate Service | Reuben | Bending | | |
| Wyoming | | | | | |
| • | Northern Arapaho Tribe | Joann | White | | THPO |
| | Shoshone Tribal Cultural Center | Glenda | Trosper | | Director |

Table C-6 Public Comments Submitted by Tribes

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| Tribe | Comment Number |
| Big Pine Paiute Tribe of the Owens Valley | 00081 |
| Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes | 50019 |
| Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Nation | 50432 |
| Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation | 50492 ORP09 |
| Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians | 50024 50494 |
| Navajo Nation | 00090 50274 50472 AZW03 AZW06 AZW07 AZW08 AZW10 |
| Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah | 50023 50037 |
| Pechanga Band of Luiseño Mission Indians | 50563 |
| Pueblo of Acoma | 50477 |
| Pueblo of San Felipe | 00058 |
| Pueblo of Santa Ana | 00084 NMA06 |
| Pueblo of Zia | NMA05 |
| Pueblo of Zuni | NMA20 NMA22 |
| Quechan Indian Tribe of the Fort Yuma Reservation | 00076 AZP06 |
| Shoshone-Bannock Tribes | 00078 |
| Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of Duck Valley | 00105 |
| Skull Valley Band of Goshute Indians | UTS06 |
| Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California | 50330 |
| White Mountain Apache Tribe | 50345 |

C.3.1 Energy Corridor Designation

Energy corridor designation is the Proposed Action analyzed in this PEIS. Corridor development is related, but will require separate environmental reviews (see Section C.3.2).

Consultation was a primary concern of all consulting and commenting Tribes. Because of their sovereign status and ancestral ties to the land, Tribes were adamant that their rights to be consulted regarding development on and the management of their ancestral lands as defined in treaties, federal laws, and court cases be respected. Many felt that despite the extensive efforts undertaken by the Agencies, consultation regarding corridor designation had been insufficient. Letters sent to Tribal leaders without follow-up contacts by telephone were deemed to be an inadequate way to initiate consultation. The letters sent often did not reach cultural and environmental specialists within Tribal governments. From a Tribal perspective, for consultation to be adequate, it must include face-to-face discussions between appropriate Tribal officials and Agency decision makers and be conducted early enough for Tribal concerns to be adequately addressed in the document.

In response, the Agencies focused on fostering face-to-face consultation between program management and the relevant Tribal officials whenever desired by the Tribes, giving priority to Tribes whose Tribal lands were approached by or adjacent to the proposed corridors.

Corridor width and location concerns were common. In general, Tribes reacted favorably to the concept of the colocation of energy transportation facilities and favored following existing ROWs since they had already been disturbed, except in those locations where multiple energy transport systems were already concentrated and were considered already overdeveloped. Many felt that a corridor width of 3,500 ft was excessive and would increase impacts. Individual Tribes expressed concerns

over potential adverse effects to Tribal lands or Tribally sensitive resources on federal lands.

Where possible, corridors were rerouted to avoid sensitive locations, and in all cases, the proposed corridors were given enough width to allow development to avoid sensitive resources within the corridors

A less frequently expressed concern was that the proposed corridors did not do enough to tie Tribal lands into the nation's energy grid, particularly in undeveloped areas. They desired that the corridors approach or even cross their lands. The need for Tribal access to energy was only one of the factors that the Agencies had to balance when proposing corridor locations.

Control over corridors on Tribal lands was another concern often expressed. Tribes were concerned that the Agencies were proposing corridors on Tribal lands or that the designation of energy corridors on federal lands would constrain the location of corridors or ROWs on Tribal lands, forcing Tribes to accept ROWs in undesirable locations. Tribes expressed concerns that federal, state, and/or local governments would attempt to exercise eminent domain on Tribal lands. Tribes would be forced to accept undesirable development under exploitative conditions. They were concerned that they would lose the power to set the rates for crossing Tribal lands.

The Proposed Action deals only with federal lands and corridor designation, and in no way requires Tribes to accept unwanted energy development on their lands, constrains rates Tribes can charge for use of their lands, or negates Tribal regulations for energy development on their lands. However, the Agencies took extra steps to make sure that the concerns of Tribes with lands in closest proximity to the proposed corridors were taken into account in the corridor siting process.

Cultural resources on federal lands were of major concern. Concerns were raised that

archaeological resources receive undue emphasis at the expense of other cultural resources important to Tribes. Both general and specific concerns were expressed, including concerns with culturally important natural resources, such as culturally important plant and animal species and their habitats and culturally important viewsheds.

Where concerns for specific sensitive areas were identified, the Agencies took Tribal concerns into consideration, modifying the location, size, or nature of the corridor as necessary. In general, the proposed corridors are wide enough to allow for the avoidance of localized cultural resources.

Environmental concerns were commonly expressed by Tribes. Tribes were among the commentors skeptical of the assertion in the draft PEIS that there would be no adverse effects as the result of corridor designation. They often maintained that cumulative impacts were not given sufficient weight. Development within the corridors would result in increased development adjacent to the corridors.

Taking these Tribal comments into consideration along with comments from other sources, the final PEIS asserts that while there are no direct impacts from designation, indirect impacts may occur. These are discussed in the main body of the document. In addition, the section on cumulative effects (Chapter 4) has been expanded.

Renewable and alternative sources of energy discussions in the PEIS were considered insufficient by some Tribes. These Tribes considered the inclusion of these sources of energy would reduce the necessity for the development of energy transport facilities, rendering some or all of the proposed corridors unnecessary.

EPAct Section 368 constrains the scope of this PEIS. Alternative energy sources are discussed in relation to oil, gas, hydrogen, and electricity transmission infrastructure in Section 1.1 and Chapter 2.

C.3.2 Development within the Corridors

Development within the proposed corridors would take place as individual local projects. These projects are separate from, although related to, corridor designation. Each development project would undergo project-specific environmental and NHPA reviews and be required to follow the IOPs in Section 2.4.

Consultation at the development phase was a primary concern for most Tribes. Activities resulting from or associated with development, such as earthmoving and road building that provides increased access, have the greatest potential to harm resources important to Tribes. Tribes asserted their rights to be consulted and to provide meaningful input in the development of resource management plans, Programmatic Agreements, Memoranda of Agreement, and cultural resources training.

The IOPs found in Section 2.4 have been strengthened to include requirements for agencies to engage in meaningful consultation with Tribes, beginning early in the planning phases and continuing through the development, operation, and decommissioning phases of the development projects.

Cultural resources on federal lands were of major concern during the development phase. Tribes repeatedly asserted their right to consultation with regard to cultural resources important to Tribes. These resources are not restricted to archaeological sites, but include natural resources of cultural importance and sacred sites. Tribes expressed concerns over a past overemphasis on archaeological sites during NHPA reviews. They desired some input into who would conduct local ethnographic studies.

The right of Tribes to be consulted during the development phase is acknowledged in the mandatory IOPs for corridor development found in Section 2.4. A cultural resources management plan will be required for each project developed in consultation with the affected federally recognized Tribes. It will include procedures for managing inadvertent cultural resources discoveries.

Treaty rights and trust resources were also of great concern during the development phase. Concerns included the protection of important natural resources traditionally exploited by Tribes, including important fisheries, game, and plant resources.

The IOPs require the development of a cultural resources management plan for each development project. The plan must be developed in consultation with the affected federally recognized Tribes. Section 3.11 of the PEIS has been revised to give greater emphasis to treaty rights.

Health and safety concerns were often expressed. Tribes feared an increased amount of hazardous materials would be introduced where corridors were developed and that the highways

the Tribes use and the emergency response facilities the Tribes rely on would be overtaxed by additional energy development.

Concerns with health and safety are addressed in the IOPs found in Section 2.4.

Concern that mandated *environmental* reviews and other federal requirements would not be carried out at the time of development was expressed, and that tiering from the PEIS could lead to inadequate environmental reviews. This in turn would lead to degradation of natural resources, including endangered species, and inadequate protection of the human environment.

This PEIS in no way removes the requirements for NEPA reviews, compliance with the Endangered Species Act, NAGPRA, or the NHPA for specific development projects. While project-specific reviews could draw upon information provided in this PEIS, the information provided in the PEIS alone would not be sufficient to replace individual project reviews. This is reaffirmed in the IOPs found in Section 2.4.

Exhibit C-1



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[SEE ATTACHED LIST]

Dear [SEE ATTACHED LIST]:

As part of the Bureau of Land Management's ongoing government-to-government consultation with the [SEE ATTACHED LIST], I would like to invite you to become involved in the process of designating energy corridors on Federal lands in the Western U.S.

The Energy Policy Act of 2005 requires that the Secretaries of the Interior, Energy and Agriculture undertake efforts to (1) designate corridors for oil, gas, and hydrogen pipelines and electricity transmission and distribution facilities on Federal land in the 11 contiguous Western states; (2) perform any environmental reviews that may be required to complete the designation of such corridors; and (3) incorporate the designated corridors into the relevant agency land use and resource management plans or equivalent plans.

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the Department of Energy (DOE) will prepare a Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service (FS) to evaluate issues associated with energy corridor designation in the 11 contiguous Western States.

The BLM is a co-lead agency with DOE and the FS is a cooperating agency in preparing the PEIS. The West-wide Energy Corridor PEIS will evaluate issues associated with energy corridor designation and consider the need to amend individual land use plans throughout the Western region. Preparation and implementation of the PEIS will proceed over the next 24 months in a multi-step process that will include publication of the Draft PEIS, the Final PEIS, and Records of Decision (RODs) by the BLM, DOE and the FS.

Gaining your specific knowledge and perspective during development of the PEIS is critical and valuable to the overall success of the PEIS and its implementation. We would like to facilitate discussion and information sharing in a manner that would be useful to you and your Tribe.

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A public scoping meeting on the PEIS will be held in Boise on November 1 at the Harrison Plaza Suite Hotel, located at 409 S. Cole. If you or a representative would like to attend, the scoping meeting will be held from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. and from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. The complete schedule of scoping meetings in western cities follows:

October 25, 2005 – Denver, Colorado October 26, 2005 - Albuquerque, New Mexico and Salt Lake City, Utah October 27, 2005 - Cheyenne, Wyoming and Helena, Montana November 1, 2005 – Boise, Idaho and Sacramento, California November 2, 2005 – Las Vegas, Nevada and Portland, Oregon November 3, 2005 – Phoenix, Arizona and Seattle, Washington

The interagency project team has developed a Website specific to this project where users can gain further information: http://corridoreis.anl.gov. This Website also includes the means to submit comments electronically and to subscribe to an email list service for updates on the project.

If you are interested in further consultation on this corridor designation, or in becoming a cooperating agency in preparing the PEIS, please let me know so that we may begin our discussions. You may reach me at 208-373-4001.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to our interaction and discussions.

Sincerely,

K Lynn Bennett State Director

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Exhibit C-2



Department of Energy Washington, DC 20585

Dear

We are pleased to invite you and your tribal members to consult with us on energy corridors being considered for designation on Federal lands as outlined in Section 368 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAct). The Project Team (described below) is preparing a preliminary map of energy corridors that we would like to discuss with you in person. A copy of the most recent working draft of this map is enclosed for your advance information and review.

EPAct, P.L. 109-58, Section 368, directs the Secretaries of Agriculture, Defense, Energy and the Interior to prepare a Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) to evaluate issues associated with the designation of energy corridors on federal lands in the eleven Western States.

A 60-day public scoping period for the PEIS started with the publication of the "Notice of Intent" in the Federal Register on September 28, 2005, and ended on November 28, 2005. Public scoping meetings were held in each of the 11 Western States during the period of October 25, 2005, to November 3, 2005. The scoping report has been completed and is available on the EIS web site at www.corridoreis.anl.gov.

We are arranging follow-up meetings, as described below, with Tribes to discuss any concerns you might have regarding these corridors. We want to assure you that the Federal agencies will continue to engage in government-to-government consultation at the local level on issues with tribal implications.

The Project Team for the PEIS is composed of representatives from the four Federal agencies and senior staff of Argonne National Laboratory, the contractor assisting us with the preparation of the PEIS. Argonne will provide technical assistance and administrative support to the tribal consultation process. Comments from Tribal leaders and their constituents will be collected by Argonne and then forwarded to the federal agencies for their response.

Accordingly, the Team, on behalf of the Departments of Agriculture, Defense, Energy and the Interior, extends this invitation to you or your designated representative(s) to meet with us at whichever of the following meetings is most convenient for you:



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Monday, May 9: Portla

Portland, Oregon 97204

Oregon-Washington State Office

Bureau of Land Management (U.S. Dept. of the Interior)

333 SW 1st Avenue Tel. 503-808-6026

Friday, May 12:

Sacramento, California 95815

Radisson Hotel 500 Leisure Lane Tel. 916-922-2020

Monday, May 15:

Las Vegas, Nevada 89130

Las Vegas Field Office

Bureau of Land Management (U.S. Dept. of the Interior)

4701 Torrey Pines Drive Tel. 702-515-5000

Tuesday, May 23:

Albuquerque, New Mexico 87107

Albuquerque Field Office

Bureau of Land Management (U.S. Dept. of the Interior)

435 Montano Road, NE Tel. 505-761-8700

Thursday, May 25:

Denver, Colorado

Rocky Mountain Regional Office

U.S. Forest Service (U.S. Dept. of Agriculture)

740 Simms Street Golden, CO 80401 Tel. 303-275-5350

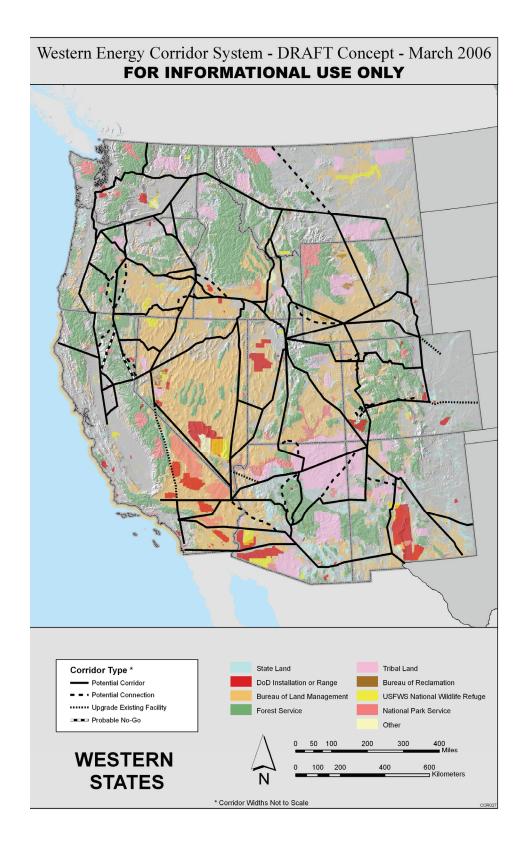
All of these meetings will begin at 10:00 am local time, and will continue as long as required into the afternoon, with a break at noon. However, lunch will not be provided. Please confirm your availability to join us, including the city of your choice, by Monday, May 1, 2006, to Ms. Janet Lyons, Government-to-Government Meetings, West-wide Corridor Study, Argonne National Laboratory, Building 900, 9700 South Cass Avenue, Argonne, IL 60439-4832. Ms. Lyons' phone number is 630-252-4587 and her e-mail address is JLyons@anl.gov.

Your participation in the consultation process is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Kevin M. Kolevar Director, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability

encl.: Working draft corridor map





Department of Energy Washington, DC 20585

Dear Tribal Leader:

This letter and enclosure follows up on our letter of April 14, 2006, at which time we announced five Tribal information meetings on the <u>designation of energy corridors on Federal lands</u> as outlined in Section 368 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAct). In short, the enclosed "Tribal Information Update" describes the meetings, provides the latest version of the preliminary draft energy corridor maps, and advises the procedure for initiation of Tribal consultation with us on concerns or questions you might have on the above.

For those of you who attended the Tribal information meetings, thank you very much for your participation and contribution toward ensuring that we carry out the provisions of Section 368 as well as possible. If you did not attend, please note the background information below and in the enclosure, especially the latest maps and the Tribal consultation process.

The EPAct, P.L. 109-58, Section 368, directs the Secretaries of Agriculture, Defense, Energy and the Interior to prepare a Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) to evaluate issues associated with the designation of energy corridors on federal lands in the eleven Western States.

The Project Team for the PEIS is composed of representatives from the four Federal agencies and senior staff of Argonne National Laboratory, the contractor assisting us with the preparation of the PEIS. Argonne will provide technical assistance and administrative support to the Tribal consultation process. Comments from Tribal leaders and their constituents will be collected by Argonne and then forwarded to the federal agencies for their response.

As described in the enclosure, please bring your interest in consultation or any questions you might have to the attention of Ms. Janet Lyons, Government-to-Government Meetings, Westwide Corridor Study, Argonne National Laboratory, Building 900, 9700 South Cass Avenue, Argonne, IL 60439-4832. Ms. Lyons' phone number is 630-252-4587 and her e-mail address is JLyons@anl.gov.

Your interest in the "Section 368" Project and participation in the consultation process is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Kevin M. Kolevar

Director, Office of Electricity Delivery

and Energy Reliability

encl.: Tribal Information Update







Tribal Information Update

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Summary of the Tribal Information Meetings

Background

The Energy Policy Act (EPAct) was signed into law in August 2005. Section 368 of EPAct (provided as an Appendix) directs the Secretaries of Agriculture, Defense, Energy and the Interior to prepare a Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to evaluate issues associated with the designation of energy corridors on Federal lands in the eleven Western States. "Energy corridors" should be suitable for any combination of one or more electricity transmission lines and oil, gas, and hydrogen pipelines. The Project Team for the EIS is composed of representatives from the four Federal agencies and senior staff of Argonne National Laboratory, the contractor assisting with the preparation of the EIS. Also participating on the Team as cooperating agencies are the Fish and Wildlife Service and the State of California Energy Commission.

A 60-day public scoping period for the EIS started with the publication of the "Notice of Intent" in the <u>Federal Register</u> on September 28, 2005, and ended on November 28, 2005. Public scoping meetings were held in each of the 11 Western states during the period of October 25, 2005, to November 3, 2005. The scoping report is available on the EIS web site at <u>www.corridoreis.anl.gov</u>, along with a great deal of other information on the "Section 368" project.

On April 14, 2006, Mr. Kevin M. Kolevar, Director, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability of the Department of Energy wrote to you, on behalf of the Project Team, extending an invitation to you or your designated representative(s) to meet with us at any of five public Tribal information meetings. Included with the letter was the most recent working draft of the preliminary map of energy corridors. With this Update, we are now providing the most recent version of this map which was released on June 9, 2006, and also 11 individual State maps. PDF-format downloadable electronic copies of these maps are available on our web site at http://corridoreis.anl.gov/eis/pdmap/index.cfm.

Five Tribal Information Meetings were convened as follows:

| 1. | Portland, Oregon | May 9, 2006 |
|----|-------------------------|--------------|
| 2. | Sacramento, California | May 12, 2006 |
| 3. | Las Vegas, Nevada | May 15, 2006 |
| 4. | Albuquerque, New Mexico | May 23, 2006 |
| 5. | Denver, Colorado | May 25, 2006 |
| | | |







The meetings were intended to provide an opportunity to discuss any concerns you might have regarding these corridors. We assured you that the Federal agencies will engage in government-to-government consultation at the local level on issues with Tribal implications.

The list of attendees follows as an appendix.

Conduct of the Meetings

Each of the meetings was a little bit different, depending on the people present. In general, however, they all commenced with local Federal agency staff welcomes (from the Bureau of Land Management or the U.S. Forest Service), general introductions, a review of the provisions of Section 368, the status of the corridor designations, and the EIS process. In some of the meetings a PowerPoint presentation was shown, which is provided here as an appendix.

All of the meetings had a lively discussion among the attendees regarding computer-projected views of the Geographic Information System (GIS) data that were available and considered to develop the preliminary draft corridors. Several important issues raised by Tribal representatives that were relatively common to all of the meetings are summarized and commented upon below.

Summary of the Major Issues Raised

• Tribal consultation:

- o Many of the Tribal attendees stated that they did wish to commence government-to-government consultation, but some said they would decide subsequent to receipt of this Update and the June 9 map. Some of the attendees requested a 45-day review period prior to consultation.
- o The procedure that we are suggesting for implementing consultation is described below in the "Tribal Consultation Process" section.

EPAct coordination:

- o An often-heard concern was that some Tribes were being contacted separately by the Department of Energy (DOE) for consultation on other sections of EPAct, specifically Section 1813 and to a lesser extent Section 1221.
- o The staff of the DOE Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability (OE) has met internally to address and resolve this issue. Measures are being taken to ensure greater coordination among the staff working on these sections, both amongst themselves and also with the Tribes.







Ancestral and treaty lands:

- o Concern was expressed that energy corridor designation, in addition to circumventing Tribal lands, should be sensitive also to ancestral lands that may fall beyond Tribal land boundaries, and to existing treaties with governmental entities that provide for Tribal rights on federal lands.
- The Team appreciates having these concerns brought to its attention, and is initiating procedures to address them in the form of a GIS layer for those areas where treaty rights exist.

Some other issues:

- o Some questions were asked about such concerns as condemnation of Tribal lands, whether there would be compensation by the Federal government, Tribal access to the energy corridors, and potential economic benefits for the Tribes.
- o It's important to note that the Federal government is not proposing to actually build or authorize the construction of any real-life energy transmission projects. Once an energy corridor is designated on Federal land, any private or public party may apply at any time to the pertinent Federal agency(ies) to use the corridor for whatever energy purpose. It would be up to the applicant to negotiate any access across private or Tribal lands with the land owners; the Federal government would not be involved. Also, the proposed specific project would be subject to environmental review additional to that contained in the EIS pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA); the level of environmental review could be an Environmental Analysis or even an Environmental Impact Statement, depending on the significance of possible environmental impacts.

Tribal Consultation Process

A great deal of consideration was devoted to how the Tribal consultation process would function subsequent to the Tribal information meetings. A few Tribes expressed an interest in commencing the consultation process as soon as possible, but many of the attendees wanted to wait for the June 9 release of the preliminary energy corridor map, after which time they request 30 to 45 days to review the map prior to initiating consultation.

Because of the potentially large number of consultation requests, it was generally agreed that the following process would be instituted:

 This newsletter would be issued to the entire Bureau of Indian Affairs list of Tribes in the Western States and to all of the attendees at the information meetings, along with the June 9 preliminary energy corridor map and the 11 individual State maps.







2. At their convenience, Tribes that wish to enter into government-to-government consultation would so advise the Project contractor, Argonne National Laboratory (Argonne) of the U.S. Department of Energy, as follows:

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West-wide Government-to-Government Meetings
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Tel. 630-252-4587
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- In turn, Argonne would document the Tribal request and advise the Project's Tribal Working Group, comprised of Bureau of Land Management (Department of the Interior), U.S. Forest Service (Department of Agriculture), and DOE personnel.
- 4. The Tribal Working Group will immediately notify their respective local offices in the vicinity of the Tribe, who would then contact the Tribe to arrange the commencement of government-to-government consultation.
- 5. As the consultation process progresses, the local Federal staff will keep the Tribal Working Group informed, which will then advise the Project Team of issues or concerns that require their attention for response or remediation, as appropriate.

APPENDICES

- 1. Section 368 of EPAct
- 2. Attendees list
- 3. Pell PowerPoint presentation
- June 9-release energy corridor map (complete with introduction), along with eleven individual State maps.

Appendix 1; Section 368 of the Energy Policy Act

SECTION 368. ENERGY RIGHT-OF-WAY CORRIDORS ON FEDERAL LAND.

- (a) Western States.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Energy, and the Secretary of the Interior (in this section referred to collectively as "the Secretaries"), in consultation with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, States, tribal or local units of governments as appropriate, affected utility industries, and other interested persons, shall consult with each other and shall—
- (1) designate, under their respective authorities, corridors for oil, gas, and hydrogen pipelines and electricity transmission and distribution facilities on Federal land in the eleven contiguous Western States (as defined in section 103(o) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1702(o));
- (2) perform any environmental reviews that may be required to complete the designation of such corridors; and
- (3) incorporate the designated corridors into the relevant agency land use and resource management plans or equivalent plans.
- (b) OTHER STATES.—Not later than 4 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretaries, in consultation with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, affected utility industries, and other interested persons, shall jointly—
- (1) identify corridors for oil, gas, and hydrogen pipelines and electricity transmission and distribution facilities on Federal land in States other than those described in subsection (a); and
- (2) schedule prompt action to identify, designate, and incorporate the corridors into the applicable land use plans.
- (c) Ongoing Responsibilities.—The Secretaries, in consultation with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, affected utility industries, and other interested parties, shall establish procedures under their respective authorities that—
- (1) ensure that additional corridors for oil, gas, and hydrogen pipelines and electricity transmission and distribution facilities on Federal land are promptly identified and designated as necessary; and
- (2) expedite applications to construct or modify oil, gas, and hydrogen pipelines and electricity transmission and distribution facilities within such corridors, taking into account prior analyses and environmental reviews undertaken during the designation of such corridors.
- (d) Considerations.—In carrying out this section, the Secretaries shall take into account the need for upgraded and new electricity transmission and distribution facilities to—
- (1) improve reliability;
- (2) relieve congestion; and
- (3) enhance the capability of the national grid to deliver electricity.
- (e) Specifications of Corridor.—A corridor designated under this section shall, at a minimum, specify the centerline, width, and compatible uses of the corridor.

Appendix 2; Attendees at the Tribal Information Meetings ______

PLEASE NOTE: Names and affiliations are spelled as best as can be determined from sign-in sheets. We regret any errors, and would appreciate being advised of corrections.

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Section 368 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005

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(a) WESTERN STATES continued

- Designate corridors for oil, gas, and hydrogen pipelines and electricity transmission and distribution facilities on <u>Federal land</u> in the eleven contiguous Western states;
- Perform any <u>environmental reviews</u> required to complete the designation of such corridors;
- Incorporate the designated corridors into the relevant agency land use and resource management plans.



Section 368

Energy Right-of-Way Corridors on Federal Lands

(a) WESTERN STATES

Not later than <u>2 years after the date</u> of enactment of this Act [8 August 2005], Secretaries of Agriculture, Commerce, Defense, Energy, and the Interior, are required to:



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(b) OTHER STATES

Not later than <u>4 years after the date</u> of enactment of this Act ... in States other than those described in subsection (a).

[We will not discuss this provision here.]

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(c) ONGOING RESPONSIBILITIES

The Secretaries, in consultation with FERC, affected utility industries, and other interested parties, shall establish procedures ... that:



(c) ONGOING RESPONSIBILITIES continued

- Ensure that additional corridors for oil, gas, and hydrogen pipelines and electricity transmission and distribution facilities on <u>Federal land</u> are promptly identified and designated as necessary, and
- Expedite applications to construct or modify ... facilities within such corridors, taking into account prior analyses and environmental reviews.



Section 368

Energy Right-of-Way Corridors on Federal Lands

(d) CONSIDERATIONS

The Secretaries shall take into account the need for upgraded and new electricity transmission and distribution facilities to:

- 1. Improve reliability,
- 2. Relieve congestion, and
- 3. Enhance the capability of the national grid to deliver electricity.



Section 368

Energy Right-of-Way Corridors on Federal Lands

(e) SPECIFICATIONS OF CORRIDOR

A corridor designated under this section shall, at a minimum, specify the

- · Centerline,
- · Width, and
- Compatible uses of the corridor.



Implementation

- Agencies are jointly preparing a West-wide **Energy Corridor Programmatic** Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).
 - DOE lead agency, BLM co-lead agency; USFS, DOD, F&WS are Cooperating Agencies, as is the State of California.
 - DOE's Argonne National Laboratory is preparing
 - the EIS, and providing general admin. support.

 Substantial stakeholder participation is actively encouraged and solicited throughout the process.



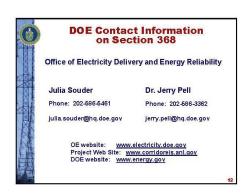
Planning Requirements

- Provide a comprehensive analysis and identification of West-wide energy corridors;
- Including best management practices for each
- Include analysis of alternatives that meets
- Include analysis of alternatives that meets
 West-wide energy supply and demand needs.

 Alternatives for the EIS were developed following a
 60-day public scoping period.

 Provide a level of analysis and procedure that
 allows individual BLM and FS land use plans
 be amended or revised with approval of the
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PRELIMINARY DRAFT MAP OF POTENTIAL ENERGY CORRIDORS ON FEDERAL LANDS

The U.S. Departments of Energy, Interior, Agriculture, and Defense (the Agencies) are preparing a draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act to identify the impacts associated with designating energy corridors on federal lands in 11 Western States. Energy corridors may contain oil, gas, and hydrogen pipelines and electricity transmission facilities. The Agencies are preparing the PEIS at the direction of Congress, as set forth in Section 368 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005. On the basis of the information and analyses developed in the PEIS, the Agencies will designate energy corridors by amending their respective land use plans.

Public scoping meetings were held in October and November 2005, and the comments received during scoping have helped the Agencies to identify preliminary energy corridors on federal lands that the Agencies propose to analyze in the draft PEIS. The Agencies are presenting this preliminary energy corridor map to inform the public of their progress and to obtain public comment on the proposed corridor locations. The Agencies encourage your views, criticism, and suggestions about these preliminary energy corridor locations.

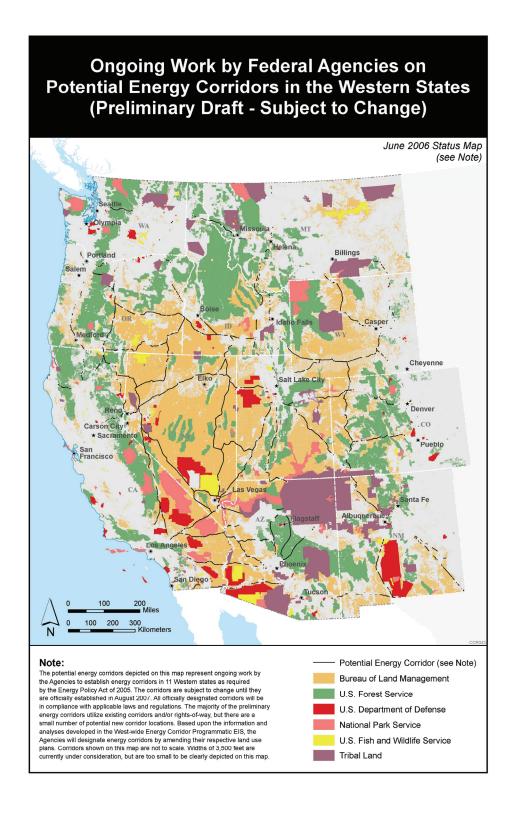
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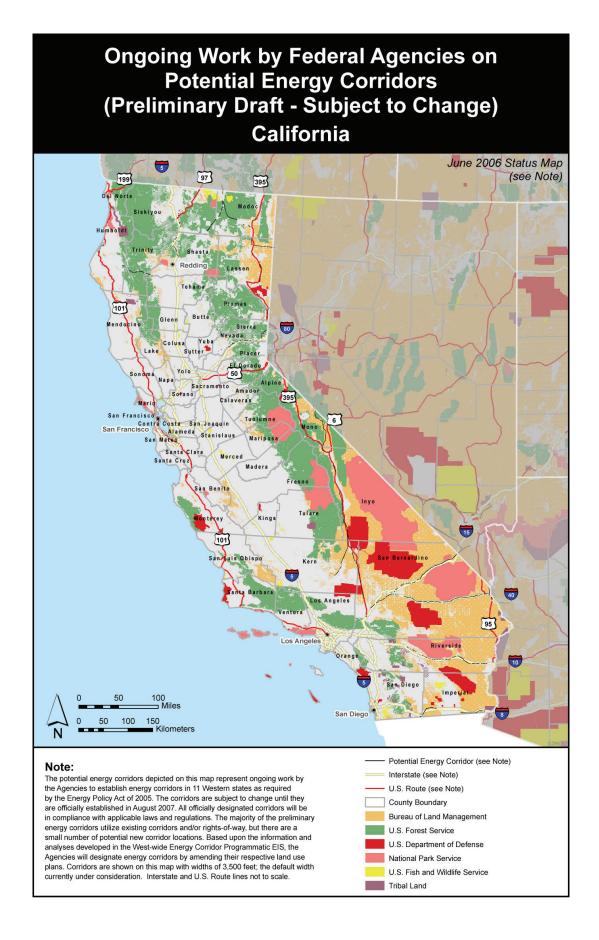
Comments on the preliminary energy corridor map may be submitted electronically through the public comment form on the West-wide Energy Corridor Programmatic EIS Information Center Web Site at http://corridoreis.anl.gov. Written comments can also be mailed or faxed and should be addressed to:

Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability Room 8H-033 U.S. Department of Energy 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W. Washington, DC 20585 Fax: (202) 586-1472

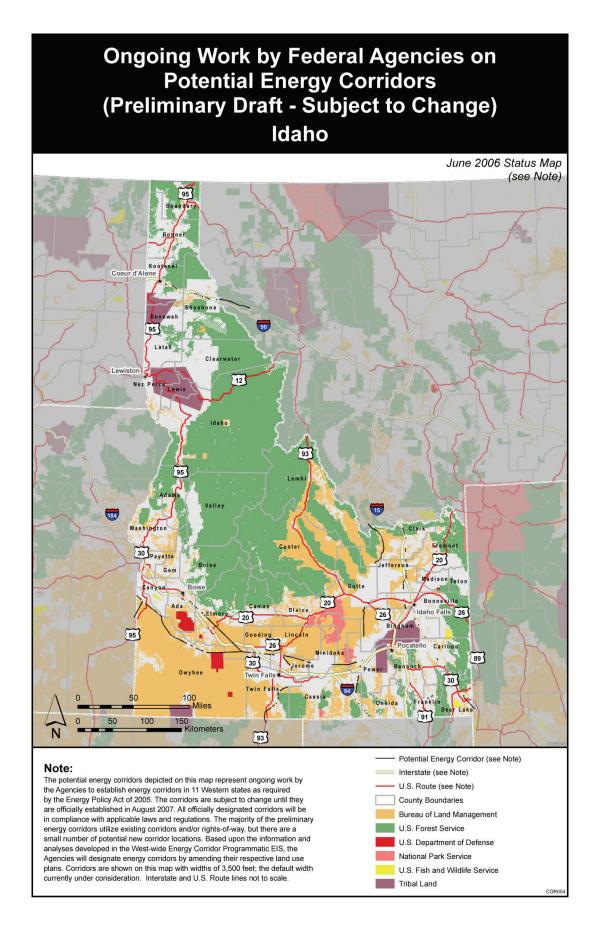
The Agencies request that all comments on the preliminary energy corridor map be provided no later than July 10, 2006. The Agencies will review and consider all comments that are received by the deadline in preparation of the draft PEIS. The opportunity for comment provided here is in addition to the opportunity the public will have to comment on the draft PEIS.

More information about the preliminary draft energy corridor map and the West-wide Energy Corridor PEIS is available on the West-wide Energy Corridor Programmatic EIS Information Center Web site at http://corridoreis.anl.gov.

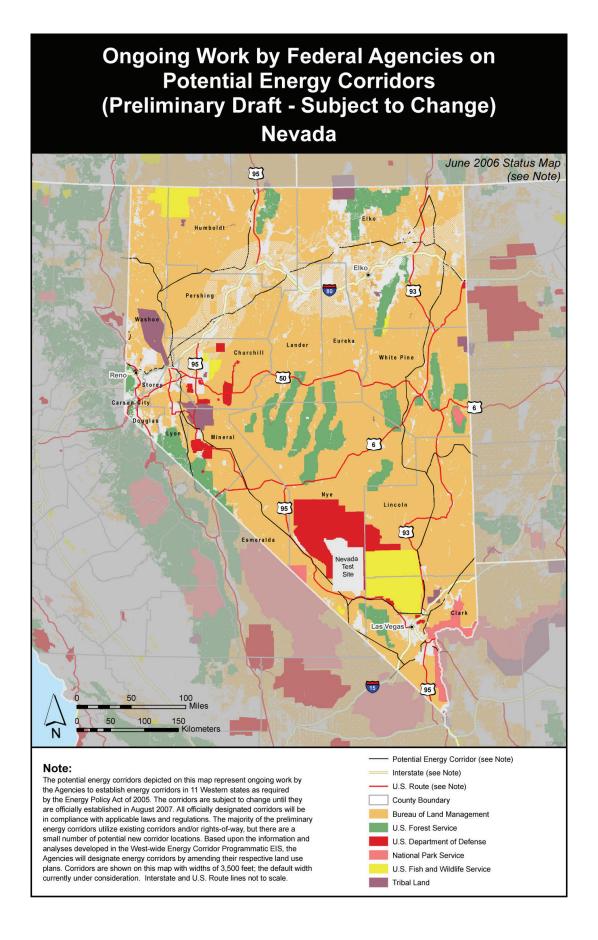


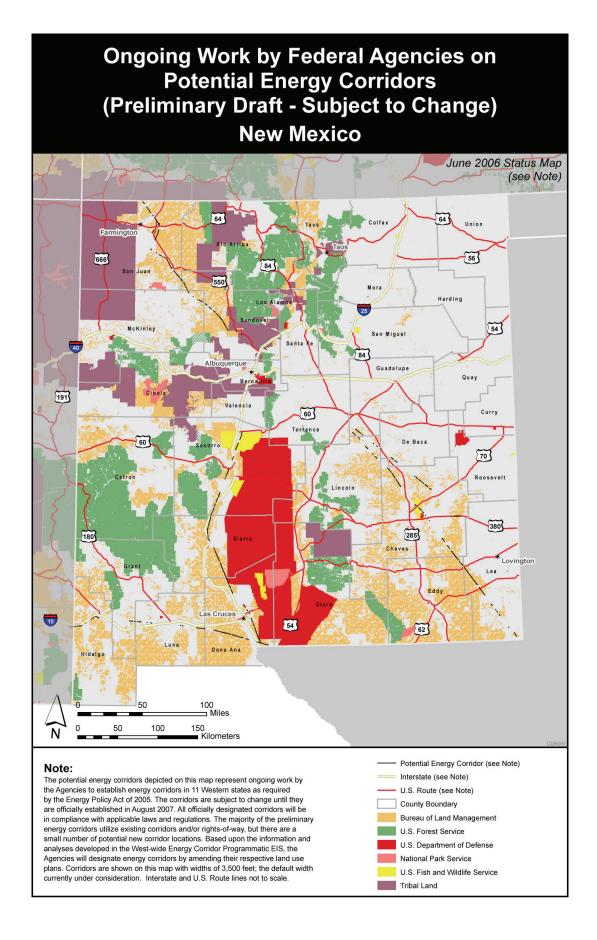


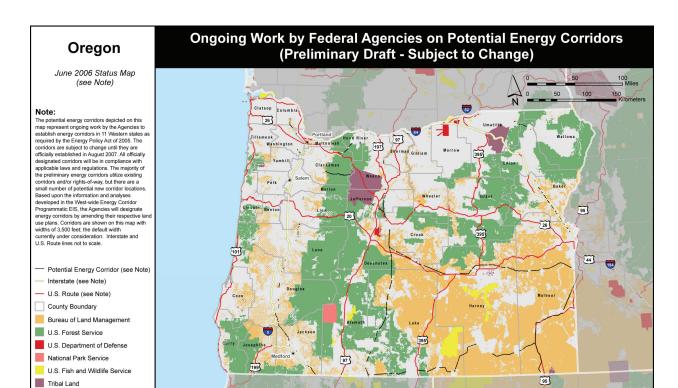
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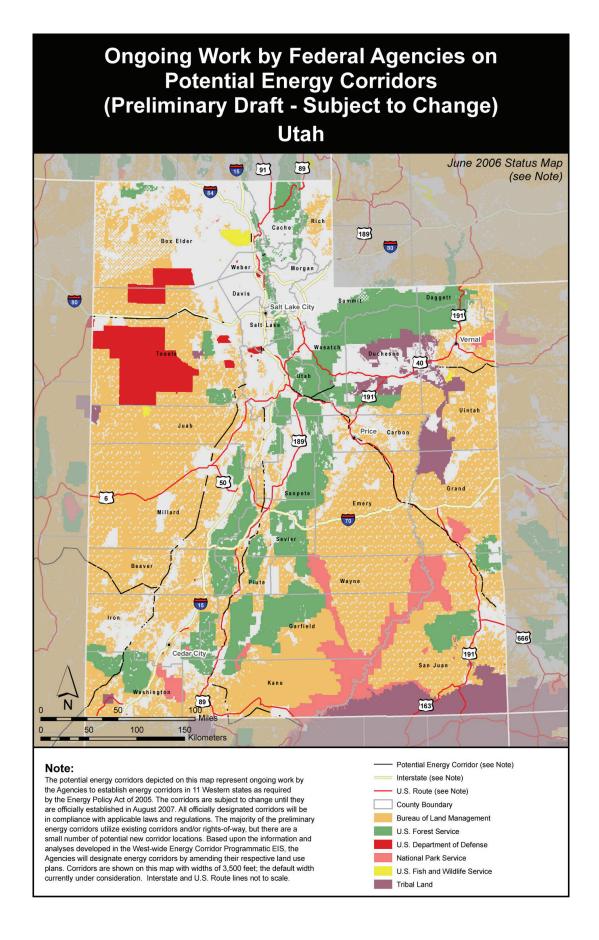


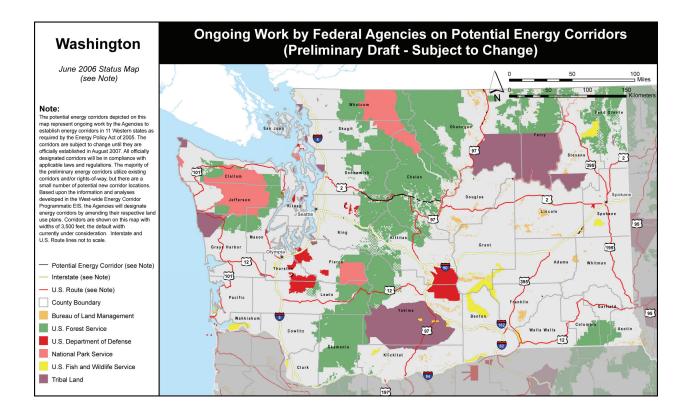
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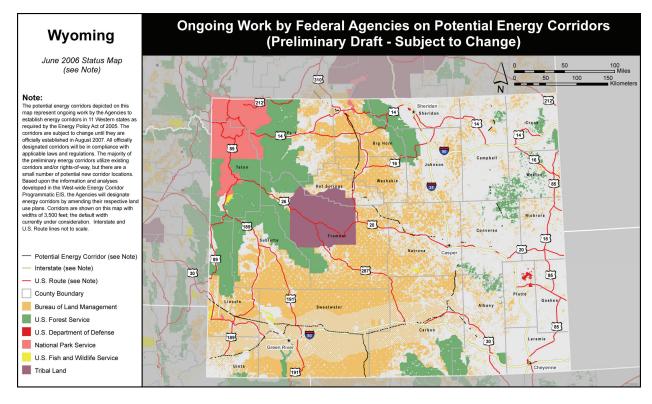


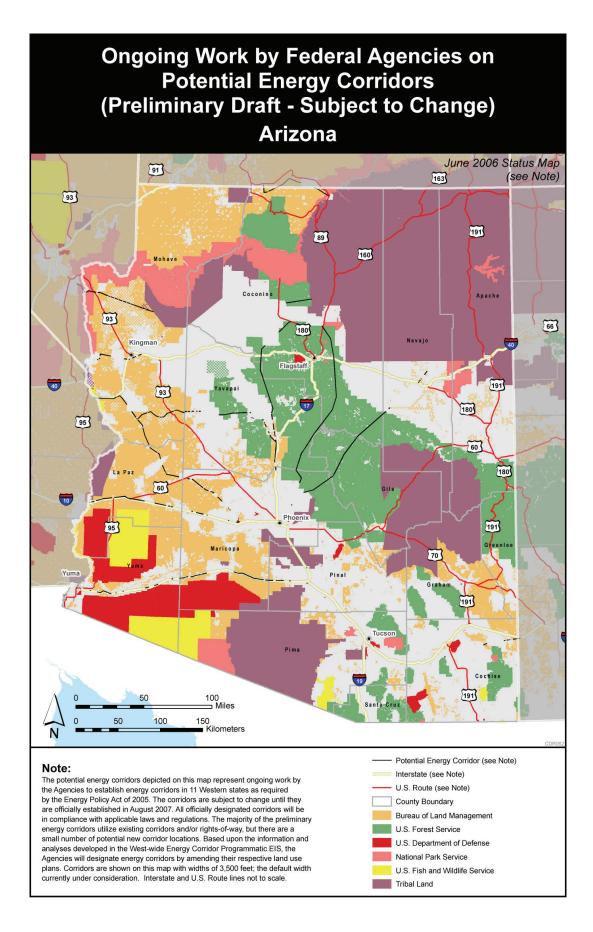












Date: Sept. 1, 2006

Memo to: West-wide Energy Corridor – PEIS Tribal Consultation Points of Contact

Through: West-wide Energy Corridor – PEIS Management Team

From: West-wide Energy Corridor – PEIS Tribal Consultation Working Group

Re: PEIS Tribal Consultation Protocol

Tribal Consultation Procedures:

The purpose of this memo is to clarify Tribal consultation procedures concerning the West-wide Energy Corridor (WEC) Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS). If consultation is already occurring or if regional, state, or local offices initiate consultation with local Tribes, then these efforts should be documented and forwarded to Argonne National Laboratory so that Argonne can track which Tribes, agencies, and contacts are involved. It is also important that information resulting from consultation is forwarded to Argonne to ensure its consideration in the PEIS and to be entered into the official administrative record.

Process Outline:

Each Tribal contact will be referred to a single Agency Point of Contact (POC) who will serve as the primary "consultation coordinator" for the Tribe(s) assigned to him or her. This Agency POC will usually be the BLM/USFS Tribal Coordinator from the home state of the Tribe. The Agency POC will contact the Tribe to provide information and answer questions as needed; facilitate government-to-government consultation and meetings or correspondence; coordinate among agencies involved, document contacts and consultation; and ensure that information important to the PEIS is forwarded to Argonne and the Washington Office (WO) Tribal Consultation Group, as appropriate. The Agency POC should work through the normal consultation channels established by his/her agency. The PEIS management team will be available to attend in person for government-to-government consultation if necessary, although, whenever possible, consultation should involve state, regional, and local managers. The WO Tribal Consultation Group will provide the Agency POC assignment; advise the Agency POC on consultation efforts; and assist with meetings, if necessary. Argonne will track Tribal requests, ensure that every Tribe is assigned a POC, collate and consider information conveyed by Tribes, and maintain the administrative record.

An Excel spreadsheet for the purpose of tracking and documenting consultation activities is attached for your consideration. This file would become part of the administrative record for the PEIS.

Roles and Responsibilities:

Argonne National Laboratory

- Argonne has assigned Dr. Bruce Verhaaren to review incoming Tribal contacts, assess the request, and respond as appropriate. Contact information follows.
- When a Tribe simply wishes to convey information, Argonne will incorporate that information into the PEIS and respond to the Tribe with an acknowledgment.
- When the Tribe wishes to initiate government-to-government consultation or requests information or some form of involvement, Argonne will inform the WO Tribal Consultation Group (USFS/BLM) that the tribe wishes to consult or requests information. The WO Tribal Consultation Group will determine the appropriate Agency POC for the Tribe and will notify Argonne who that Agency POC will be along with their contact information. Argonne will respond to the Tribe with the name of the POC and an information packet consisting of the attached Tribal Information Packet, the Tribal Information Update, etc., and will copy the POC on this correspondence.
- During consultation, the WO Tribal Consultation Group will be kept informed of all interactions. This is critically dependent on the receipt of real-time information from Agency POCs.
- Argonne will maintain a database of Tribal contacts, responses, and the Agency POC assignments for reference by the WEC-PEIS management team and WO Tribal Consultation Group, and as part of the Administrative Record. The Agency POCs will provide Argonne with a record of their interactions with the Tribes to be included in the administrative record for the PEIS.
- Argonne will provide Agency POCs with access to the project restricted extranet site to facilitate the transfer of information to the Tribes. (Please note this site is intended for internal use only: https://web.ead.anl.gov/corridorteam/index.cfm)
 The process for gaining access to the extranet is attached.
- Argonne will track information received from Tribes regarding the PEIS and incorporate such information into the project analysis (e.g., location of sensitive areas for avoidance) as appropriate.
- Argonne will ensure that Tribes, the Agency POCs, and the WO Tribal
 Consultation Group are informed about the project, such as when more detailed
 maps are available for Tribal review, when the Draft PEIS is available for review,
 and the time frames for review.
- Argonne will maintain the administrative record for Tribal consultation.

Department of Energy

- When the DOE (Julia Souder) receives requests from Tribes, these requests will be forwarded to Argonne, who will proceed as above.
- The DOE will make Dr. Jerry Pell available to assist as a project expert when requested for Tribal consultation meetings or as in-person support for POCs in the field.

Agency POC (BLM/USFS Tribal Coordinators)

- Once assigned, the Agency POC will follow up with the Tribe by answering
 questions, providing information, and facilitating in-person government-togovernment consultation as requested. Consultation should proceed along normal
 channels established by the agency.
- Government-to-government consultation may occur at any level. If needed, project management team members can meet with the Tribe; if Tribal concerns can be met with local managers, it is preferable to do so.
- If the Agency POC is a State or Regional Tribal Coordinator, he or she may refer the request to the appropriate agency subdivision (e.g., Field Office, District, Forest) but will remain the Agency POC for coordination purposes.
- If Tribal concerns include land administered by another federal agency, the Agency POC will coordinate interaction with his/her counterpart in that agency with assistance from the WO Tribal Consultation Group if necessary, but will remain the single POC for that Tribe.
- The Agency POC will be responsible for documenting all consultation and forwarding the documentation to Argonne for the administrative record.
- The Agency POC may convey information from Tribes that is pertinent to the PEIS to Argonne (e.g., sensitive cultural resource site locations, visual impact concerns, etc.).
- The Agency POC will track Tribal concerns and ensure that there is an appropriate response.
- The Agency POC will ensure that all appropriate information is shared with Tribes in a timely manner.

Washington Office Tribal Consultation Group

- The WO Tribal Consultation Group (Jerry Cordova/Kate Winthrop, BLM; Marsha Butterfield, USFS; Jerry Pell, DOE) will make the initial Agency POC assignment, contact the POC, provide Argonne with the Agency POC's contact information, and sponsor POC access to the restricted extranet site.
- The WO Tribal Consultation Group will be available to consult with Argonne on the appropriate response to a Tribal contact and assist the POCs as needed with project information, consultation assistance, interagency coordination, and participation if necessary.

Project Management Team and PEIS Project Leads

- The PEIS project management team represents agency management and is the appropriate contact for government-to-government consultation when it cannot be accommodated fully at the state, regional, and local level.
- State, regional, and local PEIS project leads are usually the appropriate contacts for POCs for project information, maps, and local issues.

<u>Tribes</u>

When Tribes contact state, regional, or local BLM/USFS with concerns directly without going through Argonne or DOE, BLM/USFS will notify Argonne and then proceed as outlined above.

EPAct Section 368 West-wide Energy Corridor Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement Tribal Information Packet

Thank you for your interest in the West-wide Energy Corridor Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS). This packet provides basic information regarding the PEIS project with particular regard to the interests of Tribal Nations. Further information on this project is available on the project website: http://corridoreis.anl.gov/index.cfm.

Copies of letters and updates previously sent to Tribes are attached.

Project Overview

Section 368 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAct) requires that the U.S. Secretaries of Agriculture, Commerce, Defense, Energy, and the Interior (the Agencies) cooperate to designate energy corridors on federal land for oil, gas, and hydrogen pipelines and electricity transmission and distribution facilities in the 11 western states (Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming). A PEIS is underway to assess the environmental impacts of this action. The Agencies have established a management team to facilitate coordination on this PEIS. Argonne National Laboratory (Argonne) is the contractor conducting this study.

Corridor designation will be accomplished by the coordinated amendment of appropriate land management plans by each agency. No actual specific construction or development project would be required or approved by this programmatic action. It would facilitate, not require, the construction of energy transmission facilities within the corridors. Some of the advantages of designated corridors are listed below:

- Streamlined interagency project siting and permitting would provide an incentive
 to use designated corridors by reducing the time and resources needed to
 implement a project, thus more expeditiously providing for the delivery of energy
 to demand areas.
- Consistent and uniform implementing guidelines accepted by all agencies would serve to provide an effective and efficient method of protecting environmental, cultural, and social resources.
- When a specific project is proposed, environmental analysis could focus on critical site-specific issues and tier off the findings presented in the PEIS.

Selection of Corridor Routes

Input on the selection of appropriate end points was received from government agencies, energy providers, and the general public during the scoping process. Taking this input into account, the proposed energy corridors are designed to enhance the reliability and capacity of the existing energy transmission and conveyance network in the West for moving electricity, oil, natural gas, and hydrogen from their sources to end users. The PEIS is a federal action and deals only with those corridor sections that cross federal lands, as dictated by Section 368 of the EPAct.

EPAct requires the Agencies to specify center lines and widths for energy corridors designated on federal lands. Specific corridor routes are being laid out (1) to avoid areas inappropriate for corridor development because of legal, regulatory, or Agency-mission requirements, and (2) to take into account local resource-management considerations. Routes are being laid out to avoid known significant natural and cultural resources, including archaeological sites and known traditional cultural properties. While this should minimize the adverse effects of developing the energy corridors, it does not eliminate the requirement for future National Environmental Policay Act (NEPA) and National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106 reviews. No field surveys for cultural resources will be carried out in conjunction with this PEIS. Any construction or development projects that are later proposed for these corridors would require their own NEPA and NHPA Section 106 reviews.

Tribal Nation Input

The opportunity for government-to-government consultation is offered to all federally recognized Tribes in the 11 western states. We recognize that the Tribes are the best source for information on sensitive areas on ancestral lands, traditional resources, and treaty rights on federal lands. Any information on these topics that can be provided to the PEIS team would be greatly appreciated and would be kept confidential. This information will help to ensure that the final corridor configuration has the least possible adverse effect on resources important to Tribal communities. While Tribal Nations may consult at any level of government, an Agency Point of Contact (Agency POC) will be assigned to individual Tribes to facilitate consultation and coordination among entities whenever a Tribe expresses an interest in the PEIS. These Agency POCs will usually be local Tribal Coordinators from the BLM or USFS. Once assigned, you can communicate directly with the Agency POC.

Contact Information

If you wish to obtain information or engage in consultation, you may contact your local BLM or USFS office, or contact any of the following people. An Agency POC will be assigned to assist with further information or consultation needs.

Dr. Jerry Pell, DOE Office: 202-586-3362 Fax: 202-318-7761 jerry.pell@hq.doe.gov

Jerry Cordova, BLM, Tribal Coordinator 202-452-7756 jerry cordova@blm.gov

Marsha Butterfield, USFS Tribal Coordinator 202-205-4095 mbutterfield@fs.fed.us

Dr. Kate Winthrop, BLM Washington Office POC 202-452-5051 Kate winthrop@blm.gov Dr. Bruce Verhaaren, Argonne POC 630-252-3240 bverhaaren@anl.gov

Timeline

28 Sep 2005 Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement published

28 Sep - 28 Nov 2005 Public scoping

25 Oct – 3 Nov 2005 Scoping meetings in each of the 11 western states

14 Apr 2006 All federally recognized Tribes invited to regional Tribal information

meetings

9 May – 25 May 2006 Five Regional Tribal information meetings

10 Jul 2006 Summary of regional meetings (Tribal Information Update) and

invitation to consultation sent to all western Tribes.

Dec 2006/Jan 2007

Jan – Mar 2007

Jul 2007

Aug 2007

Projected release of the Draft PEIS
90-day public comment period
Projected release of the Final PEIS
Record(s) of Decision to be issued.

Questions and Answers

Who is the lead agency for the PEIS?

- The Department of Energy (DOE) is the lead agency with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) as co-lead.
- The BLM is the lead agency for compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA. However, all
 agencies are coordinating on the project through an interagency management team. This
 team has established a Tribal Consultation Group to assist with coordinating Tribal
 consultation on the PEIS. Argonne National Laboratory (Argonne) is the contractor for
 the project and provides a centralized coordinating function for consultation.

With multiple agencies, how do we consult?

There are two ways Tribes can initiate consultation or convey requests for information:

- Tribes can contact Argonne with a request for information and/or consultation, or simply
 to convey information that they wish considered in the PEIS. Argonne will refer requests
 for information or consultation to the BLM or Forest Service (USFS), who will assign a
 point of contact (POC, usually a BLM or USFS Tribal Coordinator) to the Tribe. The
 Tribe will be notified who that POC will be and can contact that person or wait for
 him/her to contact the Tribe.
- Tribes can use whatever agency (BLM or USFS) channels they are already familiar with
 at a local, state, or regional level to request information or consultation. It will be up to
 the agency contacted to inform Argonne of the consultation and to ensure that
 information important to the PEIS is forwarded to the appropriate contacts. An Agency
 POC will be assigned to coordinate and facilitate communication and consultation.

What is an Agency POC?

This project involves potentially hundreds of interested Tribes, multiple agencies, and 11 states. To ensure that each interested Tribe has someone to respond to Tribal issues and concerns, to answer questions and provide information, and to facilitate government-to-government consultation, an Agency Pont of Contact (POC) will be assigned to each Tribe expressing an interest in this project. This Agency POC will coordinate with the Tribe and other involved entities, and will serve as the POC for the PEIS management team with regard to that Tribe. Tribes that do not wish to participate in this process will not have an Agency POC. Once assigned, Tribes are encouraged to work through the Agency POC but are not limited to doing so.

Where can Tribes get information about the project?

- Tribes can request information about the project from local, state, or regional BLM/USFS offices, through their normal channels, and/or through agency Tribal coordinators.
- Tribes can request information about the project from Argonne, who will provide basic project information or refer requests to an Agency POC to respond.

How can Tribes keep informed?

- Tribes can register on the project website (http://corridoreis.anl.gov/index.cfm) to receive
 project updates and announcements by entering an e-mail address in the "Subscribe" box.
- Tribes can send a request to Argonne to be kept on a mailing list and notified as important deadlines, such as the release of the Draft PEIS for comment, approach.
- Tribes can work through local agency contacts or their Agency POCs to obtain current information regarding the project.

How can Tribes get information, especially maps, specific to their interests?

 Tribes can work through local agency contacts and/or their Agency POCs to obtain the best available maps and information.

How can Tribes convey specific concerns about this project?

- Tribes can contact Argonne with their issues, and Argonne will incorporate their
 concerns into the PEIS as appropriate. Argonne will notify the PEIS management team in
 the event that agency consideration is indicated. If Tribes wish to consult on their issues,
 they should notify Argonne. Argonne will refer them to an Agency POC to arrange
 consultation.
- Tribes can also contact the agencies directly through their usual state, regional, and local
 contacts. Agencies will then be responsible for forwarding whatever concerns the Tribe
 may convey.
- If the Tribe has already contacted Argonne and received a referral to a POC, the Tribe
 can work through that person.

Will information be confidential?

• Argonne will collect and analyze information and will not release confidential information to the public. The agencies can provide confidentiality to the extent that information is exempted from the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

Do Tribes need to consult separately on National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 concerns?

No. Tribes may have multiple issues and can consult on these together. Section 106
compliance is being integrated into the PEIS. BLM is the lead agency on Section 106 but
is primarily concerned that Tribes are given the opportunity to consult. Tribes do not
need to separate out their 106 issues or initiate separate consultation.

How is the West-wide Energy Corridor PEIS related to the Indian Lands Energy Rights-of-Way Study (EPAct Section 1813)?

- Both the PEIS and the Indian Lands Energy Rights-of-Way Study are required by the EPAct. The PEIS is mandated by Section 368 and the Indian Lands study by Section 1813
- Although related, the two studies are separate. The PEIS deals only with federal lands, while the Section 1813 study deals exclusively with Indian lands.
- For information on the 1813 process, see http://1813.anl.gov/

How is the West-wide Energy Corridor PEIS related to the Electric Transmission Congestion Study (EPAct Section 1221(a))?

- Both the PEIS and the "Congestion Study" are required by the EPACT. The PEIS is mandated by Section 368 and the Congestion Study by Section 1221.
- Results from the Congestion Study were used in the selection of the proposed energy corridors considered in the PEIS.
- The Congestion Study may result in the designation of National Interest Electric Transmission Corridors, some of which may require Tribal consultation.
- Further information on Section 1221 can be obtained from a DOE website: http://www.oe.energy.gov/epa sec1221.htm.

How can We obtain a copy of the Draft West-wide Energy Corridor Programmatic EIS when it is published?

- Upon its release, a Notice of Availability will appear in the Federal Register giving details for obtaining a copy and commenting on the Draft PEIS.
- Everyone on record as attending any of the public meetings will be notified of the availability of the Draft EIS and provided the opportunity to request paper or electronic copies at no cost.

 The Draft Programmatic EIS will be available online in a downloadable and searchable format. The website will also provide an online request form and other information regarding obtaining a copy of the Draft PEIS at no cost. If you do not have access to the Internet, contact:

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EIS and Energy Corridor Basics

What is an EIS?

- EIS is the abbreviation for environmental impact statement, a document prepared to
 describe the effects of proposed activities on the environment as required by the National
 Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Environment, in this case, is defined as the natural
 and physical environment and the relationship of people with that environment. This
 means that the environment considered in an EIS includes land; water, air; structures;
 living organisms; environmental values at the site; and social, cultural, and economic
 factors.
- An impact is a change or consequence that results from an activity. Impacts can be
 positive, negative, or both. An EIS describes impacts, as well as ways to mitigate
 impacts. To mitigate means to lessen or remove negative impacts.
- Therefore, an EIS is a document that describes the potential impacts on the environment
 as a result of a proposed action. It also describes potential impacts of alternatives, as well
 as measures to mitigate the impacts.

What is a Programmatic EIS?

A Programmatic EIS evaluates the environmental impacts of broad agency actions, such
as the development of programs or the setting of national policies. Designation of
segments of West-wide energy corridors that are on lands under BLM, USFS, or
Department of Defense jurisdiction would involve the proposed amendment of several
land use plans and would facilitate processing of future right-of-way applications.
Therefore, the proposed action will define and implement a program that sets the stage
for site-specific actions to follow.

Why is an EIS needed for energy corridor designation in the western states?

• The Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAct), Public Law 109-58 (H.R. 6), enacted August 8, 2005, directs the Secretaries of Agriculture, Commerce, Defense, Energy, and the Interior (the Agencies) to designate under their respective authorities corridors on federal land in the 11 western states (Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming) for oil, gas, and hydrogen pipelines and electricity transmission and distribution facilities (energy corridors).

- Section 368 of the EPAct, entitled "Energy Right-of-Way Corridors on Federal Land," and specifically subsection 368(d) require the Agencies to designate energy corridors, taking into account the "need for upgraded and new electricity transmission and distribution facilities" in order to:
 - "Improve reliability,"
 - "Relieve congestion," and
 - "Enhance the capability of the national grid to deliver electricity."
- The Agencies have determined that designating corridors as required by Section 368 of
 the EPAct constitutes a major federal action which, may have a significant impact upon
 the environment within the meaning of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969
 (NEPA). For this reason, the Agencies are preparing a PEIS entitled, "Designation of
 Energy Corridors on Federal Land in the 11 Western States" (DOE/EIS-0386) to address
 the potential environmental impacts from the proposed action and reasonable alternatives.

What is an Energy Corridor?

For purposes of preparing the West-wide Energy Corridor PEIS, an energy corridor is
defined as a parcel of land that has been identified through the land use planning process
as being a preferred location for existing and future utility rights-of-way, and that is
suitable to accommodate one or more rights-of-way that are similar, identical, or
compatible.

What are the components of an Energy Corridor?

 Energy corridors can accommodate multiple pipelines (such as for oil, gas, or hydrogen), electricity transmission lines, and related infrastructure, such as access and maintenance roads, compressors, pumping stations, and other structures.

What is the scope of the analysis in the PEIS?

• The scope of the analysis in the PEIS will include an assessment of the potential positive and negative environmental, socioeconomic impacts of energy corridor designation; discussion of relevant mitigation measures to address these impacts; and identification of appropriate programmatic policies to be included in the Agencies' land use plans. Section 368 of the the EPAct divides the Agencies' schedules for designating transmission corridors on public lands into two groups: (1) western states, consisting of Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming, and (2) all other states. This PEIS relates solely to corridors in the western states. The PEIS addresses land use plan amendments to designate energy corridors, but the scope of analysis does not include the site-specific issues related to subsequent applications for rights-of-way within the designated corridors.

What alternatives are being considered?

The following alternatives are being considered in the preparation of the PEIS. In addition, the Agencies are considering any additional reasonable alternatives that result from comments received in response to the scoping process.

- Proposed Action and Alternatives The proposed action in this PEIS is to designate corridors on federal lands in the 11 western states (Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming) for oil, gas and hydrogen pipelines and electricity transmission and distribution facilities. On the basis of the information and analyses developed in this PEIS, each Agency would amend its respective land use plans by designating a series of energy corridors effective upon signing of the Record(s) of Decision.
- No Action Alternative Under the no action alternative, no new energy corridors would
 be designated through this coordinated approach. The No Action alternative would
 identify the environmental impacts associated with each of the Agencies continuing to
 designate energy corridors through use of their present practices. These practices would
 include the application of local planning criteria by each regional land management
 office.
- Additional Alternatives Additional alternatives may also be considered.

What are land use plans?

- Land use plans are planning and management documents that define how resources will be managed within a specific planning area and establish restrictions on activities to be undertaken in that planning area. They are developed by federal agencies in accordance with applicable regulations and in conjunction with interested stakeholders.
- The land use planning process is the key tool used by the agencies to protect resources and designate uses on federal lands managed by the agencies. These plans help ensure that the public lands are managed in accordance with applicable laws and regulations under the principles of multiple use and sustained yield, recognizing the nation's need for domestic sources of minerals, food, timber, and fiber, while protecting the quality of scientific, scenic, historical, ecological, environmental, air, water, and archaeological values.
- Environmental issues identified should be related to restriction of conflicting uses within the corridors, adequacy of potential plan direction within the corridors, and broadening any identifiable environmental concerns within the potential corridors. Any corridor designation and subsequent incorporation into an agency's land use plan by this plan amendment process does not, itself, authorize project activities. These project activities, such as construction of a new pipeline or electric transmission line or retrofitting utilities within an existing corridor, would be subject to analysis under all pertinent laws and regulations, including the National Energy Policy Act and the National Historic Preservation Act and their requirements for Tribal consultation.

What impacts and issues will be addressed in the West-wide Energy Corridor PEIS?

The following is a list of potential environmental issues that the Agencies have tentatively identified for analysis. This list is not intended to be all-inclusive or to imply any predetermination of impacts. Following is a preliminary list of issues that may be analyzed in the PEIS:

 Socioeconomic and recreational impacts of development of the land tracts and their subsequent uses;

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- Impacts on protected, threatened, endangered, or sensitive species of animals or plants, or their critical habitats;
- Impacts on floodplains and wetlands;
 Impacts on archaeological, cultural, or historic resources;
 Impacts on human health and safety;
 Impacts on existing and future land uses;
 Visual impacts; and

- Disproportionately high and adverse impacts on minority and low-income populations, also known as environmental justice considerations.



Department of Energy Washington, DC 20585

The Honorable (full name) Chairman Name of Organization (local address)

Dear Chairman (surname):

I would like to inform you that the draft West-wide Energy Corridors Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (WEC-PEIS), in accordance with Section 368 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, will be available for review and comment in November. I appreciate your interest in this project and look forward to your continued participation.

The comment period will last 90 days and I invite your review and comments during that time. Attached please find information regarding the project, contact information for obtaining copies of the WEC-PEIS, and an overview map.

The consultation process required by Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) is being integrated with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process of this PEIS. Comments or consultation under both of these authorities are welcome.

Copies of the draft WEC-PEIS will be available online or via CD, with a limited number of hard copies available to those who request them. If you have not already done so, please let us know if you would like the CD or a printed copy of the document, and how many of each you will need.

I will contact you again once the draft is released. If you experience any difficulties accessing the document, please contact your local Bureau of Land Management or Forest Service office for assistance. Please also feel free to contact Mr. Bruce Verhaaren at Argonne National Laboratory at 630-252-3240 or via email at bverhaaren@anl.gov.

Thank you very much for your interest and participation in this project.

Sincerely,

Kevin M. Kolevar Assistant Secretary

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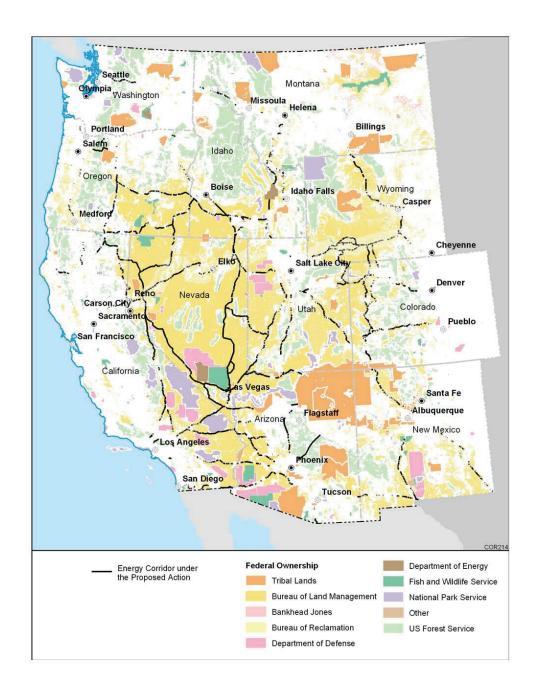
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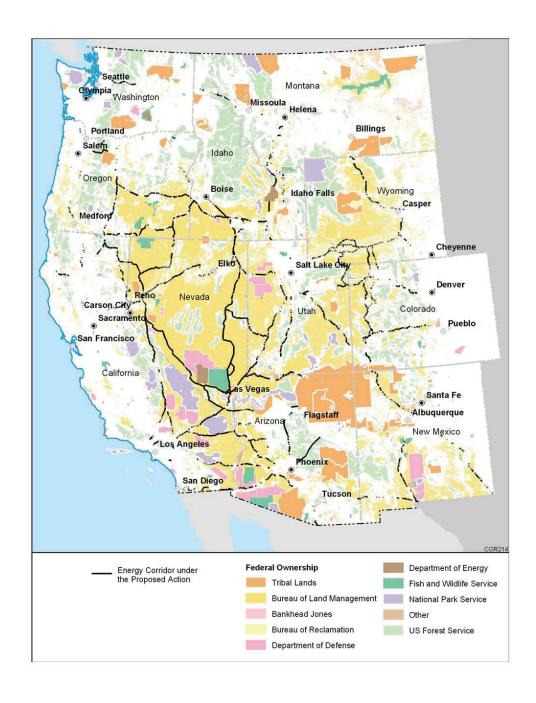
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Department of Energy Washington, DC 20585

November 8, 2007

The Honorable <full name>
Chairman
<Tribal name>
<mailing address>
<City, State Zip>

Dear Chairman <surname>:

Enclosed for your review and comment is the Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (Draft PEIS) for the Designation of Energy Corridors in 11 Western States (DOE/PEIS-0368). Section 368 (a) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 requires three things:

- Designating corridors for oil, gas and hydrogen pipelines and electricity transmission and distribution facilities on Federal land in the eleven contiguous Western States as defined in section 103 (o) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1702 (o));
- performing any environmental reviews that may be required to complete the designation of such corridors; and
- incorporating the designated corridors into the relevant agency land use and resource management plans or equivalent plans.

This Draft PEIS has been prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and its implementing regulations by the Departments of Energy, the Interior, Agriculture and Defense (the Agencies).

The proposed action is to designate and incorporate through relevant land use and resource management plans certain Federal energy corridors that would consist of existing, locally designated Federal energy corridors together with additional, new energy corridors located on Federal land. The potential environmental impacts of this proposed action (the preferred alternative), as well as the no-action alternative, are analyzed in the Draft PEIS. The proposed action does not call for designating corridors on tribal lands.

The Agencies invite comments on this Draft PEIS during a 90-day comment period that will begin when the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) publishes a Notice of Availability of this Draft PEIS in the *Federal Register*, expected by November 16. During this public comment period, the Agencies will conduct public meetings in 15 cities across the West and in Washington, D.C., that will include a brief overview presentation on the Draft PEIS and an opportunity for members of the public to provide

oral and written comments for the record. Details on these public meetings will be included in a Department of Energy (DOE) Notice of Availability in the *Federal Register*. Meeting information will also be placed in reading rooms in local libraries, in local newspapers and on the project Website.

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The Draft PEIS, meeting information, additional project background, and information on how to submit comments are posted on the project Website at http://corridoreis.anl.gov. The Draft PEIS is also available on DOE's NEPA Website at http://www.eh.doe.gov/nepa/documents.html.

Individuals who wish to submit oral comments at one of the public meetings may register in advance on the project Website or they may register onsite. Other options for submitting comments on the Draft PEIS are:

- Submit comments online at http://corridoreis.anl.gov
- Mail comments to West-wide Energy Corridor DEIS, Argonne National Laboratory, 9700 S. Cass Ave., Bldg 900, Mail Stop 4, Argonne, IL 60439
- Fax comments toll-free to 1-866-542-5904

The Agencies will consider and respond to all comments received during the comment period in preparation of the Final PEIS. Comments received after the close of the comment period will be considered to the extent practicable. The Agencies expect to issue the Final PEIS by late spring 2008. The Federal land management agencies (Interior, Agriculture, and Defense) will issue Records of Decision no sooner than 30 days after the EPA publishes its Notice of Availability of the Final PEIS in the *Federal Register*.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Mr. Steven Morello, Director, Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs, at 202-586-3715. To establish a consultation process, contact Mr. Bruce Verhaaren, Tribal Coordinator, Argonne National Laboratory, at 630-252-3240.

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