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To Whom It May Concern:

The Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah is a Federally Recognized Tribe as defined by the Department of Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Indian Entities Recognized and Eligible to Receive Services from the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs. The Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah is the recognized federal entity that has five constituent bands. The Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah Tribal Council is the official governing body of the Tribe, and, pursuant to Article V, Section 1, of the Tribe’s Constitution, is vested with all executive and legislative powers of the Tribe; and pursuant to its inherent sovereignty as a Indian Tribe and Article V, Section 1 of the Constitution of the Paiute Indian Tribe and act in all matters that concern the welfare of the Tribe.

Executive Order 13175, Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments was passed to ensure that Federal Agencies are engaging in meaningful consultation with Indian Tribes. Government-to-Government consultation is an obligation that must be adhered to and is an inherent sovereign right for the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah.

If your agency has any questions regarding who is the direct liaison for the tribe please feel free to reach out to the tribe and discuss any issues that you may have with myself at tslayton@utahpaiutes.org. We strongly encourage the agencies to still work with Dorena Martineau on projects, she can be reached at dmartineau@utahpaiutes.org

Sincerely,

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Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah
Tribal Chairperson