EPA REGION 8'S RESPONSE TO PETITION FOR REVIEW

ATTACHMENT LL

Emails between EPA and Oglala Sioux Tribe discussing the scheduling and logistics of consultation meetings

Administrative Record Document Nos. 887-888

From:	Robinson, Valois
To:	"j.spottedbear@oglala.org"
Cc:	"MikeCE@oglala.org"; "ostnrrawrd@gwtc.net"
Subject:	Request for Consultation Meeting in February or March
Date:	Thursday, January 16, 2020 12:52:00 PM

Hello Ms. Spotted Bear,

I would like to schedule a consultation meeting with the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council in February or March. I think the Tribal Council meets on the last Tuesdays of the month, so February 25 or March 30. Please let me know if either of these dates would work. If other dates in February or March would work better, please let me know. Thanks!

Valois

From:	Robinson, Valois
To:	"j.spottedbear@oglala.org"
Cc:	"MikeCE@oglala.org"; "ostnrrawrd@gwtc.net"
Subject:	I just realized I didn't mention the topic for the consultation meeting I requested in Feb or March: the Dewey- Burdock uranium site
Date:	Thursday, January 16, 2020 12:58:00 PM

Hello Ms. Spotted Bear,

I just realized I didn't mention the topic for the requested consultation meeting. The EPA would like to consult with the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council and other Tribal leaders on February 25 or March 30. Please let me know if either of these dates would work. If other dates in February or March would work better, please let me know. Thanks!

Valois

From:	Jennifer Spotted Bear
To:	Robinson, Valois
Subject:	RE: Sorry - I didn"t mean to send you that previous email
Date:	Tuesday, February 4, 2020 12:43:44 PM

Hello, no problem. You are also on my list of contact so we can discuss the consultation you are requsting. Feel free to call me at 605-407-3526 Jennifer

From: Robinson, Valois < Robinson. Valois@epa.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, February 4, 2020 12:35 PM

To: Jennifer Spotted Bear < j.spottedbear@oglala.org>

Subject: Sorry - I didn't mean to send you that previous email

Hi Jennifer,

I'm sorry about that last email I sent you. I typed in your email address just to make sure I got it correct on the routing slip for when we send you and Mike the courtesy copies of the next letter to President Bear Runner, then I forgot to delete it. We will also send you the letter enclosures again once we have the letter signed and ready to go, so you can disregard them for now. The routing slip is for our internal use for getting the letter through our different levels of managers for review and concurrence. Sorry for the inconvenience!

Valois

Good afternoon

I suggest anytime before our regular Tribal Council Session which is March 31st and is set for our regular business agenda items. Just shoot me some dates and I will confirm with President Bear Runner and get back to you.

lennifer

From: Robinson, Valois < Robinson. Valois@epa.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, February 4, 2020 3:36 PM

To: Jennifer Spotted Bear < j.spottedbear@oglala.org>

Subject: Is Tuesday the only day available to meet with Tribal Council the last week of each month? Hi Jennifer.

I checked with the people who would be attending the consultation meeting so they could reserve the last week of March. One of them is not available to meet on Tuesday, March 31 or Tuesday, April 28. Is Tuesday the only day that we could meet with Tribal Council during the last week of each month? Thanks!

Valois

From:	Jennifer Spotted Bear
To:	Mike Catches Enemy; Robinson, Valois
Cc:	Andre Janis
Subject:	RE: Letter from the EPA requesting consultation with the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council
Date:	Thursday, February 20, 2020 11:52:47 AM

Good Morning,

I have made a couple of phone calls to you and left a voice message in hopes that we could schedule a date for the Consultation. Please respond back to me via email or phone call. The phone number to contact me is (605)407-3526. Thank you, looking forward to hearing from you.

Jennifer

From: Mike Catches Enemy < MikeCE@oglala.org>

Sent: Thursday, February 20, 2020 10:40 AM

To: Robinson, Valois < Robinson. Valois@epa.gov>; Jennifer Spotted Bear < j.spottedbear@oglala.org> **Cc:** andre_Janis@hotmail.com

Subject: RE: Letter from the EPA requesting consultation with the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council

Thank you Valois.

Respectfully,

Mike Catches Enemy

Legislative Liaison

President's Office

Oglala Sioux Tribe

From: Robinson, Valois [mailto:Robinson.Valois@epa.gov]

Sent: Friday, February 14, 2020 3:56 PM

To: Jennifer Spotted Bear <<u>j.spottedbear@oglala.org</u>>

Cc: Mike Catches Enemy <<u>MikeCE@oglala.org</u>>; <u>andre_Janis@hotmail.com</u>

Subject: Letter from the EPA requesting consultation with the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council

Secretary Spotted Bear,

Attached is a letter requesting your assistance in scheduling a consultation meeting with the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council. A mailed hard copy should arrive at your office next week. Omar Sierra-Lopez call you in the near future to discuss possible meeting dates. We appreciate your assistance with this matter!

Mr. Catches Enemy and Mr. Janis,

Please consider the attached letter to be your courtesy copy. Kimberly Varilek, our Senior Tribal Advisor to the Regional Administrator, will email President Bear Runner his courtesy copy of this letter next week when she returns to the office.

Valois

From:	Jennifer Spotted Bear
То:	Jim Meeks; Duane Yellow Hawk; Cora White Horse; Craig Dillon; Ryan Jumping Eagle; Beau Little Whiteman; Chancy Wilson; Valerie Janis (valjanis18@icloud.com); Valentina Merdanian; Lydia Bear Killer; James Cross; Richard Greenwald; Nakina Mills (nakinamills3@gmail.com); Robin Tapio; Philip Good Crow; Randy Lays Bad; Sonia Little Hawk-Weston; Jackie Siers; Vincent "Woodzy" Two Lance; Garfield Apple; Glen Gibbons
Cc:	Robinson, Valois; lisac@ostlegal.org; jbeareagle.ost@gmail.com; Russel D. Zephier; sjgunn37@gmail.com
Subject:	EPA Consultation
Date:	Wednesday, March 4, 2020 5:08:57 PM
Attachments:	EPA meeting memo.pdf

An agenda will be out the week before the meeting is held.



Office of the Secretary Jennifer L. Spotted Bear

Oglala Sioux Tribe

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March 4, 2020

To: Oglala Sioux Tribal Council, EPA, Cc: Valois Robinson, OST Legal Department

From: Jennifer Spotted Bear - OST Secretary

According to Ordinance 11-10, ORDINANCE OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION BETWEEN THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE AND THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT, AND OTHER GOVERNMENTS.

The EPA has requested for a government to government consultation with the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council, therefore the Oglala Sioux Tribal Secretary is hereby delegated to set up this meeting.

The consultation will be held on March 23rd, 2020 @11:00 AM, at the Public Safety conference room, in the Justice Center 977 Horse Thief Parkway.

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact me at (605)407-3526 Cell, (605)867-8468 work.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Spotted Bear



Good afternoon. As of yesterday's meeting I spoke with the President and he stated that we will continue with the meeting as scheduled. If anything changes I will be sure to update you. Thank you, Jennifer

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From: Robinson, Valois <robinson.valois@epa.gov> Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2020 2:24 PM To: Jennifer Spotted Bear Subject: RE: EPA Consultation

Hi Jennifer, Thank you for sending confirmation of our meeting on March 23rd with the location info.

I just received an email letting me know that the Oglala Sioux Tribal Leaders have asked not to have outside meeting attendees come to the Reservation to meet with them in person in the foreseeable future due to the Corona Virus issue. I just wanted to check with you to see how that affects our meeting on the 23rd. Would the Tribal Council prefer to have a conference call with us instead? We have not been given any restrictions on our travel yet, so we are still available to travel to Pine Ridge. We do feel face-to-face meetings are preferable for consultation meetings, but we would like to respect the Tribal Leaders' decision on this. Please let us know what the Tribe would like us to do. I can set up a conference call line for the meeting and send you the information.

Thanks for your assistance with this!

Valois

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From: Jennifer Spotted Bear <j.spottedbear@oglala.org> Sent: Wednesday, March 4, 2020 5:11 PM To: Jim Meeks <jimmeeks0@gmail.com>; Duane Yellow Hawk <duane@oglala.org>; Cora White Horse <cora.whitehorse@gmail.com>; Craig Dillon <cldillon@hotmail.com>; Ryan Jumping Eagle <ryanjump@hotmail.com>; Beau Little Whiteman <bolittlewhiteman@gmail.com>; Chancy Wilson <wilsonrodeos@goldenwest.net>; Valerie Janis (valjanis18@icloud.com) <valjanis18@icloud.com>; Valentina Merdanian <vmerdanian@gmail.com>; Lydia Bear Killer <lydiabearkiller1960@gmail.com>; James Cross <jamescross0810@hotmail.com>; Richard Greenwald <richard_greenwald@yahoo.com>; Nakina Mills
(nakinamills3@gmail.com) <nakinamills3@gmail.com>; Robin Tapio <supertap_46@yahoo.com>; Philip Good
Crow <pgoodcrow@yahoo.com>; Randy Lays Bad <Laysbad23@hotmail.com>; Sonia Little Hawk-Weston
<soniaw@gwtc.net>; Jackie Siers <jackier62@hotmail.com>; Vincent "Woodzy" Two Lance
<vincenttwolance@yahoo.com>; Garfield Apple <taspanmeyelo@yahoo.com>; Glen Gibbons
<ggibbonsranch@gmail.com>

Cc: Robinson, Valois <Robinson.Valois@epa.gov>; lisac@ostlegal.org; jbeareagle.ost@gmail.com; Russel D. Zephier <Rdzephier@hotmail.com>; sjgunn37@gmail.com Subject: EPA Consultation

An agenda will be out the week before the meeting is held.

From:	Robinson, Valois
Sent:	Tuesday, March 17, 2020 7:52 AM
То:	Jennifer Spotted Bear; Mike Catches Enemy
Cc:	ostnrrawrd@gwtc.net
Subject:	We have travel restrictions; Would a conference call work for the meeting Monday,
	3/23?

Hi Jennifer and Mike,

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Thanks!

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Thank you Jennifer

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From:	Jennifer Spotted Bear
То:	Robinson, Valois
Cc:	Mike Catches Enemy
Subject:	Re: How about the week of May 18 for a consultation meeting?
Date:	Wednesday, April 1, 2020 8:41:10 AM

Good Morning Valois,

Yes lets set it up for May 18th, 2020. We will get details of location and such later on this month.

> On Mar 31, 2020, at 2:34 PM, Robinson, Valois <Robinson.Valois@epa.gov> wrote:

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> Hi Jennifer,

> I'm sorry it has taken so long to get back to you about dates in May for our consultation meeting. The week of May 18 works for us. I hope by then all of our lives will be back to normal!

- > Thanks!
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> Valois

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> ----- Original Message-----

> From: Jennifer Spotted Bear <j.spottedbear@oglala.org>

> Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 3:26 PM

> To: Robinson, Valois < Robinson.Valois@epa.gov>

> Subject: Re: We have travel restrictions; Would a conference call work for the meeting Monday, 3/23?

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Good morning,

I am just following up on my previous email. The president of the Oglala Sioux Tribe would like to reschedule the meeting to a later date, possibly the end of June. Please let me know

Thank you

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From:	Jennifer Spotted Bear <j.spottedbear@oglala.org></j.spottedbear@oglala.org>
Sent:	Tuesday, June 2, 2020 2:18 PM
То:	Robinson, Valois
Subject:	Re: checking in: How about Tuesday June 23 or Wednesday June 24 for our meeting?

Good afternoon, Yes I apologize for responding so late. We could set the date for the 24th. Thank you

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From: Robinson, Valois <robinson.valois@epa.gov> Sent: Tuesday, June 2, 2020 2:00 PM To: Jennifer Spotted Bear Subject: FW: checking in: How about Tuesday June 23 or Wednesday June 24 for our meeting?

Hi Jennifer,

We are starting to look at travel to get an idea of what is on our calendars. Do you know yet if one of these days would work for our consultation meeting? Thanks!

Valois

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From: Robinson, Valois Sent: Tuesday, May 19, 2020 1:06 PM To: 'Jennifer Spotted Bear' <j.spottedbear@oglala.org> Subject: How about Tuesday June 23 or Wednesday June 24?

Hi Jennifer,

We are available to meet on Tuesday, June 23 or Wednesday, June 24. We will fly in the evening before and fly out the morning after the meeting, so as to give you maximum flexibility to schedule the meeting in the morning, the afternoon, or all day, if needed, on either Tuesday or Wednesday.

Please let me know if either of these days works for you.

Thanks!

Valois

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If you have any further questions or concerns please feel free to contact me via email or (605)407-3526

Jennifer

From: Robinson, Valois <Robinson.Valois@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 12:45 PM
To: Jennifer Spotted Bear <j.spottedbear@oglala.org>
Subject: Just checking in on our meeting status

Hi Jennifer,

Can you give me an update, please, about the status of our meeting?

I just wanted to let you know on our end the travel situation is still not clear and my managers are assessing the situation. They are looking at flying vs driving in separate vehicles. Do you think we would be able to enter the Pine Ridge Reservation on June 24? And does it make a difference in the Tribe's decision-making process if we fly or drive? Does the Tribe have other concerns about us traveling to the Reservation that we should be taking into account and preparing for?

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From:	Jennifer Spotted Bear
To:	Robinson, Valois
Cc:	Julian Bear Runner; ostnrrawrd@gwtc.net
Subject:	RE: Could we have a call next week?
Date:	Monday, June 15, 2020 1:26:07 PM

Hi Valois,

I did share this email with the Tribal Council, we look forward to hearing from you all. We will be available on Wednesday at 4PM, just let me know what numbers to use for the conference call. Thank You

From: Robinson, Valois < Robinson.Valois@epa.gov>

Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 1:03 PM

To: Jennifer Spotted Bear < j.spottedbear@oglala.org>

Subject: RE: Could we have a call next week?

Hi Jennifer,

I have been in communication with my management and our Tribal Affairs Branch about our meeting on June 24th. We are concerned about the timing of our meeting for Tribal Council and other Tribal leaders who may not be able to attend due to more pressing needs surrounding COVID-19 on the Reservation. Although we are looking forward to the meeting with Tribal Council and appreciate all the work you have done to set up the meeting in the Prairie Wind Casino Dome, we don't want the meeting to be a hardship for the Council and other Tribal Leaders who are dealing with more urgent issues. We would like to set up a call with you and members of leadership(?) or others you think should be on the call to get a better understanding of how best to schedule/hold this meeting to ensure interested Tribal representatives can participate.

If you and others you deem appropriate are available next week, we have these times available to set up a call:

Mon 6/15 any time between 3 and 5pm Tues 6/16 2:00-2:30pm, 3:30-4:00pm, 4:30-5pm Wed 6/17 3:30-4:00pm, 4:30-5pm Please let me know if any of these times might work for a call.

Thanks!

Valois

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From: Jennifer Spotted Bear <<u>j.spottedbear@oglala.org</u>> Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 2:33 PM To: Robinson, Valois <<u>Robinson.Valois@epa.gov</u>>

Subject: RE: Just checking in on our meeting status

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From:	Jennifer Spotted Bear
To:	Robinson, Valois
Subject:	Re: Call to discuss plan for Oglala Sioux Tribe/EPA Consultation Meeting
Date:	Wednesday, June 17, 2020 9:17:45 AM

Good morning. Are you able to set the meeting up with zoom? Our tribal council are not familiar with Skype so we may have issues with them getting on.

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From: Robinson, Valois <robinson.valois@epa.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2020 4:37 PM

To: O'Connor, Darcy; Varilek, Kimberly; Jennifer Spotted Bear; Mike Catches Enemy; ostnrrawrd@gwtc.net Cc: Jeffrey C. Parsons; gnzlaw@aol.com; stills@frontier.net; preservehumanity@gmail.com; sante076@umn.edu Subject: Call to discuss plan for Oglala Sioux Tribe/EPA Consultation Meeting

Hello Everyone,

I wanted to send this proposed list of talking points so you have an idea of what EPA would like to discuss during our call tomorrow. The second bullet is "Additional topics the Oglala Sioux Tribe would like to discuss during call," but if you would like to email additional topics to me before the call, I will add them to the list. It might help us to be better prepared to address your topics if you give us a heads-up.

I'm sure we will identify additional topics we should discuss during our all tomorrow. This list is intended to be a suggestion and not intended to restrict our conversation in any way.

We appreciate you all taking the time tomorrow to hold this call.

Proposed Talking Points for Oglala Sioux Tribe/EPA Call, Wednesday, June 17, 2020

- 1. Kick-off and Introductions (EPA, OST)
- 2. Additional topics the Oglala Sioux Tribe would like to discuss during call (OST)
- 3. Update on status of EPA travel (EPA)
- 4. Update on status of COVID situation on the Pine Ridge Reservation (OST)
- 5. EPA concerns about imposition on Tribal leaders for hosting June 24 meeting
- 6. Hear from the Tribe about their concerns
- 7. Options for holding a meeting in the future (OST & EPA)
- 8. Next steps for moving forward (OST & EPA)

Valois

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From:	Jennifer Spotted Bear
То:	Robinson, Valois
Subject:	RE: Call to discuss plan for Oglala Sioux Tribe/EPA Consultation Meeting
Date:	Wednesday, June 17, 2020 11:28:16 AM

Please give me a call at 605-47-3526 Thank you

From: Robinson, Valois <Robinson.Valois@epa.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2020 10:39 AM

To: Mike Catches Enemy < MikeCE@oglala.org>; ostnrrawrd@gwtc.net; Jeffrey C. Parsons

<wmap@igc.org>; gnzlaw@aol.com; stills@frontier.net; preservehumanity@gmail.com;

sante076@umn.edu; Thomas Brings <t.brings@oglala.org>; 'Hannan LaGarry'

<hlagarry@gmail.com>; Janelle Price <JanelleP@oglala.org>; Harold Salway <Harold@oglala.org> **Cc:** Jennifer Spotted Bear <j.spottedbear@oglala.org>

Subject: Call to discuss plan for Oglala Sioux Tribe/EPA Consultation Meeting

Jennifer let me know of your concerns about using Skype for our call today. I have attached instructions for using the Skype web application so you don't need to download any software to your computers.

EPA doesn't let us use Zoom, so I apologize for not being able to use that for this meeting.

Valois

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From:	Jennifer Spotted Bear
То:	Robinson, Valois
Subject:	Re: Just checking in and proposed agenda for our meeting tomorrow
Date:	Thursday, August 27, 2020 2:10:25 PM

Hi good afternoon. I did inform the council on the discussion meeting. I will send the zoom link to you. Looking forward to meeting with you all.

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From: Robinson, Valois <Robinson.Valois@epa.gov> Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2020 1:41:09 PM To: 'Jennifer Spotted Bear' <j.spottedbear@oglala.org> Subject: Just checking in and proposed agenda for our meeting tomorrow

Hi Jennifer,

I have attached a proposed agenda with topics from the June 24 agenda. When I started putting suggested times on each topic, I realized there is not much time for each one. I included some time at the end to discuss a follow-up meeting (in case we need more time for these topics) and the in-person meeting. Please let me know if you have any changes.

Could I give you a call later this afternoon just to go over logistics to make sure I am not missing something. I was thinking maybe 3:30?

Thanks!

Valois

Valois Robinson

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From:	Jennifer Spotted Bear <j.spottedbear@oglala.org></j.spottedbear@oglala.org>
Sent:	Friday, August 28, 2020 8:24 AM
То:	Duane Yellow Hawk; Cora White Horse; Craig Dillon; Ryan Jumping Eagle; Beau Little Whiteman; Chancy Wilson; Valerie Janis; Valentina Merdanian; Lydia Bear Killer; James Cross; Richard Greenwald; Nakina Mills; Robin Tapio; Phillip Good Crow; Randy Lays Bad; Sonia Little Hawk-Weston; Jackie Siers; Vincent Two Lance; Garfield Apple; Glen Gibbons; Jim Meeks; Steven Gunn; jennifer Bear Eagle; Russel D. Zephier; ostnrrabrt@gwtc.net; Mario Gonzalez
Cc:	Jennifer Spotted Bear; Mason Big Crow; Ricky Gray Grass; Thomas Poor Bear; Robinson, Valois; Varilek, Kimberly
Subject:	OST Council/EPA Region 8 Zoom link

Oglala Sioux Tribe Council is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Oglala Sioux Tribe Council/EPA Time: Aug 28, 2020 10:00 AM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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From:	Jennifer Spotted Bear <j.spottedbear@oglala.org></j.spottedbear@oglala.org>
Sent:	Friday, August 28, 2020 8:44 AM
То:	Robinson, Valois
Subject:	Re: Thanks for Zoom invite. Does Meeting start at 10?

Im sorry I accidentally put 10. It is scheduled for 1PM-4PM

On Aug 28, 2020, at 8:30 AM, Robinson, Valois <Robinson.Valois@epa.gov<mailto:Robinson.Valois@epa.gov>> wrote:

Hi Jennifer,

I just received the Zoom invite. Just wanted to confirm...the meeting starts at 10:00 today

Valois

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From:	Jennifer Spotted Bear <j.spottedbear@oglala.org></j.spottedbear@oglala.org>
Sent:	Friday, August 28, 2020 8:48 AM
То:	Duane Yellow Hawk; Cora White Horse; Craig Dillon; Ryan Jumping Eagle; Beau Little Whiteman; Chancy Wilson; Valerie Janis; Valentina Merdanian; Lydia Bear Killer; James Cross; Richard Greenwald; Nakina Mills; Robin Tapio; Phillip Good Crow; Randy Lays Bad; Sonia Little Hawk-Weston; Jackie Siers; Vincent Two Lance; Garfield Apple; Glen Gibbons; Jim Meeks; Steven Gunn; jennifer Bear Eagle; Russel D. Zephier; ostnrrabrt@gwtc.net; Mario Gonzalez
Cc:	Mason Big Crow; Ricky Gray Grass; Thomas Poor Bear; Robinson, Valois; Varilek, Kimberly
Subject:	Re: OST Council/EPA Region 8 Zoom link

The Meeting with the EPA Region 8 is to begin at 1PM - 4PM today.

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То:	Jennifer Spotted Bear
Cc:	Kimball, Lori (Chip) K
Subject:	proposed draft agenda for Oct 2 consultation meeting
Attachments:	OST-EPA June 2020 Proposed Agenda.pdf; ProposedAgendaOct2-2020-
	OglalaSiouxTribe-BLM-EPA-ConsultationMeeting.docx

Hi Jennifer,

Since you had asked me to prepare an agenda for our Sept 11 meeting, I went ahead and updated the agenda for the Oct 2 meeting. This agenda includes time for BLM to present information similar to the info EPA presented at our Aug 28 meeting.

I added suggested times so we have an idea how much time we have for each topic. The meeting is now an all day meeting.

Would the Tribe like to begin with the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council (Closed Session? - spiritual/ceremonial) that is included in the June 2020 agenda (also attached)? If so, I can add that.

Also my managers would like confirmation about the Oct 2 meeting so they can finalize their travel plans. Does it looks like we are good to go?

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Proposed Agenda - June 24, 2020

- 9:00 Oglala Sioux Tribal Council (Closed Session? spiritual/ceremonial)
- 10:00 Welcome Statement OST Council and Spiritual Leaders
- 10:15 Introductions all attendees
- 10:45 Break
- 11:00 EPA Presentation Describe Policies and Project and Process
 - Describe the Project
 - Describe EPA Permitting Authority
 - EPA approach to Cultural Resources and NHPA
 - EPA approach to Water Resource Protections
 - EPA approach to Environmental Justice Issues
 - EPA's Functional Equivalence Program
 - Covid-19 related precautions
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:00 OST Council and Staff Policies and Concerns
 - Cultural resource identification, assessment, and protections
 - o surveys
 - o traditional ecological knowledge
 - Water Resources
 - Mining
 - Cultural Resources and NHPA
 - Water Resources and Mining issues
 - Treaty Water Rights and Laws
 - Environmental Justice Issues
 - Public Involvement
 - Involvement of spiritual leaders and non-governmental leaders
- 2:45 Break
- 3:00 Public Comments
- 4:00 Discussion between OST and EPA Staff
- 4:30 Technical Meeting Recommendations Participants/Expertise Required Time and Place

Subjects for Technical Discussion Next Steps

5:00 Adjourn

Proposed Agenda for Oglala Sioux Tribe/BLM/EPA Government-to-Government Consultation Dewey-Burdock Uranium Recovery Project October 2, 2020 9:00 am – 4:00 pm Mountain Time

OST Council and Staff Present Tribe's Policies and Concerns related to the Dewey-Burdock Project

- 9:00 Oglala Sioux Tribe Opening Remarks
- 9:10 Introductions
- 9:20 EPA Opening Remarks
- 9:30 BLM Opening Remarks and Presentation
- 10:15 Tribe Presents Policies and Concerns on the following topics:
 - 1. Cultural resource identification, assessment, and protections
 - a. surveys
 - b. traditional ecological knowledge

10:35 Break (15 minutes)

- 2. Water Resources (10:50)
- 3. Mining (11:10)
- 4. Cultural Resources and NHPA (11:30)
- 5. Water Resources and Mining issues (11:50)
- 6. Treaty Water Rights and Laws (12:10)
- 7. Environmental Justice Issues (1:45)
- 8. Public Involvement (2:05)
- 9. Involvement of spiritual leaders and non-governmental leaders (2:25)
- 10. Input from Technical Discussions (2:45 pm)
- 11. Next Steps (3:30 pm)
- 3:50 Adjourn

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Sent:	Wednesday, September 30, 2020 7:50 AM
То:	j.spottedbear@oglala.org
Cc:	Kimball, Lori (Chip) K
Subject:	EPA request to hold Friday's meeting as a Zoom meeting

Hi Jennifer,

EPA would like to request that we hold the Oct 2 meeting as a Zoom meeting. I have been in touch with Chip Kimball and BLM now has a another meeting scheduled from 10 to 11. Could we start the Zoom meeting at 11? Chip doesn't think the BLM presentation will take the whole hour, so we could have welcome statements and introductions at 11 and the BLM presentation at 11:30.

Could you let me know by the end of the day if this would be possible to do?

Thanks!

Valois

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From:Robinson, ValoisSent:Thursday, October 1, 2020 12:44 PMTo:j.spottedbear@oglala.orgCc:Kimball, Lori (Chip) KSubject:It looks like we won't be holding a meeting tomorrow?

Hi Jennifer,

It looks like we won't be holding our meeting tomorrow, but I just wanted to check in with you on that to be sure. We are letting the attendees on our side free up their calendars at this point, so we won't be prepared to have full attendance on the EPA side. I just wanted to let you know that, in case you are still trying to work things out on your end.

I appreciate your efforts trying to keep up with this moving target! We are sorry to hear about the increase in COVID cases on the Reservation. I hope you and your family stay well.

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Attachments:	OglalaConsultationUSEPAReg8letter822019.pdf; Ordinance11-10consultation.pdf

C/O Valois Robinson – please see attached:

- Oglala Sioux Tribe August 2, 2019 consultation letter
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Respectfully, Mike Catches Enemy Legislative Liaison President's Office Oglala Sioux Tribe



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Julian Bear Runner

August 2, 2019

Valois Robinson USEPA REGION 8 1595 Wynkoop St. *Mail Code:* 8WD-SDU Denver, CO 80202-1129

Via email: Robinson.valois@epa.gov

RE: Government-to-Government Consultation – Dewey-Burdock uranium mine

Dear Ms. Robinson,

The Oglala Sioux Tribe is in receipt of the letter dated July 8, 2019 from Ms. Darcy O'Connor, Director, Water Division inviting the Oglala Sioux Tribe to engage in government-to-government consultation regarding the proposed Dewey-Burdock uranium mine in the Southern Black Hills near Edgemont, South Dakota.

As you are no doubt aware, the Oglala Sioux Tribe has been heavily involved in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission licensing process for this project, with a particular focus on the impacts both to water as well as to historic and cultural resources. The Oglala Sioux Tribe does wish to consult with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regarding this project. Indeed, the Oglala Sioux Tribe has at least twice before specifically informed EPA that the Tribe desires to engage in consultation – by letter dated December 11, 2015 and by letter dated June 19, 2017. In the June 19, 2017 letter, which included the Tribe's comments on the last proposed Draft Underground Injection Control (UIC) permits for the proposed Dewey-Burdock project, the Tribe specifically identified and attached for EPA the Oglala Sioux Tribe Ordinance 11-10, which governs consultation processes between the Oglala Sioux Tribe and federal government agencies.

The Oglala Sioux Tribe, along with many other tribes in the region, have a serious and sincere concerns regarding the cultural resource and water quality impacts associated with this proposed project. The Oglala Sioux Tribe believes that government-to-government consultation should occur prior to the issuance of any draft UIC permits by the EPA.

The Tribal agency primarily responsible for matters pertaining to historic and cultural resources is the Oglala Sioux Tribe Office of Cultural Affairs and Historic Preservation; with Mr. Thomas Brings serving as the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer. The Tribal agency primarily responsible for matters pertaining to conservation of water resources is the Oglala Sioux Tribe Water Resources Department; with Mr. Reno L. Red Cloud Sr. serving as the Water Resources Administrator. These two individuals will act as the initial

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points of contact for EPA. It is also worth noting that several other Tribes have expressed interest in this project and the Oglala Sioux Tribe will endeavor to engage and include those other Tribal governments in this process as warranted.

Please confirm receipt of this correspondence with my office through my Legislative Liaison, Michael Catches Enemy at <u>mikece@oglala.org</u> Additionally, we would request the names and titles of those attending on behalf of the EPA, at your earliest convenience by postal mail to the above address. Any questions, please call (605) 867-8420 in my office.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this correspondence.

Respectfully,

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President

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ORDINANCE NO. 11-10

ORDINANCE OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE (An Unincorporated Tribe)

ORDINANCE OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBAL COUNCIL ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION BETWEEN THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE AND THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT, AND OTHER GOVERNMENTS.

WHEREAS, the Government-to-Government relationship between the Oglala Sioux Tribe was established in the United States Constitution, Article 6 (Supremacy Clause); the Treaty of July 2, 1825, United States-Oglala Band of Sioux Nation, 7 Stat. 252; Rev. Stat. § 2116, 25 U.S.C. § 177 (codifying section 12 of the Trade and Intercourse Act of June 30, 1834, ch. 161, 4 Stat. 730); the Treaty of September 17, 1851, United States-Teton Division of Sioux Nation, et al., 11 Stat. 749; the Treaty of April 29, 1868, United States-Sioux Nation,15 Stat. 635; Rev. Stat. § 2079, 25 U.S.C. § 71 (codifying the Act of March 3, 1871, ch. 120, § 1, 16 Stat. 566), the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, ch. 476, 48 Stat. 984, 25 U.S.C. § 461 et seq., the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of January 4, 1975, P.L. 93-638, 88 Stat. 2203, 25 U.S.C. § 450, et seq., and other Congressional enactments, and

WHEREAS, the 1851 Treaty recognized title in the Oglala Band to 60 million acres of territory currently in the States of North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Montana and Wyoming for the Oglala Sioux Tribe and other Sioux tribes, and

WHEREAS, a permanent homeland was established within the 1851 Treaty territory for the "absolute and undisturbed use and occupation" of the Oglala Sioux Band and other Sioux bands, which homeland has been referred to as the "Great Sioux Reservation" and comprises substantially all of present day South Dakota west of the east bank of the Missouri River, and

WHEREAS, the Indian Claims Commission also found that the Oglala Band and other Sioux bands held aboriginal (non-treaty) title to 14 million acres east of the Missouri River in the States of North Dakota and South Dakota, and

WHEREAS, uncontested encroachments on the 1851 Treaty territory by the United States and its citizens resulted in the Powder River War of 1866-1868 between the United States and the Oglala band and other bands of Sioux Indians. as a result of which, peace was concluded between the United States and the Oglala Band and other Sioux bands by treaty on April 29, 1868, 15 Stat. 635 ("1868 Fort Laramie Treaty," which treaty was duly ratified by the United States on February 16, 1869 and proclaimed by the President on February 24, 1869, and ORDINANCE NO. <u>11-10</u> PAGE TWO

• WHEREAS, the 1868 Treaty provided for a mutual demobilization of the United States and Oglala Band and other Sioux bands without terms of surrender on either side, and as a result thereof, the Oglala Band and other Sioux bands were never militarily conquered by the United States, and the Oglala Band has abided by the 1868 Treaty and resided on its reservation in accordance of the terms of the treaty since 1868, except for incidences in Montana in 1876 where the Oglala Band and other Sioux bands were legally exercising its 1868 Treaty, Article 11, hunting rights and yet had to defend themselves from attack by the United States Cavalry in violation of Articles 1 and 11 of the 1868 Treaty, and

WHEREAS, subsequent to ratification of the 1868 Treaty, no aboriginal or treaty territory of the Oglala Band was ever acquired by the United States in accordance with 25 U.S.C. § 177 or Article 12 of the 1868 Treaty, and all acquisitions of Oglala Band's territory was either confiscated by the United States or acquired with the requisite consent of the Band, and

WHEREAS, the "Oglala Band" reorganized in 1936 as the "Oglala Sioux Tribe of the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation" under Section 16 of the 1934 Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, ch. 576, 48 Stat. 987, 25 U.S.C. § 476, by adopting a constitution and bylaws approved by the Secretary of the Interior, and presently enjoys all of the rights and privileges guaranteed under its existing treaties with the United States in accordance with 25 U.S.C. § 478b

WHEREAS, as a result of its unique government-to-government relationship with the United States, and because the Oglala Band (now Oglala Sioux Tribe) is one of the few militarily unconquered Sioux tribes in the United States and all of its territory now in the possession of the United States was acquired without its consent, the Oglala Sioux Tribe still possesses very strong aboriginal rights within all the territory that comprised its aboriginal homeland, and as a result thereof, the Tribe has both a domestic and international rights to government-to-government consultations with the United States on the formulation of federal policies, or on all federal actions or undertakings that adversely affect its aboriginal and treaty territories, and

WHEREAS, the Executive Branch of the united States Government has recognized the right of government-to-government consultations with Indian Tribes in:

 President Clinton's Memorandum of April 29, 1994, which, among other things, directed agencies to: ORDINANCE NO. <u>11-10</u> PAGE THREE

- "ensure that the department or agency operates within a government-to-government relationship with Federally-recognized Trial government,"
- (ii) "consult, to the greatest extent practicable ad to the extent permitted by law with Tribal governments prior to taking actions that affect Federally recognized tribes, to be open and candid so that all interested parties may evaluate for themselves the potential impact of relevant proposals," and
- (iii) "assess the impacts of Federal government plans, projects, programs, and activities on tribal trust resources to assure that Tribal government rights and concerns are considered during the development of such plans, projects, and activities."
- b. President Clinton's Executive Order No. 13084 of May 19, 1998, which directed federal agencies to respect tribal self-government and sovereignty, tribal rights, and tribal responsibilities whenever they develop policies "significantly affecting Indian tribal governments,"
- c. President Clinton's Executive Order No. 13175 of November 6, 2000, which directed all federal agencies to establish consultation and collaboration with tribal officials in the development of federal policies that have tribal implications, and
- d. President Barak Obama Memorandum of November 5, 2009, to the heads of the Executive Department and federal agencies to submit plans of actions that the agencies will take to implement the policies and directives of President Clinton's Executive Order 13175,

and

WHEREAS, Congress has also mandated government-to-government consultation with Indian tribes, which have been implemented in statutes, orders, regulations, rules, policies, manuals, protocols and guidance, most of which are described in a document issued by the White House- Indian Affairs Executive Working Group (WH-IAEWG), dated January, 2009, and entitled "List of Federal Tribal Consultation Statutes, Orders, Regulations, rules, Policies, Manuals, protocols and guidance," and ORDINANCE NO. <u>11-10</u> PAGE FOUR

WHEREAS, the Oglala Sioux Tribe has never enacted legislation (ordinances) establishing procedures for government-to-government consultation between the Tribe and the United States, and believes that such procedures are necessary to establish a clear process for documenting the nature and results of consultations between the Tribe and the United States and its agencies, now

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, that the following sections relating to government-to-government consultations are hereby adopted for the Oglala Sioux Tribe.

Section 1. <u>Title</u>. This ordinance shall be known and referred to as the Oglala Sioux Tribe Consultation and Coordination Ordinance of 2001.

Section 2. Definitions. The following words and phrases used in this Election Code shall have the following meanings:

"Consultation" and/or "government-to-government" consultation shall mean the formal process of cooperation, negotiation, and mutual decision making between the Oglala Sioux Tribe and the Onited States Government, and other governments. It is the process through which sovereign governments develop a common understanding of technical and legal issues and use this understanding to formulate mutually agreeable decisions.

Section 3. Scope. This ordinance is intended to extend to:

- a. All of the aboriginal homeland of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, including, the 60 million acre territory Sioux territory described in Article 5 of the 1851 Ft. Laramie Treaty; the territory and the expanded hunting rights territory described in Articles 2, 11 and 16 of the 1868 Ft. Laramie Treaty;
- b. All of the aboriginal title (non-treaty) Sioux territory comprising 14 million acres located east of the Missouri River in the present states of North Dakota and South Dakota; and
- c. All undertakings and actions that adversely affect the Oglala Sioux Tribe's aboriginal, treaty or statutorily recognized rights and interests within its aboriginal and treaty recognized territories.

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Section 4. <u>Purpose</u>. The primary purpose and intent of this ordinance is to:

- a. Establish a clear process for documenting the nature and results of government-to-government consultations between the Oglala Sioux Tribe and Federal Government and its agencies;
- b. Provide a consistent, orderly process to government-togovernment consultation to make and ensure that government-to-government consultations are meaningful and effective, and
- c. Be applicable, to the fullest extent possible, for documenting the nature and results of government-togovernment consultations between the Oglala Sioux Tribe and other Indian tribes, inter-tribal organizations and state governments and agencies.

Section 5. Authority. This ordinance is adopted pursuant to the Oglala Sioux Tribe's inherent sovereignty and Article IV, Section 1 (a) of the Amended Constitution of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, which empowers the Tribal Council "(a) To negotiate with the Federal, State, and local governments, on behalf of the tribe, and to advise and consult with representatives of the Interior Department on all activities of the Department that may affect the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation."

Section 6. <u>Principles and guidelines</u>. All government-to-government consultations between the Oglala Sioux Tribe and the Federal Government, and State or other tribal governments, shall be conducted with the Oglala Sioux Tribe under the following principles and guidelines:

- a. The Oglala Sioux Tribe is a sovereign government with attendant powers;
- b. All treaties between the Oglala Sioux Tribe and the United States must be honored and enforced to the fullest extent possible;
- c. The Oglala Sioux Tribe has never been militarily conquered by the United States, and has existed in a peaceful relationship with the United States since 1868, pursuant to Article I of the 1868 Ft. Laramie Treaty; and

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d. The Oglala Sioux Tribe and its territories are not possessions of the United States.

Section 7. Procedures. All consultation between the Oglala Sioux Tribe and the Federal Government, and State or other tribal governments, must:

WHEN CONSULTATION IS REQUISTED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OR OTHER GOVERNMENTS

- a. Occur through a formal meeting with the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council. Neither the Executive Committee nor any Executive Committee member or staff member of the Tribe shall be authorized to engage in government-to-government consultations with any government or governmental agency;
- b. Accomplish the goals and objectives described in Section 8.
- c. Be initiated by serving a formal written request for government-to-government consultation with the Secretary of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. The request for consultation should describe the impending, proposed project or activity that may or may not affect the Oglala Sioux Tribe's interests in its aboriginal or treaty territory and/or rights or interests therein. This include the Tribes aboriginal and treaty territory both within and outside the exterior boundaries of the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation;
- d. It shall be the duty of the Tribal Secretary to immediately notify all members of the Executive Committee and Tribal Council of each request for consultation;
- e. Upon receipt of a request for consultation, the Tribal President, or council members under established procedures, shall call a special council meeting for the purpose of responding to the request for consultation. The Tribal Council shall:
 - (i) Request by resolution a policy-level meeting, initiating government-togovernment consultations;

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- (ii) Authorize the Tribe's technical staff (and when appropriate the Tribe's attorneys) to meet with the responding government's technical staff to discern and define the issues that are subject to the request for consultation including how the proposed governmental undertaking or activity affects the tribe's aboriginal, treaty, statutory or other interests;
- (iii) Schedule a special council meeting in which the Tribe's technical staff (and when appropriate the Tribe's attorneys) can fully brief the Tribal council on the issues that are subject to consultation, with recommendations and opinions;
- (iv) Schedule a follow-up special council meeting in which the Tribe through the Tribal council shall engage in formal government-to-government consultation based on the recommendations and opinions of its staff (and attorneys); and
- (v) Pass a resolution fully articulating the Tribe's formal decision, which decision shall be consistent with the provisions of this ordinance.

WHEN CONSULTATION IS REQUESTED BY THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE

- a Be initiated by passing a tribal council resolution requesting government -to-government consultation, which resolution shall be executed and sent by the Tribal President to appropriate official of the Federal Government or tribal or state government with which consultation is desired;
- b. Follow the procedure described in Subsections 7.e. (i) through (v) above; and
- c. Accomplish the same objectives described in Section 8.

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Section 8. Objectives. All government-to-government consultations should ensure the following results:

- a. Tribal officers and officials proceed in a dignified, orderly manner, keeping in mind that the Oglala Sioux Tribe is engaging in the consultations as a sovereign government that maintains government-to-government relations with the United States Government and other governments. Tribal officials engaging in consultation should dress in appropriate attire during the consultation proceedings, and conduct themselves in a professional, dignified, and diplomatic manner;
- b. Tribal officers and officials fully understand the issues to be discussed prior to engaging in and consultation proceeding; this includes an understanding of tribal history, federal treaties and federal statutes, regulations and rules, that will be discussed at each consultation;
- c. Ensure that the Tribe's interest are fully protected, including interests in all tracts of land located within the Tribe's aboriginal and treaty territories, and interests therein, as well as tribal cultural resources, human remains, and any other tribal patrimony;
- d. Ensure compliance with federal treaties, statutes, regulations and rules and tribal policies (e.g., policy that the Black Hills Are Not For Sale and tribal land claims must include restoration of federally held lands to the Tribe);

Section 9. <u>Documentation</u>. Following any governmental-to-government consultation between the Oglala Sioux Tribe and the Federal government, or other governments, the Tribal Council shall:

- a. Achieve a bi-lateral decision between the Tribe and the United States, or other government;
- b. Adopt a resolution documenting the nature and results of the consultation and bilateral decision;
- c. Direct the Tribal Secretary to file a copy of the resolution and all backup documentation with the Tribal Records Department.

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Section 10. <u>Representations</u>. Neither the Federal Government nor any agency thereof, nor any other government, shall legitimately represent to any other government or governmental entity, nor to any third party, that they have consulted with the Oglala Sioux Tribe unless they fully comply with the terms and conditions of this ordinance.

Section 11. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately.

Section 12. Repeal of inconsistent ordinances. All previously enacted ordinances are hereby repealed to the extent that they are inconsistent with this ordinance.

C-E-R-T-I-F-I-C-A-T-I-O-N

I, as undersigned Secretary of the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, hereby certify that this Ordinance was adopted by a vote of: <u>13</u> For; <u>1</u> Against; <u>0</u> Abstain; and <u>0</u> Not Voting, during a <u>SPECIAL SESSION</u> held on the 7^{th} day of JUNE, 2011.

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Secretary Oglala Sioux Tribe

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President Oglala Sioux Tribe

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Thanks!

Valois

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То:	'Mike Catches Enemy'
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I received an odd email yesterday in terms of it not being from a known email; which now does not appear for some reason in my inbox. I seen the email while away from the office yesterday on my phone, and it had an attachment of a letter from EPA stating who would be attending the consultation meeting. However, today I cannot print out, as I said because its not in my inbox anymore for some reason. Did that email have a timer or something?

Respectfully, Mike Catches Enemy Legislative Liaison President's Office Oglala Sioux Tribe

From: Mike Catches Enemy<mailto:MikeCE@oglala.org> Sent: Friday, August 2, 2019 4:01 PM To: Robinson.valois@epa.gov<mailto:Robinson.valois@epa.gov> Cc: Julian Bear Runner<mailto:president.bearrunner@oglala.org>; Thomas Brings<mailto:t.brings@oglala.org>; OSTNR Water Admin<mailto:ostnrrawrd@gwtc.net>; Chase Iron Eyes (chase@oglala.org)<mailto:chase@oglala.org> Subject: Consultation letter

C/O Valois Robinson – please see attached:

· Oglala Sioux Tribe August 2, 2019 consultation letter

· Oglala Sioux Tribe Ordinance No. 11-10

Respectfully, Mike Catches Enemy Legislative Liaison President's Office Oglala Sioux Tribe

From:	Mike Catches Enemy <mikece@oglala.org></mikece@oglala.org>
Sent:	Thursday, August 22, 2019 11:41 AM
То:	Robinson, Valois
Subject:	FW: correspondence regarding consultation meeting

Disregard previous email Valois, it was hidden under the other email response.

Respectfully, Mike Catches Enemy Legislative Liaison President's Office Oglala Sioux Tribe

From: Mike Catches Enemy<mailto:MikeCE@oglala.org> Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 12:40 PM To: Cline, Carolyn<mailto:cline.carolyn@epa.gov> Subject: Re: correspondence regarding consultation meeting

Thank you Carolyn.

Respectfully, Mike Catches Enemy Legislative Liaison President's Office Oglala Sioux Tribe

On Wed, Aug 21, 2019 at 12:38 PM -0600, "Cline, Carolyn" <Cline.Carolyn@epa.gov<mailto:Cline.Carolyn@epa.gov>> wrote:

Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 12:39 PM Subject: correspondence regarding consultation meeting

From:	Robinson, Valois
Sent:	Thursday, August 22, 2019 11:50 AM
То:	'Mike Catches Enemy'
Subject:	proposed dates for our consultation meeting

Hi Mike,

I'm glad you found the letter. I was looking to find my email with that letter when I received your second email. Not always straightforward to find these things!

How does the week of September 30 work for President Bear Runner and the Tribal Council to meet with EPA? If you could send me some time-frames that would work during that week, I will add that to the calendars of the people who would attend on the EPA sides. Thanks!

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From:	Mike Catches Enemy <mikece@oglala.org></mikece@oglala.org>
Sent:	Thursday, August 22, 2019 12:13 PM
То:	Robinson, Valois
Subject:	RE: proposed dates for our consultation meeting
Attachments:	image001.gif

Thank you Valois, yes I think the way my laptop is set up in the settings is that all related emails are categorized together.

Let me check with a few of my co-workers in the President's Office for President Bear Runner's schedule for the 30th of September; as well as the Tribal Secretary Jennifer Spotted Bear regarding the schedules for the Tribal Council on September 30th. I can tell you that Tribal Council has their regular sessions on the last Tuesday of every month (which would be 9/24), and on Monday's, like the 30th, there are alternating Committee meetings for Land & Natural Resources and Education for the Tribal Council.

Respectfully, Mike Catches Enemy Legislative Liaison President's Office Oglala Sioux Tribe

From: Robinson, Valois<mailto:Robinson.Valois@epa.gov> Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 11:51 AM To: Mike Catches Enemy<mailto:MikeCE@oglala.org> Subject: proposed dates for our consultation meeting

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From:	Robinson, Valois
Sent:	Thursday, August 22, 2019 12:35 PM
То:	'Mike Catches Enemy'
Subject:	RE: proposed dates for our consultation meeting

OK. We have that week open, so Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday would be good, too.

Valois

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From:	Mike Catches Enemy <mikece@oglala.org></mikece@oglala.org>
Sent:	Wednesday, September 18, 2019 4:24 PM
То:	Robinson, Valois; Jennifer Spotted Bear
Cc:	Julian Bear Runner; Ricky Gray Grass; Julian Spotted Bear; Chase Iron Eyes; Betty Black
	Crow; 'Jeffrey C. Parsons'; 'Mario Gonzalez'; Lisa Cummings
Subject:	RE: We are going to be in Rapid City Monday (I meant to say Sept 30) to meet with the
	Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe - Could we meet with you on Tuesday October 1?

Valois,

Thank you for your follow up, however your proposed dates may not work for the Tribal Council as it is too short of notice to schedule. Additionally, in following the procedures within Oglala Sioux Tribal Council Ordinance No. 11-10, it states that the Tribal Secretary is to schedule any special Council meetings in order to engage in a government-to-government consultation with another government. Oglala Sioux Tribal Secretary Jennifer Spotted Bear has been notified of this pending consultation schedule need.

Respectfully, Mike Catches Enemy Legislative Liaison President's Office Oglala Sioux Tribe

From: Robinson, Valois [mailto:Robinson.Valois@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, September 17, 2019 3:30 PM
To: Mike Catches Enemy <MikeCE@oglala.org>; ostnrrawrd@gwtc.net
Subject: FW: We are going to be in Rapid City Monday (I meant to say Sept 30) to meet with the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe - Could we meet with you on Tuesday October 1?

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Valois

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From: Robinson, Valois
Sent: Tuesday, September 17, 2019 3:25 PM
To: Mike Catches Enemy <<u>MikeCE@oglala.org</u>>; ostnrrawrd@gwtc.net

Subject: We are going to be in Rapid City Monday to meeting with the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe - Could we meet with you on Tuesday October 1?

I just found out we will be in Rapid City on Monday to meet with the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe in Eagle Butte.

Is there any way we could meet with President Bear Runner on Tuesday, October 1? Thanks!

Valois

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From:	Robinson, Valois
Sent:	Monday, October 21, 2019 3:48 PM
То:	'Mike Catches Enemy'; 'Jennifer Spotted Bear'; 'OSTNR Water Admin'
Subject:	Could be set up a meeting with President Bear Runner and Tribal Council Wednesday or
	Thursday, December 4th or 5th?

Hello,

Would President Bear Runner and/or Tribal Council be available to meet with EPA on Wednesday or Thursday, December 4th or 5th? If those days do not work, please propose some days later in December and I will check the calendars on the EPA side and get back to you. Thank you!

Valois

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From:	Mike Catches Enemy <mikece@oglala.org></mikece@oglala.org>
Sent:	Tuesday, October 22, 2019 9:19 AM
То:	Robinson, Valois; Jennifer Spotted Bear; OSTNR Water Admin
Subject:	RE: Could be set up a meeting with President Bear Runner and Tribal Council
-	Wednesday or Thursday, December 4th or 5th?

Good morning Valois,

I'm just responding to let you know I received your email on behalf of President Bear Runner; however Secretary Jennifer Spotted Bear will be the one to handle the scheduling of the actual meeting date. Thanks for including us.

Respectfully, Mike Catches Enemy Legislative Liaison President's Office Oglala Sioux Tribe

From: Robinson, Valois [mailto:Robinson.Valois@epa.gov]

Sent: Monday, October 21, 2019 3:48 PM

To: Mike Catches Enemy <MikeCE@oglala.org>; Jennifer Spotted Bear <j.spottedbear@oglala.org>; OSTNR Water Admin <ostnrrawrd@gwtc.net>

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From: Sent:	Mike Catches Enemy <mikece@oglala.org> Thursday, February 20, 2020 10:40 AM</mikece@oglala.org>
То:	Robinson, Valois; Jennifer Spotted Bear
Cc:	Andre Janis
Subject:	RE: Letter from the EPA requesting consultation with the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council

Thank you Valois.

Respectfully, Mike Catches Enemy Legislative Liaison President's Office Oglala Sioux Tribe

From: Robinson, Valois [mailto:Robinson.Valois@epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, February 14, 2020 3:56 PM
To: Jennifer Spotted Bear <j.spottedbear@oglala.org>
Cc: Mike Catches Enemy <MikeCE@oglala.org>; andre_Janis@hotmail.com
Subject: Letter from the EPA requesting consultation with the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council

Secretary Spotted Bear,

Attached is a letter requesting your assistance in scheduling a consultation meeting with the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council. A mailed hard copy should arrive at your office next week. Omar Sierra-Lopez call you in the near future to discuss possible meeting dates. We appreciate your assistance with this matter!

Mr. Catches Enemy and Mr. Janis,

Please consider the attached letter to be your courtesy copy. Kimberly Varilek, our Senior Tribal Advisor to the Regional Administrator, will email President Bear Runner his courtesy copy of this letter next week when she returns to the office.

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From:	Robinson, Valois
Sent:	Wednesday, March 11, 2020 2:07 PM
То:	Jennifer Spotted Bear; MikeCE@oglala.org
Cc:	O'Connor, Darcy; Varilek, Kimberly
Subject:	RE: EPA Consultation -

Hi Jennifer and Mike,

We appreciate that the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council is willing to go forward with conducting our in-person consultation meeting in Pine Ridge on March 23.

Because the situation with the COVID-19 is still unfolding, the EPA senior staff members that will be attending the meeting have asked me to obtain confirmation from President Bear Runner that the meeting is still on. I will get in touch with you late next week to get an update and confirm the Tribal Council and President Bear Runner still want to move forward with the in-person meeting. We believe in-person conversations are most productive for consultation purposes, but because of this unusual situation we want to accommodate the safety precautions the Tribe determines to be necessary.

Thanks! Valois

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-----Original Message-----From: Jennifer Spotted Bear <j.spottedbear@oglala.org> Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2020 10:01 PM To: Robinson, Valois <Robinson.Valois@epa.gov> Subject: Re: EPA Consultation

Good afternoon. As of yesterday's meeting I spoke with the President and he stated that we will continue with the meeting as scheduled. If anything changes I will be sure to update you. Thank you, Jennifer

Oglala Sioux Tribe - Secretary Jennifer Spotted Bear Office- (605)867- 8648 Fax- (605)867-2609 P.O. Box 2070 Pine Ridge SD 57770 From: Robinson, Valois <robinson.valois@epa.gov> Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2020 2:24 PM To: Jennifer Spotted Bear Subject: RE: EPA Consultation

Hi Jennifer,

Thank you for sending confirmation of our meeting on March 23rd with the location info.

I just received an email letting me know that the Oglala Sioux Tribal Leaders have asked not to have outside meeting attendees come to the Reservation to meet with them in person in the foreseeable future due to the Corona Virus issue. I just wanted to check with you to see how that affects our meeting on the 23rd. Would the Tribal Council prefer to have a conference call with us instead? We have not been given any restrictions on our travel yet, so we are still available to travel to Pine Ridge. We do feel face-to-face meetings are preferable for consultation meetings, but we would like to respect the Tribal Leaders' decision on this. Please let us know what the Tribe would like us to do. I can set up a conference call line for the meeting and send you the information.

Thanks for your assistance with this!

Valois

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From: Jennifer Spotted Bear <j.spottedbear@oglala.org> Sent: Wednesday, March 4, 2020 5:11 PM

To: Jim Meeks <jimmeeks0@gmail.com>; Duane Yellow Hawk <duane@oglala.org>; Cora White Horse <cora.whitehorse@gmail.com>; Craig Dillon <cldillon@hotmail.com>; Ryan Jumping Eagle <ryanjump@hotmail.com>; Beau Little Whiteman <bolittlewhiteman@gmail.com>; Chancy Wilson <wilsonrodeos@goldenwest.net>; Valerie Janis (valjanis18@icloud.com) <valjanis18@icloud.com>; Valentina Merdanian <vmerdanian@gmail.com>; Lydia Bear Killer <lydiabearkiller1960@gmail.com>; James Cross <jamescross0810@hotmail.com>; Richard Greenwald <richard_greenwald@yahoo.com>; Nakina Mills (nakinamills3@gmail.com) <nakinamills3@gmail.com>; Robin Tapio <supertap_46@yahoo.com>; Philip Good Crow <pgoodcrow@yahoo.com>; Randy Lays Bad <Laysbad23@hotmail.com>; Sonia Little Hawk-Weston <soniaw@gwtc.net>; Jackie Siers <jackier62@hotmail.com>; Vincent "Woodzy" Two Lance <vincenttwolance@yahoo.com>; Garfield Apple <taspanmeyelo@yahoo.com>; Glen Gibbons <ggibbonsranch@gmail.com>

Cc: Robinson, Valois <Robinson.Valois@epa.gov>; lisac@ostlegal.org; jbeareagle.ost@gmail.com; Russel D. Zephier <Rdzephier@hotmail.com>; sjgunn37@gmail.com Subject: EPA Consultation

An agenda will be out the week before the meeting is held.

From:	Robinson, Valois
Sent:	Tuesday, March 17, 2020 7:52 AM
То:	'Jennifer Spotted Bear'; 'Mike Catches Enemy'
Cc:	'ostnrrawrd@gwtc.net'
Subject:	We have travel restrictions; Would a conference call work for the meeting Monday,
	3/23?

Hi Jennifer and Mike,

Our senior manager has canceled travel in the near future, including our trip to attend the consultation meeting on March 23. She asks if we may hold the meeting as a conference call. Would the Tribal Council and President Bear Runner agree to have a conference call on Monday the 23rd?

Thanks!

Valois

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From:	Mike Catches Enemy <mikece@oglala.org></mikece@oglala.org>
Sent:	Wednesday, April 1, 2020 9:48 AM
То:	Robinson, Valois; Jennifer Spotted Bear
Subject:	RE: How about the week of May 18 for a consultation meeting?

I have provided the information onto a few of the Tribal staff and attorney so they have a heads up. Thank you.

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From: Robinson, Valois<mailto:Robinson.Valois@epa.gov> Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2020 9:27 AM To: Jennifer Spotted Bear<mailto:j.spottedbear@oglala.org> Cc: Mike Catches Enemy<mailto:MikeCE@oglala.org> Subject: RE: How about the week of May 18 for a consultation meeting?

That sounds great. Thanks!

Valois

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-----Original Message-----From: Jennifer Spotted Bear <j.spottedbear@oglala.org> Sent: Wednesday, April 1, 2020 8:43 AM To: Robinson, Valois <Robinson.Valois@epa.gov> Cc: Mike Catches Enemy <MikeCE@oglala.org> Subject: Re: How about the week of May 18 for a consultation meeting?

Good Morning Valois,

Yes lets set it up for May 18th, 2020. We will get details of location and such later on this month.

> On Mar 31, 2020, at 2:34 PM, Robinson, Valois <Robinson.Valois@epa.gov> wrote:

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> Hi Jennifer,

> I'm sorry it has taken so long to get back to you about dates in May for our consultation meeting. The week of May 18 works for us. I hope by then all of our lives will be back to normal!

> Thanks!

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Jennifer Spotted Bear < j.spottedbear@oglala.org>

> Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 3:26 PM

> To: Robinson, Valois < Robinson.Valois@epa.gov>

> Subject: Re: We have travel restrictions; Would a conference call work for the meeting Monday, 3/23?

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> Good afternoon Valois,

> We will go ahead and postpone the Government to Government consultation. I would like to get another one set up for May, in hopes that this has all passed by then. Please confirm a date in May for me so we may get it scheduled in.

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> Thank you

> Jennifer

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From:	Robinson, Valois
Sent:	Tuesday, June 2, 2020 6:57 PM
То:	'Mike Catches Enemy'; 'ostnrrawrd@gwtc.net'
Subject:	FW: Just wanted to let you know June 24th looks like the day for our meeting

Just wanted to let you know it looks like we have a day set for our meeting with Tribal Council. Our travel situation is still not confirmed, but we are hoping by the 24th things will be a little more normal. I hope to see you then!

Valois

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-----Original Message-----From: Jennifer Spotted Bear <j.spottedbear@oglala.org> Sent: Tuesday, June 2, 2020 2:18 PM To: Robinson, Valois <Robinson.Valois@epa.gov> Subject: Re: checking in: How about Tuesday June 23 or Wednesday June 24 for our meeting?

Good afternoon, Yes I apologize for responding so late. We could set the date for the 24th. Thank you

Oglala Sioux Tribe - Secretary Jennifer Spotted Bear Office- (605)867-8648 Fax- (605)867-2609 P.O. Box 2070 Pine Ridge SD 57770

From: Robinson, Valois <robinson.valois@epa.gov> Sent: Tuesday, June 2, 2020 2:00 PM To: Jennifer Spotted Bear Subject: FW: checking in: How about Tuesday June 23 or Wednesday June 24 for our meeting?

Hi Jennifer,

We are starting to look at travel to get an idea of what is on our calendars. Do you know yet if one of these days would work for our consultation meeting? Thanks! Valois

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From: Robinson, Valois Sent: Tuesday, May 19, 2020 1:06 PM To: 'Jennifer Spotted Bear' <j.spottedbear@oglala.org> Subject: How about Tuesday June 23 or Wednesday June 24?

Hi Jennifer,

We are available to meet on Tuesday, June 23 or Wednesday, June 24. We will fly in the evening before and fly out the morning after the meeting, so as to give you maximum flexibility to schedule the meeting in the morning, the afternoon, or all day, if needed, on either Tuesday or Wednesday.

Please let me know if either of these days works for you.

Thanks!

Valois

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From:	Robinson, Valois
Sent:	Wednesday, June 17, 2020 10:39 AM
То:	Mike Catches Enemy; ostnrrawrd@gwtc.net; Jeffrey C. Parsons; gnzlaw@aol.com; stills@frontier.net; preservehumanity@gmail.com; sante076@umn.edu; t.brings@oglala.org; 'Hannan LaGarry'; 'janellep@oglala.org'; Harold Salway
Cc:	Jennifer Spotted Bear
Subject:	Call to discuss plan for Oglala Sioux Tribe/EPA Consultation Meeting
Attachments:	SkypeInstructions.pdf

Jennifer let me know of your concerns about using Skype for our call today. I have attached instructions for using the Skype web application so you don't need to download any software to your computers.

EPA doesn't let us use Zoom, so I apologize for not being able to use that for this meeting.

Valois

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