

Re: Land Buy-Back Program

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To: c\_chargerwright@yahoo.com; Lee Brannan

Cc: Sheela Farmer; James TwoBulls

Thank you Vice Chairman Wright for speaking with me today on the phone. This email is to confirm our 11 AM meeting on Tuesday, September 1 at tribal headquarters.

On Thu, Aug 20, 2015 at 4:58 PM, Grounds, Katherin <[katherin\\_grounds@ios.doi.gov](mailto:katherin_grounds@ios.doi.gov)> wrote: Vice Chairman Wright,

Thank you for meeting with me during the August 5 Council session to discuss implementation of the Buy-Back Program at the Lower Brule Reservation. I've attached a copy of the Program's July 2, 2015 letter to the Lower Brule Tribal Council, including the proposed Memorandum of Agreement, so you can have an electronic copy for your records.

I'd like to schedule a meeting with the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe to discuss next steps and finalization of the proposed Memorandum of Agreement. I am available to meet on the following dates at tribal headquarters or another South Dakota location: August 31, September 1, 9, 10, 11. Let me know the availability of the Tribe and I can make arrangements for the meeting.

As I mentioned during the Council presentation the Program would like to invite up to 2 tribal staff to attend the Program's mapping training session. The training will be held on September 15th and 16th. The Program is able to cover the cost of travel and the training course. Please let me know the name(s) and contact information of who will be attending from the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe and we'll work on arranging the travel.

The training will be held at:

IHS Energy Premier  
Premier Data Services, Inc.  
1819 Denver West Suite 400  
Lakewood, CO 80401

The Program will also need to receive written confirmation from the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe indicating who the point of contact is for the Program. The relevant language used in Council resolutions is below and is further described in the Tribal Authorization Guide attached:

[TRIBE] designates [NAME, TITLE] as the tribal point of contact for the Land Buy-Back Program for Tribal Nations with the authority to represent the tribe during the tribe's participation in the Land Buy-Back Program for Tribal Nations. [IF APPLICABLE] The tribal

point of contact has the authority to execute agreements or modifications to the agreement on behalf of the Tribe.

Thank you and let me know if you have any questions. I am best reached via email or on my cell (202) 365-2196.

Best,

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