

EXHIBIT 20

August 12, 2021 Letters to RSIC and
Burns Paiute Tribe Inviting ARPA
Consultation



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In Reply Refer To:

1990/1780 (NVW010.39)

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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Courtesy Email to jody.richards@burnspaiute-nsn.gov, dlteeman.burns.paiute@gmail.com

Chairwoman Jody Richards
Burns Paiute Tribal Council
100 Pasigo St.
Burns, OR 97720-2442

Dear Chairwoman Richards,

We appreciate you responding to our request for consultation on the issuance of the Archeological Resources Protection Act (ARPA) Permit for the Historic Properties Treatment Plan (HPTP) for the Thacker Pass Project. Please note that BLM will not and does not share the draft ARPA permit because it contains confidential personnel information and not information regarding the type of work that might be authorized by the permit. The HPTP, which was previously sent to you, contains the information regarding the type of the work that might be authorized under the ARPA permit.

For this consultation, we invite (1) discussions regarding ways to avoid or mitigate potential harm or destruction to areas described in the HPTP (43 CFR 7.7(a)(3)), (2) circumstances calling for special notification (43 CFR 7.7(a)(3)), and (3) any matter that you would like to discuss, however, please note that stipulations that might be added to the ARPA permit are likely limited to (1) and (2). We respectfully request that you submit written comments regarding these matters by August 22, 2021. Alternatively, if you would like to meet in-person or virtually, we ask that you contact Shannon Deep by phone at 775-623-1504, or by email at sdeep@blm.gov to schedule such a meeting to occur before August 22, 2021. If you are not available between now and August 22, 2021, please submit written comments for consideration.

Finally, aside from the ARPA permit, we would like schedule regular consultation meetings to discuss upcoming projects located within the Winnemucca District. Please contact Shannon

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Sincerely,



Kathleen Rehberg
Field Manager
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Cc: Diane Teeman – Vice-Chairwoman, Culture & Heritage Director



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Courtesy Email to meben@rsic.org

Michon Eben
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
34 Reservation Road
Reno, NV 89502

Dear Ms. Eben,

Thank you for your recent letters regarding the Thacker Pass project dated July 28 and August 3.

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Kathleen Rehberg
Field Manager
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