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FROM THE DIRECTOR
U.S. CENSUS BUREAU

The U.S. Census Bureau is conducting the final Boundary Validation Program (BVP) in order to provide an opportunity for you as the Tribal Chair to review recent updates made to the Census Bureau's boundary data for governmental units. This is an important opportunity for you to ensure that we have your correct legal boundaries, name and governmental status. The Census Bureau uses the boundary information to tabulate data from the 2010 Decennial Census and the American Community Survey.

The BVP package includes a Final BVP form and a complete set of maps for your reservation and any offreservation trust land. **Please review our depiction of your legal boundary, as well as any addresses along your boundary, for accuracy and return the completed BVP form within five days of receipt.** The BVP form can be returned via fax (1-800-416-3262), in the enclosed postage paid envelope, or scanned and e-mailed to <geo.bas@census.gov>.

The BVP is administered in parallel with the 2010 Boundary and Annexation Survey (BAS). The maps should reflect the legal boundary for your governmental unit effective on January 1, 2010 and should include changes or corrections submitted during the 2010 BAS. If the legal boundary for your governmental unit is incorrect, please work with your BAS contact (printed on the enclosed BVP form) to submit corrections to the January 1, 2010 boundary. Please follow the BAS procedures when submitting any corrections. In order to be included in the tabulation of the 2010 Decennial Census, it is important that we receive corrections as soon as possible.

If you need any assistance with this request, please e-mail <geo.bas@census.gov>, telephone (1-800-972-5651), or visit our website at < http://www.census.gov/geo/www/bas/bashome.html>.

Sincerely,

Robert M. Groves
Director

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