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U.S. Census Bureau  
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[Governor Letter to States with No-Known State Tribes]

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FROM THE DIRECTOR  
U.S. CENSUS BUREAU

Dear Governor <name>:

The U.S. Census Bureau (Census Bureau) is preparing to conduct the 2020 Census Participant Statistical Areas Program (PSAP) in your state. Participants in PSAP will have the opportunity to review and update statistical geographic areas for tabulation and presentation of data from the 2020 Census. The Census Bureau will directly contact federally recognized tribes, local and county governments, and planning organizations to solicit their participation in the 2020 Census PSAP.

According to our records, your state does not have any state recognized tribes. If this is correct, please e-mail us at [geo.psap@census.gov](mailto:geo.psap@census.gov) within two weeks as confirmation. If your state does have state recognized tribes, please continue reading and follow the instructions below.

The Census Bureau will work with state government staff to provide statistical area updates for state recognized tribes. The Census Bureau requests that your office designate a state tribal liaison for the 2020 Census PSAP. The state tribal liaison will be responsible for reviewing our list of state recognized tribes in your state. They will have the opportunity to review and update state reservation boundaries, state designated tribal statistical areas (SDTSAs), and census designated places (CDPs).

State tribal liaisons collaborate with the Census Bureau to plan and implement activities promoting the census within tribal communities. By participating, tribes could have many advantages of using census statistical data, including making informed decisions regarding their health and welfare.

For state reservation geographies, a governor-appointed state tribal liaison provides the names and boundaries for state recognized American Indian reservations to the Census Bureau. The Census Bureau will provide the state recognized reservation boundaries on record at the Census Bureau to the liaison. The liaison will review existing boundaries and, if appropriate, delineate any newly identified state reservations.



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In the case of state recognized American Indian tribes that do not have a state recognized legal land base (reservation), the liaison will review SDTSAs previously identified and delineated for the Census Bureau. In addition, the state liaison may identify new SDTSAs that comprise areas with a concentration of tribal members and recognized tribal activities.

Please fill out and return the enclosed *State Tribal Liaison Contact Update Form*. If we do not hear from you within two weeks, we will assume that you have no state recognized tribes and no further contact is necessary.

If you have questions about this request or the 2020 Census PSAP, please ask your staff to contact the Census Bureau.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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Sincerely,

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Enclosure

cc: Governor's Liaison  
State Data Center Contact

*We estimate that completing this program will take a total of 40 hours on average, from 2018-2020. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to [geo.psap@census.gov](mailto:geo.psap@census.gov). This collection has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The eight digit OMB approval number that appears at the upper left of the letter confirms this approval. If this number were not displayed, we could not conduct this survey. The Census Bureau conducts this program under the legal authority of the Title 13 U.S. Code, Section 6.*