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FROM THE ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR DECENNIAL CENSUS PROGRAMS

Dear State Tribal Liaison:

The U.S. Census Bureau (Census Bureau) invites your state to participate in the 2020 Census Participant Statistical Areas Program (PSAP). Do not miss your once-per-decade opportunity to review and update state reservations, state designated tribal statistical areas (SDTSAs), and census designated places (CDPs) as part of the 2020 Census PSAP.

We strongly encourage your participation in the 2020 Census PSAP for the following reasons:

- The federal government allocates over \$675 billion in federal funds annually for infrastructure, programs, and services based on Census Bureau data.
- Participation ensures that state recognized tribes in your state will gain valuable information that will aid in making decisions about education, health services, and housing.
- The 2020 Census PSAP is your only opportunity to review and update state reservations, SDTSAs, and CDPs for your state prior to the 2020 Census.

Action Steps if you have state recognized tribes:

- 1. Review the enclosed 2020 Census Participant Statistical Areas Program (PSAP) Information Guide to learn more about PSAP and help your state prepare for participation.
- 2. Sign-up for the 2020 Census PSAP by filling out the enclosed *State Tribal Liaison Contact Update Form* and *State Recognized Tribes Update Form*. Please return the completed forms in the enclosed, postage-paid envelope or scan and e-mail the forms to geo.psap@census.gov, within two weeks of receipt.

You can find statistical data for state recognized tribal areas in the Census Bureau's My Tribal Area application at https://www.census.gov/tribal/.

If <State> reports newly recognized state tribes, the Census Bureau will provide you the materials necessary to participate in the PSAP. If there are no state recognized tribes to report, please return the *State Recognized Tribes Update Form* stating NO CHANGE in boxes 1 and 2.



Note: Please only provide updates for state recognized tribes in your state. The Census Bureau will contact all federally recognized American Indian tribes directly to request their participation in PSAP.

The Census Bureau will offer webinar training for the 2020 Census PSAP beginning in February 2019. Details are available on the PSAP Web site at

http://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial-census/about/psap.html.

2020 Census PSAP Schedule

Date	Event
March - May 2018	Contact 2010 Census PSAP participants to inquire about 2020 Census PSAP participation.
July 2018	PSAP invitation materials sent to PSAP participants.
January 2019	PSAP delineation phase begins. Participants have 120 calendar days to submit updates.
February 2019	PSAP webinar trainings begin.
July 2019	Send PSAP participants communication notifying closeout of delineation phase.
January 2020	PSAP verification phase begins. Participants have 90 calendar days to review updates.

If you are not interested in participating in the 2020 Census PSAP, please e-mail or call the Census Bureau with an explanation. Contact information is provided below.

CONTACT INFORMATION

E-mail: geo.psap@census.gov Phone: 1-844-788-4921

Web site: https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial-census/about/psap.html

We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Albert E. Fontenot, Jr. Associate Director for Decennial Cenus Bureau

Enclosures

cc: 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. 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.