



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

Date

President's Name
Name of the Tribe
Address of the Tribe

Dear Chairman/President's Name:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has committed to contacting all Federally-recognized Native American Tribes every 5 years to determine whether they would be interested in receiving, or continue to receive, advance notification of certain types of nuclear waste shipments and commercial irradiated reactor fuel shipments that are transported within or across Tribal reservations.¹ The advance notification requirements for these materials are found in Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 71.97 and 73.37, respectively.

Affected Tribes listed in the enclosure have been identified as currently having NRC-approved transportation routes that pass within or across Tribal reservations. If you are one of the Tribes identified in the enclosure and choose to receive advance notifications, your Tribe will be obligated to protect the schedules and itineraries of the shipments according to the NRC's Safeguards Information (SGI) requirements in 10 CFR 73.21 and 10 CFR 73.22. If you currently do not receive advance notifications and want to begin receiving notifications, the Tribal leadership would need to provide the NRC the following information: (1) the names and their contact information for a primary and secondary point of contact to receive notifications; (2) confirmation that the points of contact provided have completed the required SGI training; and (3) confirmation that the NRC has accurately depicted the Tribal reservation on a map. Training on SGI-related information protection and reservation maps with approved transportation routes are available upon request for the identified Tribes in the enclosure from the NRC project manager listed below.

Note that Tribes have the option to receive or not receive advance notifications by informing the NRC at any time. If your Tribe chooses not to receive advance notification of shipments, no action is necessary. The NRC also plans to continue notifying any Tribe of new route approvals that pass within or across their Tribal reservations.

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Tribal Chairman

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If you have any comments that you would like to provide or questions about this letter, please contact [INSERT STAFF CONTACT], project manager, at (301) 415-XXXX or by e-mail at XXXXXXXX@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

Director
Division of Material Safety, State, Tribal
and Rulemaking Programs
Office of Nuclear Material Safety
and Safeguards

Enclosure:
Tribes that have NRC-Approved
Transportation Routes that Pass
Within or Across Tribal Reservations

cc: Tribal Department Head for Tribes
listed in the Enclosure

Tribes that have NRC-Approved Transportation Routes that Pass Within or Across Tribal Reservations

1. Paiute (UT) Reservation - Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah
2. Onondaga Indian Nation
3. Seneca Nation of Indians
4. Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians
5. Moapa Band of Indians
6. Navajo Nation
7. Gila River Indian Community
8. Colorado River Indian Tribe
9. Cabazon Band of Mission Indians
10. Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians
11. Morongo Band of Mission Indians
12. Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
13. Battle Mountain Band (Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada)
14. Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of the Fort Hall Reservation
15. Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation