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Moapa Band of Paiutes
Darren Daboda, Chairman
P.O. Box 340
Moapa, NV 89025

Dear Mr. Daboda:

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Las Vegas Paiute Tribe
Alfreda L. Mitre, Chairperson
One Paiute Drive
Las Vegas, NV 89106

Dear Ms. Mitre:

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Joseph Kennedy
785 N. Main Street, Suite Q
Bishop, CA 93514

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Timbisha Shoshone
Barbara Durham, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
900 Indian Village Rd., P.O. Box 206
Death Valley, CA 92328

Dear Ms. Durham:

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Kern Valley Indian Council
Robert Robinson, Historic Preservation Officer
P.O. Box 401
Weldon, CA 93283

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Morongo Band of Mission Indians
Britt W. Wilson, Cultural Resource Coordinator
245 N. Murray Street, Suite C
Banning, CA 92220

Dear Ms. Wilson:

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Colorado River Reservation
Betty Cornelius, Cultural Contact
Route 1, Box 23-B
Parker, AZ 85344

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Ti'At Society
Cindi Alvitre
6602 Zelzah Avenue
Reseda, CA 91335

Dear Ms. Alvitre:

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Fort Mojave Indian Tribe, AhaMakav Cultural Society
Linda Otero, Director
P.O. Box 5990
Mohave Valley, AZ 86440

Dear Ms. Otero:

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Fort Mojave Indian Tribe
Africa Dorame, Environmental Coordinator
500 Merriman Avenue
Needles, CA 92363

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Fort Mojave Indian Tribe
Nora McDowell, Chairperson
500 Merriman Avenue
Needles, CA 92363

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Chemehuevi Reservation
Charles Wood, Chairperson
P.O. Box 1976
Chemehuevi Valley, CA 92363

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Soboba Band of Mission Indians
Robert J. Salgado, Sr., Chairperson
P.O. Box 487
San Jacinto, CA 92581

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Serrano Band of Indians
Goldie Walker
6588 Valeria Drive
Highland, CA 92346

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Since the entire alignment is approximately 190 miles long, individual USGS 7.5'-series topographic maps for the entire alignment are not being provided. However, specific maps of the alignment will be made available upon request. If you have concerns or questions about a specific area along the path of the alignment, please mark the accompanying figures and return them to Jim Shearer or call him at the phone number below to describe portions of the project alignment you would wish to see in more detail.

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San Manuel Band of Mission Indians
Bernadette Brierty, Cultural Resources Coordinator
P.O. Box 266
Patton, CA 92369

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