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San Juan County Commission
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Dear San Juan County Commission,

The Utah Division of Indian Affairs requests information that will help Utah tribes understand and engage in any upcoming County Planning efforts and/or creation of congressional legislation in San Juan County. It is our understanding that the Washington County plan and associated Lands Bill has raised interest throughout the state in pursuing county land-use planning efforts. We request that the Division of Indian Affairs and Round River Conservation Studies be included as an interested party in this process. Also, if information is available that will help the tribes understand the time frame, scope, priorities or other relevant information in this process, please let us know.

Native American tribes in Utah (which include the Northwestern Band of the Shoshone Nation, the Confederated Tribes of the Goshute, Skull Valley Band of Goshutes, Utah Paiute Tribe, Ute Mountain Ute/White Mesa Ute, Navajo Nation, and the Ute Indian Tribe of Uintah & Ouray Reservation), have a stake and interest in lands both on and off reservation. Land-use issues which one or more tribes may have an interest in include; the protection of cultural resources and sacred sites, economic development, water, transportation systems, and wildlife management. Utah tribal governments would like to be involved and may have data and other information which will be helpful in this process.

Round River Conservation Studies will be assisting the Division of Indian Affairs in collecting this information. Please send any information to the address or email below and feel free to contact Gavin Noyes by phone if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Forrest S. Cuch".

Forrest S. Cuch

Please add the Division and Round River to your contact list using the information below:

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