

October 30, 2001

Rose Marie Bahe
Tribal Chairperson
Benton Paiute Indian Tribe
Route 4, Box 56A
Benton, CA 93512

Dear Chair Bahe:

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Sincerely

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CC: Michelle Salulque
Darryl Bahe

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Monty Bengochia
Tribal Chairperson
Bishop Paiute Indian Tribe
50 Tusu Lane
Bishop, CA 93514

Dear Chairman Bengochia:

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CC: Lee Chavez
Gaylene Moose

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Henry Blackeye, Jr
Tribal Chairperson
Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
P.O. Box 140068
Duckwater, NV 89314

Dear Chairman Blackeye:

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Vernon Miller
Tribal Chairperson
Fort Independence Indian Tribe
P.O. Box 67
Independence, CA 93526

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CC: Eleanor Hemphill

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Alfred Stanton
Tribal Chairperson
Ely Shoshone Tribe
16 Shoshone Circle
Ely , NV 89301

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