



ALABAMA-COUSHATTA TRIBE OF TEXAS

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Dear Branch Chief Burton:

On behalf of Chief Oscola Clayton Sylestine and the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe, our appreciation is expressed on your agency's efforts to consult us concerning the proposed additions to the Comanche Peak Nuclear Power Plant in Hood County.

Our Tribe maintains ancestral associations throughout the state of Texas despite the absence of written records to completely identify Tribal activities, villages, trails, or grave sites. However, it is our objective to ensure significances of Native American ancestry including the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe are administered with the utmost regard.

Concerning the December 23, 2008 information summary submitted to our office, a determination of immediate impact to religious, cultural, or historical assets of the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas could not be ascertained. Further research on our part would be necessary to determine the route and camp sites used by ancestral Tribal delegates during visits to Young County where the state Legislature established a reservation in the 1800s for all Indians in Texas.

Our concerns regarding Comanche Peak would be the existence of cultural resources on the facilities' properties and what procedures have been or will be utilized to ensure the sanctity of human remains and/or cultural objects of Native American ancestry.

We welcome the opportunity to be included in this consultation. Should you require additional assistance regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Respectfully submitted,

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