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Subject: Re: Ross Site Walkover and Consultation

Good Morning,

Thank you for the update, once again the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate finds the proposed dates difficult to work with due to the fact that this would require absence from our office for 2 straight weeks, (including the weekend). Again, I urge you to consider dates in October with the exception of the 18-20 which are already booked.

Tribes feel consultation with the NRC is very important and every effort should be made at good faith consultation on this very sensitive issue. We want involvement, but need adequate time to schedule the numerous consultations. We are consulting on numerous projects with other fed agencise on a monthly basis (which requires a great deal of our time). Adequate time for scheduling is a must.

Your consideration of this request is appreciated.

Thank you

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"Every part of this Earth is sacred to my people. We are part of the earth and it is part of us".-Chief Seattle,1854

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All,

To date, 10 tribes have indicated that they can make the dates of Sep 13 & 14 to conduct the site walkover and consultation. Eight Tribes have indicated that they cannot make it because of other commitments. Two tribes have said that they have no interest in the proposed Ross project, and 4 tribes have not responded to the invitation, at all.

Because so many tribes cannot make the dates of Sep 13 & 14, and it is the intent of the NRC to have as many tribes participate as possible, if the dates were changed to Sep 15 & 16, would you (your tribe) be able to participate in the walkover and consultation?

Your response is appreciated as soon as possible. I will follow up with a phone call to each of you, today and tomorrow.

Respectfully,

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