

## StrataRossLANPEm Resource

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**From:** Moore, Johari  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 09, 2012 2:20 PM  
**To:** Morris Belgard  
**Subject:** RE: TCP Survey for the Ross Project

Hello Morris,

Thank you for getting back to me.

An ethnographic study has not been conducted for the Ross Project. By “ethnographic study” I mean, for example, research of public records and literature, research of oral histories, and interviews of tribal members. By “ethnographic study” I do not mean a site walkover/physical survey of the site.

An archaeological survey of the Ross Project site was conducted by an archaeologist. However, there was no tribal involvement. You should have received a copy of the report from the archaeological survey; please let me know if you need a copy.

A TCP survey of the Ross Project site has been requested by some Tribes but the survey has not yet been conducted. By “TCP survey,” I mean a site walk-over conducted by/involving Tribes in order to identify properties of religious and cultural significance to Tribes.

We are planning to accommodate the Tribes’ request to conduct a TCP survey of the Ross Project site. In my previous email, I am asking if you also want to see that an ethnographic study is done and, if so, whether you would like to be involved in that ethnographic study. Specifically, I’m asking the following:

1. In addition to the TCP survey, are you requesting an ethnographic study?
2. If you are requesting an ethnographic study, would you want the study to be performed by (led by) Tribal members or could an outside consultant perform (lead) the study and involve (i.e. interview, etc.) the Tribes?
3. If an outside consultant were to perform the ethnographic study, would you want to be able to weigh in on/approve which consultant is selected and/or consult on other parameters of the study?

I hope this clarifies your questions. I will also try to reach you by phone.

Thanks again,

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Mr. Moore

Has a ethnographic study been done on site in the past. Has new archeological evidence appeared. If so I would recommend a survey of propriety. I would recommend a professional consultant firm with tribal involvement, maybe tribes that a local, Crow, Arapahoe, Shoshone, N. Cheyenne. I guess I don't understand the final question, was there a survey done? and why redo survey. Please clear me up and final question, maybe an ethographic study is different.

BR Morris Belgard

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**Subject:** TCP Survey for the Ross Project

Good afternoon,

As you all may be aware, I have taken over for Alan Bjornsen as the lead Project Manager for the Ross Project Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement and the associated Section 106 review due to a staff reorganization. During the site walkovers and consultation meetings that took place in September and November of last year, many of you requested a TCP survey of the Ross Project APE. Our proposed path forward is to have the applicant (Strata Energy Inc.) develop a draft plan for the TCP survey that will serve as a starting point from which we can, in consultation with the Tribes, work out the logistics and develop a final plan.

It is possible that, in addition to a TCP survey, an ethnographic study might be conducted. However, I do not recall any specific requests for an ethnographic study during our September and November meetings and I know that many of you were unable to attend those meetings. Therefore, I would appreciate it if you would provide feedback to me on the following questions:

1. In addition to the TCP survey, are you requesting an ethnographic study?
2. If you are requesting an ethnographic study, would you want the study to be performed by (led by) Tribal members or could an outside consultant perform (lead) the study and involve (i.e. interview, etc.) the Tribes?
3. If an outside consultant were to perform the ethnographic study, would you want to be able to weigh in on/approve which consultant is selected and/or consult on other parameters of the study?

I would appreciate your feedback on these questions at your earliest convenience. I can be reached via email or by phone. Note: On Wednesdays, I work at home and my mobile number (shown below)

and email are the best ways to reach me. On other weekdays, I am in the office and my office number (also shown below) and email are the best ways to reach me. Also, please do feel free to contact me anytime with any questions/information you might have about the Ross Project.

Thank you very much for your time.

Sincerely,

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