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Alan:

We keep contact and other information for the federally recognized tribes based in Oklahoma and for those that have formal Tribal Historic Preservation Offices on our website at <http://www.okhistory.org/shpo/tribalconsultation.htm>. Each tribe makes its own determination about their areas of interest.

We suggest that people working to determine which tribes to consult review "Historical Atlas of Oklahoma," a University of Oklahoma Press publication that includes an excellent series of maps showing where various tribes were located in Oklahoma through time. Also, the Oklahoma Department of Transportation maintains a map showing areas of tribal interest, and you can access it at:

<http://www.okladot.state.ok.us/maps/tribal>

Also, we suggest that agencies always consult at least the Caddo, Wichita, and Osage tribes, regardless of where the project is located due to their history in what is today Oklahoma.

Finally, and you have probably already done this, you should be sure to consult your agency's Federal Preservation Officer about your policies for tribal consultation. Remember that there are no reservations in Oklahoma, but tribes do own land that is in trust status with the federal government for them.

Let me know if I can be of further assistance.

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Ms. Heisch,

I am working on an environmental assessment, under NEPA, for the decommissioning of the old Cimarron Uranium Facility in Logan County. Also, as part of the Section 106 consultation process under the NHPA of 1966, I need to contact Native American Tribes that may have ancestral ties to the area.

I would appreciate it if you would, please, send me a list of recorded tribes that have ancestral ties to Logan County, OK.

Thank you,

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