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Date: 4/25/2007 5:41 PM
Subject: RE: E. Shoshone

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None of the above. Thanks, Denise

-----Original Message-----

From: Jerriann Ernstsens [mailto:jerriannernstsens@utah.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, April 25, 2007 5:36 PM
To: Dragoo, Denise
Cc: Mary Ann Wright; Pam Grubaugh-Littig; Steve Alder; Wayne Hedberg
Subject: RE: E. Shoshone

Please answer the question, whether you plan to host a visit, host a trip, or none of the above.

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>>> "Dragoo, Denise" <ddragoo@swlaw.com> 04/25/2007 5:27 PM >>>
Jerriann, Thanks for the update on the E Shoshone. At this time, UEI will support the Division's decision that the consultation and site visit request are untimely. We understand that this issue may arise again should BLM undertake tribal consultation in connection with the MOA. Please let us know if the E Shoshone contact you with any further requests. Thanks again, Denise

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From: Jerriann Ernstsens [mailto:jerriannernstsens@utah.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, April 25, 2007 3:44 PM
To: Dragoo, Denise
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Denise,
Just wondering about the outcome of your conversations with UEI concerning the E Shoshone.

I discussed this issue with OSM and their view is that you are more than welcome to pay for the trip, but at this point in time in the consultation process AND the request to visit without providing any specifics is a bit late. They also have not shown any effort to contact us, even though I gave them all the names and numbers that they requested.

OSM also considers, that at this time it would show "good faith effort"

to offer the E. Shoshone to visit the site with UEI making sure that they have a rewarding visit. The trip and consultation would be at their cost.

On the other side, the E Shoshone confirms their position and has threatened to "shut the operations down". However, I have not received any official opposition to our finding from the E. Shoshone. Not sure that official document is required with this situation. The regs support something to the effect, but that is for opposition to a finding. They might not oppose the finding, but just want to see the area for additional consideration.

Also, consider that this might come up again during the BLM consultation for the MOA.

Please let me know what you have decided so I can proceed accordingly.

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