


Re: Tongue River Railroad Updates
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Hi Dianne,

I am doing well although it is a bit rainy here today! Thanks for asking...

The purpose of the conference calls would be to bring people up-to-date on what has changed with the Tongue River Railroad Project. We intend to follow up with a face-to-face meeting once everyone has a better idea of where we are going with the project. The point of the conference calls then would be simply to provide information and answer any questions.

I totally agree that a conference call would not be sufficient overall and that face-to-face meetings are much more productive and meaningful. One of the purposes of the conference call then would be to determine a good time and place for everyone to meet in person.

I hope that I have answered your questions! Please feel free to call me at 202-245-0293 or email me if you have any additional concerns.

All the best,
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Good afternoon, How are you? First of all it has...

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Good afternoon,

How are you? First of all it has been awhile since we have heard anything on TRR so thank you for the update. What would be the purpose of the conference calls? The Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate would prefer to meet in face-to-face consultation. We do not consider a conference call as good faith effort. I would encourage you to schedule a meeting to bring in the consulting tribes.

Your attention in this matter is greatly appreciated.

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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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Hello All,

It has been a while since we last contacted you about the Tongue River Railroad Project. However, we are still awaiting word from the applicant regarding additional details on how they would like to proceed. We have been in close contact with David Coburn and explained to him the updated information that we need from the new owners -- a detailed description of the rail line that the applicant wants to move forward with, a map clearing showing the end points of the rail line, and information regarding tribal payment. In the interim we wanted to update you on what has transpired on the project and to propose some next steps.

As you know, Tongue River Railroad was sold to three investors (Tongue River Holding Company, LLC) who have decided not to proceed with Tongue River II and III but only construct Tongue I at this time. Construction of just Tongue I will mean a considerably shorter rail line extending only from Miles City to Ashland. Importantly, the project will no longer affect the Wolf Mountains Battlefield Site. However, the new project will require the development of a new PA for just Tongue I.

We propose to hold two conference calls as soon as we have the additional information from the applicant. We would like to hold the first call with all interested tribes. The second conference call would

follow and would be held with all the Section 106 consulting parties. During both calls we would answer any questions regarding the purpose and extent of the new project.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding the project or any of the above. As always, I can be reached at 202-245-0293, gliddenc@stb.dot.gov. You can also direct your calls or concerns to Kenneth Blodgett at 202-245-0454, blodgettk@stb.dot.gov.

All the best,

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