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Hi Steve,

I hope you are well. It was nice to see you at Standing Rock. Following up on Monday's call, I've attached the table that shows the field crews on the four rotations in 2013. The Yankton (twice), Fort Peck, Oglala, Rosebud, Standing Rock, Crow Creek and Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate all participated in the field work last year, so the Sioux tribes were well represented. I'm sorry the Cheyenne River Sioux are not involved in the two 2014 sessions. As we develop the PA, let's ensure the ID work plan allows us to get the Cheyenne River Sioux involved in the completion of the identification and evaluation of tribal sites of significance. Please let me know if you have any questions or comments, and please feel free to call me or e-mail me anytime.

Thanks very much, we always look forward to your active participation, experience, and comments.

Rick

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Rick
 I received your email.

Respectfully,

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Hi Steve,
 Trying your new e-mail, first message bounced back.
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Hello THPOs and Tribal representatives,

As discussed in our Billings meetings, and as Cathy discussed in our March monthly call, we would like to firm up the crew rosters for our field surveys in May-June, 2014. Please let us know if your tribe wants to participate. Some key points for your information:

Two sessions, dates May 12-23 and June 2-13, include two travel days on each end

Terrain will be particularly difficult, long days planned

ATVs may be used to access some survey areas

Payment will be through ADECCO or as a tribal vendor, as we did in 2013

We need eight tribal surveyors, four for each session. We'd like to reserve two of the eight slots for the Northern Cheyenne

Cathy has been out, and I am sure she will provide a personal invitation and additional details upon her return. If you are interested, please respond to my e-mail, and I will let Cathy and Alisa Reynolds know.

Thank you so much!

Rick

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Tongue River Railroad Construction Project

Native American Sites and Archaeological Sites

Surface Transportation Board-Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) archaeologists organized four survey teams, designated A through D, to conduct field surveys on accessible property in the preliminary area of potential effects (APE). Each team included four tribal cultural resources specialists and four OEA archaeologists. All tribes who expressed interest and availability were able to participate in the field survey. Thirteen tribes rotated their participation among the four field survey teams.

OEA Archaeologists, Tribes and Tribal Experts Participating in Field Surveys

	Team A	Team B	Team C	Team D
OEA Crew Chief	Tait (James) Elder	Robin Hoffman	Michael Richards	Michael Richards
OEA Archaeologists				
	2 Robin Hoffman	Shane Sparks	Lily Henry-Roberts	Bill Leyva
	3 Lily Henry-Roberts	Julie McGehee	Pat Reed	Paul Shattuck
	4 Michael Richards	Pat Reed	Melissa Cascella	<i>Julie McGehee</i>
Tribal Crew:				
	1 Northern Cheyenne	Northern Cheyenne	Northern Cheyenne	Northern Cheyenne
	1 James Walksalong	James Walksalong	James Walksalong	James Walksalong
	2 Yankton Sioux	Mandan-Hidatsa-	Crow	Crow Creek Sioux
	2 Dustin Burroughs	Hubert Two-Leggins	Tina Gardner	Sid Bad Moccasin
	3 Fort Peck Sioux	Oglala Sioux	Standing Rock Sioux	Cheyenne & Arapaho
	3 Dyan Youpee	Jason Jack	Loretta Stone	Andrew Willey
	4 Northern Arapaho	Rosebud Sioux	Yankton Sioux	Turtle Mtn. Chippewa
	4 Alfred Burson	Ben Rhodd	Charles World Turner	Brady Grant
				Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate
				Jeff Hesla

The crew did not perform any earthmoving or excavation, and all team members took care not to disturb any cultural resources observed. If a tribal member observed Native American sites (sites containing attributes beyond or in addition to archaeological data), the team recorded a single GPS point for that resource, along with a brief description that protected confidentiality. In all cases, all four tribal participants agreed that the resource should be recorded before OEA archaeologists collected any information.

The field survey resulted in the identification of 198 new sites in the preliminary APE: 162 archaeological resources, 36 Native American resources, and 35 built resources.