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Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin Mr. Brian Bisonette 13394 West Trepania Road Hayward,WI 54843

Re: notice of federal undertaking and request for comments under 36 CFR 800 1017-01-03/73 Tomah-Camp Douglas USH 12 to CTH C, EB/IH 90/Monroe & Juneau Counties

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration, is considering an undertaking located on IH 90, Tomah-Camp Douglas, USH 12 to CTH C, Monroe and Juneau Counties and is 15.773 miles in length. This is a repaving project of IH 90 Eastbound. The IH 90 Eastbound repaving project will include removing 7" of asphalt pavement and repaving 7" of new asphalt pavement. The project will also address steep shoulder slope that do not meet current standards. Culvert pipes will be extended in the locations of steep slopes to allow flattening the slopes with fill. A project map is included for reference.

Your tribe has requested to be notified of undertakings in this area of Wisconsin. Attached is information regarding the proposed undertaking to assist you in providing comments regarding the determination of the area of potential effect (APE) and potential impacts to historic properties and/or burial sites.

WisDOT would be pleased to receive any comments your tribe wishes to share regarding the determination of the APE or potential impacts to historic properties and/or burials in this undertaking. Also, other environmental studies may be conducted to include endangered species survey, contaminated material investigations, soil testing and right-of-way surveys. Results of these studies will assist the engineers in the design to avoid, minimize or mitigate the proposed project's effect upon cultural and natural resources. To ensure your comments are considered during this early phase of project development, WisDOT requests a response within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

If your tribe wishes to become a consulting party under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act or would like to receive additional information regarding this proposed project, please contact WisDOT Project Manager Brian Meyer at 3550 Mormon Coulee Road, 608-789-5676.

Sincerely,

Michael Shame

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Attachments: Project Location Map