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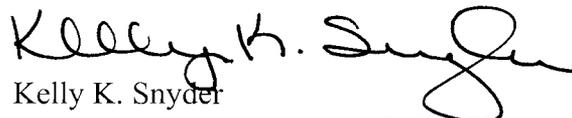
RESPONSE TO NEVADA SITE SPECIFIC ADVISORY BOARD'S (NSSAB) LIAISON  
POSITION RECOMMENDATION - PART 2

Per the letter dated January 9, 2012, the Nevada Site Office responded to four of the five recommendations the Board made to the Nevada Site Office on December 7, 2011. Below is the response to the final recommendation.

*Recommendation:* Department of Energy should explore funding options for a potential Native American tribal liaison.

*Response:* The Nevada Site Office fully supports Native American participation in activities related to the Nevada National Security Site (NNSS). To support this partnership, the Nevada Site Office funds activities and meetings for the Consolidated Group of Tribes and Organizations (CGTO), which is made up of culturally affiliated Western Shoshone, Southern Paiute, and Owens Valley Paiute-Shoshone tribes in Nevada, eastern California, southern Utah, and northern Arizona. Speaking with one voice, the CGTO consults with the Nevada Site Office on projects in order to protect and preserve the rich cultural resources of their ancestors on the NNSS. The CGTO determines what activities are of interest to them, including the liaison position with the NSSAB, which they have declined. If in the future the CGTO would like to use their funding to participate on the NSSAB, the Nevada Site Office will continue to support a liaison position.

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