

FINAL PAYMENT UPDATE

WESTERN SHOSHONE JUDGMENT

On September 28, 2012, the Western Shoshone Judgment roll for the distribution of the Western Shoshone Judgment funds was completed and approved in accordance with the Western Shoshone Claims Distribution Act of July 7, 2004 (P.L. 108-270).

Final distributions were made to eligible recipients via direct deposit to bank accounts on September 29, 2012, and via check on October 2, 2012. Final distributions to Individual Indian Monies (IIM) Accounts for eligible minors, estates, incarcerated individuals, whereabouts unknown and incapacitated adults will be completed by October 5, 2012. These IIM accounts will be administered by the Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians (OST).

Those individual recipients who had previously received a partial distribution (in the amount of \$22,013.00) received a final partial payment in the amount of \$13,124.93 (for a total of \$35,137.93 (*i.e.*, \$22,013.00 + \$13, 124.93)). Those eligible recipients who had not previously received a partial payment received a full, final payment of \$35,137.93. The total number of eligible applicants is: 5361. The total number of appeals processed was: 902.

Please note that checks and direct deposits may take several days to arrive at your given address or bank account. **If you do not receive your payment by October 15, 2012, please contact the Western Shoshone Project Office (WSPO) at (602) 253-0024 to confirm that you were eligible to receive a final payment. After you have confirmed your eligibility with the WSPO, the OST Trust Beneficiary Call Center (TBCC) may be able to assist you in tracing the check or direct deposit payment. The telephone number for the TBCC is 1-888-678-6836. Please do not contact the WSPO or the TBCC prior to October 15, 2012, as neither office will have sufficient information to assist you prior to that date.** At that time, you will need to provide certain identifying information (*i.e.*, date of birth, Social Security Number, *etc.*) before they will be able assist you.

If a check is returned to the Department of Treasury (Treasury) because it is undeliverable as addressed, Treasury will notify OST of the returned check. OST will then work with the Bureau of Indian Affairs – Western Shoshone Project Office for assistance in contacting you for a current address. **If you receive a payment by check, it is critically important that you properly safeguard the check as it may take twelve (12) months or more to replace lost, stolen or destroyed checks.**

Contacts: ***For IIM:***

OST Trust Beneficiary Call Center at: 1-888-678-6836; or

OST Western Nevada Agency at: (775) 887-3525;

For Probate:

Western Nevada Agency at: (775) 887-3500

Eastern Nevada Agency at: (775) 738-5165

**For all other questions, please contact the Western Shoshone Project Office at:
(602) 253-0024**

Thank you.