

## United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

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Re: Cancellation of March 15 Fee-to-Trust Consultation Session in Connecticut

Dear Tribal Leader:

On February 15, 2018, I announced a rescheduled consultation on potential revisions to fee-to-trust regulations at 25 C.F.R. Part 151, for this Thursday, March 15, in Mashantucket, Connecticut. Unfortunately, inclement weather in that area has overwhelmingly affected travel and venue options for the consultation this week. For these reason, we are cancelling the March 15 session at Foxwoods Resort Casino in Mashantucket, Connecticut. We will reschedule this session soon and will share the new date as soon as we can confirm.

If you have already provided an RSVP to the session, we will carry forward your RSVP to this new rescheduled session. If you have not already provided an RSVP but plan on attending this session, please email <a href="mailto:consultation@bia.gov">consultation@bia.gov</a>.

The deadline for receipt of written input to <u>consultation@bia.gov</u> is now midnight Eastern Time **June 30, 2018**.

Please feel free to visit the following website, or contact Elizabeth Appel at (202) 273-4680 if you would like any additional information on this effort:

https://www.indianaffairs.gov/as-ia/raca/regulations-development-andor-under-review/fee-trust-regulations-25-cfr-151

I look forward to our consultation on this topic and appreciate your flexibility in allowing. for this cancellation to ensure maximum participation at a future session. I hope the tribal communities in the affected areas of the East coast are safe and warm.

Sincerely,

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