512 DM 4 – Original Language	512 DM4 - Updated Language	Explanation of Changes
4.1 . Purpose This chapter provides the requirements	4.1 <b>Purpose.</b> This chapter provides the	"DOI" replaced with "Department" or
for Department of the Interior (DOI) government-to-	requirements for Department of the Interior	"Departmental" throughout the chapter.
government consultation between appropriate tribal	( <u>Department</u> ) government-to-government	
officials and DOI officials. It expands and clarifies	consultation between appropriate Ttribal	In section 4.1, Alaska Native Claims
DOI's policy on consultation with Indian Tribes and	officials and Departmental officials. It expands	Settlement Act of 1971 (ANCSA)
Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971	and clarifies Department's policy on	Corporations references deleted from the
(ANCSA) Corporations and acknowledges the	consultation with <u>Indian</u> Tribes and Alaska	policy. A new policy for consultation was
provisions for conducting consultation in compliance	Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971	added to the Departmental Manual for
with Executive Order (EO) 13175 (Consultation and	(ANCSA) Corporations and acknowledges the	ANCSA Corporations at 512 DM 6 and
Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments),	provisions for conducting consultation in	512 DM 7. A new policy for consultation
applicable statutes, and administrative actions.	compliance with Executive Order (EO) 13175	with the Native Hawaiian Community was
	(Consultation and Coordination with Indian	added at 513 DM 1 and 513 DM 2. These
	Tribal Governments), applicable statutes, which	changes were made based on input
	includes, but is not limited to, the National	received during the March 2021
	Historic Preservation Act, Native American	consultation on consultation as well as the
	Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, and	December 2021 consultation on the draft
	National Environmental Policy Act, and	updates to 512 DM 4 and 5.
	administrative actions. Please see 512 DM 6	
	and 7 for Department of the Interior	Based on comments received during
	Consultation Policy with Alaska Native	December 2021 consultation,
	Corporations and 513 DM 1 and 2 for	"appropriate" deleted from the first
	Department of the Interior Consultation Policy	sentence. Tribes indicated that only the
	with the Native Hawaiian Community.	Tribe can determine who is the
		appropriate Tribal Official.
		Based on comments received during the
		December 2021 consultations, language
		was added to provide examples of
		applicable statutes where consultation is
		required. This language is intended to
		clarify that the DOI policy applies to

		consultations that carried out under statutes requiring Tribal consultation.
4.2 Scope. The policy and requirements in this chapter apply to all DOI bureaus and offices. It complements, but does not supersede, any existing laws, rules, statutes, or regulations that guide consultation processes with Indian tribes.	4.2 <b>Scope.</b> The policy and requirements in this chapter apply to all DOI bureaus and offices. It complements, but does not supersede, any existing Federal laws, rules, statutes, or regulations that guide consultation processes with Indian $t_{T}$ ribes.	Federal was inserted into 4.2 to clarify that the scope does not supersede any existing federal laws.
4.3 Definitions.		4.3 Definitions
A. <u>Indian Tribe or Tribe</u> . Any Federally Recognized American Indian	4.3 <b>Definitions.</b>	4.3 (A) Rancheria was added to definition in the DM of Indian Tribe or Tribe.
or Alaska Native tribe, band, nation,	A. <u>Indian Tribe or</u>	
pueblo, village, or community that the	Tribe. Any Federally recognized	ANCSA reference was deleted. Please see
Secretary of the Interior acknowledges	American Indian or Alaska	512 DM 6.
to exist as an Indian tribe pursuant to	Native tribe, band, nation,	
the Federally Recognized Indian Tribe	pueblo, <u>rancheria</u> , village, or	ANCSA Corporation Official or Designee
List Act of 1994, 25 U.S.C. 479a.	community that the Secretary of	reference deleted. Please see 512 DM 6.
B. <u>ANCSA Corporation</u> . Any	the Interior acknowledges to	
Alaska Native village corporation,	exist as an Indian <u>T</u> tribe	4.3(B) was updated to reflect the
urban corporation, or regional	pursuant to the Federally	definition of Departmental Action with
corporation as defined in, or established pursuant to, the Alaska Native Claims	Recognized Indian Tribe List Act of 1994, 25 U.S.C. § 479a.	Tribal Implications that was included in the DOI Consultation Policy (2011). This
Settlement Act, 43 U.S.C. 1601 <u>et seq.</u>	Act 01 1994, 25 U.S.C. § 479a.	edit was made based on input from the
C. ANCSA Corporation Official or	B. ANCSA	March 2021 and December 2021
Designee. An official or ANCSA	<u>Corporation</u> . Any Alaska Native	consultations. The definition includes a
member designated in writing by an	village corporation, urban	footnote that advice from Office of the
ANCSA Corporation.	corporation, or regional	Solicitor is not a regulation, rulemaking,
D. <u>Tribal Governance Officer (TGO)</u> .	corporation as defined in, or	policy, guidance, legislative proposal,
An individual designated by DOI to	established pursuant to, the	grant funding formula change.
carry out responsibilities described in	Alaska Native Claims	Additionally, based on Tribal input,
this chapter.	Settlement Act, 43 U.S.C. 1601	4.3(B)(1) was updated to include "treaty
	<del>et seq.</del>	rights", "ancestral lands", and "sacred
		sites, including sites that are submerged,

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Tribal Liaison Officer (TLO). C. **ANCSA Corporation Official or** One or more individuals officially Designee. An official or designated by a bureau or office to ANCSA member designated in carry out responsibilities described in writing by an ANCSA this chapter. Corporation. Tribal Official. An elected or appointed tribal leader or official Action with Tribal Implications. An designated in writing by an Indian tribe action by the Department or any of to represent the tribe in government-toits bureaus or offices that may have government consultations. a substantial direct effect on one or more Tribes, the relationship between the Federal Government and Tribes, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities between the Federal Government and Tribes, Substantial direct effects on Tribes may include, but are not limited to, effects as shown in the **Consensus Seeking Model (Figure**  $\frac{1}{1}$ B. Departmental Action with Tribal Implications. Any Departmental regulation, rulemaking, policy, guidance, legislative proposal, programmatic or operational activity, or grant funding formula changes <sup>[1]</sup> that may have a substantial direct effect on an Indian Tribe on matters including, but not limited to: 1. Tribal cultural practices, lands, treaty rights, resources, ancestral lands, including sacred sites, including sites that are submerged, and lands Tribes were removed

from, or access to traditional areas of

and lands Indian Tribes were removed from".

4.3 (C) A definition of Formal Government-to-Government Consultation was added based on Tribal input from the December 2021 consultation on 512 DM 4 and 5 draft updates, and input received during the March 2021 consultations on consultation.

cultural or religious importance on	
federally managed lands and waters;	
2. The ability of an Indian Tribe to govern	
or provide services to its members;	
3. An Indian Tribe's formal relationship	
with the Department, either as Nation-to-	
Nation or as beneficiary to trustee; or	
4. Any action planned by an non-federal	
entity that involves funding, approval, or	
other final agency action provided by the	
Department, unless the Tribe is a party to	
the action. Substantial direct effects on	
Tribes may include, but are not limited to,	
effects as shown in the Consensus-Seeking	
Model (Figure 1).	
[foot note] <sup>11</sup> Advice from the Office of the	
Solicitor is not a regulation, rulemaking,	
policy, guidance, legislative proposal, grant	
funding formula change, or operational	
activity with any direct effect on a party	
outside the Department, but rather an	
internal legal opinion. Ctr. for Biological	
Diversity v. U.S. Bureau of Land Mgt., CV	
17-8587-GW(ASX), 2019 WL 2635587, at	
*12 (C.D. Cal. June 20, 2019). Such	
advice is also protected from disclosure	
under the attorney-client privilege, even as	
to the beneficiary of the trust. United	
States v. Jicarilla Apache Nation, 131 S.	
<u>Ct. 2313 (2011). Any such advice,</u> therefore, is not within the scope of this	

	Chapter Existence matters that are in	
	Chapter. Furthermore, matters that are in	
	litigation or in settlement negotiations, or	
	matters for which a court order limits the	
	Department's discretion to engage in	
	consultation are also outside the scope of	
	this Chapter.	
	C. Formal Government-to-Government	
	Consultation. Formal government-to-	
	government consultation is a process based	
	on a bi-lateral recognition of sovereignty	
	and is generally focused on a given issue or	
	set of issues, including compliance with a	
	variety of statutes, policies and	
	administrative actions that direct the	
	federal government to consult with	
	Federally Recognized Indian Tribes.	
	Consultations are defined as having both	
	Department and Tribal officials with	
	decision-making authorities present at the	
	government-to-government consultation	
	session(s)/meeting(s) regarding the	
	proposed plan or Departmental Action with	
	Tribal Implications.	
	<u>CD.Tribal Governance Officer (TGO)</u> . An	
	individual designated by the Department to	
	carry out responsibilities described in this	
	chapter.	
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	$\oplus$ E. Tribal Liaison Officer (TLO).	
	One or more individuals officially designated	
L	one of more marviduals officially designated	

4.4 Policy. It is the policy of DOI to recognize and	<ul> <li>by a Bureau or Office to carry out responsibilities described in this chapter.</li> <li><u>EF</u>. <u>Tribal Official</u>. An elected or appointed <u>T</u>tribal leader or official designated in writing by an <u>Indian T</u>tribe to represent the <u>T</u>tribe in government-to-government consultations.</li> <li>4.4 <b>Policy.</b> It is the policy of the Department to</li> </ul>	4.4 Was updated to clarify that the federal
fulfill its legal obligations to identify, protect, and conserve tribal trust resources; carry out its trust relationship with federally recognized Indian tribes and tribal members; and consult with tribes on a government-to-government basis whenever DOI plans or actions have tribal implications. All bureaus and offices shall comply with and participate in the consultation process in a manner that demonstrates a meaningful commitment and ensures continuity in the process.	recognize and fulfill its legal obligations to identify, protect, and conserve <u>T</u> tribal trust resources; carry out its trust relationship with federally recognized <u>Indian</u> <u>T</u> tribes and <u>T</u> tribal members; and <u>invite Tribes to</u> consult-with <u>Ttribes</u> on a government-to-government basis whenever <u>there is a</u> Departmental Action <del>plans</del> or <u>A</u> actions have-with <u>T</u> tribal <u>iI</u> mplications. All Bureaus and Offices shall <u>make good-faith</u> efforts to invite Tribes to consult early in the planning process and throughout the decision- making process and engage in robust, interactive, pre-decisional, informative, and transparent consultation when planning actions with Tribal implications. It is the policy of DOI to seek consensus with impacted Tribes <del>when</del> <u>the action</u> with <u>Tribal implications in</u> accordance with the <u>Consensus-Seeking</u> <u>Model.comply with and participate in the</u> consultation process in a manner that demonstrates a meaningful commitment and ensures continuity in the process.	government invites Tribes to consult, and that bureaus and offices shall make good- faith efforts to invite Tribes to consult early as well as throughout the decision- making process. These updates were made based on input received during the March 2021 consultations and were included in the 512 DM 4 draft update for the December 2021 consultation.
4.5 Responsibilities.	4.5 Responsibilities.	

<ul> <li>A.<u>TGO</u>. The TGO is appointed by the Secretary and is responsible for carrying out the responsibilities in this chapter including the following:</li> <li>(1) Serving as the Secretary's representative when requested to do so in matters pertaining to</li> </ul>	A. <u>TGO</u> . The TGO is appointed by the Secretary and is responsible for carrying out the responsibilities in this chapter including the following:	<ul> <li>4.5(A)(2) ANCSA Corporations reference deleted. Please see 512 DM 6</li> <li>4.5(A)(3) "DOI" added and "bureau and</li> </ul>
consultation.		offices" replaced to clarify this applies to
(2) Leading and managing DOI's consultation	1. Serving as the	all of the Department.
efforts to ensure effective government-to-government	Secretary's	
relationships with Indian tribes and ANCSA	representative when	
Corporations.	requested to do so in	4.5(B) Added responsibilities for Assistant
(3) Overseeing bureau and office compliance with	matters pertaining to consultation.	Secretaries. Added based on comments
the policy in this chapter, EO 13175, and other		received during March 2021 consultation
consultation requirements pertaining to government-	2. Leading and	for the need to clearly state the responsibilities of Departmental
<ul><li>to-government consultation.</li><li>(4) Implementing a DOI reporting system to</li></ul>	managing DOI's consultation efforts to	leadership. Language included in the 512
ensure that consultation efforts are documented and	ensure effective	DM 4 draft update for the December 2021
properly reported.	government-to-government relationships with	consultation.
B. Heads of Bureaus and Offices. Heads of	Indian Ttribes and ANCSA Corporations.	consultation.
bureaus and offices are responsible for:		4.5(C) is updated to Heads of Bureaus and
(1) Designating in writing one or more	3. Overseeing the	Offices.
TLOs.	Department's bureau and	
(2) Ensuring that procedures are	office compliance with	4.5(C)(2) ensure compliance with
established to carry out consultation	the policy in this	consultation procedures was added to
activities of their organizations.	chapter, EO 13175, and other consultation	based on comments received during
(3) Ensuring compliance with the	requirements pertaining to government-to-	March 2021 consultation for the need to
requirements in this chapter.	government consultation.	clearly state the responsibilities of
C. <u>TLOs</u> . The TLOs are responsible for:		Departmental leadership. Language
(1) Serving as the bureau/office	4. Implementing a	included in the 512 DM 4 draft update for
principal point of contact for tribal	Department reporting	the December 2021 consultation.
consultation matters.	system to ensure that	
(2) Promoting and facilitating	consultation efforts	4.5(D) is updated to TLOs.
consultation and collaboration between	are documented and properly reported.	
Indian tribes and their bureau/office.		

(3) Reporting to the TGO annually	B. <u>Assistant</u>	4.5(D)(3) language added to clarify the
of newly engaged consultation	Secretaries. Assistant Secretaries are	reporting requirement. Language included
processes with any Indian tribe or	responsible for ensuring that all	in the 512 DM 4 draft update for the
ANCSA Corporation.	bureaus and offices within their	December 2021 consultation. See 4.9 and
D. Department of the Interior University (DOIU).	reporting chain comply with the	Report Appendix.
The DOIU in collaboration with bureaus/offices,	requirements of this chapter.	
tribal colleges and universities, and other entities		4.5(E) Added training requirement for
with Indian expertise is responsible for developing	C. <u>Heads of Bureaus</u>	DOI Staff. Added based on comments
and delivering training to facilitate implementation	and Offices. Heads of Bureaus and	received during March 2021 consultation
of this policy.	Offices are responsible for:	for the need to clearly state the
E. Office of Collaborative Action and Dispute		responsibilities of all DOI staff engaged in
Resolution (CADR). The CADR is responsible for	1. Designating in	consultation. Language included in the
assisting in planning and facilitating an effective	writing one or more	512 DM 4 draft update for the December
consultation process, negotiated rulemaking, or	TLOs.	2021 consultation.
other collaborative approach to decisionmaking.		
F. Joint Federal-Tribal Team (Team). The Team	2. Ensuring that	4.5(E)(3) Added language to clarify
is responsible for making recommendations on the	procedures are	Federal trust obligation applies to both
implementation of this policy. The Team members	established to carry out	individual Tribal members and Tribes.
should include representatives from DOI and	the consultation	Native Hawaiians reference deleted. See
Indian tribes. Members of the Team serve at the	activities of their organizations and ensuring	513 DM 1.
discretion of the Secretary. The Team will meet	compliance with those procedures.	
regularly to identify opportunities for		4.5(E)(5) added in language to clarify that
improvements in DOI's consultation practices.	3. Ensuring	DOI staff training should include
	compliance with the	information on Tribe's existing
	requirements in this	consultation policies and Tribal
	chapter.	government structures. Clarifying
	L	language added based on comments
	DE. TLOs. The TLOs are responsible	received during December 2021
	for:	consultations.
	1. Serving as	4.5(F) is updated to Department of the
	the Bureau/Office principal	Interior University (DOIU).
	point of contact for Ttribal	

a a manifesti a manifesta	4.5(C) is undeted to Office of
consultation matters.	4.5(G) is updated to Office of
	Collaborative Active and Dispute
2. Promoting	Resolution (CADR). Technical edits made
and facilitating consultation and	to update language to plain language.
collaboration between Indian	
$\underline{\mathbf{T}}$ tribes and their bureau/office.	4.5(F) "Joint Federal Tribal Team"
	deleted. Secretary's Tribal Advisory
3. Reporting	Committee (STAC) added based on
to the TGO annually in the	comments from March 2021
Tribal Consultation Annual	consultations. Draft STAC language
Report of newly engaged	included in the 512 DM 4 draft update for
national or regional consultation	the December 2021 consultation. See 512
processes-with any Indian Ttribe	DM 4.7.
or ANCSA Corporation and any	
updates to Bureau/Office	
consultation procedures or	
processes.	
<u>processes</u> .	
E. Department Staff. Any Department staff	
who will represent the Department or a Bureau	
or Office in consultation (other than note-	
takers) must first complete training to promote	
positive relations with Tribes, including	
training on implementation of this policy and a	
review of:	
1. <u>The general</u>	
history of the government-to-	
government relationship between the	
Federal Government and Indian	
Tribes;	

2. <u>The treaty rights of</u>	
Indian Tribes;	
3. The Federal trust	
obligation owed to American Indians	
(both individuals and Tribes) and,	
<u>Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians</u>	
in the United States;	
4. The culture and history	
of American Indians, - Alaska Natives,	
and Tribes; and	
5. <u>Existing consultation</u>	
policies of the Tribe(s), as well as Tribal	
government structures, and decision-	
making processes; and.	
making processes, and:	
F. Department of the Interior	
University (DOIU). The DOIU in	
collaboration with bureaus/offices,	
tribal colleges and universities, and	
other entities with Indian expertise is	
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responsible for developing and	
delivering training to facilitate	
implementation of this	
policy.	
GE. Office of Collaborative Action and	
Dispute Resolution (CADR). Upon request,	
tThe CADR is responsible for assistingmay	

	assist in planning and facilitating an effective consultation process, negotiated rulemaking, or other collaborative approach <u>es</u> to decision making. <u>F. Joint Federal Tribal Team (Team).</u> The Team is responsible for making recommendations on the implementation of this policy. The Team members should include representatives from DOI and Indian tribes. Members of the Team serve at the discretion of the Secretary. The Team will meet regularly to identify opportunities for improvements in DOI's consultation practices.	
4.6 Alaska Native Corporation Settlement Act of 1971 (ANCSA) Consultation. When taking Departmental action that has a substantial and direct effect on ANCSA Corporations, DOI will initiate consultation with ANCSA Corporations. To the extent that concerns expressed by Indian tribes and ANCSA Corporations substantively differ, DOI officials shall give due consideration to the right of sovereignty and self-governance of federally recognized Indian tribes.	4.6 Alaska Native Corporation Settlement Act of 1971 (ANCSA) Consultation. When taking Departmental action that has a substantial and direct effect on ANCSA Corporations, DOI will initiate consultation with ANCSA Corporations. To the extent that concerns expressed by Indian tribes and ANCSA Corporations substantively differ, DOI officials shall give due Consideration to the right of sovereignty and self-governance of federally recognized Indian tribes.	Section deleted. See 512 DM 6.
	4.6 Consensus-Seeking Model. The basis of consultation is rooted in meaningful dialogue where the viewpoints of Tribes and the Department, including its bureaus and offices, are shared, discussed, and analyzed. Executive	4.6 Consensus-Model language added based on comments from March 2021 consultations. Draft language included in the 512 DM 5 draft update for the December 2021 consultation. Language

Order 13175 directs agencies to explore and, where appropriate, use "consensual mechanisms" for developing regulations that relate to Tribal self government, Tribal trust resources, or Tribal treaty or other rights. Executive Order 13175 also establishes criteria for policy-making, including directives to respect Indian Tribal self government and sovereignty, honor Tribal treaty and other rights, and strive to meet the responsibilities that arise from the unique legal relationship between the Federal Government and Tribal governments; grant Tribal governments the maximum administrative discretion possible; encourage Tribes to develop their own policies to achieve program objectives; where possible, defer to Tribes to establish standards; and determine whether to establish Federal standards, consult as to the need for Federal standards and any alternatives to preserve the prerogatives and authority of Tribes.	moved from DM 5 to DM 4 to clarify that the consensus-seeking is policy. See 512 DM 5 for updated consensus-seeking model procedures.
4.76H. Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee (STAC). The Secretary will establishestablished, by charter, an STAC consisting of elected Tribal leaders or their designated representatives from each of the 12 Bureau of Indian Affairs Regions. The STAC's purpose is to seek consensus, exchange views, share information, provide advice and, /or recommendations or facilitate any other	4.7 STAC language moved to be a stand alone section. Duties of the STAC updated to reflect duties outlined in the STAC charter.

interaction related to intergovernmental	
responsibilities or administration of	
Department programs, including those that	
arise explicitly or implicitly under treaty,	
statute, regulation or executive order. The	
duties of the STAC are to:	
A. Identify evolving issues and barriers	
to access, coverage, and delivery of services to	
American Indians and Alaska Natives related	
to Department programs;	
B. Identify evolving issues relating to	
trust assets; lands, waters, and	
treaty/subsistence resources; cultural resources;	
and governmental interests of federally	
recognized Indian Tribes;	
C. Propose clarifications and other	
recommendations and solutions to address	
issues raised at Tribal, regional, and national	
levels;	
D. Serve as a forum for Tribes and the	
Department to discuss these issues and	
proposals for changes to Department	
regulations, policies, and procedures;	
E. Identify priorities and provide advice	
on appropriate strategies for Tribal consultation	
on issues at the Tribal, regional, and, or	
national levels;	
F. Ensure that pertinent concerns are	
brought to the attention of Tribes in a timely	
manner, so that timely Tribal feedback can be	
obtained; and	

	<u>G. Coordinate with Department</u> <u>Regional Offices on Tribal consultation</u> <u>initiatives.</u> –	
4.7 Departmental Database. A single DOI database will be maintained to manage the contact list for leadership of all Indian tribes and ANCSA Corporations, as defined in paragraph 4.3A and 4.3B respectively that are eligible for Federal consultation. The database should be an electronic and interactive system that allows real time updating of contacts and allows all bureau/office access. This database shall be maintained by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Indian Services.	<b>4.8 Departmental Database.</b> A single DOI database will be maintained to manage the contact list for leadership of all <u>Indian T</u> tribes and ANCSA Corporations, as defined in paragraph 4.3A and 4.3B respectively that are eligible for Federal consultation. The database should be an electronic and interactive system that allows realtime updating of contacts and allows all Bureau/Office access. This database shall be maintained by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Indian Services.	4.8 ANCSA Corporations reference deleted. See 512 DM 6.
4.8 Tribal Consultation Annual Report. On an annual basis, bureaus/offices shall develop a report of the results of their efforts to promote consultation with Indian tribes. The report is due to the TGO by December 31 of each year. Reporting is intended to be comprehensive and may include, but is not limited to, the scope, cost, and activities of the consultation efforts. The report should also highlight significant consultation efforts with Indian tribes and when appropriate, ANCSA Corporations. The report should also include proposed plans and recommendations. (The format for the report is provided in the Appendix.)	<b>4.9 Tribal Consultation Annual Report.</b> On an annual basis, bBureaus/Ooffices shall develop a report of the results of their efforts to promote consultation with Indian Tribes. The report is due to the TGO by December 31 of each year. Reporting is intended to be a comprehensive list of all national and regional consultation efforts undertaken that year and may include, but is not limited to, the scope, cost, and activities of the consultation efforts. The bureau/office may also report should also include consultation efforts conducted one-on- one with Indian-Tribes to highlight successes, challenges, or best practices and when appropriate, ANCSA Corporations (See 512 DM 6) and the Native Hawaiian Community	4.9 Language added to clarify the reporting requirement. Bureaus and Offices are to report on all national and regional consultation effort, and may also include information on one-on-one consultations with Tribes to highlight successes, challenges, or best practices. Reporting will focus on regional and national consultations to document agency efforts to consult. One-on-one consultations should not generally be included to respond comments about the need to balance reporting with concerns about information shared by individual Tribes during consultations. Language

	(see 513 DM 2). The report should also include	included in the 512 DM 4 draft update for
	the outcome, proposed plans and	the December 2021 consultation.
	recommendations. (The format for the report is	
	provided in the Appendix.).	
	<u>4.10</u> Flexibility for Tribal Waivers. For all	4.10 Language added based on input
	statutory or regulatory requirements applicable	received during March 2021 consultations.
	to Tribes that are subject to Department	Language included in the 512 DM 4 draft
	discretion and waiver, each bureau/office shall	update for the December 2021
	streamline processes by which Tribes apply for	consultation.
	waivers of those requirements, use flexible	
	policy approaches when reviewing Tribal	
	requests for waivers of those requirements, and	
	render a decision upon a complete application	
	for a waiver within 120 days of receipt of such	
	application, or as otherwise provided by law or	
	regulation. If the application for waiver is not	
	granted, the bureau/office shall provide the	
	Tribal applicant with timely written notice of	
	the decision and the reasons.	
Department of the Interior	Department of the Interior	Annual Report updated to clarify that
Tribal Consultation Annual Report	Tribal Consultation Annual Report	bureaus and offices should report on
Bureau/Office:	Bureau/Office:	formal consultations that are conducted on
The annual report is a summary of all bureau/office	The annual report is a summary of all	a nationwide or regional basis. Bureaus
qonsultations during one fiscal year. The information	<b><u>bB</u></b> $ureau/Oeffice_formal consultations during$	and Offices may also include information
in the Annual Report is a summary of and should be	one fiscal year that were conducted on a	on one-on-one consultations with Tribes
compiled from all of the information captured during	nationwide or regional basis. Additionally,	to highlight successes, challenges, or best
the fiscal year. (Use as much space as needed and	Bureaus and Offices may report on and any	practices. Language included in the 512
include the bureau/office name on each page.)	consultation efforts conducted one-on-one with	DM 4 draft update for the December 2021
1. Summarize and list all of the consultation topics.		consultation
2. List all of the tribes consulted.	Indian Tribes to that the bureau/office would	
3. List the location of each consultation by city	like to report to highlight consultation	Based on comments received during the
and state.	successes, challenges, or best practices. The	December 2021 consultation, language
una suuc.	information in the Annual Report is a summary	was added to clarify that public meetings
	of and should be compiled from all of the	was added to clarify that public incettings

<ul> <li>4. Summarize and list all of the issues and recommendations.</li> <li>5. Summarize successes and accomplishments and include recommendations for improvements to the consultation process.</li> <li>Prepared By:</li> <li>Date Prepared:</li> <li>Approving Official:</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>information captured during the fiscal year.</li> <li>Public meetings should not be included in the reporting information. Additionally, any information deemed sensitive or confidential by a Tribe should not be included in the annual reports. (Use as much space as needed and include the bureau/office name on each page.)</li> <li>1. Summarizey and list all of the consultation topics.</li> <li>2. List all of the Ttribes consulted.</li> <li>3. List the location of each consultation by city and state or indicate if consultation was held virtually.</li> <li>4. Summarize outcomes (eg decisions made, actions planned or</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>should not be included in report nor should the report include any information deemed sensitive or confidential by a Tribe.</li> <li>3. Language added to update report to include if a consultation was held virtually.</li> <li>4. Based on comments received during the December 2021 consultation, item #4 was updated to have bureaus and offices summarize outcomes of the consultations.</li> <li>5. Based on comments received during the December 2021 consultation, item #5 was updated to indicate that bureaus and office should get permission from the Tribe before submitting any information on</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>taken, and how Tribal input was incorporated). and list all of the issues and recommendations.</li> <li>5. Summarize successes and accomplishments and include recommendations for improvements to the consultation process.and recommendations for improvements to the consultation process. Bureaus and offices should get permission from the</li> </ul>	consultations successes in the annual report in case the Tribe does not want information shared outside of the consultation.

<u>Tribe before including any information</u> on successes, in the annual report.	
Prepared By: Date Prepared: Approving Official:	