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Thanks Jeff! We will introduce them at the beginning of the session in case there are questions specific to FWS-managed monuments. I'm not sure how much space there will be at the panel table, but if we're tight on space it would be great if they could seat near the front.

I'm attaching a copy of the information sheet for Federal participants, which provides some background on logistics.

On Tue, May 23, 2017 at 4:45 PM, Rupert, Jeff <[jeff\\_rupert@fws.gov](mailto:jeff_rupert@fws.gov)> wrote:

Elizabeth, Following up from our meeting last week. The FWS will have two employees attending the listening session in Portland on May 25th. Scott Aikin, our National Native American Programs Coordinator and Nathan Dexter, our Pacific Region Native American Liaison will be in attendance. Please let me know if you need additional information and thank you for your efforts organizing this session.

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### **Information for Federal Agency Participants in Tribal Listening Sessions on National Monument Review**

The Tribal listening session is between the Tribal Government and Federal Officials. The main purpose of the session is to hear Tribal representatives' input.

#### Registration and Tribal Participants

- There is a registration table outside the room for officials to sign in. DOI-IA will serve as registration staff to welcome participants, ask them to sign in, and provide copies of the E.O., Federal Register notice, and one-page information sheet
- DOI staff at the registration table will also do their best to limit participants to only Tribal and Federal Officials.
- The listening session sessions are closed to press unless the Tribal participants agree to open the session to press. Signs are posted informing members of the public and the media/press that they may not sit in on the Tribal listening session. DOI staff at the registration table will alert the IA representative of any press seeking to sign in so that the IA representative may ask Tribal representatives at the start of the meeting whether they prefer the session to be open or closed.
- During the Tribal listening session, any members of the public may protest peacefully outside of the facility as long as it does not disrupt the listening session.
- Anyone who enters the session and disrupts the meeting will be asked to leave (by security if necessary).

#### Panelist Table

- The panelist table is limited to Federal agency leaders or their designees. Any additional Federal agency members are asked to sit among the audience.

#### Notes for All Federal Participants

- Please direct your attention to Tribal representatives who are providing comments.
- Please place your cell phones on mute.
- If someone hands you written comments, please provide them to the DOI-IA staff at the registration table.
- If you would like to take pictures throughout the meeting, please ask if anybody objects prior to the start of the meeting.
- If someone has a question specifically for your agency, please answer if doing so will help inform the Tribes' input. If you need to follow up with the individual afterward, make sure to provide your contact information.

#### Items for Lead Agency (Indian Affairs) to Note for Tribal Participants

- At the registration table, there is a sign in sheet for all attendees.
- The room is set up in theater or classroom style only to ensure that we can accommodate a large number of Tribal participants; otherwise, we would have the seating in a circle.
- A court reporter will be transcribing the session.
  - The transcripts will be posted to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) as soon as they are available (usually a week or two after the session).
- Written comments from Tribes are to [consultation@bia.gov](mailto:consultation@bia.gov) and will be considered when received; however, note that the Secretary's interim report, including the report on Bears Ears, is due June 15, 2017.