

## **Tribal Consultation Letter Template**

Date

Re: Name and address of project  
HUD Program

To Whom it May Concern

The Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA) is considering funding the project listed above with federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Under HUD regulation 24 CFR 58.4, the IHCDA has assumed HUD's environmental review responsibilities for the project, including tribal consultation related to historic properties. Historic properties include archeological sites, burial grounds, sacred landscapes or features, ceremonial areas, traditional cultural places and landscapes, plant and animal communities, and buildings and structures with significant tribal association.

IHCDA will conduct a review of this project to comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations 36 CFR Part 800. We would like to invite you to be a consulting party in this review to help identify historic properties in the project area that may have religious and cultural significance to your tribe, and if such properties exist, to help assess how the project might affect them. If the project might have an adverse effect, we would like to discuss possible ways to avoid, minimize or mitigate potential adverse effects.

Summarize the name of the project, the number of units, the scope of work. Include information about historically significant sites in and around the project site APE.

To meet project timeframes, if you would like to be a consulting party on this project, please let us know of your interest within 30 calendar days. If you have any initial concerns with impacts of the project on religious or cultural properties, please note them in your response.

Enclosed is a map that clearly shows the boundaries of project area and, if applicable, an additional area of potential indirect effects.

More information on the Section 106 review process is available at <http://www.onecpd.info/environmental-review/historic-preservation/>.

HUD's process for tribal consultation under Section 106 is described in a Notice available at <https://www.onecpd.info/resource/2448/notice-cpd-12-006-tribal-consultation-under-24-cfr-part-58>.

If you do not wish to consult on this project, please inform us. If you do wish to consult, please include in your reply the name and contact information for the tribe's principal representative

in the consultation. We value your assistance and look forward to consulting further if there are historic properties of religious and cultural significance to your tribe that may be affected by this project.

Sincerely,

IHCDA Representative