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Ms. Lois Martin
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Dear Ms. Martin:

The Southern Sierra Miwuk Nation (Petitioner #82) is under active consideration for a Proposed Finding (PF) in the Federal acknowledgment process. This letter is to advise you that the Office of the Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs (AS-IA) needs additional time to issue the PF on Petitioner #82. By letter of January 22, 2016, we had previously indicated that a PF would be issued on or before “Friday, March 25, 2016.”

The Acting AS-IA extended the review of the documented petition. Due to administrative issues, the Acting AS-IA found good cause to extend active consideration under §83.10(h) for 90 additional days, ending Thursday, June 23, 2016. This extension will allow the Department of the Interior time to complete its review of the petitioner for a PF under the applicable regulations. This letter notifies Petitioner #82 and interested and informed parties of this 90-day extension.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Office of Federal Acknowledgment, 1951 Constitution Avenue, N.W., MS- 34B SIB, Washington, D.C. 20240. Your understanding in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Director, Office of Federal Acknowledgment

cc: Interested and Informed Parties