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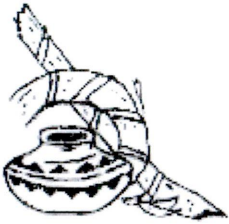
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**From:** George Gholson  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 19, 2016 12:37 PM  
**To:** Amy Dutschke  
**Cc:** Chad Broussard; Lorrae Russell; Arvada Wolfin  
**Subject:** Re: Timbisha Shoshone Ridgecrest Project - Meeting Request

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**From:** Pete, Darren  
**Sent:** Monday, June 06, 2016 9:18 AM  
**To:** Amy Dutschke  
**Cc:** Kevin Bearquiver; Jeremy Bratt; Liberty Metcalf  
**Subject:** Re: Timbisha Shoshone FTT apps?

Amy,

Thank you very much for the information. I did search and see the article on the City and Tribe agreement.

<http://www.indianz.com/IndianGaming/2016/06/02/timbisha-shoshone-tribe-secure.asp>

Darren

On Mon, Jun 6, 2016 at 12:10 PM, Amy Dutschke <[amy.dutschke@bia.gov](mailto:amy.dutschke@bia.gov)> wrote:

Darren

We don't currently have any applications from Timbisha. I do know that there has been a lot of information in the paper recently about the proposed casino site in Ridgecrest. The Timbisha do have a Homeland Act which provides for exchange of lands which I am sure they will want to use. This exchange would be a mandatory acquisition under the Homeland Act however, any lands would need to meet the conditions of the Act. We have had a number of calls from interested parties in the area and we have advised them that we will include them on our distribution list as interested parties when any application is received. Let me know if you need any additional information.

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**From:** Pete, Darren [mailto:[darren.pete@bia.gov](mailto:darren.pete@bia.gov)]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 06, 2016 6:34 AM  
**To:** Amy Dutschke; Kevin Bearquiver; Katherine Henningsen  
**Cc:** Jeremy Bratt; Liberty Metcalf  
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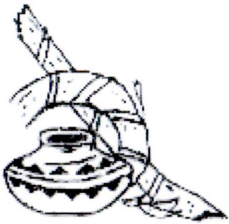
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