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Dear Chairman Edmo:

Thank you for your October 14, 2019, letter that you sent to me and Elizabeth McKenna regarding the Stibnite Mine Site. You have requested that the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes participate as a party and a support agency in the negotiations of an agreement under the Comprehensive, Environmental, Response, Liability and Compensation Act requiring investigation and response actions at the Site. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has been working with the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes as party and support agency in the negotiations with Midas Gold. The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, and the United States Forest Service have also been parties to the negotiations, and the Nez Perce has been consulting with EPA on this matter.

EPA looks forward to the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes' ongoing participation as a party and support agency as the negotiations continue.

Sincerely,

Chris Hladick
Regional Administrator