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ADMINISTRATOR

The Honorable Matthew H. Mead
Governor of Wyoming
State Capitol
200 West 24th Street
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002-0010

Dear Governor Mead:

On behalf of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, I wish to thank the state of Wyoming for engaging with the EPA on Wyoming's plan to further investigate water-quality concerns outside of Pavillion. As you know, the EPA is pleased to support Wyoming's efforts and appreciated the opportunity to include a quotation in Wyoming's June 20, 2013, press release.

In supporting the state of Wyoming, the EPA plans to continue to consult and coordinate with other interested parties on this matter as it has in the past, including other federal agencies, such as the Bureau of Land Management and the U.S. Geological Survey, as well as the Northern Arapaho and Eastern Shoshone Tribes of the Wind River Indian Reservation. The EPA recognizes that this is consistent with Wyoming's plans to involve these same parties. Additionally and consistent with the EPA's discussions to date on this matter with Wyoming, the EPA's support of Wyoming's further investigation is intended to help ensure safe drinking water and should not be construed as setting forth any EPA position regarding the exterior boundaries of the reservation or the exercise of Wyoming's authorities in this area.

The EPA looks forward to supporting and partnering with the state of Wyoming to ensure safe drinking water. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Bob Perciasepe

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Acting Administrator

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