<u>"DEAR TRIBAL LEADER" LETTER</u> INVITATION TO CONSULTATION ON CRF TRIBAL DISTRIBUTION METHODOLOGY

March 4, 2021

Via Email

Dear Tribal Leaders,

The U.S. Department of the Treasury invites you to an upcoming Tribal Consultation Listening Session to discuss the allocations of amounts reserved for Tribal governments from the Coronavirus Relief Fund established by the CARES Act in 2020. The Listening Session will focus solely on the CARES Act and not on pending legislation.

The Listening Session is off the record and not for press purposes.

While Treasury would otherwise seek to provide at least 30 days advance notice for tribal consultation, the urgency of the current pandemic requires that we shorten the notice period. We appreciate your understanding.

The consultation will be held via teleconference on Thursday, March 18, 2021, 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. ET

Register <u>here</u>. Please use Conference number: 2049303 and Passcode: 9392795 to register. **Please retain your confirmation and individual PIN number to access the call.**

Priority will be given to primary Tribal leaders in providing public comments. We respectfully request that only Tribal leaders or their designees address Treasury with their comments. Others may join the teleconference in listen-only mode. If time permits and after all primary Tribal leaders have been recognized and provided the opportunity to speak, the teleconference may be opened to other stakeholders for public comments.

Treasury welcomes written public comments. Public comments on this matter should be sent to <u>tribal.consult@treasury.gov</u> by 11:59 p.m. AKDT Friday, March 19, 2021, to be considered.

An agenda will be provided before the meeting.

We hope that you will be able to join us for this important discussion and value your participation.

Sincerely,

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