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Mr. Alvin Moyle
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DISPOSE OF DATE: N/A
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Dear Mr. Moyle:

SUBJECT: EXPANSION OF COMMUNICATION SITE AT COTTON PEAK,
STILLWATER MOUNTAINS, CHURCHILL COUNTY, NEVADA

The intention of this letter is to notify the Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe about the subject undertaking in accordance with 36 CFR 800, regulations implementing Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (16 USC 470f), as amended. This letter and Figure 1 address the proposed Undertaking and its potential effect on cultural properties in conformance with the documentation standards set forth under 36 CFR 800.11(e).

Undertaking

The Naval Strike and Air Warfare Center (NSAWC) propose to expand the communication site on Cotton Peak in the Stillwater Mountains. The site will be enlarged to include a larger solar array (a small solar array exists there currently), at least two additional antennas, and a helicopter landing pad. Ground disturbing activities will include leveling a 20 ft. by 20 ft. area for the helicopter pad and the excavation of anchor points for the solar array and antennas - a total of approximately 500 sq. ft. will be disturbed.

Area of Potential Effect

Consistent with the definition under 36 CFR 800.16(d), the Area of Potential Effect (APE) is the geographic area within which the Undertaking could affect historic properties, either directly or indirectly. The area of potential effect is approximately 500 sq. ft., which includes the expanded solar array and the new helicopter landing pad.