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Re: Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes - Interim Plan

Dear Don,

The Commission has authorized me to send you this notice that the Commission has ceased negotiations on the issue of changes to existing water rights as part of the interim plan for water administration on the Flathead Reservation. The Commission repeatedly requested that changes to existing rights be a part of any interim plan, and the Tribes have consistently refused to consider changes as part of any interim plan.

Please give me a call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Susan Cottingham, Program Manager