

**TRIBAL
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FIKE
NO. 1**



CHIEF WASHAKIE

SHOSHONE & ARAPAHOE TRIBES

BOX 217

FORT WASHAKIE, WYOMING 82514



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February 6, 1981

Mr. James H. and Mrs. Mary Edna Fike
Crowheart, Wyoming 82512

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Fike:

All enrolled members of the Shoshone and Arapahoe Tribes of the Wind River Indian Reservation and direct descendants of tribal members who own land in fee that is under irrigation or may be irrigable are requested to attend a meeting on Tuesday, February 24, 1981, beginning at 9:30 am at Rocky Mountain Hall, Fort Washakie, Wyoming. The meeting is in connection with the pending litigation of all water rights within the Big Horn River System, State of Wyoming, Civil No. 4993, in the Wyoming District Court for the Fifth Judicial District of Wyoming.

The purpose of this meeting is to assist the Tribes in preparing their claims for water to serve fee lands held by tribal members or direct descendants of members. The information provided by Indian fee land owners will aid the Tribes in claiming entitlement to water to serve those lands. Please bring with you, if possible, deeds or other documentation of your ownership of fee lands, and documentation of your use of water and state water rights, if any.

Your cooperation in helping the Tribes assert and protect tribal water rights to serve your lands will be deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,

Robert N. Harris, Sr., Chairman
 Shoshone Business Council

Joseph Oldman, Chairman
 Arapahoe Business Council

Tribal WRC-275
Fike No. 1

-Site
Bushman Higginson
(Culter) ✓

INDIAN FEE LAND OWNERS INFORMATION REQUEST

1. Name: Mary Fike (Enrolled) James (husband)

2. Address: Crowheart

3. Telephone: 486-2242

4. If you are an enrolled Shoshone or Arapahoe tribal member, please state:

(a) Which tribe: Shoshone

(b) Enrollment number: _____

5. If you are NOT an enrolled tribal member, please state the name of your parents or grandparents who are tribal members of the Shoshone or Arapahoe Tribe:

(a) Parent(s): _____

(b) Grandparent(s): _____

6. For any fee land you own individually or jointly with another person or persons, please state:

(a) Legal description: T4N, R4W, Sec 23 W/2 SW/4, SW/4/NW/4 S/2 NW/4/NW/4; Sec 22 E/2 SE/4, SE/4/NE/4 200 A

(b) Any joint owners: NO ①

(c) Whether tract has been irrigated in the last two years: YES

(d) Whether tract has ever been irrigated at any time prior to the last two years: YES

① Patent from BIA to wife who then deeded 1/2 interest to husband. Patented in 1963 so could borrow money on it (Big mistake - to borrow \$7,500 has cost \$20,000 in construction fees & so.)

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(e) If tract was ever irrigated, please state:

(i) River, stream, or other source of water:

F.I.P. Dinwiddie Lake Dam

(ii) Name of main irrigation canal from water source serving your land: F.I.P. Ditch - Dinwiddie

(iii) Ditch serving your land from main canal:

(iv) Amount of water diverted to serve your land:

5 AF/year on 200 A. 60 A that needs draining

(v) Any State of Wyoming certificate of appropriation, permit, or permit application for water diverted to your land:

Application for Permit No. yes ^{thru} NO for surface for wells: file
Permit No. #2

Certificate of Appropriation No. _____

Permit # 5 U.W. 29280, 29281

(vi) What crops you normally grow on your irrigated land:

Crops

Acres

Took it out of sagebrush in 1948
Alfalfa, Oats, Wheat, Barley, Corn, Malt Barley,
Tricale, grass

Raise cattle also farm an assignment from Tribes.

Total Acres Irrigated _____

(f) What other uses you make of water on your land from surface or groundwater:

Stockwatering ponds: yes - wells

Domestic wells: yes

Recreational use: NO Ducks come in on drain ditch

Mineral development: _____

Other: _____

(g) From whom did you get title to your land? _____

patent - was trust land

(h) Has your land ever been owned by any non-Indian?

NO - except husband's 1/2 interest

(i) How your land came into fee status: _____

to borrow money - see other side.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC
JOINT BUSINESS COUNCIL OF THE
SHOSHONE AND ARAPAHOE TRIBES
WIND RIVER INDIAN RESERVATION
FORT WASHAKIE, WYOMING 82514

On Tuesday, February 24, 1981, the Shoshone and Arapahoe Tribes will hold a meeting for all enrolled members of the Tribes and direct descendants of members who own land in fee on the Reservation that is under irrigation or that may be irrigable. The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. at Rocky Mountain Hall in Fort Washakie, Wyoming. The purpose of the meeting is to assist the Tribes in preparing the Tribes' claims for water to serve fee lands owned by members or direct descendants in the on-going water rights lawsuit.

It is strongly recommended that such fee owners attend. Members of the Business Councils, tribal attorneys and consultant will be at the meeting.

Tribal Administrative Complex
Fort Washakie, WY 82514
February 6, 1981

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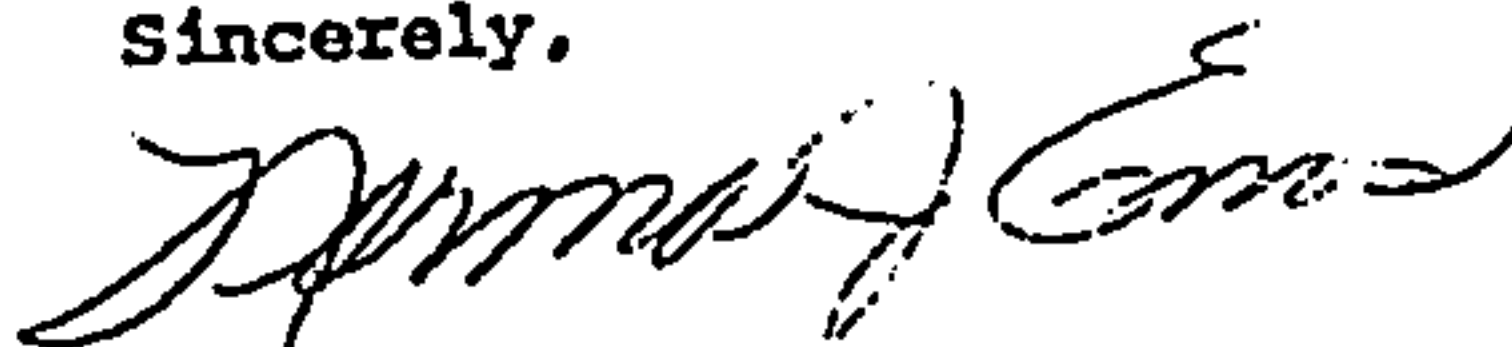
February 6, 1981

Dr. Alonzo T. Spang, Sr.
Superintendent
Wind River Agency
Ft Washakie, WY 82514

Dear Dr. Spang:

Please post the attached Public Notice in a conspicuous place for the public to read in the Wind River Agency.

Sincerely,



Norma J. Enos
Joint Tribal Secretary
Shoshone & Arapahoe Tribes

Enclosure

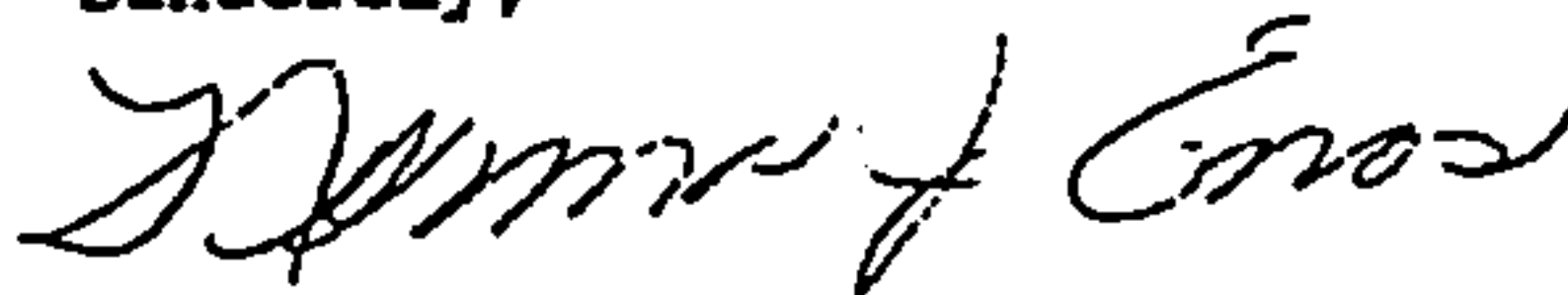
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Riverton Ranger
421 East Main
Riverton, WY 82501

Dear Sir:

Please publish the attached Public Notice in your paper. It would be appreciated if you would publish this Public Notice not less than once a week for two weeks. Also send an affidavit stating this notice appeared in your newspaper.

Sincerely,



Norma J. Enos
Joint Tribal Secretary
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February 6, 1981

Wyoming State Journal
267 Main Street
Lander, WY 82520

Dear Sir:

Please publish the attached Public Notice in your paper. It would be appreciated if you would publish this Public Notice not less than once a week for two weeks. Also send an affidavit stating this notice appeared in your newspaper.

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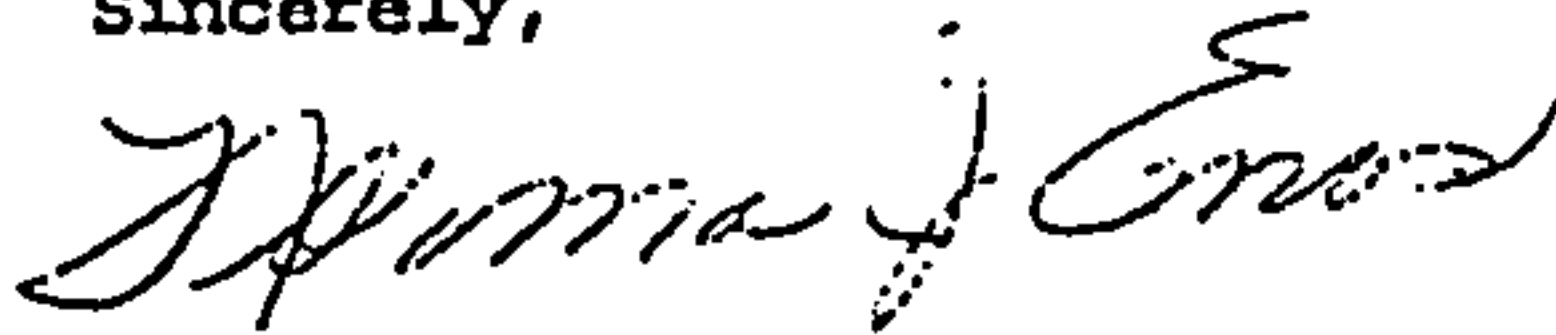
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Editor
Wind River Journal
Ft Washakie, WY 82514

Dear Editor:

Please publish the attached Public Notice in the February 13,
1981 and February 20, 1981 editions of your paper. This Public Notice
was hand-delivered to your reporters so it could be published in today's
edition.

Sincerely,



Norma J. Enos
Joint Tribal Secretary
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RE: Proposed Meeting with
Fee Land Owners, Water
Rights

Dear Mr. Sachse and Mr. Rogers:

The notice to the public, concerning members who own land in fee on the Reservation, has been published. The individual letters, from the list you furnished, were also mailed. I spoke to several members of the Joint Business Council on the scheduled date of February 24, 1981, and this date was satisfactory to hold this public meeting.

I am enclosing for your files copies of those letters to the individuals and a copy of the public meeting notice.

Sincerely,



Norma J. Enos
Joint Tribal Secretary
Shoshone & Arapahoe Tribes

Enclosures

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