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Mr. Roger French
West Bank Homeowners Association
18001 Cowan, Suite J
Irvine, California 92614

Dear Mr. French:

On November 8, 2013, we received your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, No. **BIA-2013-00226**, wherein you are requesting “a copy of any and all trust deeds affecting title to records that are held by the special division of the Department of the Interior known as the Division of Land Titles and Records and its Regional Land Titles and Records Office for the Rymer subdivision, U.S. Highway 95 Blythe, CA 92225, as further described in the attached Summary Judgment.”

After a thorough and comprehensive search, it has been determined that the Western Regional Office-Real Estate Services and the Southwest Region-Land, Titles, and Records Office (LTRO) do not have records responsive to your request. Furthermore, LTRO states that “there are no trust deeds; the land belongs to the Tribe.”

Under law, we are required to advise you of your appeal rights when informing you that we believe that we have no records responsive to your FOIA request. If you have additional information (not provided in your request letter) that would lead you to believe that there are records in files maintained by the Bureau, you may file a FOIA appeal by writing to:

FOIA Appeals Officer
US Department of the Interior
1849 C. Street, NW
Mailstop 6556, MIB
Washington, DC 20240

Your appeal letter must be received no later than 30 workdays (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays) after the date of our response (this letter). Your appeal letter must be marked, both on it envelope and at the top of its first page, with the legend “FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL.” Your appeal letter must be accompanied by a copy of your original FOIA request (a copy of which is enclosed), and a copy of this letter, along with a brief explanation of why you believe that this decision is in error.

There is no fee for the processing of this FOIA. This completes our response to your request and will now be closed. If you have any questions, please contact Velda M. Garcia, Regional FOIA Coordinator, at (602) 379-6600.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "D. B. ...", written in a cursive style.

Regional Director

cc: Regional Realty Office, WRO
Florene Calabaza, SWRO-LTRO