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Lola,  
Based on our conversation, please ignore the media inquiry I sent up earlier from Navajo Times. I'll decline all the interview requests received this morning and will refer reporters to interior press as we discussed, using the language you and Megan provided. Here are the new media inquiries in the WO format.

Thanks for your advice and help as always!!!!

1.

**Navajo Times** (<http://navajotimes.com>)

**(Window Rock, AZ)**

- Reporter Cindy Yurth requested information regarding Bears Ears National Monument. The reporter visited the Monticello Field Office in person, gathered publications and recreation information for Cedar Mesa area, and was referred to Lisa Bryant, CCYD PAO. The reporter followed up by email. CCYD PA responded on background, politely declining the interview, referring the reporter to [interior\\_press@ios.doi.gov](mailto:interior_press@ios.doi.gov), and pointing the reporter to the BLM website for further information.

2.

**Inside Science** (<https://www.insidescience.org/authors/nala-rogers>) (

**Online, American Institute of Physics)** - Reporter Nala Rogers contacted Monticello Field Office and

CCYD PAO requesting interview/information on looting of paleontological resources within national monuments such as Bears Ears National Monument and/or Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument. CCYD PA responded on background, politely declining the interview, referring the reporter to [interior\\_press@ios.doi.gov](mailto:interior_press@ios.doi.gov), and pointing the reporter to the BLM website for further information.

CCYD also provided  
names of two non-BLM paleontologists

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3.

**The Revelator** (<http://therevelator.org>) (

**Online, Center for Biological Diversity)**- Reporter John Dougherty had multiple questions regarding Bears Ears National Monument, stemming from a recent meeting between Bears Ears Tribal Commission and federal officials. He asked to fact check information regarding increased visitation (metrics, etc.), number and types of abandoned mine sites on BLM, impacts from hunting (bear or other game). He also asked about a recently burned facility on BLM - he'd heard there were two. CCYD PA responded on background, politely declining the interview, referring the reporter to [interior\\_press@ios.doi.gov](mailto:interior_press@ios.doi.gov), and pointing the reporter to the BLM website for further information. With respect to the burned facility, CCYD PA referred the reporter to [BLM\\_press@blm.gov](mailto:BLM_press@blm.gov),

This fourth  
was

a non-media inquiry - it was sent up previously, but the student has subsequently emailed BLM PAO and field office staff.

This is a follow up with the final media report.

4.

**University of Leicester Student Dissertation (England, UK)**

- Graduate Student, Volker Laska requested information and interviews with BLM-Monticello Law Enforcement Rangers and Archaeologists regarding vandalism and looting within the Cedar Mesa and Bears Ears National Monument area. Information will be used in a dissertation, as well as potentially used in professional journal and speaking situations. CCYD PA responded politely declining interviews of BLM employees. Alternate suggestions for subject matter experts in the area were provided.

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