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Anita, I wanted to make sure that you were in the loop on this. I plan to stay on point with it. ed  
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**From:** **Snyder, Teresa (Terry)** <tsnyder@blm.gov>  
**Date:** Tue, Aug 8, 2017 at 3:16 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Daneros Mine Plan Modification Update and request for briefings if necessary  
**To:** "Roberson, Edwin" <eroberso@blm.gov>  
**Cc:** Larry Garahana <lgarahan@blm.gov>, Stanley Perkes <sperkes@blm.gov>, Kent Hoffman <khoffman@blm.gov>, Lance Porter <l50porte@blm.gov>, Roger Bankert <rbankert@blm.gov>

Mr. Roberson,

Good afternoon. You were inquiring about the next steps for Daneros. I spoke with the Minerals Staff here in the Washington Office. They suggested that if there is a need to brief the WO then they recommend that you send an e-mail to WO-200 Kristin Bail, WO-300 Tim Spisak and WO-400 if you think it is appropriate. Attach the briefing documents to the e-mail and ask if they want to schedule a briefing to further discuss the concerns/issues with the approval of the modification to the Daneros Mine plan of operations.

I also spoke with Bryon Loosle about the Native American Consultation concerns. He said if BLM Utah has tried to consult and documented the case of the attempts to consult then that is sufficient to put this issue to rest.

If you have any other questions, I can be reached at 202-912-7133.

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On Tue, Aug 8, 2017 at 2:57 PM, Roberson, Edwin <eroberso@blm.gov> wrote:

Terry, By now Larry or Stan have likely called you regarding the status and progress on our two uranium mines in San Juan County, UT. We are looking to advance these to decisions and want to ensure that we are successful in engaging the WO in the approval process. I had a good call with Lance and the folks from Moab and Monticello this morning. I attached the two briefing papers and maps used for the brief today. Kent and Roger are out today but I wanted to begin to move this forward. Please let us know what you believe our next steps should be. Thank you. ed

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**From:** **Hoffheins, Donald** <dhoffhei@blm.gov>

Date: Thu, Jul 20, 2017 at 11:10 AM

Subject: Re: Daneros Mine Plan Modification Update and request for briefings if necessary

To: "Hoffman, Kent" <[khoffman@blm.gov](mailto:khoffman@blm.gov)>

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Ed, Kent and Pam,

I have attached the Briefing Papers for both projects.

As for Daneros, we recently received editorial comments from Jim Karkut on the EA. Ted has worked through most of them but there are some air quality comments that we are still working through. You'll also see in the consultation discussion that we have requested a followup meeting with the Ute Mtn Ute Tribe but still have not gotten that set up.

The latest "reminder" to them was in a June 5 letter to Chairman Cuthair.

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On Wed, Jul 12, 2017 at 2:12 PM, Hoffman, Kent <[khoffman@blm.gov](mailto:khoffman@blm.gov)> wrote:

Lance,

- Would it be possible to get the UTSO briefed on both Daneros and LaSal at the same time? Same operator and same mill involved.
- What documentation do we have regarding efforts to consult with the UMU Tribe?
- Once Ed is up to current speed on the projects, I think he would be the one that could consult with WO questions regarding any monument related issues.

On Wed, Jul 12, 2017 at 9:33 AM, Porter, Lance <[l50porte@blm.gov](mailto:l50porte@blm.gov)> wrote:

Kent,

We are updating the briefing paper. Please schedule the briefings that you feel are necessary. I believe ample time has been given for consultation, but we need to make sure everyone is comfortable before we move ahead.

Thank you,

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From: **Hoffheins, Donald** <[dhoffhei@blm.gov](mailto:dhoffhei@blm.gov)>

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Lance, We are getting close to completing all reviews on the EA. It has been a month since our last Consultation letter to the Ute Mtn Ute Tribe concerning Consultation on Daneros and we have received no response.

Issue is:

1. Although no cultural resource sites are located in the disturbance area, Ute Mtn Ute Tribe has said that Consultation is not complete till we meet with the Tribal Council. We have been trying to get with the Council since Last January in a variety of ways, but still no response.
2. They have expressed concerns verbally with the White Mesa Mill.

I request a question "up the line" related to Consultation as to whether we should move forward with a decision. Also, while asking the question about moving forward, we need to consider the effect of the Monument designation.

1. Of the approximately 65 miles to haul ore to the White Mesa Mill, approximately 40 miles is within the monument boundary.
2. Since the monument is under Secretarial Review, I don't know if the WO wants us to move forward.

Finally, I assume it to be the case, but need to know if we will need to set up briefings with WO and DOI since we now have more new staff at those levels. Thanks for vetting these questions up.

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Ted, please revise the briefing paper to reduce background information as discussed before, and update with the newest status and issues by Friday of next week in preparation of setting up briefings.

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