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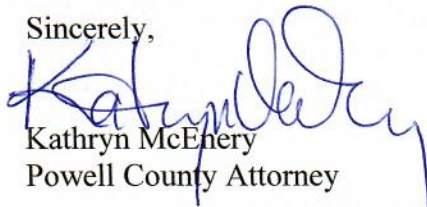
Dear Mr. Lea,

Thank you for your letter dated September 28, 2020.

Powell County appreciates the interest of the PLWA and the efforts of Ms. Fox in researching the issue of Jake Creek Road, however, we were not included in any of her recent discussions with FWP, the Spotted Dog Work Group, or other individuals referenced in the letter. This places Powell County at a disadvantage in responding to a request for information. If Ms. Fox could provide me with the results of her research and the names of the persons with whom she consulted, that would be greatly appreciated and I will be able to provide a more informed response.

Specific to your request, Powell County's plan for the Jake Creek Road includes holding meetings with the agencies and person identified by the PLWA as well as the rest of the stakeholders on this issue. Certainly the County would welcome an invitation to another meeting, if Ms. Fox wishes to coordinate it, where we can continue this discussion. The county does not have a specific timeframe for work on this project, but it will not be completed by November 16, 2020.

Sincerely,



Kathryn McEnery  
Powell County Attorney

cc: Powell County Board of Commissioners  
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