## Designation Form to be copied onto Tribal Letterhead

Ms. Heather Dawn Thompson Director, Office of Tribal Relations US Department of Agriculture 1400 Independence Ave., SW Suite 501-A Washington, DC 20250

Dear Ms. Thompson:

Under Executive Order 13175, "Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments," and USDA Departmental Regulation 1350-002 "Tribal Consultation, Coordination, and Collaboration," USDA aims to respect Indian tribal self-government and sovereignty, honor tribal treaty and other rights, and meet the responsibilities that arise from the unique legal relationship between the Federal government and Tribal governments.

Because duly elected tribal leaders, or their designee, trigger the government-to-government relationship with the United States, formal administrative requirements under the Federal Advisory Committee Act do not apply.<sup>1</sup>

I am unable to attend the consultations discussing consultation and racial equity on March 9, 2021 and March 11, 2021. I hereby designate:

| who holds the position of                      | within |
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| the Tribe to act as my proxy for this meeting. |        |
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| Sincerely,                                     |        |
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA; 5 U.S.C. Appendix – Federal Advisory Committee Act; 86 Stat. 770, as amended.)