



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION IX
75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, CA 94105**

November 25, 2014

Subject: Nominations Requested for 2015-2017 Regional Tribal Operations Committee

Dear Tribal Leader:

The Regional Tribal Operations Committee is soliciting nominations for representatives to serve on the Committee for the October, 2015 to September, 2017 term.

The RTOC is a working committee of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9 and Federally Recognized Tribes in Arizona, California, and Nevada. The RTOC is co-chaired by Jeff Scott, Director of the EPA Region 9 Land Division and Cornelius Antone of the Tohono O'odham Nation. All tribes within Region 9 are members of the RTOC, but for organizational purposes, tribal leaders in each geographic area within the Region will nominate and later elect tribal representatives to the RTOC Tribal Caucus, as described in the attached RTOC Charter.

We have provided the enclosed form to submit your Tribe's nomination. The Tribe may nominate a representative from your Tribe or from another tribe in your area. Please ensure your nomination is returned to the EPA Region 9 by December 23, 2014. You may return the form by email (preferred), fax or regular mail, as detailed on the form.

Following receipt of nominations, formal ballots will be sent out by January 23, 2015. Ballots will be tallied and results will be announced by the EPA Region 9 at the Spring RTOC meeting, scheduled for May 26-28, 2015 in San Francisco.

If you have any questions, please contact Mariela Lopez at (415) 972-3771. We look forward to hearing from you by December 23, 2014.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Jeff Scott in blue ink.

Jeff Scott
Director
Land Division

Handwritten signature of Cornelius Antone in blue ink.

Cornelius Antone
RTOC Tribal Co-Chair
Tohono O'odham Nation

Enclosures