**From:** Farris, Forest [ffarris@mt.gov] **Sent:** Friday, March 16, 2007 6:39 PM

To: Theodore, Nancy Cc: Nolan, Jim

**Subject:** Montana's comments on the proposed FDPIR funding methodology are attached.

Attachments: Ltrhd-FDPIR Funding Comments-3-16-07.doc

Nancy:

Please consider this email AND the attached comment document as Montana's comments regarding the funding methodology proposal which includes comments regarding the Attachment E proposal.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

It is unfortunate that a state agency was not reprsented on the committee as I had proposed and volunteered for inclusion.

It was also clear when attending the Rapid City Meeting that the Mountain Plains tribal programs were also not adequately represented when compared to other regional representation on the funding methodology committee.

Montana's intent with our comments is to appropriately represent the sentiment of the tribes that we represent for the FDPIR program that have not submitted their individual comments. All six tribes are opposed to the proposed funding formula.

Respectfully submitted

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