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The Honorable Steve Sisolak
Governor, State of Nevada
One Hundred One North Carson Street
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Dear Governor Sisolak:

I am providing you an update from my interim letter dated October 30, 2019. The Navy sincerely appreciates the collaboration of your staff, state agencies, counties, and stakeholders to address the issues outlined in your original 15 Oct 2019 letter. The meetings and coordination between senior Navy leadership and representatives of your office have led to resolution of some concerns within the FRTC proposal. We recognize that not every issue raised in the consolidated proposal has led to a complete agreement between the Navy and the stakeholder group and in particular some of the more significant concerns contained in the proposal. We are committed to continue to examine potential solutions to maintain our positive relationship with the State and local communities which is critical for the growth and sustainment of this strategic national asset

Enclosed is the Navy written response on each item in the consolidated proposal. The responses reflect the detailed discussions and progress made during the two in-depth working meetings on November 18, 2019 and December 19, 2019. We appreciate the time and efforts of all those involved in these meetings.

The Navy recognizes that the proposed modernization of the FRTC will have impacts to residents of the State of Nevada, and we have worked throughout this process to reduce and minimize impacts to the extent we can while meeting FRTC training capabilities requirements. Following any eventual decision on the modernization, we will continue those efforts to avoid and reduce impacts.

The upcoming Final EIS Record of Decision (ROD) and the consideration by Congress that will follow are critical milestones for the FRTC modernization, but they only mark the beginning of a multi-year program. The program timeline provides the opportunity for continued coordination and collaboration with your office and all stakeholders. With that in mind, we have scheduled a series of meetings the week of January 27th, 2020 to continue discussions on the FRTC proposal. The first meeting will be a public information meeting on January 28th at the Fallon Convention Center that will afford citizens, agencies and other interested stakeholders the

opportunity to review changes made to the proposal between the Draft and Final EISs, and to interact with Navy officials. More details on this meeting are in attached. On Wednesday, January 29th, the Navy will meet with affected Tribes at NAS Fallon. And lastly, we invite the full Nevada stakeholder group, as well as EIS cooperating agencies and Indian tribes to participate in a meeting on January 30, 2020 at NAS Fallon. At this meeting, the Navy will share proposed Navy commitments expected in the ROD and discuss in detail the future implementation of the modernization. Logistical details will follow by email.

Again, we appreciate your willingness to work closely with the Navy as we move forward together. Please contact me at any time if you have additional questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



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Installations, and Environment)

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