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Dear Mr. Roberts,

The Northwestern Band of the Shoshone Nation (NWBSN) is submitting our comments regarding the implementation of the 8-hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) by EPA and the memorandum from Jeffrey R. Holmstead requesting tribes to provide recommended designations. We are providing the following input in this designation process:

- Presently the NWBSN Washakie Reservation would be considered unclassifiable because there is no data or monitoring to support any other class designation.
- The NWBSN will begin monitoring for Ozone and PM 2.5 starting in FY 2003.
- Once there is sufficient data the NWBSN Tribal Council may seek redesignation to a different classification and/or comment further on the 8 hour designation for Ozone.

Sincerely,

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