

## United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

MAY 12, 2020

Mr. William H. Leonard 4630 Ben Hur Road PO Box 186 Mariposa, California 95338

Dear Mr. Leonard:

Thank you for your letter of March 20, 2020, requesting an extension of the comment period on the proposed finding (PF) regarding the Southern Sierra Miwuk Nation's (SSM) petition for Federal acknowledgment.

Upon review of your request, the Assistant Secretary–Indian Affairs (AS-IA) has found good cause to grant an additional 180-day extension of the comment period. Comments are due on or before Monday, November 16, 2020. This letter notifies SSM and interested parties of this extension.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Federal Acknowledgment at 1849 C Street, NW, MS-4071-MIB, Washington, DC 20240.

Sincerely,

Director, Office of Federal Acknowledgment

R. Lee Steming

cc: Mr. Stephen V. Quesenberry

Interested Parties