

United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

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Mr. Ron Yob PO Box 2937 Grand Rapids, Michigan 49501-2937

Dear Mr. Yob:

The Grand River Bands of Ottawa Indians (Petitioner #146) is under active consideration for a Proposed Finding (PF) in the Federal acknowledgment process. This letter is to advise you that the Office of the Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs (AS-IA) needs additional time to issue the PF on Petitioner #146. By letter of December 19, 2018, we had previously indicated that a PF would be issued on Tuesday, March 19, 2019.

The AS-IA is extending the review of the documented petition. Due to administrative issues, the AS-IA found good cause to extend, under § 83.10(h), the issuance date of the PF to Tuesday, April 23, 2019, or before.

This 35-day extension will allow the Department of the Interior time to complete its review of the petition and issue a PF under the applicable regulations. This letter notifies Petitioner #146 and interested and informed parties of this extension.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Office of Federal Acknowledgment, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-4071-MIB, Washington, DC 20240. Thank you for your patience. Your understanding in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Director, Office of Federal Acknowledgment

cc: Interested and Informed Parties