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Office of the Commander

10 9 MAY 2008

Dr. Brice Obermeyer, NAGPRA Director
Delaware Tribe of Indians
220 NW Virginia Avenue
Bartlesville, OK 74003

Dear Dr. Obermeyer:

Pursuant to Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) 2005 actions, US Army Fort Monmouth, New Jersey will be closed and transferred out of Army ownership. The purpose of this notice is to contact all federally-recognized Indian tribes who may be culturally affiliated with this region in order that we may gain historical and cultural information and to initiate consultation with tribes who historically used this region and/or continue to use the area for cultural or religious purposes.

Fort Monmouth is located a few miles west of the Jersey Shore, one hour south of New York City and an hour and a half northeast of Philadelphia. The Installation was established in 1917 as Camp Little Silver for reserve signal battalion training, and has served the Army until the present as a center for electronics development. It is currently the home of the Army's Command and Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Sensors and Reconnaissance (C4ISR) mission. The military history of Fort Monmouth is available at the website:
<http://www.monmouth.army.mil/historian/history.php>.

In August 2007, a cultural resources survey of the Main Post and Charles Wood Area recorded two archaeological sites (one historic and one prehistoric) and completed further documentation at one previously identified site. The archaeologists also found one isolated prehistoric artifact. Neither of the sites, nor the isolated find, is considered eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). The survey also attempted to locate five previously recorded prehistoric sites. No evidence of these sites was discovered and each location appeared to have been disturbed by normal Installation operation and use. It has been determined that these five sites do not meet the criteria for inclusion in the NRHP.

To our knowledge, no traditional cultural properties or tribal sacred sites have been identified at Fort Monmouth. However, if your tribe has historical or cultural information about sacred sites or other traditional or cultural properties that may be impacted by the proposed closure or if

you wish to initiate government to government consultation to discuss any cultural affiliation or significance that your tribe may have attached to the area please contact:

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All requests shall be made in writing and shall include the names and method of contacting your tribal representatives, traditional religious leaders or other appropriate points of contact. If you do not respond to this notice within the 30 days, we will assume that your tribal community has no information and does not wish to initiate consultation.

A copy of this letter is being furnished to Ms. Nancy Parrish, US Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District, Texas.

Sincerely,



Stephen M. Christian
Colonel, U.S. Army
Commanding