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From: Dwight Witherspoon – Navajo Nation Council Delegate for Hardrock, Pinon, Black
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Subject: Request for Assistance for Families on HPL who need representation, public safety &
legal assistance

Navajo families on HPL really need help! I have requested the Attorney General Harison Tsosie to provide an update to the NHLC on Thursday October 30th about legal options to assist the families on HPL who are having their livestock impounded and to identify lands that the families may take livestock to until the matter is resolved with Hopi. I am advocating for DOJ to file in Federal District Court to request Hopi to honor the Accommodation Agreement to increase the sheep units up to 2800 and for grazing in additional range units. I would like for you to provide staff to assist in documentation, requesting federal agent to monitor for public safety, and to contact the families to keep them updated. There will be a meeting held on Sunday morning at the Hardrock Chapter, Please have a staff member attend!

Please Contact Dwight Witherspoon @ 505-906-1520. Thank you in advance for your assistance!

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Navajo Division of Public Safety
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Dear Herbert Tsosie, Acting Director:

Navajo families on HPL really need help! I have requested the Attorney General Harrison Tsosie to provide an update to the NHLC on Thursday October 30th about legal options to assist the families on HPL who are having their livestock impounded and to identify lands that the families may take livestock to until the matter is resolved with Hopi. I am advocating for DOJ to file in Federal District Court to request Hopi to honor the Accommodation Agreement to increase the sheep units up to 2800 and for grazing in additional range units. We will be asking for an injunction as well. I would like for you to provide staff or request federal agent(s) to monitor for public safety. Two step children of Bahe Begay's family were arrested this morning while Hopi impounded livestock from Bahe Begay family who lives on Hopi Partitioned Lands. Hopi goes early in the morning with large amount of force and starts taking sheep out of the corrals. They have a helicopter to get an aerial view. Things are getting tense. Nephew of Sarah Blackrock has armed himself and taken the sheep into the canyon, stating that he will battle it out with the Hopi's if he has too. The Blackrock family is going home to talk him into disarming himself. Please have a staff member attend the Navajo Hopi Land Commission meeting in Window Rock on Thursday October 30th at 10 A.M. at the Budget and Finance Conference Room to provide an update report about any action to protect the safety of Navajo families in HPL. Thank you for your assistance!

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