



U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Prisons

Washington, DC 20534

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**Subject: Resumption of National Environmental Policy Act
Process - Proposal to Develop a Federal Correctional
Institution and Federal Prison Camp in Leavenworth,
Kansas**

Dear Sir/Madam:

On November 18, 2011, the U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP) published a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) concerning a proposal to develop a new Federal Correctional Institution and Federal Prison Camp within property comprising the U.S. Penitentiary in Leavenworth, Kansas. Following publication of the DEIS, a public hearing was held on December 11, 2011, and the public comment period was concluded on January 2, 2012. Publication of the Final EIS (FEIS) occurred on April 10, 2015, and the public comment period concluded on May 10, 2015. A decision whether to proceed with the proposed action was delayed and a Record of Decision to be issued by the Director of the BOP, pursuant to the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended and U.S. Department of Justice regulations, was never adopted.

By this letter, the BOP is announcing the resumption of the NEPA process and its intent to complete its responsibilities and obligations under NEPA with preparation of a Draft Supplemental FEIS (DSFEIS). The DSFEIS will include updated information about the proposed project; the purpose and need for proceeding with developing a new FCI and FPC in Leavenworth, Kansas; potential impacts and mitigation measures associated with the project; and to provide the public, elected and appointed officials, regulatory agencies and others the opportunity to voice their interests and provide comments concerning the proposed action. The DSFEIS is expected to be published by the

end of 2020 and notice will be given concerning the availability of the DSFEIS for public review along with plans for a public hearing following DSFEIS publication. The BOP appreciates your continued interest in this project. Please direct any inquiries to:

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